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AJRA rodeo opens Tuesday

The 35th annual AJRA National Finals Rodeo begins Tuesday in the Scurry County Coliseum, the 12th consecutive year that the growing rodeo spectacular has been hosted by Snyder and the chamber's AJRA committee.

Performances will be held each evening beginning at 8 p.m. Entered will be the top young rodeo hands in the nation who have earned the right to compete in the national finals.

For the second year, the finals will be presented in a national telecast throughout the U.S. and Canada. Many stations will carry the telecast live on Saturday, the final night from 8 until 10 p.m.

Some contestants have already begun to arrive. Although the rodeo does not officially begin until Tuesday there are two preliminary events scheduled.

At 1 p.m. Sunday there will be a World Champion Barrel Race for kids eight and under. This is the third year for this event, sponsored by the Ogden family of Gail. There will be a saddle for first, buckle for second and jackets for the top 10.

Another preliminary event is the team roping finals starting at 10 a.m. Monday in the coliseum.

Another special event will be the exes rodeo scheduled for 11 p.m. Saturday. Events will be team roping, calf roping, breakaway roping, ribbon roping and barrel race.

Entries will be taken one hour earlier in the coliseum. Terry Canon Cheatham is president of the Alumni Association.

The exes reunion, sponsored by the AJRA Alumni and Booster Club, will commemorate the AJRA's 35th anniversary. It was founded in 1953 by Alvin G. Davis of Lubbock. He is presently a leader of the Ranching Heritage Center in Lubbock.

Registration for exes begins at 3 p.m. at Willow Park, and a reception will be held from 5 to 7 p.m. Friday.

Saturday, the Alumni will sponsor a steak cookout and auction in the Coliseum annex honoring all exes, national sponsors and pro celebrities. A dance will follow the Saturday night performance for all exes at the Willow Park Inn.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes will meet at 3 p.m. Wednesday in the coliseum. There will be a special music group, New Creations, from Lamesa. The guest speaker will be Willard Moody, former PRCA calf roper.

The best of the pros are back for the 1987 finals. Bob Tallman returns as rodeo announcer for the seventh straight year. Tallman's unusual style of announcing from horseback will be used Tuesday though Thursday. He will return to the grandstands Friday and Saturday to handle the TV telecasts.

Joining Tallman as announcer will be Charlie Throckmorton of Cleburne. Pro clowns will be Rick Chatman, Tom Feller and Leon Coffee. Chatman has been with the AJRA since 1976.

The AJRA telecast will feature Pam Menick, former Miss Rodeo America, as a commentator. Joining her as a commentator will be Don Gay, eight times world champion bull rider, and J.C. Trujillo, 1981 world champion bareback rider; and Roy Cooper, eight times world cham-

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AJRA Events

Sunday, Aug. 9
1 p.m.--World Champion Barrel Race for ages 8 and under.

Monday, Aug. 10
10 a.m.--Team Roping Finals
8 p.m.--Racing Slack in Coliseum
9 p.m.--Disco Dance in Coliseum Annex

Tuesday, Aug. 11
9 a.m.--Roping Slack
8 p.m.--First Night of AJRA Rodeo
9 p.m.--Disco Dance in Coliseum Annex

Wednesday, Aug. 12
9 a.m.--Roping Slack
3 p.m.--Cowboy's Fellowship of Christian Athletes
8 p.m.--AJRA Rodeo
9 p.m.--Disco Dance in Coliseum Annex

Thursday, Aug. 13
9 a.m.--Roping Slack
8 p.m.--AJRA Rodeo
9 p.m.--AJRA Members Only-Party Night

Friday, Aug. 14
9 a.m.--Roping Slack
3 to 7 p.m.--AJRA Exes Registration at Willow Park
5 to 7 p.m.--Exes Reception, Willow Park
8 p.m.--Televised performance of AJRA. (Queen crowned, all-around champions named, world champion awards presentation)
9 p.m.--Disco Dance in Coliseum Annex

Saturday, Aug. 15
9:30 a.m.--Pictures and Presentations, Coliseum
11 a.m.--Exes rodeo
5 p.m.--Exes steak cookout and auction, Coliseum Annex
8 p.m.--Final Performance, Televised.
9 p.m.--Disco Dance in Coliseum Annex

Miss AJRA candidates



JAMIE WATKINS
Odessa, Texas



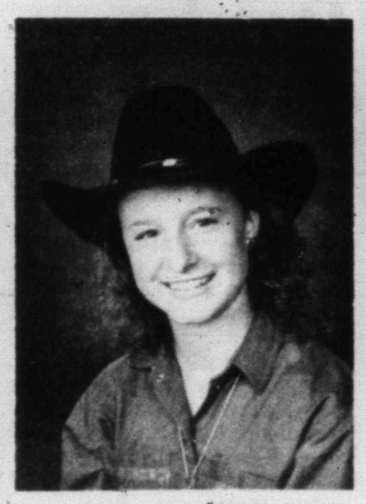
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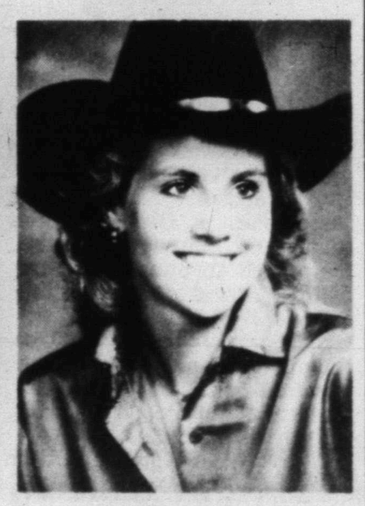
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Abilene, Texas



RALYNN KEY
Gail, Texas



KODY NEWMAN
Stanton, Texas

Poll planned on 1611 project

A citizens group interested in seeing the FM 1611 extension project back on the drawing board are conducting an opinion poll.

An ad which runs in this issue of the SDN plus Tuesday and Thursday will ask citizens to voice their opinion on the 1611 project which supporters say would complete a truck bypass around Snyder.

Citizens had signed a petition earlier this year asking the commissioners court to place the 1611 question on Saturday's county ballot as a non-binding refrendum.

The commissioners court agreed to such an election until it was discovered that it is against state law for counties to conduct such elections. Cities may have non-binding refrendums, but counties may not.

The ad reads: "Please use this opportunity to voice your opinion on the extension of FM 1611 to complete a truck bypass around Snyder.

"The project would be paid for by the state of Texas with the county providing funds for the right-of-way."

Don Gressett, a backer of the 1611 project, said all replies will be delivered to the commissioners court unopened. The group is asking all Scurry County citizens ages 18 and over to clip and mail the coupon to Box 617 in Snyder by Aug. 20.

In 1986, the commissioners court approved the 1611 project, but the state put the road project on hold after citizen objections were voiced to highway department officials in Austin.

Grazing method is ranch breakfast theme

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District will conduct another Scurry County Ranch Breakfast Wednesday at the W.C. Hart Ranch, five miles south of Snyder on the Colorado City Highway.

The breakfast will begin at 7 a.m. and will again have breakfast provided courtesy of Ezell-Key Grain Company.

Speakers at the event will discuss grazing stocker cattle on small grain pastures.

All individuals interested in agri-business are invited. Activities are expected to be over by 9 a.m.

Sponsors call it "a chance to have a hearty outdoor breakfast, visit with your neighbors and get some useful information all in one place."

Beginning the program will be Charles Durham, manager of Cactus Farms of Benjamin. He will discuss how Cactus Farms has used fertilization and tillage

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Cowboy movies focus of museum luncheon

Tom Rigsby of Abilene will be guest speaker at Thursday's luncheon in the Scurry County Museum.

Rigsby has loaned western movie posters and memorabilia for an exhibit currently being featured in the museum. Also in the exhibit are photographs of historic houses in the Scurry County area. The photos were made by Jay Huckabee of Snyder and former Snyder resident Dudley Cramer, now of Oakland, Calif.

Rigsby, a Snyder native, has titled his program "Along the Cinema Trail." He will give a description of talking western movies with emphasis on the changes over the years from mythical hero to the more realistic portrayal of the cowboy in later movies. He will also talk about the so-called "spaghetti" westerns and other avant garde western movies dating from the late '60s.

Reservations for the luncheon and program may be made by calling the museum at 573-6107 by noon Wednesday. Tickets are $4 each.

Rigsby has been interested in western movies since he was a boy growing up in Snyder when Saturday afternoons were often spent watching the westerns. He later lived in Los Angeles and had the opportunity to meet some of the movie cowboys. He is now an advertising design consultant and works in Abilene. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Rigsby, live in Snyder.

Waterbed store to open Monday

Dynasty Waterbeds, located at 2505 Ave. U, opens Monday. Manager is Mary Blythe and store hours will be 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday.

The store will feature a complete line of waterbeds and accessories--including conventional and soft-side waterbeds, sheets, spreads, comforters, pillows, fill and drain kits, and conditioner.

Other items to be stocked include daybeds and ensembles, bedroom furniture, bunk beds, plants, lamps and accessories. A complete line of baby beds is also planned.

Blythe noted that the building had been remodeled, and that an open house with refreshments will be held all week.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The only thing that saves us from bureaucracy is its inefficiency."

Charity has its price. Employees of two Snyder financial institutions paid a big price with aches and pains the days following the soccer game which benefited SCOOP.

Those attending thought it was a fun evening, watching officers and employees of West Texas State Bank challenge officers and employees of Snyder National.

Bill Parker, new president at WTSB, is an avid soccer fan and is responsible for the match. Donations taken up at the tilt went to help finance the SCOOP Project.

Wise guys in the community had a lot of fun. One asked which ambulance would be there. Before anyone in authority could answer, another fellow cracked, "You had better have both standing by."

SNB President Rex Robinson last week challenged WTSB to a golf match. Rex teamed up John Reed, Max von Roeder and Ted Crenwelge. Parker chose Shawn Ragland, Bill Eiland and John Greene for his scramble foursome. The WTSB team shot a sizzling 18-under.

Now Robinson says his crew wants to challenge West Texas in a bull riding event. Naw, better make that bull shooting...

The Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary Mammography fund is $100 richer, thanks to Kenny Hart and his friends who entered a birthday float in the rodeo parade last month.

We mentioned recently that the pink ladies were still awaiting the promised check. Wilma Dillard, chairman of the mammography fund, called to announce that the check had been received and bragged on the power of the press.

We disagreed. We still think Sue Mize was the one who motivated Bruce Kallemeyn and friends to ante up.

Harold Denson, car dealer who also serves as a director of WTSB, didn't play in the soccer game. Denson, an early riser, had been in bed a couple of hours before the game began.

A few weeks ago Denson had a telephone call about 9 p.m. After answering the phone, Denson put on his clothes and started out of the house.

Asked where he was heading, Denson replied he was going to work. At 9 p.m. it's still daylight and Denson thought he had overslept.

Ask Us

Q.--Why are there so many grasshoppers and crickets all at once?

A.--Deanna Myers, county entomologist, says there is no scientific answer. It happens every summer, and some years the influx is greater than others. Grasshoppers tend to leave dry pastures for more green vegetation while crickets seek moisture

In Brief

Nuke dump

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — The Department of Energy will announce on Monday selection of a Massachusetts engineering firm to conduct site characterization at the proposed nuclear waste dump in Deaf Smith County, the Amarillo Globe-News reported today.

Stone & Webster Engineering Corp. of Boston beat out Westinghouse Inc. to win the three-year, $320 million contract for detailed examination of the Texas site, the newspaper quoted congressional sources, who preferred to remain anonymous, as saying.

Texas is one of three states being considered for the nation's first underground dump for the nuclear wastes piling up at commercial reactors around the country.

The Stone & Webster contract runs for three years.

Local

Commissioners

County commissioners Monday will canvass results of Saturday's election on a proposed county half-cent sales tax and hear a report on the progress of the airport renovation.

A representative of the engineering company overseeing the $1.1 million airport project is scheduled to appear before the court Monday afternoon.

Commissioners are also scheduled to consider selling a 110-volume collection of law books in County Judge Bobby Goodwin's office because the county has a duplicate collection in its law library.

Special exhibit

The Diamond M Museum, located at 909 25th, will have an exhibit of western art for AJRA rodeo visitors. The museum is open from 1 to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday and 10 to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Friday.

Band boosters

The Snyder Band Boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Monday at Snyder High School band hall. All interested parents are urged to attend.

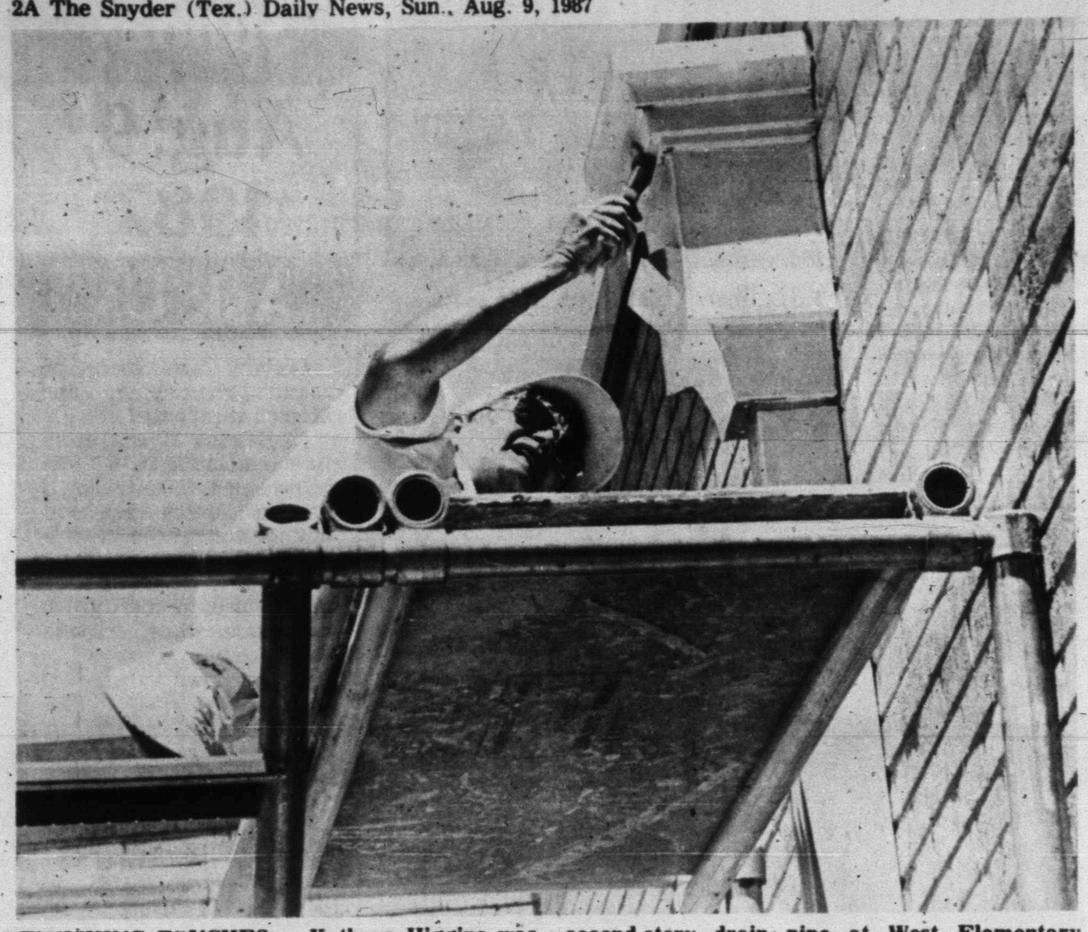
Canvas votes

The Snyder city council will meet at 1 p.m. Monday at city hall to canvas election returns from Saturday's civil service election.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 97 degrees; low, 69 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 72 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1987 to date, 16.14 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Saturday night, fair with a low near 70. South to southeast wind 5 to 15 mph. Sunday, mostly sunny with a high in the upper 90s. South to southeast wind 10 to 20 mph.



FINISHING TOUCHES — Kathryn Higgins was one of the Snyder teachers who worked 10 weeks this summer re-touching city schools with a new coat of paint. She is pictured here finishing up a second-story drain pipe at West Elementary School. She is a computer laboratory aide at Central Elementary. (SDN Staff Photo)

Sources say ships reflagged and moving toward the Gulf

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Three Kuwaiti tankers flying American flags and escorted by U.S. warships headed toward the Persian Gulf today from their anchorage outside the waterway, sources said.

Shipping sources in the United Arab Emirates confirmed that the ships had left at around dawn from their positions in the Arabian Sea. At midday, some reports said they had begun the daylight transit through the dangerous Strait of Hormuz, gateway to the gulf. The reports could not immediately be confirmed.

The surprise move came only a few hours after a report from Washington that the convoy would not leave for about a week.

"If they've started, it's a major attempt at deception by the United States," said one source. He noted news reports quoting U.S. Defense Department officials as saying Friday that the second convoy of reflagged Kuwaiti tankers would not move until U.S. Navy mine-sweeping helicopters arrived next week.

Iran, which has threatened to attack U.S. warships in the gulf and would have no trouble observing the convoy moving through the narrow Hormuz passage in daylight, had no immediate comment.

Ships moving through the Hormuz passage, some 110 miles long and 24 miles wide at its narrowest point, come within range of anti-ship missile batteries along the Iranian coast.

Earlier, shipping sources had said the tankers weighed anchor and moved closer to the Arabian Sea coast.

"The tankers and Navy ships moved from 17 miles to about 11 miles closer to the coast," said one source, speaking on condition of anonymity. "They are ready to go, but it doesn't look as if they're sailing soon."

That source said that as of 10 a.m. (3 a.m. EDT), the tankers were in an area about 11 miles off the United Arab Emirates ports of Khor Fakkan and Fujeira and "surrounded" by the four U.S. warships.

Five or six other commercial vessels were anchored nearby, the source added.

Just a day earlier, the three tankers had been shifted to what sources had called the "more isolated" part of the tanker anchorage, 17 miles out, and were reported awaiting a final go-ahead from Washington to begin their journey north.

The 46,723-ton Gas King, 81,283-ton Sea Isle City, and the 79,999-ton Ocean City are among 11 of Kuwait's tankers receiving U.S. flags and Navy escorts through the gulf.

Kuwait sought the protection after Iran began regular attacks last September on ships owned by or serving the emirate, which is Iraq's western neighbor at the had of the gulf. Iran accuses Kuwait of shipping arms to Iraq, whose ports were closed soon after the war began.

The latest movement followed an announcement in Washington that the second convoy of reflagged Kuwaiti tankers would not attempt the precarious 550-mile voyage up the gulf until a contingent of U.S. mine-sweeping helicopters arrived next week.

Jobless figures take first dip

DALLAS (AP) — The Texas jobless rate took its first dip of the summer with a 0.3 percent drop to 8.3 percent last month, officials say.

Nearly 100,000 Texans found work in July, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported Friday, while 703,000 others were still looking for jobs. The state's total labor force neared the 8.5 million mark.

The slight improvement doesn't signal a rapid recovery, officials said.

"Due to the nature of the economic problems of the last two years, improvement is likely to continue to be agonizingly slow," said BLS regional commissioner Bryan Richey.

The agency estimates Texas' mining and energy sector gained 200 jobs between May and June, the first increase since March 1985.

Swaggart, church exchange bouquets; none for Bakker

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — The Rev. Jimmy Swaggart, who pushed sexual misconduct charges against Jim Bakker, told a gathering of his denomination that the ensuing furor nearly caused him to give up his own ministry.

"I had never been to the bottom so far," he said Friday, adding that reading the Bible helped him regain confidence that "we would be even bigger than ever before."

The audience, here for an Assemblies of God convention that runs through Tuesday, responded to Swaggart's story with a chorus of "Amen" and "Praise the Lord."

Leaders of the 2.1 million-member denomination who revoked Bakker's ministerial credentials in May traded lofty praise with Swaggart.

The Rev. J. Philip Hogan, head of the denomination's foreign missions, said the television evangelist had been seen and heard by more people "than any single person since the dawn of history."

Swaggart, in turn, called the denomination's missions work the "greatest outreach the world has ever known in the cause of Jesus Christ."

At the start of his speech, Swaggart joked about a charge that Bakker made and later retracted: that Swaggart had coveted Bakker's PTL network. "This is not a hostile takeover," Swaggart said.

Bakker stepped down in March as chairman of PTL, which stands for "Praise the Lord" or "People that Love," after acknowledging an extramarital sexual tryst. He first accused Swaggart, and later the Rev. Jerry Falwell, of tricking him into giving up the ministry permanently.

Swaggart said the "unsavory scenario" caused donations to plunge. He said enemies, including the news media, were out to do him in, to "harm, steal, kill and destroy."

"It was all over," he said.

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The method was founded by Dr. Maria Montessori, an Italian medical doctor and teacher. Dr. Montessori recognized that children have an unusual sensitivity and mental powers for absorbing and learning from the environment. She felt that the most important years of growth are the first six years of life.

Pre-schoolers work with trays of materials on small tables or carpet surfaces. Children learn the alphabet, colors, shapes, math and language. They also experiment with dish washing, clothes washing and decorating the environment. Special activities include field trips, art projects and visits by community workers.

Directors are Cyndee Gayle and Vicki Williams. The first day of school is September 2 and the schedule is the same as the public schools.

New students enrollment begins here on Tuesday

Enrollment will begin Tuesday for students in grades 7-12 who are new to the Snyder Independent School District.

Students in grades 7-8 will report to the junior high office. Parents should accompany their child in order to sign the necessary registration forms. Charles Anderson, principal, and Kellye Starnes, counselor, will be available to register students.

Students in grades 9-12 will register in the counselor's office at the high school. John Short and Janet Wesson, counselors, will assist in the registration.

The school offices will be open from 8 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Students should bring immunization records, transcripts, and any other available information such as report cards, grade reports or withdrawal information.

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Attorney general declares infant official native son

WICHITA FALLS, Texas (AP) — An 8-month-old boy was declared an official native son after his parents worried that his out-of-state birth could make him less than Texan.

The declaration by Attorney General Jim Mattox capped efforts by Marine Sgt. Eamon and Lori Riley to get their child, Logan Patrick Riley, declared a Texan even though he was born in a Navy hospital in Beaufort, S.C.

Riley was born and reared in Wichita Falls and his wife is from Dean.

Mattox said a military reservation is neutral soil and therefore Logan could be declared a Texan.

"Besides," he said, "I understand young Logan was born with a smile on his face. No one but a Texan has anything to smile about at birth."

The certificate presented to the youngster proclaims, "This honorable son of honorable Texas parents, Eamon and Lori Riley, finding it repugnant to be known as a South Carolinian, is warmly welcomed into the bosom of his native state, and may from this day forward proudly claim the title of Native Texan."

Riley said his son recognizes the Texas flag and it's important Logan be considered a Texan because people from Texas "are better-bred and more polite."

He said the declaration helped his son avoid being put in the same category as "a bunch of Yankees trying to do the two-step wrong," he said.

Teen: death was an accident

DALLAS (AP) — A teen-ager who is accused of fatally shooting a man who gave chase to two purse-snatchers says the shooting was an accident.

"I never tried to shoot anybody ... Everything happened so fast," Shelia Ann Hill, 17, said during an interview at the Government Center Jail.

Glenn Michael Sims, 25, a champion gymnast, died Aug. 1 after he was shot in the heart. Police said he drove several miles along a highway, pursuing two women who snatched the purse of another woman in a shopping center parking lot.

Miss Hill said she and Sylvanna Quiroga, 23, also charged in the death, had planned to go swimming and then decided to go shopping. Miss Hill said she had a gun with her, but it was not loaded and she carried it to scare off men who sometimes bothered her on the street.

At the shopping center, Miss Hill said she waited in the car. She said Miss Quiroga returned and drove quickly out of the parking lot and then asked Miss Hill to check for followers.

Miss Quiroga declined to be interviewed, saying she had been advised by her attorney not to comment. Earlier, she said she did not know Miss Hill well and that she begged Sims to leave after stopping the car.

Miss Hill said that several times during the chase Sims pulled along side their car and shouted, "My car goes faster than y'all's" and "I have more gas than you women do."

At one point, Miss Hill said, Miss Quiroga slowed the car so they could talk to Sims who again had pulled up next to them. Miss Quiroga shouted to Sims, "Please sir, I'm sorry. We'll never do it again. I'll give you the purse back," Miss Hill told the Dallas Times Herald in a Thursday interview.

At that point a second gun was produced, Miss Hill said. She said she fired it once into the air and then tucked it into the waistband of her jeans.

The cars stopped and the three faced each other.

Meanwhile, two off-duty Richardson police officers who had been directing traffic nearby ran to the scene. The officers said they saw Sims struggle with Miss Hill, heard a shot, then saw the young man grab Miss Hill's hand, said Jerry Tobia, a Richardson police spokesman.

A second shot was fired, according to the officers. Then Miss Hill pointed the gun at Sgt. D.W. Stewart who wrestled the weapon from her, Tobia said. Miss Hill pulled her own gun, which she had been carrying in her purse and said was not loaded, and was disarmed again, Tobia said.

However, Miss Hill claimed she never drew a gun. She said the second gun was still in her waistband, and went off accidentally when she struggled with Sims.

The incident has left lasting scars.

Sims' family in Garland mourned their son, saying it was typical of him to rush to the aid of another.

Miss Hill's mother, Hazel Pugh, said her daughter is a talented honor student who sang in the church choir and loved to work with children.

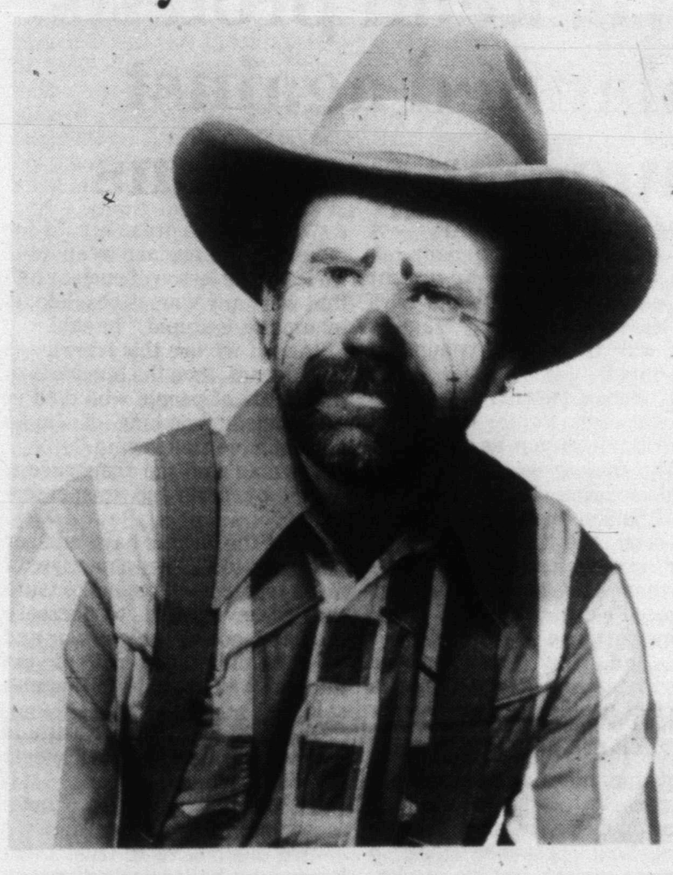
"She was a gifted child," said Mrs. Pugh. Miss Hill was a runner-up in the Miss Madison High School contest, her mother said. She taught Sunday School and sang in the choir at Rising Star Baptist Church in Oak Cliff. She volunteered her time reading stories to children at the Martin Luther King Jr. library.

"There were so many things she could do ... I just don't know why this happened," Mrs. Pugh said.

Miss Hill says she still has dreams. "I want to have a big family. I want to work ... I want to make money and have a nice home. I just want to be happy," she said.

"I hope I get out of here so I can start all over again."

3 Days 'Till AJRA



TOM FELLER--Tom Feller, Leon Coffee and Rick Chatman will be the professional clowns for the AJRA rodeo finals slated Aug. 11-15 in Snyder. (AJRA Photo)

Hotel tax to aid tourism

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — Promoting tourism in Texas will get a multimillion-dollar boost with revenues from an increase in the state's hotel tax, a Texas A&M University researcher said Friday.

A 2 percent increase in the tax, from 4 percent to 6 percent, takes effect Sept. 1 and the half percent allocated to promoting tourism is expected to generate more than $16 million, the researcher said.

Tourism is the state's second-largest industry, pumping more than $17 billion into the economy, said A&M researcher Daniel Fesenmaier, but the state ranks low in spending for advertising to promote tourism.

Texas spends around $1 million annually to promote tourism. Illinois, he said, spent $16 million in 1986, more than any other state.

Texas and Canada generate about the same amount of money from tourism, yet Canada spends $30 million a year to promote tourism, he said. Wyoming recently allocated $4.4 million for tourism, which is about two to three times per capita what Texas spends, said Fesenmaier. For Results Use Snyder Daily News Classified Ads Call 573-5486

Dr. Mark Pate to speak at Senior Center

Dr. Mark Pate will speak to senior citizens before lunch Thursday concerning questions that should be asked about surgical procedures. Entitled "Yours For the Asking," this program is open to all senior citizens.

A 42 tournament will be held at 10:30 a.m. Monday. Lori Sealy will sing at 11:30 a.m. following the tournament.

Al Ballard will sing on Tuesday morning at 11:15, and Virgil Mott will present a musical program at 11:30 Wednesday morning.

All senior citizens are invited to come to the Senior Center each weekday for a meal, fun and games, informative programs and fellowship.

Hayses compete in Abilene show

Shanna and Shawn Hays were in Abilene July 20-25, competing with other qualifying youth from the state of Texas in the 25th annual State 4-H Horse Show.

Competing in Hunter Horsemanship, Shanna placed second and Shawn fifth out of 100 entries. They both advanced to the finals in Hunter Under Saddle.

In Showmanship at Halter, Shanna placed sixth out of 165 entries.

Western Horsemanship had 106 entries with both advancing to the finals where Shanna placed ninth.

Shawn advanced to the finals in Western Pleasure, placing seventh out of 160 entries.

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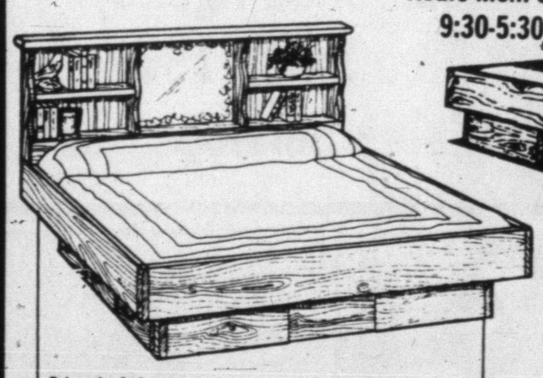
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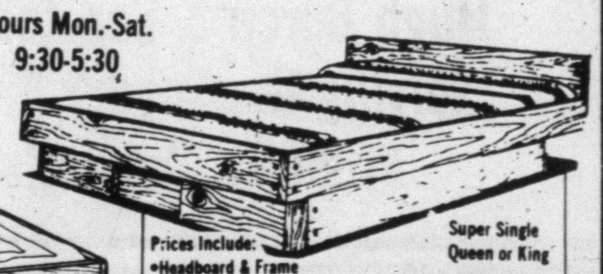
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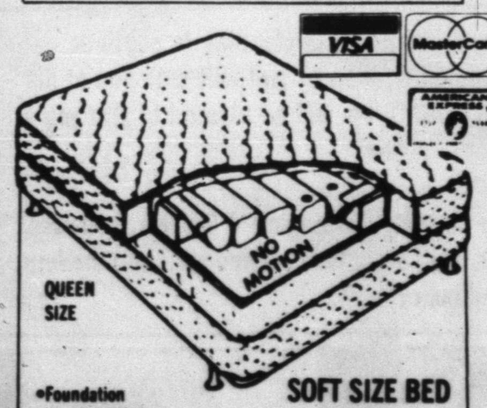
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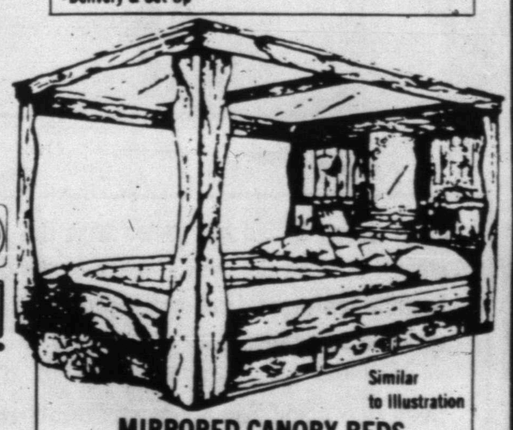
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Officials hear from Theodore

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — Lt. Gov. Nick Theodore says while local governments have been ignored by Washington during the past eight years, federal support for local government will be an issue in next year's presidential race.

All the candidates realize "that local America is important in order for them to be successful in the 1988 campaign," Theodore told the annual meeting of the Municipal Association of South Carolina Friday.

"For the past several years, local government has basically been booted out of Washington and the White House," said Theodore, a Democrat. He added that local government "has been forced to live on the lawn of the Washington government scene in pup tents."

He said the federal government "must get back in the local picture if we expect rural America to survive."

But earlier, Henry Cisneros, the mayor of San Antonio, Texas, said he doesn't foresee any immediate reversal of the federal role as it affects local government.

He said federal aid to cities totaled $69 billion in 1980. This year, that figure is $19 billion, he said.

"I think we've reached a level that involves minimum involvement (by the federal government)," he said, adding any further erosion of the federal role in helping support local government "represents default of responsibilities."

The 40-year-old-mayor of the nation's 10th-largest city said local governments are becoming more important.

He said there's "a legitimate federal responsibility" in helping cities address many of the problems they face — problems including unemployment, rising illiteracy and teen-age pregnancy.

Cisneros told municipal officials they must take what he called an "urban offensive."

City leaders should look at the big picture of where they want to be in five to 10 years, not simply live from council meeting to council meeting, he said.

He added that cities also must strive to include all segments of the population and convince them they have a stake in the city's future.

"Too often we divide ourselves into blocks and stalemate ourselves," he said.

Later, Theodore called it "absolutely imperative" the state Senate next year approve the Local Government Finance Act.

The act, approved by the House this year, would provide for a local option sales tax for municipalities hard-pressed to pay for government through property taxes. The bill also calls for a rollback in property taxes.



VBS LESSON--Meloney Early helped teach the fourth graders who attended the Vacation Bible School at 37th Street Church of Christ. One of Tuesday's lessons was about how to deal with younger brothers and sisters. Other teachers were Christie Reneau and Delana Grant. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Analysts: Pickens moves on firms not takeover bid

DALLAS (AP) — T. Boone Pickens Jr. again is aiming at a major aerospace company, but analysts said the oilman may be investing in companies he considers undervalued rather than engineering a possible takeover.

Pickens announced Friday his investor group was seeking federal permission to acquire up to 15 percent of Singer Co. As with his recent move to acquire a similar stake in Boeing Co. it was unclear whether he was maneuvering for a possible takeover or just acquiring stock as a passive investor.

Jonathan Squires, of Conning International in Hartford, Conn., said Singer's stock was viewed as undervalued because it took a big writeoff in the second quarter, although its prospects in aerospace technology were well-regarded.

Singer posted a second-quarter loss of $20.2 million, largely because of a $45 million pre-tax charge for higher than expected costs in completing development of three aerospace electronics programs.

"He may be looking at certain aerospace companies, sees that their stock is undervalued, and is putting them into play," Squires said.

Pickens' Mesa Limited Partnership indicated it owned stock and options representing 4.4 percent of Stamford, Conn.-based Singer's 21 million outstanding common shares. The partnership said it was notifying the Federal Trade Commission and expected clearance to acquire up to 15 percent within 30 days.

Singer stock rose $4.62½ to $51.50 Friday on the New York Stock Exchange.

Based on the current stock price, Singer had a market value of about $1.08 billion.

Mesa officials did not return telephone calls seeking further comment, and Singer declined to comment on the disclosure.

Mesa, which is based in Amarillo, late last month said it was acquiring $15 million in Boeing stock and got federal permission to acquire up to 15 percent of Boeing, the nation's biggest commercial aircraft maker and a major defense contractor.

Boeing's board of directors adopted a "poison pill" takeover defense following the disclosure and have been lobbying Washington state lawmakers to pass a tough anti-takeover law at their pecial session scheduled for Monday. Several legislative committees met Friday to determine whether to consider the bill.

Singer is a consumer and commercial electronics manufacturer that generates most of its revenue from its aerospace operations, which include defense contracting, flight simulators and navigation systems.

Weekend protests planned against nuclear weapons

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — A retired Air Force lieutenant colonel attending a peaceful protest of a nuclear weapons plant says the lesson of the nuclear age is that war is useless, inhumane and stupid.

Dr. Robert Bowman also says he believes the Pantex Plant near Amarillo could soon be obsolete.

"The minute we have a sane administration in Washington, and I believe we're going to get one soon, the minute that happens, nuclear testing will end," Bowman said at a press conference Friday.

Bowman was in Amarillo this weekend for the Pantex Pilgrimage and Peace Camp, a peaceful protest against nuclear weapons production at the Pantex Plant, the final assembly point for the nation's nuclear weapons.

Bowman speaks more like an evangelical preacher than a weapons expert, but his credentials include serving as director of the Air Force "Star Wars" program under the Ford and Carter administrations.

"We can take great benefit for the advent of nuclear weapons if we learn the lesson of nuclear age that war, any war, is obsolete, is inhumane, is stupid," he said.

"And if we use this knowledge to end wars, then the hundreds of thousands of people who died in the nuclear bombing of Japan will not have died in vain."

Bowman said the arms race is fueled by fear and misperceptions.

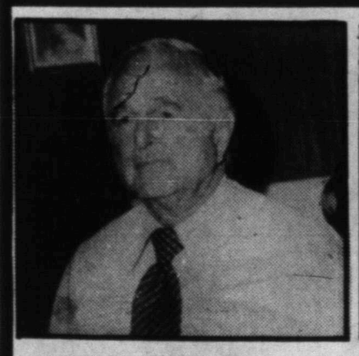
"Sure the Soviets have nuclear weapons too. The objective of arms control is to make sure they're never used, to decrease the likelihood of nuclear war and to eventually get rid of the nuclear weapons," Bowman said.

Opponents claim that attitude won't work because the Soviets can't be trusted.

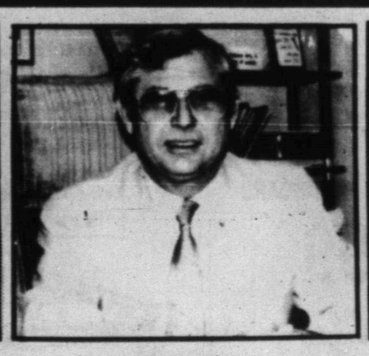
But Bowman said trust is not a factor in war deterrence.

"We don't have to trust them because we have excellent means of verification. We know more about the U.S.S.R. than the average American understands," said Bowman.

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VBS PROJECTS--These first graders attending the Vacation Bible School held at 37th Street Church of Christ are preparing to work on a class project. The girls were to make bear necklaces and the boys were to make bear magnets. Teachers are Donna Cunningham, Linda Anglert and Melissa Huddleston. (SDN Staff Photo)

Researchers say whitetail, mule deer crossbreeding

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Researchers are studying crossbreeding between whitetail and mule deer in the wild, a phenomenon that could have scientific and economic significance.

Evidence so far shows crossbreeding appears to be occurring between mule deer bucks and whitetail does, say researchers at Texas A&M University.

The study's economic twist is that mule deer hunting has a higher commercial value than whitetail hunting, said Steve Carr, a researcher in A&M's wildlife sciences department.

Over the last 40 years, biologists, ranchers and hunters have noticed a substantial encroachment by whitetails into mule deer country. The region along the Pecos River is currently considered the border between the two breeds.

The crossbreeding is also interesting scientifically.

"Whitetails and mule deer are good species, and the rules say that good species do not interbreed," Carr says.

Whitetails and mule deer differ in a number of ways. One of the most obvious differences is the antlers. Whitetail racks consist of a number of points coming off one main beam, while mule deer racks have multiple forks.

"The extreme case (of crossbreeding) that I've seen is a deer with a split beam on one side and a straight beam on the other," Carr said.

Biologists detect crossbreeding by observing the metatarsal glands on the hind legs. Whitetails have small glands, mule deers have large ones, and the hybrids fall in between.

Lytle Blankenship, an A&M biologist based in Uvalde, has accumulated data based on observation of live deer and the metatarsal glands of more than 100 deer killed by West Texas hunters.

He says that about one in every 100 deer is difficult or impossible to classify as either a whitetail or a mule deer; that is, characteristics of both are present in the animal.

Researchers believe that about 6 percent of the deer in the Pecos region are hybrids.

"When they do cross, captive studies show that the offspring tend to look more like the whitetails," Carr says.

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U.S., Japan have agreement on sale of supercomputers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States and Japan, seeking to head off an escalating high-tech trade war, agreed Friday to make it easier for U.S. supercomputer manufacturers to compete for lucrative Japanese government and institutional contracts.

The accord, made formal by an exchange of letters between U.S. Trade Representative Clayton Yeutter and Japanese Ambassador Nabuo Matsunaga, will put the U.S. companies on an equal footing with Japanese businesses, both officials said.

The new agreement does not guarantee increased sales to U.S. companies but "will give them a fair shot," Yeutter said. "It's now up to the U.S. companies to demonstrate their competitiveness."

Matsunaga said that the government of Japan currently is considering buying two new supercomputers for which Americans might bid, one for its trade ministry and the other for its ministry of education.

"We hope the American industries will make an aggressive effort" in seeking to sell the expensive state-of-the-art machines in Japan, he said. "The market for supercomputers is relatively very big. There are many possiblities and opportunities."

The accord is designed to simplify Japanese bidding procedures.

U.S. manufacturers of the devices, like Cray Research Inc., the world leader, have claimed that they have been all but excluded from Japanese markets up to now through complex and confusing Japanese policies.

Supercomputers are large, complex devices that perform a variety of electronic chores at lightning speed and generally cost from $8 million to $20 million.

Yeutter said the new agreement does not address the issue of discounting of supercomputers by Japanese companies and that the pricing issue is the subject of continuing negotiations.

In addition to having wide business and governmental uses, supercomputers are considered strategically important since they can be used in weather prediction, code breaking and in various military applications.

American companies, while dominating the world market for supercomputers, have been able to sell only a handful of the machines to Japanese businesses and have never sold one to the Japanese government or to universities or other institutions there.

The new agreement was expected to help U.S. companies begin to make inroads in public-sector markets in Japan.

U.S. trade officials said one difficulty in selling U.S. supercomputers to Japanese public institutions has been that many Japanese companies have made their machines available at low prices or, in the case of some universities, outright gifts.

American companies claim that Japanese manufacturers have been illegally "dumping" supercomputers at prices below market value.

The new agreement follows nine months of negotiations between the two governments and stems from an investigation launched in late 1986 by Yeutter into whether Japanese supercomputer pricing policies violate international trade rules.

That investigation has not yet been concluded.

The Japanese recently announced a joint venture to mark supercomputers in this country. The machines are to be made by NEC Corp. in Japan but will be marketed by Honeywell Inc. in Minneapolis.

The supercomputer battle is one of several major trade disputes between the two nations. Japan last year ran a trade surplus with the United States of nearly $60 billion.

Endurance swimmer sets off on icy trip to Russia

LITTLE DIOMEDE, Alaska (AP) — Endurance swimmer Lynne Cox, researchers and reporters piled into Eskimo walrus-skin boats Friday to reach the start point for an unprecedented swim from American to Soviet territory in the icy Bering Strait.

The entire village of 100 turned out to see Cox off as the two skin boats motored toward cliffs just south of town. Adults cheered and children dropped red and blue balloons in the water.

Cox was to start from the south end of Little Diomede Island on the American side of the strait to compensate for tides and currents. Although the distance across the international date line to Big Diomede Island is only 2.7 miles, Cox may have to swim 4 to 6 miles to actually get across.

It was foggy and drizzly as the boats set out, and the Soviet island of Big Diomede could not be seen from Little Diomede. The water was calm but cold — 37 degrees Fahrenheit.

"The water's flat enough to get across," project coordinator Joe Coplan said Friday morning. "There's a little rain. The wind is pretty calm. The visibility is OK."

The Soviet Union, in clearing the way for the swim, said Thursday it would not require Cox or her party to have visas for the trip.

The Soviets indicated they would escort Cox from the dateline to their island. Two Soviet vessels were in the area, and two large tents were set up on the shore.

Coplan said he would be carrying a plaque from Alaska Gov. Steve Cowper, and gifts of black bread, salt, tobacco and candy for the Soviets.

The Soviets' willingness to cooperate with the effort capped a two-year effort by Cox to make the swim.

She spent the past several weeks in the northwestern Alaska town of Nome swimming in the 54-degree water of Norton Sound to prepare herself for what she expected to be a 2½-hour ordeal.

The effort is part adventure and part scientific research. Accompanying physicians hoped to learn more about the body's ability to withstand cold.

"It's not just a question of physiology," British physiologist Bill Keating said Friday as Cox made her final preparations. "It's a question of her making herself do the things that are needed to survive."

Doctors and scientists say the 5-foot, 6-inch Cox is able to cope with the cold because an estimated 40 percent of her 209-pound body weight is fat, which acts like a wet suit.

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The Rage set to start two-a-days

Coach Dennis Tomlin's Ragin' Tigers are due to report for two-a-days Monday morning.

Players should be dressing by 7:30 a.m. and will take the field at 8 a.m. Coach Tomlin said the first workout is expected to last until 10:30 a.m. The evening workout is scheduled to start at 4:30 p.m.

Players will be in shorts the first four days with an emphasis on teaching and conditioning. The team puts on pads Friday morning (Aug. 14) and will hold an intrasquad scrimmage in the evening at Travis Field.

Some 130 students are expected to come out for varsity, JV and freshman football.

Volleyball girls report Monday

Snyder High School varsity and junior varsity volleyball players will report 8 a.m. Monday at the high school gym to begin two-a-day workouts.

Girls should come dressed to work out. Equipment will be issued following the morning workout.

Freshman girls will begin workouts at the junior high school gym Monday at 6 p.m.

Workouts for varsity and JV will be held from 8 until 11 in the morning session and from 2 until 6 in the afternoon. A setter's session will also be held from 11 a.m. until noon.

Freshmen will work from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m.

Snyder will scrimmage Lamesa, Denver City and Seminole in Denver City on Aug. 17, and open the 1987 season at Brownfield on the 18th.

Erase Elkhat, fall to Belton..

Buffs take second in state

BELTON -- Snyder's Buffs erased Elkhart but couldn't best Belton here Friday and took second place in the Texas Junior Teenage League State Tournament.

The Buffs, faced with having to win three straight games to claim the championship, topped Elkhart 9-2 Friday morning, then fell to Belton 6-4 in the evening. A victory for Snyder would have forced a second championship game.

As it turned out, Belton went through the tournament undefeated.

Belton got its winning run in the top of the sixth inning when Richie Farmer singled in Brian Washburn, who had walked aboard, to give the hosts a 5-4 advantage. Belton went on to add an insurance run in the top of the seventh.

Belton had taken a 2-0 advan[tage] in the first inning with a [walk], an error and a single. S[nyder] retaliated in the bottom of th[e] stanza when Randy Morris sl[ammed] a three run double to sc[ore] Bert Merritt, Gilbert Hern[andez] and Tommy Lane.

B[elton] answered back in the thir[d] with a two-run double. Snyd[er] then tied the game in the fourt[h] when Pedro Villa singled in M[arcus] Greene, who had reach[ed] on an error.

The [Buf]fs managed their four runs [on] just two hits and six walks. [Ma]rk Massey started for the hosts and went 2 1-3 innings. He gave [w]ay to eventual winner Tommy [Bru]ce, who went the final 4 2-3.

Snyder used three pitchers. Merritt w[ent] the first 2 2-3 and allowed four runs on three hits and two walks. Villa went 2 1-3, gave up the winning run, a hit and four walks, and Willie Garcia pitched the final 2 innings and gave up one run on three hits.

It brought an end to a fine season for the Buffs, who were managed by O.D. Brewer and coached by Ruben Felan. The team lost only twice all season, both times to Belton.

Earlier in the day Friday, Snyder overcame a 1-0 deficit to eliminate Elkhart from the tournament. The Buffs were held scoreless in the first inning, but got clicking in a big way in the second. Greene singled and Bart Morton walked before Justin House smashed a two run single to put Snyder on top, 2-1. Lane and Jason West both walked, and Merritt slapped a two-run single that put the Buffs ahead with insurance.

In the third inning, Lane singled in House, who had reached on a fielder's choice, to make it 5-1.

Snyder added four more runs - one in the fourth and three in the fifth.

In the fourth, Merritt walked and came in on an error. Then in the fifth, Snyder scored one run on an error and two on a single from Merritt.

Elkhart got its final run off of two fifth-inning singles.

Lane went five innings to pick up the victory. He gave up two runs on four hits, walked five and struck out five. Hernandez finished up with a no-run, no-hit, no-walk performance.

Snyder managed five hits and eight walks. Dustin Harrod took the loss in 4 2-3 innings of work.

American League roundup...

Yanks stumble; Jays take over 1st in East

by The Associated Press

The Toronto Blue Jays and New York Yankees are going in opposite directions and now are in different places.

Dave Stieb won his fifth straight decision and George Bell and Fred McGriff homered Friday night as Toronto routed Cleveland 15-1 and took over first place in the American League East. The Blue Jays moved one-half game ahead of New York, which stumbled 8-0 in Detroit.

In other games, Minnesota beat Oakland 9-4, Seattle trounced California 14-0, Boston got past Kansas City 4-3, Baltimore downed Texas 9-2, and Milwaukee defeated Chicago 7-4 in 10 innings.

Stieb, 11-5, gave up seven hits and walked no one in eight innings. He is 8-2 in his last 12 starts.

Toronto rapped 14 hits in Cleveland. McGriff led off the second inning with his 16th homer, sparking a four-run outburst against Darrel Akerfelds, 0-3.

Bell hit a three-run homer in the seventh off Reggie Ritter. Bell is tied with Andre Dawson of the Chicago Cubs with 95 runs batted in.

Orioles 9, Rangers 2

Larry Sheets hit a pair of two-run homers and Cal Ripken Jr. connected for a three-run shot and Ken Dixon combined with Mark Williamson on a three-hitter as host Baltimore defeated Texas.

Sheets and Ripken homered in the first inning for a 5-0 lead against Paul Kilgus, 1-4. Sheets hit his 20th homer in the seventh.

Dixon, 5-8, retired the first 17 batters. He pitched seven innings and gave up three hits, including Ruben Sierra's 21st home run.

Rangers reliever Steve Howe made his first major-league appearance since Sept. 10, 1985. Howe went two innings and gave up one hit.

Tigers 8, Yankees 0

Rookie Jeff Robinson pitched a five-hitter and retired the final 24 batters as Detroit beat New York.

Dave Bergman hit a three-run homer and an RBI single and Jim Morrison, acquired earlier in the day in a trade with Pittsburgh, also homered.

Robinson, 8-5, struck out nine and walked none in his first major-league shutout.

Bergman's RBI single keyed a three-run second inning against Rick Rhoden, 14-7. Rhoden was roughed up for 10 hits and eight runs in 5 1-3 innings.

Twins 9, Athletics 4

Joe Niekro, appealing his 10-day suspension, pitched eight strong innings and led Minnesota over Oakland. The host Twins increased their lead in the AL West to two games over the Athletics.

Niekro, 6-8, made his first start since being ejected from Monday night's game in California after umpires found [an] emery board and sandpape[r] in his back pocket. Niekro [will] have his appeal heard today.

Niekro, carryi[ng] only pictures of his children in [his] back pocket this time, took a [no]-hitter and 9-2 lead into the [ninth] but left after RBI singles [by] Mike Davis and Terry Steinbac[h].

Mariners 14, Angels 0

Ken Phelps hit two homers and Phil Bradley homered and drove in five runs, backing Mark Langston and leading Seattle to its second straight shutout over California.

Phelps, who hit two doubles and a single in the Mariners' 15-4 victory over the visiting Angels on Thursday night, hit a three-run homer in the second inning and a solo home run, his 17th, in the seventh. Bradley hit a three-run homer in the fourth and a two-run single in the sixth.

Langston, 12-9, pitched a seven-hitter and struck out 11, raising his major league-leading total to 182. He had his second shutout and his 10th complete game.

Kirk McCaskill, 2-4, was tagged for nine runs on seven hits in five innings.

Red Sox 4, Royals 3

Marty Barrett drew a bases-loaded walk with two outs in the ninth inning, capping a two-run rally as Boston beat Kansas City.

The Red Sox got four walks in the ninth from Charlie Leibrandt, 11-9, and John Davis. Dwight Evans hit a double and John Marzano had a game-tying sacrifice fly before Davis walked Mike Greenwell and Barrett.

Jeff Sellers, 4-4, pitched a seven-hitter for his second complete game.

Brewers 7, White Sox 4

Greg Brock, Steve Kiefer and Ernest Riles hit run-scoring singles in the 10th inning as Milwaukee won at Chicago.

Rob Deer hit two solo homers for the Brewers. His 24th home run tied the score 4-4 in the eighth.

Giants stop Cincinnati, 3-1; Astros tripped by San Diego

by The Associated Press

After losing five out of six games on the road to their closest competition in the National League West, the San Francisco Giants are glad to be home.

With 35,801 fans watching at Candlestick Park, the Giants beat first-place Cincinnati 3-1 Friday night as Kevin Mitchell hit a two-run homer in the sixth inning and Mike LaCoss pitched a five-hitter.

"We won against the team winning our division," LaCoss said. "That speaks for itself."

"We're at home now and that should be a big advantage," Mitchell said. "We can beat these teams that we lost to on the road. Down in Houston, the fans really got them (the Astros) going. That's what we need now."

The Giants were coming home after losing two of three to the Reds and three straight to the Astros. But Friday night's victory, combined with Houston's 7-1 loss at San Diego, pulled the Giants within a half-game of the Astros and four of the Reds.

Elsewhere, it was New York 7, Chicago 1; Philadelphia 15, St. Louis 5; Pittsburgh 9, Montreal 3; and Atlanta 4, Los Angeles 3.

LaCoss, 10-6, pitched his first complete game of the season as the Giants ended a four-game losing streak. The San Francisco right-hander walked three and struck out two.

Padres 7, Astros 1

San Diego won for the fifth time in six games and snapped Houston's four-game winning streak as Stanley Jefferson and Tony Gwynn hit consecutive triples in the first inning and Shane Mack hit a two-run double to highlight a five-run seventh.

Mike Scott, 12-8, wild-pitched Gwynn home in the first to give the Padres a 2-1 lead, and that margin held until the seventh as the Astros stranded 10 runners in the first four innings and 16 for the game, tying a club record established in 1979.

Mark Davis, 6-6, earned the victory in relief.

Mets 7, Cubs 1

Ron Darling pitched a four-hitter and struck out 11 as New York pulled within 3½ games of first-place St. Louis with its seventh consecutive victory.

Darling, 8-7, who won his fourth straight decision, took a three-hit shutout into the eighth, but Ryne Sandberg's 13th homer, his 1,000th career hit, accounted for

(see ASTROS, page 7A)

Baseball glance

By The Associated Press

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	65	44	.596	—
New York	65	45	.591	½
Detroit	62	44	.585	1½
Milwaukee	56	51	.523	8
Boston	51	57	.472	13½
Baltimore	49	60	.450	16
Cleveland	40	69	.367	25

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Minnesota	59	52	.532	—
Oakland	56	53	.514	2
California	56	54	.509	2½
Kansas City	53	55	.491	4½
Seattle	53	56	.486	5
Texas	51	56	.477	6
Chicago	43	63	.406	13½

Friday's Games

Boston 4, Kansas City 3
Toronto 15, Cleveland 1
Detroit 1, New York 0
Milwaukee 7, Chicago 4, 10 innings
Baltimore 9, Texas 2
Minnesota 9, Oakland 4
Seattle 14, California 0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	66	42	.611	—
New York	63	46	.578	3½
Montreal	61	47	.565	5
Chicago	55	54	.505	11½
Philadelphia	54	54	.500	12
Pittsburgh	48	61	.440	18½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	58	51	.532	—
Houston	54	54	.500	3½
San Francisco	54	55	.495	4
Atlanta	48	60	.444	9½
Los Angeles	48	60	.444	9½
San Diego	42	67	.385	16

Friday's Games

New York 7, Chicago 1
Philadelphia 15, St. Louis 5
Pittsburgh 9, Montreal 3
San Diego 7, Houston 1
Atlanta 4, Los Angeles 3
San Francisco 3, Cincinnati 1

Baseball leaders

AMERICAN LEAGUE

BATTING (322 at bats) - Boggs, Boston, .363; Mattingly, New York, .331; Trammell, Detroit, .326; Seitzer, Kansas City, .325; DwEvans, Boston, .324; Tabler, Cleveland, .324.

RUNS - Boggs, Boston, 81; Downing, California, 77; GBell, Toronto, 77; DWhite, California, 76; Whitaker, Detroit, 75.

RBI - GBell, Toronto, 95; DwEvans, Boston, 88; McGwire, Oakland, 87; Joyner, California, 83; Canseco, Oakland.

HITS - Boggs, Boston, 149; Fernandez, Toronto, 138; Seitzer, Kansas City, 138; Puckett, Minnesota, 135; Tabler, Cleveland, 131.

DOUBLES - Boggs, Boston, 29; Tabler, Cleveland, 29; DwEvans, Boston, 28; Sierra, Texas, 27; ADavis, Seattle, 26; Seitzer, Kansas City, 26.

TRIPLES - Wilson, Kansas City, 11; PBradley, Seattle, 10; Fernandez, Toronto, 7; Yount, Milwaukee, 7; 5 are tied with 6.

HOME RUNS - McGwire, Oakland, 37; GBell, Toronto, 34; Hrbek, Minnesota, 26; Murray, Baltimore, 26; DwEvans, Boston, 25; Snyder, Cleveland, 25.

STOLEN BASES - Reynolds, Seattle, 37; Redus, Chicago, 35; Fernandez, Toronto, 31; Wilson, Kansas City, 31; PBradley, Seattle, 27.

PITCHING (8 decisions) - Henneman, Detroit, 8-1, .889, 2.10; Schmidt, Baltimore, 10-2, .833, 3.08; Cerutti, Toronto, 7-2, .778, 3.40; Guetterman, Seattle, 9-3, .750, 4.06; John, New York, 10-4, .714, 4.17; Musselman, Toronto, 10, .714, 3.80.

STRIKEOUTS - Langston, Seattle, 182; Higuera, Milwaukee, 162; Clemens, Boston, 150; Stewart, Oakland, 145; Hurst, Boston, 138.

SAVES - Henke, Toronto, 32; Reardon, Minnesota, 22; Plesac, Milwaukee, 21; Righetti, New York, 21; JHowell, Oakland, 15; Mohorcic, Texas, 15.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

BATTING (322 at bats) - Gwynn, San Diego, .365; Guerrero, Los Angeles, .343; Galarraga, Montreal, .336; Raines, Montreal, .334; EDavis, Cincinnati, .319.

RUNS - EDavis, Cincinnati, 95; Gwynn, San Diego, 83; Coleman, St. Louis, 82; Samuel, Philadelphia, 81; JClark, St. Louis, 77.

RBI - Dawson, Chicago, 95; Wallach, Montreal, 92; JClark, St. Louis, 91; EDavis, Cincinnati, 84; McGee, St. Louis, 78.

HITS - Gwynn, San Diego, 146; Guerrero, Los Angeles, 129; Pendleton, St. Louis, 126; McGee, St. Louis, 124; Wallach, Montreal, 123.

DOUBLES - Wallach, Montreal, 33; Galarraga, Montreal, 32; Leonard, San Francisco, 29; Hayes, Philadelphia, 27; Gwynn, San Diego, 26; Hubbard, Atlanta, 26; OSmith, St. Louis, 26.

TRIPLES - Gwynn, San Diego, 9; Bonds, Pittsburgh, 8; MThompson, Philadelphia, 8; Samuel, Philadelphia, 8; 5 are tied with 6.

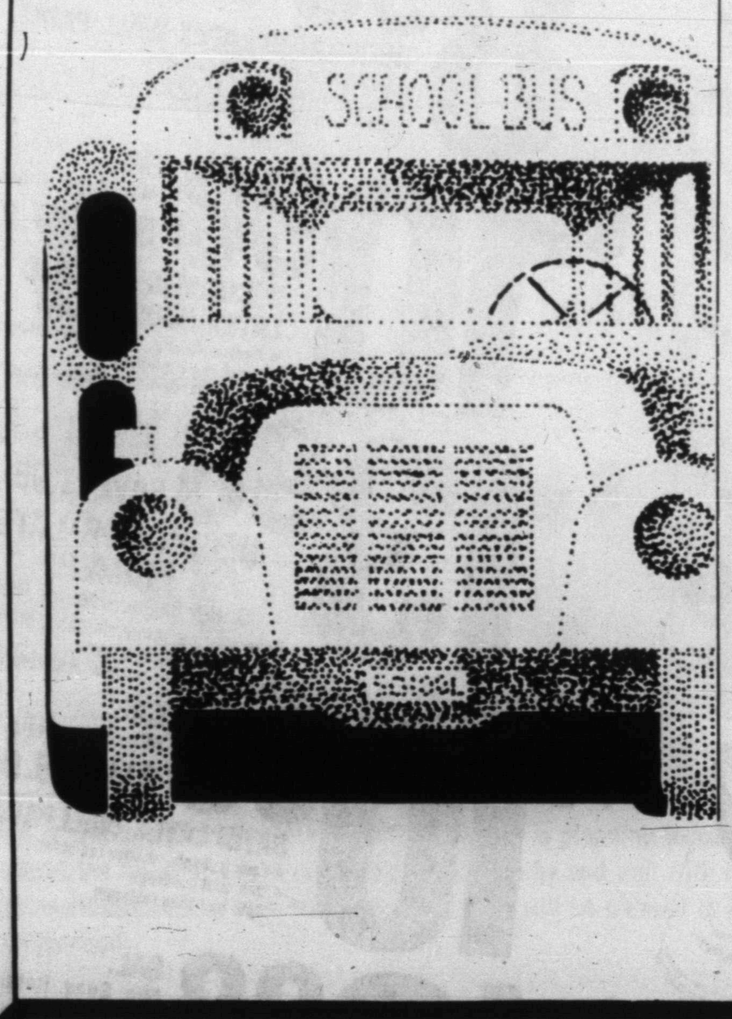
HOME RUNS - Dawson, Chicago, 34; DMurphy, Atlanta, 30; EDavis, Cincinnati, 30; JClark, St. Louis, 29; HJohnson, New York, 27; Strawberry, New York, 27.

STOLEN BASES - Coleman, St. Louis, 72; Hatcher, Houston, 40; EDavis, Cincinnati, 39; Raines, Montreal, 36; Gwynn, San Diego, 35.

PITCHING (8 decisions) - Leach, New York, 9-0, 1.000, 2.85; Dayley, St. Louis, 6-2, .750, 1.83; Forsch, St. Louis, 9-3, .750, 4.27; Gooden, New York, 9-3, .750, 2.56; Heaton, Montreal, 12-4, .750, 4.29; Sutcliffe, Chicago, 15-5, .750, 3.42.

STRIKEOUTS - Scott, Houston, 178; Ryan, Houston, 165; Welch, Los Angeles, 135; Hershiser, Los Angeles, 134; Sutcliffe, Chicago, 124.

SAVES - Bedrosian, Philadelphia, 30; LeSmith, Chicago, 26; Worrell, St. Louis, 23; DSmith, Houston, 19; Franco, Cincinnati, 19.



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Tillman adjusts to new role in Houston offensive attack

SAN ANGELO, Texas (AP) - Spencer Tillman built his collegiate reputation as a runner but now the Houston Oilers' fifth-round pick from Oklahoma must showcase himself as a receiver.

Tillman became the first Sooner runner to gain 1,000 yards his freshman year and finished at Oklahoma with 2,257 yards.

Adjusting to a receiver on the new pass-oriented Oiler scheme will include more routes to the running backs.

"There'll be some reservations on the part of the coaches to implement me in passing because I haven't been exposed to it as much," Tillman said.

A lack of confidence won't keep Tillman from fitting into the Oiler scheme.

"I have a natural inclination to catch the football," Tillman said. "But if I just get an opportunity to do it, we can revise those talents."

Tillman will be competing for a spot on the Oiler roster with first-round draft choice Alonzo Highsmith of Miami, who has yet to sign his contract. The Oilers already have veterans Mike Rozier, Allen Pinkett, Ray Wallace and Chuck Banks offering competition.

But in the early stages of training camp, Tillman, a native of Tulsa, Okla., is just pleased to be at a pro camp.

"I'm just excited to be a part of this team," he said. "The whole aura of this team is exciting. Hopefully, I can continue to do the things necessary to realize my dream of playing in the NFL."

Tillman had his chance to play for Texas colleges but said there was never any doubt that he'd attend Oklahoma.

"I was always impressed with all those great running backs like Billy Sims, Kenny King and Joe Washington," Tillman said. "I was always, excited by the Oklahoma tradition."

The Oilers, with the worst record in the NFL over the past five years, don't have a winning tradition, but it hasn't dampened Tillman's enthusiasm.

"I was more of a college football fan while I was playing at OU and I didn't pay much attention to the Oilers," Tillman said.

"But I do know there is a degree of parity in the NFL and any team can become a winner. If your biorhythms are right that day, you can be a winner."

Wadkins, Floyd share PGA 2nd-round lead

PALM BEACH GARDENS, Fla. (AP) - Lanny Wadkins has a share of the lead with Ray Floyd after two rounds of the 69th PGA Championship, but he doesn't see it as a two-man race.

"The game's still on for a lot of people," Wadkins said Friday after he and Floyd shot their second consecutive 70s for a 4-under-par 140 total.

Wadkins and Floyd held a 1-shot advantage over two players who haven't enjoyed much success on the PGA Tour - Tim Simpson, a one-time winner in 11 years, and Jeff Sluman, still seeking his first triumph in his fifth season.

Sluman shot 69 and Simpson 70 in the hot, humid weather that has been around throughout the week.

Wadkins mostly had his eyes on the next level of contenders, a quartet at 142 that included three winners of major championships - Seve Ballesteros, Larry Nelson and Ben Crenshaw.

Ballesteros, winner of two Masters and two British Opens, and Crenshaw, a Masters champion, each shot 70. Nelson, who has one PGA and one U.S. Open title, shot 72.

Bobby Wadkins, the first-day leader, fell back with a 74.

Seventy-four of the original field of 150 made the 36-hole cut that came at 7-over-par 151, somewhat high because of the high rough that almost assured bogeys anytime a player landed off the fairway.

The biggest stars to miss the cut were current Masters champion Larry Mize, 81-156, and the 1987 money leader, Paul Azinger, 77-159.

The star threesome of the week - Jack Nicklaus, Arnold Palmer and Tom Watson - all survived the cut.

Watson, who was in contention with a 70 in the opening round, had his problems Friday. He ballooned to a 79 and fell back into the pack at 149 with Nicklaus, who shot 73.

Ladies meet; note awards

The Ladies Golf Association held its monthly luncheon this week to present awards for July, welcome new members and conduct business.

Marilyn Risenhoover, Diane Hogan, Elaine Byrd and Del Ferguson were welcomed as new members. Twenty-eight members and two guests attended the luncheon.

Ronnie Hartman, Snyder Country Club groundskeeper, spoke to the group concerning the maintenance of the course. Carolyn Greene reported on the upcoming Raggedy Ann and Andy Golf Tournament.

The following awards were presented for the month of July:

July 7, Most One Putts- Colleen Duke, Margie Briggs, Dena Ellis, Kaye Cypert, Chris Jordan, Evelyn Thomas.

July 14, Queen of the Hill- A-Flight- Barbara Moffett, Finnie Seale, Joe Sterling; B-Flight- Juanita Hester, Norma Thompson; C-Flight- Suzy Reed, Gertrude League, Nona Morrison; D-Flight- Donna Stehley, Joyce Epley; Chip-Ins- Nona Morrison, Juanita Hester, Martha Fagin.

July 28, Nassau- Marie Dollins, Barbara Moffett, Becky Knipe, Betty Hildreth, Suzy Reed, Evelyn Thomas; Chip-Ins- Becky Knipe, Carolyn Greene.

The name of Candlestick Park, the windswept home of the San Francisco Giants, was chosen in a ballot of hometown fans.

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Boy's Club report

July 27

Basketball, 13-over: Trey Tippens' team beat Kevin Ward's bunch 76-58. Tracy Braziel scored 24 for the winners while Tippens notched 22, Hayward Clay 16, Byron Clay 12 and Mark King 2. Terry Garza scored 20 in a losing effort. Ward put in 16, Tyrone Durst 10, Saul Aviles 6 and Carlton Sanders 4.

Softball, 12-under: Steve Owens and company popped Daniel Fish's team 4-2. Scoring for the winners were Jeremie Price and Brady Collier, 1 each, and Marc Sparlin, 2. Scoring for the Fish squad were Eric Horton and Tory Garza.

Darts, 9-under: 1st, Zeb Alexander; 2nd, Bryan Roberson; **12-under**: 1st, Eric Braziel; 2nd, Marc Sparlin.

July 28

Flag Football: Jacob Rodriquez and team topped Zack Rodriquez's group 18-6. Jacob Rodriquez, Deiondray Ollison and Kevin Mueller scored a TD apiece for the winners. Tony Becerra scored in a losing bid.

Shuffleboard, 9-under: 1st, Deiondray Ollison; 2nd, Damion Ollison.

Kickball, 12-under: Damion Ollison's crew edged the Julian Ybarra team 5-4. Scoring for the Ollison team were Jason Jack and Jacob Rodriquez, 2 each, and Marco Hinojos, 1. Scoring for the Ybarra team were Ramsey Castillo, 2, and Ybarra and Toby Delce, 1 each.

July 29

Darts, 9-under: 1st, Damion Ollison; 2nd, Deiondray Ollison; **12-under**: 1st, Eric Braziel; 2nd, Steve Owens.

Pee Wee Basketball: Deiondray Ollison and company drubbed the Andy Leyva legion 22-14. Damion Ollison scored 16 for the winners while Deiondray, Bobby Burnett and Dustin Fish added 2 each. Chris Ramirez scored 6 and Marco Hinojos and Johnathan Lee notched 2 each for the Leyva team.

Badminton, 12-under: 1st, Cedric Thomas; 2nd, Eric Braziel.

July 30

T-Ball, 12-under: Omar Walters' team topped Eric Horton and company 14-9. Scoring for the winners were Damion Ollison, 3 runs; Steve Jones, Julian Ybarra, Keidron Thompson and Walters, 2 each; and Toby Delce, Marco Hinojos and Chris Ramirez, 1 apiece. Scoring in a losing effort were Casey Horton and Andy Leyva, 2 each; and Eric Horton, Michael Daughtery, Danny Dominquez, James Wesley and Thomas Ramirez, 1 apiece.

Basketball, 13-over: Tyron Durst scored 10 points in helping his team top Steve Ybarra's club 58-52. Also scoring for the winners were Tracy Braziel, 28; Thomas Wesley, 8; Cedric Thomas, 6; Mark King, 4; and Brian Jackson, 2. Scoring for the Ybarra team were Ybarra with 20, Kevin Ward with 18, Anthony Wesley with 12 and Omar Walters with 2.

Volleyball, 13-over: Tracy Braziel's team defeated Anthony Wesley's team two games to one.

July 31

Air Hockey, 9-under: 1st, Marlowe Riggins; 2nd, Rodney Braziel; **13-over**: 1st, Mark King; 2nd, Kenneth McClain.

Pool, 9-under: 1st, Damion Ollison; 2nd, Chris Hernandez; **12-under**: 1st, Eric Horton; 2nd, Ronnie Myers; **13-over**: 1st, Steve Ybarra; 2nd, Chris Palacios.

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SPORTS

Seven inducted to Hall of Fame

CANTON, Ohio (AP) - Jim Langer, the center on the Miami Dolphins team that went undefeated in 1972, says starting off as an undrafted free agent gave him the drive that ultimately led to the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

Langer and Larry Csonka, the fullback on that 17-0 Miami team, are among the seven football greats to be inducted Saturday.

"A high draft choice might have the tendency to think a club has got money invested in him so he feels certain he is going to get a good look," said Langer, who joined the Dolphins after failing a tryout with the Cleveland Browns in 1970.

"Being a free agent, I had nothing but a plane ticket," he said. "It's human nature. If you come to a team as a top dog, you're not going to scratch your guts out like some guy who has to come up from the bottom."

The 6-2, 235-pound Langer remained with Miami for the next 10 seasons before finishing his career in Minnesota in 1980 and '81.

Csonka and Langer are the first players chosen to the Hall of Fame who spent a major portion of their careers with Miami, although 1983 enshrinee Paul Warfield was a receiver with the Dolphins during their championship seasons in the 1970s.

In the Dolphins' 1972 season, Csonka ran for 1,117 yards, averaging 5.2 yards per carry.

The 1987 Hall of Fame class is the largest since 1971 and features three players - Langer, Pittsburgh Steelers defensive tackle Joe Greene and Oakland Raiders offensive guard Gene Upshaw - elected in their first year of eligibility, five years after retirement.

The class also includes Kansas City Chiefs quarterback Len Dawson, New York Jets receiver Don Maynard and John Henry Johnson, a running back whose best years were with Pittsburgh in the 1960s.

After Saturday's enshrinement ceremony, the Kansas City Chiefs and San Francisco 49ers were to open the 1987 exhibition season at Fawcett Stadium, adjacent to the hall.

Greene was a little-known defensive tackle from North Texas State when Pittsburgh Coach Chuck Noll chose him No. 1 in the 1969 NFL draft.

Known as "Mean Joe Greene" because of his dominance of the line of scrimmage, Greene became the cornerstone of the Steeler defenses that helped the team win four Super Bowls in the 1970s.

Dawson passed for 28,711 yards and 239 touchdowns in a career that spanned 19 seasons in the old American Football League and the NFL.

His finest hour came in Super Bowl IV, the last Super Bowl before the merger of the AFL and NFL. Dawson directed the AFL Chiefs to a 23-7 upset of the NFL Minnesota Vikings and was named Most Valuable Player.

Maynard is the second Jets player in the Hall of Fame.

White getting paid for play

DALLAS (AP) - Dallas Cowboys quarterback Danny White, limited by injuries to six starts last season, will receive a cut in pay under his new contract if he starts less than eight games this year.

"That was something the Cowboys were concerned with," White said from the Dallas training camp at Thousand Oaks, Calif. "They didn't feel they got their money's worth out of me last year."

White earned a base salary of $605,000 last year. He will receive base pay of $750,000 this year if he starts at least eight games, The Dallas Morning News reported Friday.

If White starts fewer than eight games - half the regular season - he'll only get $500,000, the newspaper said.

"I'm not going to comment on those figures, but yeah, there's a difference," White said. "But the contract isn't that big of a deal to me.

"I'm not going to go out there with a broken arm, hiding it from the trainers, just so I can start half the season."

White broke his wrist when he was leveled by Carl Banks of the New York Giants in the ninth game of the 1986 season. He had missed several other previous games last year with hip injuries.

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Mauldin signs two to basketball team

Western Texas College Coach Tony Mauldin has signed Vince Ramirez and Bud Spaar to letters of intent.

Ramirez, 6-0, from El Paso Andress High School, "is supposed to be one of the better point guards coming out of El Paso," said Mauldin of the player who was originally recruited by former WTC Coach Phil Spradling. "He's a fierce competitor and a good team player."

Ramirez was all-district as a senior. His Andress team was in the playoffs in 1985 and 1986.

Spaar is a 6-5 player from Marble Falls, who will have to make an adjustment from post to forward.

"We feel like Bud will play the forward position for us so it may take him a little time," said Mauldin.

Spaar was all-district as a senior.

"We're hoping for some good things out of these players," said the coach. "We're excited about having them here."



TWO SIGN -- Vince Ramirez (left) and Bud Spaar have signed letters to play basketball for Western Texas College. (SDN Staff Photo)

ASTROS

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Chicago's only run.

Kevin McReynolds had three hits, including a two-run double off Rick Sutcliffe, 15-5. Rafael Santana hit a solo homer in the sixth inning, his fifth of the season, and Gary Carter added a two-run homer in the eighth.

Phillies 15, Cardinals 5

Philadelphia equalled the scoring output of its previous six games with a 15-hit attack against five St. Louis pitchers, who forced in runs with two of their six walks.

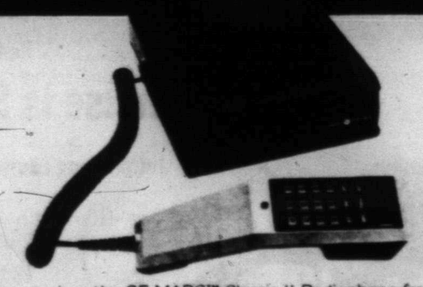
Chris James hit a three-run homer in the first inning and finished with three hits and five RBI for the Phillies, who snapped a six-game losing streak. Mike Schmidt and Glenn Wilson added three RBI apiece for Philadelphia.

Shane Rawley, 14-5, worked seven innings, allowing 11 hits and four runs, for his sixth straight victory.

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AIDS threat brought home to town

MARLIN, Texas (AP) — For 18 months, Jimmy Glenn Etheridge sold insurance to Marlin's low-income families and ingratiated himself with his clients and their sons.

Now, six weeks after his death, Marlin's 7,000 residents are trying to deal with the legacy left by Etheridge, one that could kill.

Etheridge brought AIDS, the distant danger, to town. He may have spread it to more than 50 of the young sons of his insurance clients, authorities say.

"He told them that he wanted to be like a big brother and take care of the kids," said G.J. Kouba, the policeman who found Etheridge's body June 30. "He bought them expensive gifts, all the things their mothers couldn't provide for them. He would do things with them, make them feel like they were worth doing something with ... but he had other ideas in mind."

Etheridge was shot to death by a 16-year-old boy described as a housemate, who Falls County District Attorney Thomas Sehon said would not be prosecuted.

After the boy told Kouba of a trunk containing homosexual magazines and Polaroid photos of Etheridge with young boys, investigators discovered computer files detailing explicitly his sexual contacts with boys.

The horror story grew when an autopsy showed Etheridge had been exposed to acquired immune deficiency syndrome, the disease that kills by destroying the body's ability to fight infection. Experts believe sexual contact is among the leading ways AIDS is spread.

It is juvenile probation officer Debra Coca's job to contact the families of the 54 children whose names and addresses have turned up so far in Etheridge's computer files, which were retrieved with the help of a computer expert in nearby Waco.

Ten of the boys live in Marlin, in Central Texas. The others are in Louisiana, Colorado, California, Mississippi and Mexico. So far, six local children have been tested for AIDS, but officials are not releasing results.

"People in town who knew Mr. Etheridge find it hard to believe that he could have that type of life in his background, hidden away. He seemed to be such a nice person," Ms. Coca said.

In addition to notifying families of children in the computer files, officials are trying to notify everyone who bought insurance from Etheridge, a 38-year-old divorced father of two.

"My elected job is to prosecute criminals, but I have a moral responsibility to take it beyond just the murder part," said Sehon, the local district attorney. "We don't know how many people it will be. It's probably impossible to notify every single person who said hello to him or shook his hand."

Marlin School Superintendent Joe Campbell, who lives down the street from the modest frame house Etheridge rented, said the district is trying to figure out how to handle the problem.

"We read about AIDS and it's always in the big cities and now, suddenly, it's here," he said.

Chad Brown, the local public health officer, said he knew of only one previous AIDS case in the area, involving an out-of-town man who came for an exam while visiting his mother in a nearby city. The man died.

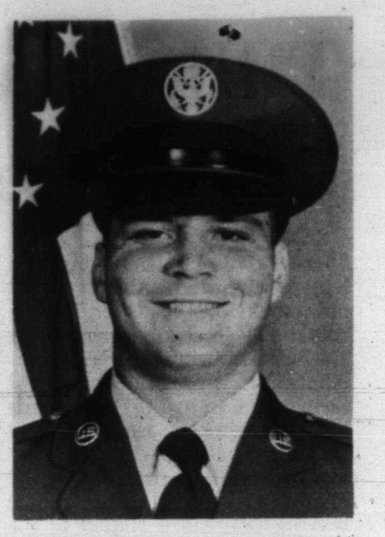
"Physicians see (AIDS) in a different light than the average layman. We know that it's out there most everywhere, whether it's Marlin, Texas, or New York City," Brown said. "Various deviations from normal sexuality are everywhere. But, again, you don't expect fleas in your own home."

The Rev. Richard Hume, pastor at the First United Methodist Church, is waiting to see public reaction to the AIDS threat, but plans to make it the topic of a sermon in the coming months.

"I will talk about the issue from a human justice point of view. We still tend to, within certain segments of the religious community, think of AIDS as kind of a punishment for a particular type of lifestyle," Hume said.

"If word leaks out in the community of who these children are that may or may not have been exposed to AIDS, I'll be interested to see what the community's reaction to those children is, especially in terms of school attendance," he said.

"It's all so surprising," said Larry Wolfe, owner of a Dairy Queen not far from the house where Etheridge lived and died. "A lot of people believe this is something that would happen to everybody else. Now it's close to home. It's frightening."



CHARLES D. WILLIAMSON

Williamson is Air Force grad

Airman Charles D. Williamson, son of Ronnie F. and Diana L. Williamson of Snyder, has graduated from the Air Force basic training at Lackland Air force Base.

His wife, Misty, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert R. Merritt of Snyder.

Charlotte Clifton gets Tech degree

Charlotte Clifton of Lubbock, daughter of William and Irene Masters of Snyder, has received her master of reading education degree from Texas Tech. In addition, she has also completed requirements for the Texas Professional Reading Specialist certification.

Honors in graduate work include member of Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society and Cum Laude graduate.

Clifton is married to Rod Clifton and teaches the second grade at Hardwick Elementary School. She has been employed by the Lubbock Independent School District since August of 1984.

She is a 1981 graduate of Snyder High School and a 1984 graduate of Lubbock Christian College.

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Union Baptist Church will have its Vacation Bible School Monday through Friday from 7-9 p.m. nightly. Ages are nursery through the 12th grade.

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A track meet will be held Friday night.

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Oil prices drifting lower

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil prices drifted lower again Friday, ending a volatile week that saw prices shoot over $22 per barrel and then slide back below $21.

On the New York Mercantile Exchange, contracts for September delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. crude oil, lost 15 cents to settle at $20.99 per 42-gallon barrel.

The bellwether contract lost more than a dollar in the last four trading sessions, after trading as high as $22.67 in response to last weekend's violence in the Middle East.

Prices for refined oil products also eroded further on Friday. The September contract for wholesale unleaded gasoline fell .18 cent to 54.64 cents a gallon, while the near-month contract for wholesale No. 2 heating oil dropped .38 cent to 54.90 cents a gallon.

Bob Baker, an analysts with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc., said traders had concluded that "the clear nervousness that came into the market after the riots (in Mecca, Saudi Arabia) was not founded with any bona fide threats to oil supplies."

Traditional U.S. export markets have suffered due to Latin America's debt crisis, according to the Inter-American Development Bank. U.S. exports account for a thid of all goods purchased by the region. Between 1981 and 1985, the region had to reduce its merchandise imports from $103 billion to $63 billion, as it tightened its belt to meet its debt service payments. The inability of the Lafin American countries to maintain the inflow of essential imports thus aggravated the U.S. trade deficit with the world.

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The Department of Transportation received more than 10,000 complaints from disgruntled airline passengers last year, up from less than 7,000 in 1985. And indications are that air passengers may have even more complaints in 1987. Passengers generally only appeal to DOT after they complain to the individual airline.

Tentative peace plan okayed

GUATEMALA CITY (AP) — The presidents of five Central American nations tentatively agreed Friday on a regional peace plan that rests on their being able to work out further, delicate agreements that have eluded them for years.

Diplomats and other sources said the presidents of Guatemala, Nicaragua, El Salvador, Honduras and Costa Rica arranged the fragile plan at their two-day summit. It calls for for a cease-fire within 3½ months.

The agreement was based on a proposal submitted by President Oscar Arias of Costa Rica on Feb. 15 to end Nicaragua's civil war and the leftist insurgency in El Salvador.

"The principal goal of the summit has been achieved," said Luis Solis, chief of staff for the Costa Rican Foreign Ministry. "It's a tremendous breakthrough."

At the White House in Washington, spokesman Roman Popadiuk said, "We hope they come to an agreement that promotes peace and democracy in the region. But it is prudent to wait and see the outcome of the summit."

House Speaker Jim Wright called the accord "substantial," adding, "You probably need to keep your fingers crossed and hope it doesn't come unglued."

Roberto Viera, El Salvador's vice minister of communications, described the agreement as "conceptual" but an "important step forward."

Viera said the United States and the Soviet Union and its allies would be "exhorted" to halt aid to insurgent forces in Central America, but acknowledged there was no guarantee they would do so.

"We have agreed on all points," said Mario Quinones, Guatemala's foreign minister, "but there's still much to do."

The Honduran delegation released a document describing the pact as a compromise and saying it called for the foreign ministers of the five nations to meet within 15 days as a working commission.

Within 90 days, the Honduran document said, the commission would be charged with bringing about a regional cease-fire, amnesty for political prisoners and armed opponents of nations in conflict, and democratization of the area.

The Honduran delegation said those simultaneous steps would be accompanied by three other actions:

— A call for governments inside and outside of the region to suspend aid to irregular forces or insurrectional movements in Central America.

— Arrangement of international mechanisms to halt the use of any country's territory for attacks on another nation.

— A halt to the traffic of arms and other military aid to individuals or groups trying to undermine neighboring states.

The Honduran delegation said an international inspection commission would meet 120 days after the signing of the agreement to verify progress. Thirty days after that, the five Central American presidents would meet again to hear the inspection commission's report.

The resolution of the key issues of a cease-fire and democratization in particular have eluded diplomats from the five nations since their search for peace began Jan. 12, 1983.

Notification policy approved

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan agreed Friday to notify congressional intelligence committees of covert operations within "two working days," but said this new disclosure policy should exclude "the most exceptional circumstances."

In a letter to Sens. David Boren, D-Okla., and William Cohen, R-Maine, the chairman and co-chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, Reagan acknowledged that in light of Iran-Contra revelations, "we cannot conduct an effective program of special (covert) activities without the cooperation and support of Congress."

He agreed to a series of steps to improve notification procedures called for by provisions of the National Security Act of 1947, although Reagan distanced himself from legislation that Rep. Louis Stokes, D-Ohio, has introduced, requiring a notification within 48 hours of the inception of an intelligence operation.

Reagan did not elaborate on what he meant in his letter, which he hand-delivered to Boren and Cohen during a brief Oval Office ceremony, by "exceptional circumstances."

Nor did the letter spell this out, although Reagan did write the two committee leaders that "the president must retain the flexibility as commander in chief and chief executive to exercise those constitutional authorities necessary to safguard the nation and its citizens."

But in reply to a reporter's question about whether the changes were in response to the administration's failure to notify the congressional committees of the program of clandestine arms sales to Iran, Reagan said, "I haven't called them mistakes yet."

The agreement, said White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater, culminated "a period of intensive and fruitful consultations" between the White House and the Senate Intelligence Committee.

Later in the day, Boren told a news conference: "I am pleased by the president's response to the suggestions made by the Senate Intelligence Committee. The president's letter is a good first step toward greater cooperation between Congress and the White House in national security matters."

But he said "further legislation" might still be needed.

Cohen said, "This is a very positive step. Obviously it is not the end result. But it does reflect a change in attitude. It's clear there will be no more oral findings, it's clear there will be no more retroactive findings."

Reagan will give a nationally broadcast address Wednesday night, in which he delivers his formal response to the revelations of the Iran-Contra hearings.

Among the changes that Reagan embraced:

—Except in cases of "extreme emergency," all future national security "findings" will be in writing.

—"No finding should retroactively authorize or sanction a special activity," an unmistakable response to the after-the-fact findings the White House assembled to give legitimacy to certain aspects of the arms-to-Iran sales.

—In instances in which a president might authorize covert undertakings by some agency or persons outside the CIA or intelligence agencies, "all applicable procedures for approval of a finding and notification to Congress shall apply."

—"The intelligence committees should be appropriately informed of participation of any government agencies, private parties or other countries involved in assisting with special activities."

—"There should be a regular and periodic review of all ongoing special activities both by the intelligence committees and by the NSC (National Security Council)." This was an apparent response to conclusions by the Tower board and suggestions by congressional hearing witnesses of a runaway national security policy-making apparatus.

Israelis will not let Walsh question four

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israel won't allow independent counsel Lawrence Walsh to interview four Israelis involved in U.S.-Iran arms dealing despite oral assurances Walsh doesn't plan to charge them, an Israeli diplomat said Friday.

Oded Eran, deputy chief of mission at the Israeli Embassy, said Walsh's representatives had been in contact with his government about the four men and had "indicated they have no interest in them as other than witnesses." However, he added, "I am sure they have not committed themselves in any way."

The Israelis, who helped transfer arms to Iran in 1985, "acted in this respect as emissaries of the state of Israel and therefore it is inconceivable that they will be questioned," Eran said.

The prosecutor's assurances were provided during extensive negotiations, between Walsh's office and the Israeli government, that failed to produce an agreement to produce evidence for the investigation.

There was no immediate comment from Walsh's office on Eran's remarks.

Walsh's investigators want to interview David Kimche, former director general of the Israeli foreign ministry; U.S.-born arms dealer Al Schwimmer; arms dealer Yaacov Nimrodi and Amiram Nir, an adviser on counterterrorism to the former Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres.

Kimche helped initiate the sale of U.S.-made arms to Iran in the summer of 1985 — a transaction that involved Israel shipping weapons that were eventually replaced by the United States. U.S. involvement with Iran was more direct later on.

Walsh is looking into the possibility of criminal prosecutions arising from all aspects of the Iran-Contra affair, in which U.S. weapons went to Iran and a portion of the proceeds were diverted by operatives of White House aide Oliver North to rebels fighting the Nicaraguan government.

Kimche was served with a grand jury subpoena when he visited New York on private business in May. He was allowed to return to Israel while the subpoena was being contested in court.

Schwimmer, a close associate of Peres, who is now Israel's foreign minister, has dual U.S.-Israeli citizenship. He was served with a subpoena in Israel by U.S. consular officials.

Chief Judge Aubrey E. Robinson Jr. of U.S. District Court here has denied a motion by Israel to quash the subpoenas, according to a source who is familiar with the case and who spoke on condition of anonymity.

But Robinson will decide whether Kimche and Schwimmer have a legal privilege to avoid answering some questions if they relate to their government service, the source said.

Walsh is expected to argue that Kimche and Schwimmer can legally be required to answer questions about conversations with Americans involved in the arms-for-hostages deal, such as Lt. Col. Oliver North and retired Air Force Maj. Gen. Richard V. Secord.

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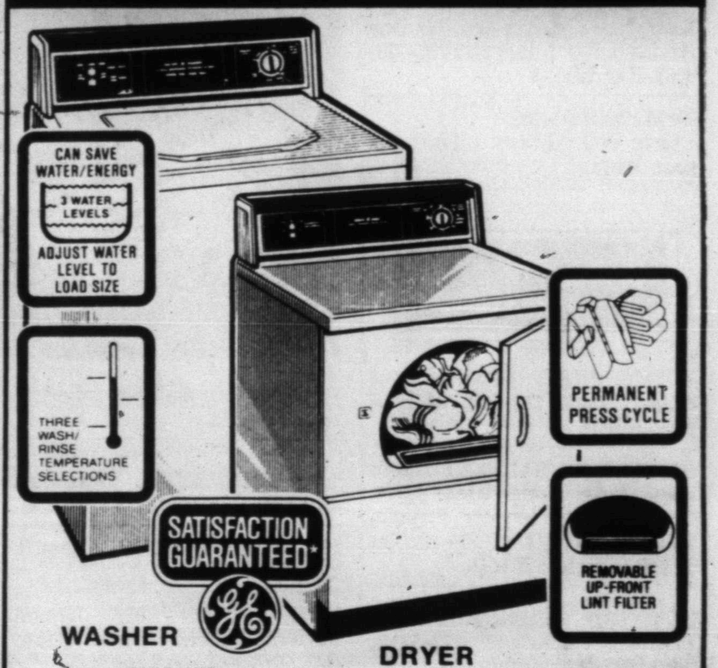
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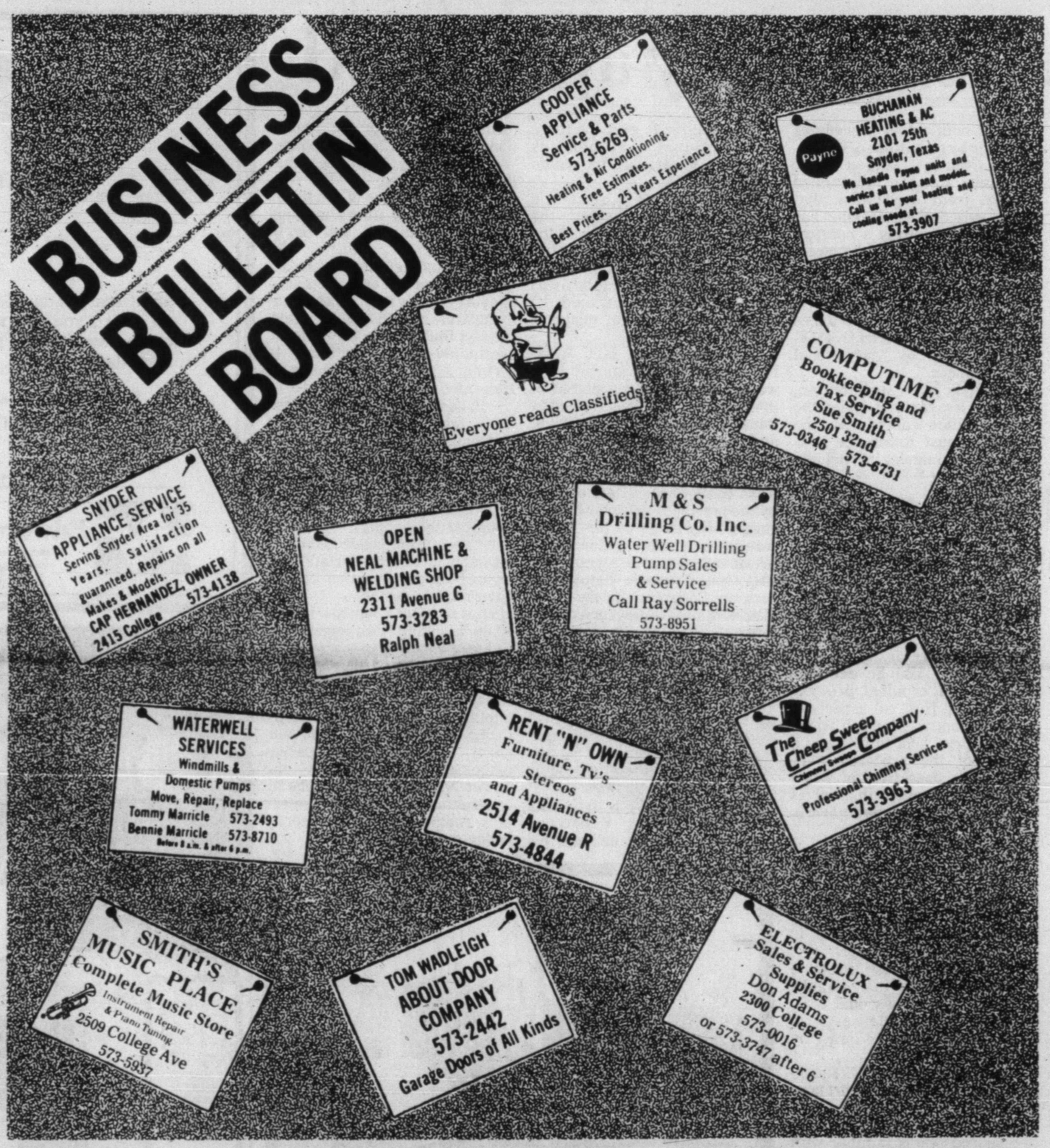
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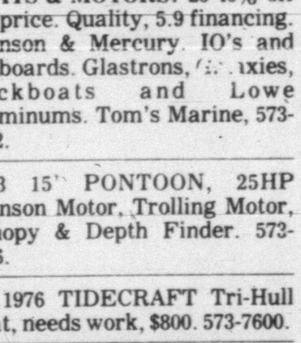
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Gramm-Rudman stalemate is sidestepped

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress' flight for summer vacation without agreement on deficit-cutting legislation or a long-term debt extension sets up an autumn that could feature prolonged clashes over both.

Lawmakers left town Friday night after both chambers approved extending the national debt limit to $2.35 trillion, enough for the government to borrow money for its bills only until Sept. 23.

The government's ability to borrow had lapsed at midnight Thursday. Because of that, the Treasury notified financial institutions to stop selling U.S. savings bonds until further notice.

President Reagan was expected to sign the bill quickly and return Treasury operations to normal.

Although the debt limit was extended, at least temporarily, no agreement was reached on how to toughen the Gramm-Rudman budget balancing law.

As evening approached Friday, the lawmakers gave up on those efforts — and abandoned the long-term, $2.8 trillion debt limit bill to which it was attached — and approved the six-week extension. The House approved the short-term bill by a voice vote and the Senate vote was 51-39 before the lawmakers adjourned until early September.

Some lawmakers said Seuee negotiators had come close to an agreement on strengthening Gramm-Rudman and expressed hope that when Congress returns after Labor Day, it will resume its efforts.

"If we go into recess, we'll come back, hopefully, recharged and renewed," said Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, D-Texas.

"I think a substantial amount of progress has been made, and will survive until after the recess," said House Majority Leader Thomas S. Foley, D-Wash.

Others, however, were more pessimistic.

Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., said he preferred "the mountains of New Hampshire to the swamps of Washington in the month of August," but believed lawmakers should have postponed their recess until agreement on Gramm-Rudman had been reached. He said economic trouble looms without the law, which he helped write to clamp down on federal deficits.

"What we are gambling with tonight is high unemployment, a return to high interest rates, increased inflation, high unemployment, an increased trade deficit," he said.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, another Gramm-Rudman author, added that by adjourning without an agreement Congress lost its "best opportunity" to fix the law.

The House and Senate began negotiating on the debt bill Tuesday, focusing on proposals to restore the 1985 Gramm-Rudman law's spending-cut mechanism. That procedure, ruled unconstitutional last year by the Supreme Court, was to be triggered each year the president and Congress failed to agree on ways to reduce the federal deficit to gradually decreasing levels.

On Friday, House Democrats proposed, and some senators agreed. to renew a somewhat revised version of the law for a three-year trial period. Democrats view strict deficit targets as a way to force Reagan to negotiate on a tax increase, since automatic cuts would affect his military program.

Tentative agreement was reached to require a $23 billion deficit reduction in fiscal 1988 and $36 billion in fiscal 1989. But conservative Republican senators, including Gramm, said they would accept only a law that would produce a balanced budget early in the 1990s.

Texas agencies feel pinch after vetoes by Clements

AUSTIN (AP) — Judging from the reaction, Gov. Bill Clements' vetoes pinched some people, agencies and colleges where it hurts.

Clements on Thursday signed the largest state budget in Texas' history — $38.132 billion — but vetoed $167.4 million from various programs.

More than $106 million of that came out of budgets proposed for public and higher education.

His vetoes will eliminate a proposed $34 million state highway building and $3.5 million in projected spending by some agencies for maintaining and operating airplanes.

Clements said he wanted to encourage agencies to use planes from the aircraft pooling board — "that's what I've done and it works great."

Commissioner Garry Mauro of the General Land Office, which lost $894,024 as a result of the governor's veto, said he thought vetoes of certain aircraft operations was an attempt to draw attention away from education vetoes, "which are unpopular."

Mauro said the vetoes would shut down his office's aerial survey program, and force each of his 11 inspectors on the ground to be responsible for 2 million acres off state-owned land.

Ironically, according to Mauro, his office has a job for the governor on Sunday and Monday, and that is taking aerial photos of possible super collider sites near Abilene.

Tony Proffitt, a spokesman for Comptroller Bob Bullock, was asked about the veto of nearly $1.5 million from the comptroller's aircraft operations. He said airplanes have been an integral part of the comptroller's tax audits. "We want auditors in our office or the client's office and not somewhere in-between," he said.

Rep. Bill Ceverha, R-Richardson, said, "I think it's terrific. In a time when you're talking about cutting money in education we've got these state officials using airplanes as if they were the emperor of China."

Clements vetoed a $52 million subsidy lawmakers wanted to give school districts where property values have declined by 8 percent or more, and Texas Education Commissioner William Kirby said, "If there had to be something cut, this is probably the least harmful."

He said during the past several years the bulk of the subsidy has gone to wealthy districts that have experienced a dramatic drop in taxable wealth because of the decline in oil and gas prices.

Marlin Johnston, commissioner of the Department of Human Services, said a $16.2 million veto wipes out administrative appropriations for two major programs — protective services for children and family self-services, such as family planning — and would result in a job freeze in those areas.

Johnston said it also does away with administration money for elderly and disabled victims of abuse. The Gray Panthers of Austin said the 70-year-old Clements had shown a callous disregard for impaired adults who are unable to protect themselves.

Another veto, according to Attorney General Jim Mattox, would eliminate $1 million from his program to enforce court-ordered child support payments.

Mattox said the loss of money would force his office to neglect certain cases and "more families — perhaps as many as 400 to 500 — will end up on the state's welfare rolls."

A total of $6.6 million was cut from administrative funding in university systems' offices.

"It's going to be hard to overcome," said regent Joe Reynolds of Texas A&M University.

A&M lost over $690,000 in 1988-89, the University of Texas $1.4 million and the University of Houston $2.1 million in 1989.

"I'm terribly disappointed," said Debbie Hannah, chairman of UH regents.

UT regent chairman Jack Blanton said administrators comprise only 1 percent of the total number of employees in the UT system, and since 1985 staff has been held to 11 percent "below what it otherwise would have been" by eliminating jobs and not filling other positions.

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District court hears 2 pleas

District Judge Gene Dulaney has sentenced a young burglary defendant to eight years' probation and a DWI defendant to 180 days in jail.

William Raborn, 17, of 1909 Ave. N pleaded guilty to burglary of a habitation for the July 8 break-in at the home of a Snyder woman and received the eight-year probated penitentiary term.

Lelton Neal Hoyle, 38, of 2101 Ave. M pleaded guilty to a subsequent DWI offense on March 15 and was sentenced to 180 days in Scurry County Jail and fined $750. His driver's license was revoked for one year.

Car theft is reported Friday

Police are investigating a car theft reported Friday at a local dealership.

Officers were told that employees at Wilson Motors on the East Highway noticed the blue 1983 Mercury two-door missing on Aug. 3 and that they had last seen it on July 27.

In other action, patrolmen arrested a 19-year-old man for public intoxication, evading arrest and resisting arrest at 2:10 a.m. Friday in the 3200 Block of College Ave.

A 40-year-old Snyder man was arrested for public intoxication at 7:44 p.m. Friday at a restaurant on College Ave.

Unemployment drops to 6 percent

WASHINGTON (AP) — The civilian unemployment rate dropped to a decade low of 6 percent in July, the government said Friday, and President Reagan used the report to press his campaign against a tax increase and protectionist trade legislation.

A record 112.7 million people 63 percent of the non-institutionalized population, were working last month, an increase of 470,000 jobholders over June, the Labor Department said.

The number of jobless, meanwhile, dropped by 36,000 to 7,244,000, the lowest since March 1980, sending the civilian unemployment rate down 0.1 percentage points to match the 6 percent level last achieved in December 1979.

"It's particularly important that this breakthrough of the 6 percent mark does not occur in a hyperinflated economy as it did in 1979," Reagan said. "There were those who said the low rates of unemployment coupled with low rates of inflation simply were unattainable."

AJRA begins here Tuesday

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Bad Company Rodeo and Mack Altizer will furnish the stock. Altizer was a member of AJRA and served as president while competing as a youngster. He is now a stock producer for PRCA.

Miss AJRA will be crowned Friday night. Nominees are Ralynn Key of Gail, Kody Newman of Stanton, Shelli Wall of Stephenville, Leslie Ward of Snyder, Jamie Watkins of Odessa and Lari Dee Guy of Abilene.

The reigning Miss AJRA is Robin Wardlaw of Del Rio.

The National sponsor this year is Wrangler jeans. Arena sponsors are Wall's Industries, Barq's Root Beer, Stetson and Abilene Boots.

Local saddle donors are West Texas State Bank, Snyder National Bank, Olney Savings, Willow Park Inn, James Aaron and the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

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Tickets to the AJRA Finals are available at the Snyder chamber of commerce office. Box seats are $6 and general admission is $2 for children and $4 for adults.

Country Western Disco dances will be held in the Coliseum annex Monday through Saturday. Thursday is the lone exeption and is AJRA party night for members only. Dances start at 9 p.m.

In the Snyder area, the AJRA will be shown on Abilene's KTAB-TV starting at 10:30 p.m. Saturday. On Lubbock's KCBD, the the telecast will be presented starting at 1 p.m. Sunday.

Breakfast set here Wednesday

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practices to improve profits from stocker cattle.

Dr. Charles Church, local veterinarian, will outline a good health program for stockers to minimize sickness and to get calves gaining as soon as possible.

Scott Porter, a Pfizer representative from Lubbock, will also discuss the benefits of worming stocker calves with such Pfizer products as Rumatel and Paratech.

Finishing the program will be Pam Harper of Monsanto and Tom Blanchette with Dupont, who will discuss new techniques in controlling weeds in both small grain pastures and the Conservation Reserve Acreages.

Chief cook at the Ranch Breakfast will again be Jerry Baird of Western Texas College and the Senior Citizens Center. His menu will include sausage, bacon, eggs, biscuits, gravy, hash brown potatoes, cowboy coffee and juice.

Rickey Linex with the Soil Conservation Service will again be preparing biscuits in Dutch ovens, a popular feature of the last Ranch Breakfast.

For more information, contact Linex at the SCS, 573-1268; or Kent Mills at Ezell-Key, 573-9373.

The Baikal seal, found in Siberia's Lake Baikal, is the world's only freshwater seal, says National Geographic

Negotiators are stepping up pace of nuclear talks

GENEVA (AP) — The United States and Soviet Union agreed Friday to speed up the nuclear arms talks, including work on a joint draft treaty on intermediate-range missiles, in preparation for next month's meeting between their top envoys.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard A. Shevardnadze said negotiators are being instructed to try to prepare a "mutually acceptable" draft accord for eliminating the missiles before his meeting with Secretary of State George P. Shultz.

He said the agreement came during his three-hour meeting with chief U.S. negotiator Max Kampelman at the Soviet mission.

"We agreed that our delegations will try to best use the time available before the meeting — and we don't have much time before that meeting, only about a month or so — to prepare a mutually acceptable draft treaty on medium-range and shorter-range missiles," he told a press conference. The meeting is scheduled for Sept. 15-17.

Shevardnadze said they also agreed to intensify work in the other two areas under negotiation at the talks — long-range, or intercontinental, nuclear missiles and space and defense systems.

Kampelman, speaking at a separate press conference, said: "We both understood that we have a major responsibility to move these negotiations forward to agreement."

But the deputy U. S. negotiator on intermediate-range missiles, John Woodworth, said he would be surprised if the two sides completed a draft text in time for the meeting.

"I rather suspect that there will continue to be work that needs to be done and we'll of course continue right through (the Shultz-Shevardnadze meeting) and as long as it takes to get the job done," he said.

He said the two sides have overcome "the most substantial substantive issues" and are now working on technical issues such as verification, or anti-cheating measures.

Shevardnadze said, however, that the Soviet Union remained firm in its position that warheads for West Germany's 72 Pershing 1A missile would have to be destroyed under an Intermediate Nuclear Force (INF) agreement, which would cover all nuclear missiles with a range of between 300 and 3,000 miles.

"They have to be eliminated. It's that simple," he said.

Woodworth reiterated the U.S. position that the Pershing question "is unrelated to these negotiations" because it deals with an agreement with an ally that existed before the Geneva talks began.

The Soviets say U.S. refusal to include the warheads in the Geneva negotiations is the major obstacle to agreement.

But Woodworth said the issue "is not affecting the (day-to-day) work in the negotiations." Neither he nor Kampelman would comment on whether it might be solved in a forum outside the Geneva talks.

Shevardnadze said he had detected "some nuances" in Kampelman's remarks about the Pershing warheads "and they will be subject to negotiations." He did not elaborate.

Asked about the nuances, Kampelman said it was "not clear" what Shevardnadze meant. He said he made it clear to Shevardnadze during the meeting that the United States would not accept an INF agreement that included any reference to the Pershings.

In Bonn, West Germany, a leading member of Parliament said Friday that U.S. national security adviser Frank Carlucci had reaffirmed American support for his nation's insistence on keeping the Pershings.

Senior center menu

MONDAY
Chopped Sirloin w/Mushroom Sauce
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TUESDAY
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Potato Salad
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Fresh Spinach Salad
Coconut Cream Pie

WEDNESDAY
Lasagna
Cauliflower
Green Peas & Carrots
Tossed Salad w/Dressing
Red Gelatin w/Topping

THURSDAY
Chicken Salad Sandwich
Potato Chips
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Caramel Bread Pudding

FRIDAY
Fried Fish w/Tartar Sauce
Chopped Broccoli
Macaroni & Tomatoes
Cole Slaw
Peach Cobbler

Driver sentenced to two 10-year terms in traffic fatalities

BROWNSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Comparing an intoxicated driver's car to a machine gun, a judge sentenced a Corpus Christi man Friday to two concurrent 10-year prison terms and levied $121,000 in restitution for an accident that killed four young people on spring break.

Gregory Mikolajczak, 30, was charged in March with four counts of involuntary manslaughter stemming from the deaths of Jolene Mary Christensen, 19, of San Antonio; Larry Dean Flippen, 22, of Fort Worth; Elaine Marie Hull, 17, of Dallas; and Nancy Ann Kervin, 19, of Dallas.

He pleaded guilty last month to two counts of involuntary manslaughter while the other two counts were dismissed. The two dismissed counts were considered during his sentencing Friday.

Tests determined that Mikolajczak had a blood alcohol level of 0.18, almost twice the legal limit of 0.10.

District Judge Jane Brasch said although she did not consider Mikolajczak a future menace to society, she wanted the sentence to send a message to other potential drunken drivers.

"The message is going to be that people cannot drink and drive," she added. "He might as well have had a machine gun going down the road."

Several friends and family members of the victims of the March 18 accident on state Highway 48 between South Padre Island and Brownsville were in the courtroom Friday.

"I have a 4-year-old who goes to the grave site and wishes Elaine hadn't died," said Mary Lee Hull, the victim's mother. "I have a 10-year-old who has a lot of anger. He'll probably have to go to counseling."

Carolyn Thomas, 18, of Dallas, Elaine Hull's friend, was hospitalized for two months after the accident, and told the judge the accident ruined her high school graduation.

Mikolajczak's mother, Ethleen Mikolajczak of La Sara, testified that her son was a model child.

"He's suffering," said Mikolajczak's aunt, Anna Hickey of Sweeny. "I know it probably doesn't compare to their suffering, but I know he's suffering."

Defense attorney Melchor Chavez had asked for probation.

Prosecutor Mervyn Mosbacker had asked the judge to consider the car a deadly weapon in handing down the sentence.

"There's no question he had a disregard for their lives," Mosbacker said.

"I just deeply regret everything that's happened," Mikolajczak told the judge before receiving the sentence.

In addition to the prison sentence and restitution, the judge levied fines of $10,000 and suspended Mikolajczak's drivers' license for two years.

The four who died were among eight packed into a four-door Honda. Mikolajczak was driving a station wagon.

According to reports, the Chevrolet station wagon was traveling on the wrong side of the road when it struck an on-coming Chevrolet pickup, then collided head-on with the Honda.

Officials delinquent on property taxes

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — The Odessa City Council likely will consider a prohibition against candidates who owe property taxes after the mayor and two other elected officials were found delinquent on their tax bills, a councilman said.

Councilman Dub Kennedy said he expects the council to form a committee in the next couple of weeks to study making changes in the city charter that would require candidates to have paid all back taxes.

"Most cities have a rule that you can't run for office if you owe taxes," Kennedy said. "I'm sure we'll let the voters decide if they want people running for office that owe taxes."

The Odessa American reported in July that D&L Sports Inc., Mayor Don Carter's defunct sporting goods corporation, owes almost $33,000 in unpaid local taxes.

Ector County tax office records this week showed City Councilman Jaime Rodriguez owed $289.01 in delinquent 1986 city, county, school and college district taxes.

Rodriguez said he had been between jobs for several months, and he paid his tax bill Thursday.

Former council member Vern Foreman, who chose not to seek another term in office, is president of Foreman Electric. Records show the company owes a total $6,767.31 in delinquent 1986 city, county, school and college taxes.

"I don't deny being billed" for the taxes, said Foreman, who noted that he has not been a public official since May. He would not comment about the company's tax situation.

Foreman was a council member during the time the taxes were accrued, and for three months after payment was due.

Councilman Jim Perkins, Foreman's successor, said a charter rule prohibiting people who owe taxes from running for city office "would save a good many people some embarrassment."

20,000 applications received for amnesty

HOUSTON (AP) — The federal illegal alien amnesty program which began three months ago has had more than 20,000 applicants processed in Houston so far, officials said Friday.

The Houston Legal Center anticipates about 100,000 will file for the amnesty under the program in Houston by year's end, said Richard Rioa, the center's director.

Over 700 of the applications have been recommended for denial, said Leland LaGow, the center's assistant director.

LaGow said about 60 percent of denials were for driving while intoxicated offenses.

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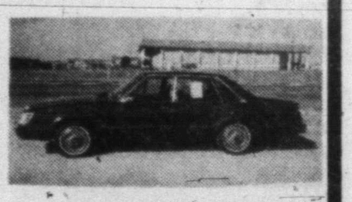
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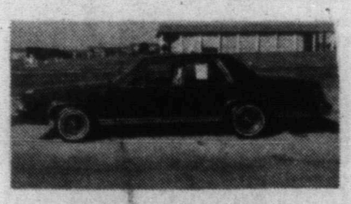
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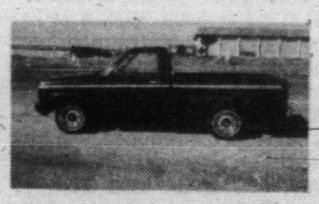

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Scurry County Folks...

By Shirley A. Gorman

Even though World War II has been over for more than 40 years, Joel Griffin of Snyder remembers his experiences as a Japanese Prisoner of War like it happened yesterday. He is a little hazy on exact dates and lengths of time spent at various locations, but his memories of those war years are still powerful enough to elicit an emotional response from him. Several times during this three hour long interview, Griffin became overcome with emotion and had to pause for a moment or two before going on.

Clearly his memories of his World War II experiences could easily fill a book, and someday he hopes that he'll be able to do that. But for now this article will attempt to reconstruct as accurately and as detailed as possible Griffin's experiences at the hands of the Japanese during World War II.

Griffin, a mere lad of 22, joined the Air Force on Jan. 21, 1942 and within a month he was on a boat going overseas. He said he sailed around the Cape of Africa in the Queen Mary, the English luxury liner, and 2½ months later he landed in Sidney, Australia. From Sidney he traveled by rail to Melbourne where he stayed in a sheep ranch barn. There were about 50 recruits all together and they made their beds out of hay.

They were later moved to a cricket field and Griffin worked for about three months in clothing supply while he lived underneath the bleachers.

He later joined the 19th bomb group and underwent two weeks of training with 50 caliber machine guns. His first airplane ride was on a combat mission from Townville to New Guinea. The next day he flew a reconnaissance mission.

Three months later, Griffin was stateside--this time in Texas where he joined the 43rd bomb group.

While with the 19th he said he flew 15 missions and helped run the cameras during the recon flights. A big camera was mounted in the floor of the plane. He also operated the machine gun.

With the 43rd he said he flew "on and off" with them, but there were no reconnaissance missions. He was either a waist gunner or a tail gunner on these flights.

All flights above 14,000 feet required the B-17 flight crew to wear oxygen masks he said. Most of the bombing runs he was on were at 14,000 feet or more, but some were below 14,000 feet.

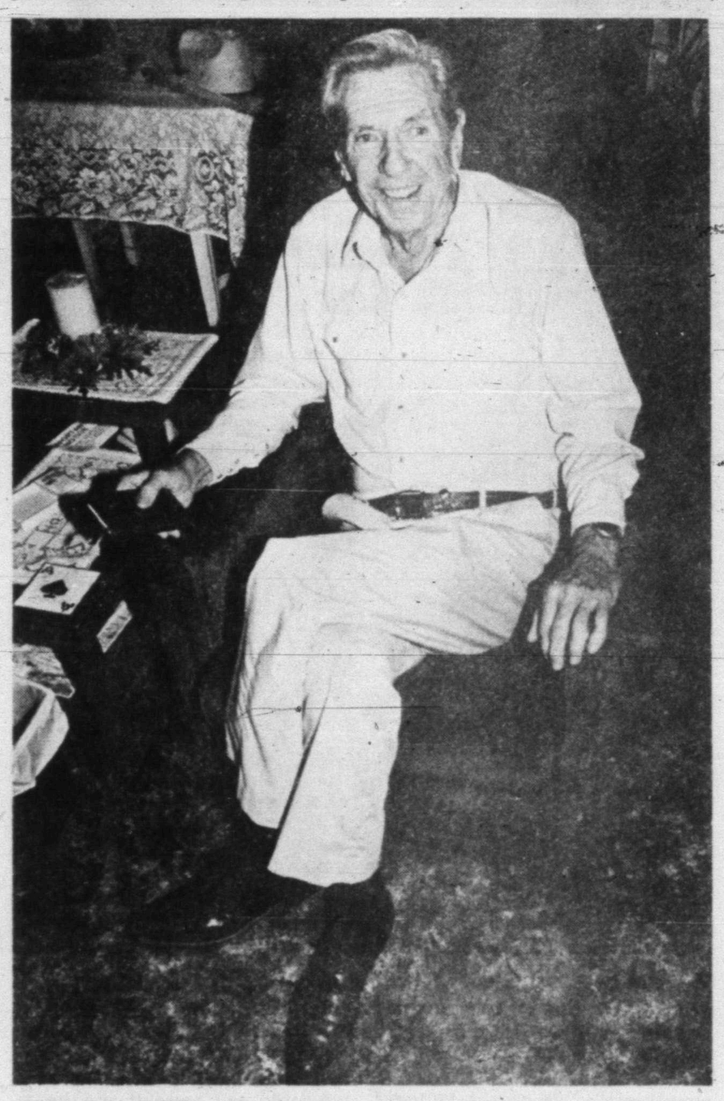
Griffin said he was manning the tail gunner position on "The Tax Payers' Pride," the name of his B-17 when he was shot down on June 25, 1943. In those days Griffin explained that the average life of a tail gunner in a "dog fight" was three minutes.

It was night and Griffin and crew had just made a bombing run over Rabaul, New Britain. They were at 14,000 feet and had just dropped their bombs when the plane was shot down. Griffin was the only one of 10 to survive. It happened around 3 a.m.

Griffin recalled hearing a "sound like gravel" hitting the plane. The plane caught fire but the pilot told Griffin that they had put it out. Then Griffin said he heard the gravel-like sound again and the plane began flying out of control.

It started down and Griffin knew he had just moments to live. With his parachute attached to his back, he said he tried to make it to the escape hatch. He caught the ribs on the side of the plane and pulled himself down to the escape hatch. He flipped the door off and rolled out of the door, falling face up. He said he wasn't "100 percent oriented but he could see the shoreline of an island."

"I opened my chute and the pressure from falling face up fractured my back," he explained. The parachute caught in a tree and he was hanging upside down before he managed to free himself. He said he "kicked himself out of the chute and then managed to ride the top of the tree to the ground."



POW--Joel Griffin of Snyder was a prisoner of war During World II. He was shot down and captured by the Japanese and held as a POW until the end of the war. Griffin was the only one of a crew of 10 to survive. (SDN Staff Photo)

He found a stick and used it as a walking cane before passing out. To avoid being identified as a soldier he said he had tried to get as far away from his parachute as he could.

He said he heard his plane, "The Tax Payers' Pride" hit the ground as he parachuted to safety and eventual capture by the Japanese.

"I opened my chute and the pressure from falling face up fractured my back."

Much later when he was a POW, Griffin said a Japanese soldier had shown him a picture of his plane and he knew then it had broken in half on impact. He said he identified it by the number on the plane.

Later when he came to he could not walk very well but managed to make another 200 yards which brought him to a clearing. The sound of pigs and roosters had woken him up. "For a moment I thought I was back on the farm," he explained.

Several natives found Griffin and took him to their camp where they fed him a banana. One spoke English and asked him if he was an American. He said he knew he would be reported to the Japanese.

"When the Japanese doctor saw me he began putting on a show. For about 20 minutes he tried to hurt me every way he could."

"The natives made me a litter of palm tree branches and laid me on it," Griffin said. "I was lying on my right side facing east when out of the jungle I saw six Japanese. I thought they were going to kill me."

One Japanese spoke English. Griffin isn't sure but he thinks he may have been the same one who would later show him a picture of his downed plane. He said they knew the names of his dead buddies on board the plane.

The natives carried Griffin to a Japanese staff car and he was placed in the back seat. He was in intense pain from his injuries and the rough ride in the car only aggravated his condition. Once when the pain became too much he asked them to stop before continuing on to a Japanese hospital which was located in a native grass hut, Griffin explained.

"When the Japanese doctor saw me he began putting on a show. For about 20 minutes he tried to hurt me every way he could." Besides a back injury, Griffin also sustained two wounds in the head and a knee and ankle injury.

A Japanese nurse finally tended to Griffin's injuries, stitching his head wounds and trimming away his hair, but she used no antiseptic.

He was then taken to another building where he faced a Japanese officer. He couldn't understand what they were saying and when he tried to give them his name, rank and serial number he said they "stomped me with their boots and slammed me with their rifle butts." "That's when I decided to tell them something." This treatment lasted for about an hour and it was repeated for several days in a row, each time for a

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Snyder man recalls World War II captivity

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shorter length of time though. Then he was left alone for two to three days.

Finally he was placed in a tiny cell with other POWs. However, he said the amazing thing was that the Japanese never referred to him as prisoner of war until after he had been relocated to Japan. Instead, he said they always told him of how soon they intended to win the war.

One POW was a "chubby, bleached out American" about Griffin's age who had been shot down two weeks before. One was a pilot and another was about 16 years old and in very bad shape physically. He had an infected rash which was secreting some kind of fluid which made his clothes very stiff when they dried. One of his hips had such a bad sore on it that the bone was visible.

They were given no medicine and food consisted of a rice ball given to them in the morning and the evening. They were also given a Saki bottle filled with hot water.

About once a week they were served hard biscuits. Candy treats were given to them twice while Griffin was at that camp and they received cigarettes "once in a while." They were allowed to smoke the cigarettes outside of the cell.

The cell was about the size of a 8x10 room and it contained one window with bars on it. "We nearly could always see a Japanese guard through it," Griffin said.

A Lt. Jose Holguin was later shoved into the cell with Griffin and the others. The April issue of "Reader's Digest" contains a story about Holguin written by Joseph P. Blank.

Their beds consisted of straw mats which they rolled up during the day. Their latrine consisted of a square box with a hole cut out of it and a bucket placed inside. Often it was not changed for days and would run over and stink, Griffin said.

Holguin's jaw was broken and he could wiggle it Griffin explained. The Japanese made them sit with their back to the wall and their legs folded. One day Griffin and Holguin were caught lying down. The Japanese stood them at attention and began to beat them, rebreaking Holguin's jaw, Griffin said.

At first the men were not allowed to bathe or have haircuts, but that changed later. They were also forced to build bomb shelters for the Japanese to use during the Allies' attacks. The holes were dug 8x15 feet and were 12-14 feet deep.

The trunks of coconut trees were layered on the bottom.

"We could hear the sirens go off while we were in our cells," Griffin said, "But we were never allowed to use the bomb shelters we had built."

"The sky was full of planes and we could hear the bombs dropping," he said. "U. S. planes strafed the island and dropped bombs on it."

There were two raids in all and Griffin isn't sure how far apart they were. However, that is what decided him to accept the Japanese offer when they asked him if he wanted to go to Japan.

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That is when he and Holguin parted company. Of the 73 prisoners left in Raboul, only five survived until the end of the war.

Griffin and 11 other POWs were crowded into the hold of a Japanese ship which was filled with Japanese soldiers returning from the War Zone.

"We got medicine from the Japanese medics and since I was used to doctoring farm animals I doctored the man who had a hole in his leg," Griffin said.

At one point Indian soldiers were loaded onto the ship and Griffin said they sometimes gave them biscuits and candy to eat.

"One night we heard guns going off and thought we were being attacked," he said.

The ship landed in Kobi and from there the POWs were taken by train to Tokyo where they were put in a jail cell for about two weeks. After they were moved to a camp Griffin said the Japanese finally officially declared them prisoners of war.

"We got medicine from the Japanese medics and since I was used to doctoring farm animals I doctored the man who had a hole in his leg."

The group was separated at that point and taken to different locations. Griffin recalled that the food was better and it was served in bowls and on plates. Soup consisted of a bowl of water and three cucumbers. Since the POWs were so starved for food, Griffin said they watched each others plates all the time and if anyone got more than the others there was trouble.

Griffin said they sometimes were served fish and occasionally a part of an animal was cut up and placed in the soup they were fed.

When Griffin entered captivity he weighed about 190 pounds and seven months later he was down to 98 pounds only, and that was before he became severely ill with dysentery for which he received no medicine or treatment from the Japanese doctors.

They slept on floors and had a constant problem with lice for which they had no medicine to doctor the bites with. For a time he said the Japanese had him kill flies in the kitchen and put them in a match box and if they didn't think he had caught enough flies they often roughed him up.

"We ate the rice and the pigs got the shavings and the Japanese never knew."

Griffin said he also helped to unload the Japanese ships at the dock.

"We occasionally went to the railroad yard to work and were always searched by the Japanese who wanted to make sure they were not stealing supplies.

At this camp, Griffin said they ate soybeans "just like they were peanuts." The POWs also stuffed as much raw rice into their tattered clothes as they could steal from their work assignments, he explained.

In the beginning, Griffin said he could not unload the heavy sacks of rice because of his back injury.

All during this time he said they were "flogged on and off."

At one point, some 300 POWs were moved to a warehouse in a railroad yard and Griffin said he stayed there until the end of the war.

From the vantage point of a small window in the warehouse, Griffin said he was able to see the Allied planes bomb Tokyo. This made the Japanese mad and they worked him over and made him stand at attention until the next morning.

Griffin said he often had no shoes to wear even in winter time.

Once two pigs were brought to the camp and Griffin said he offered to keep them. They often stole between 30-40 pounds of rice and camouflaged them with wood shavings from the railroad yard. "We ate the rice and pigs got the shavings and the Japanese never knew," Griffin said.

They also rigged their own rice cooker thanks to a POW who was an electrician. They often thought of the Red Cross packages they hoped to receive some day and Griffin said the ones with the rice cooker traded their rice for the imaginary cigarettes, Spam, butter, coffee, jelly and chocolate bars that they all dreamed of getting someday.

One day, a Japanese guard almost discovered the rice cooker but it was so well hidden that he never figured out what the POWs were doing. Later, they ushered him out of the room. Then they moved the rice cooker to a different location.

"I believe my mother's faith in God brought me back."

At the end of the war they finally showed the rice cooker to the camp commandant and Griffin said the revelation made him very angry.

Griffin said he was at this camp when Hiroshima and Nagasaki were bombed. "We knew after the fact that the bombs had been dropped but at first the Japanese said nothing. Later they admitted that a bomb had been dropped."

Since the POWs had managed to write the word POW on the roof of the warehouse, Griffin said the Allies' planes began dropping supplies to them once the war was coming to a close. These drops consisted of cigarettes, fruit, food, clothes and medicine.

Once the war was over, the POWs were all loaded onto hospital ships and taken to Yokahama and from there they were flown to the Phillipines. Griffin said he was fed and cared for for about three weeks and then put on a boat to San Francisco and from there he flew to El Paso.

From El Paso Griffin went home to Clyde. He had a 90 day leave and had to wear a back brace at first because of his injury.

When asked he said he isn't sure how or why he survived his captivity but he admits that he just "didn't want to give up." At this point in the interview, Griffin's wife, "Shine," interjected, "It was said of Joel that he came from sturdy stock and that this is why he survived."

However, Griffin later commented, "I believe my mother's faith in God brought me back."

His mother dreamed that her son's plane had been shot down and that he had bailed out. She refused to believe that he was dead because she always believed that God would bring him home safe to her.

Griffin and his wife met in March of 1946 and they were married in May of that year. In September they enrolled at Hardin Simmons University in Abilene. In 1951, after taking a year off from studies, they graduated and came to Snyder where both had obtained jobs with the Snyder School System.

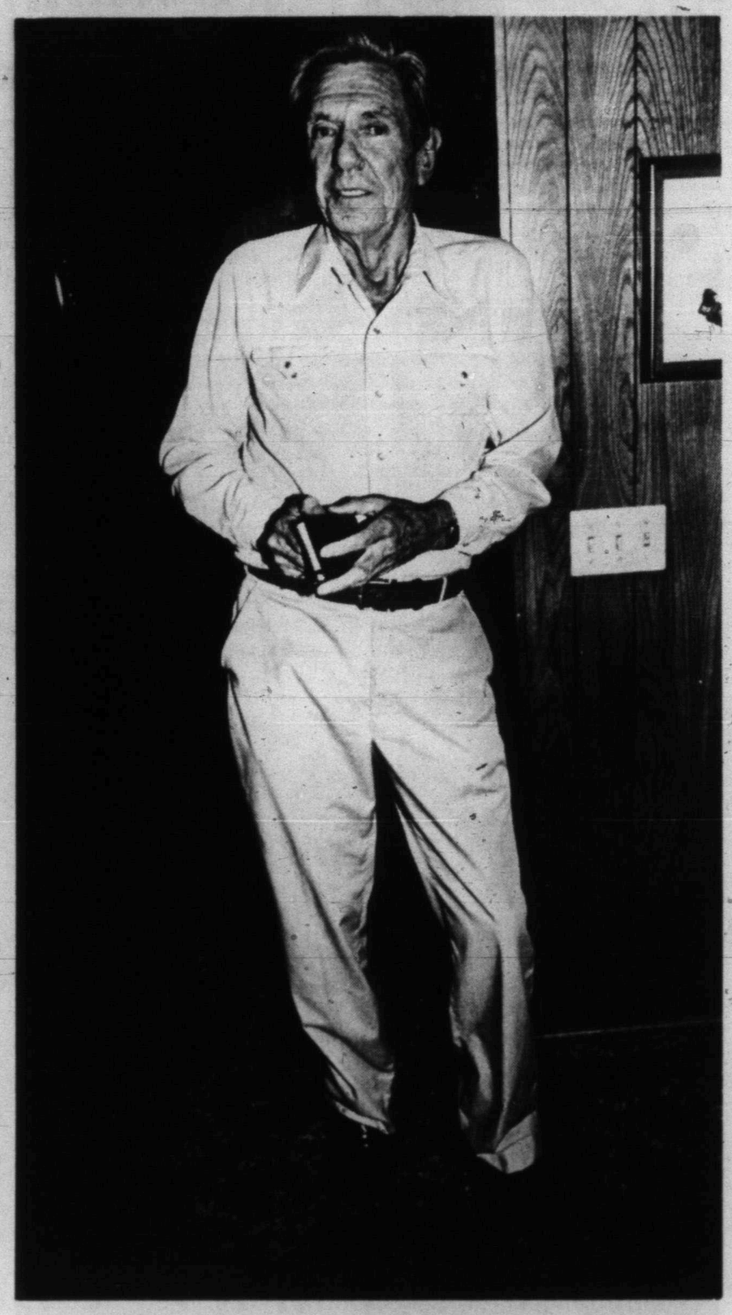
Griffin's first assignment here was as a sixth grade teacher and Mrs. Griffin taught second grade at Central Elementary.

This was during the oil boom days and Griffin's classroom was located in a temporary building.

The second year Griffin said he became the first elementary physical education teacher and was assigned to East Elementary.

From December of 1952 until the end of that school year, Griffin became the principal at East Elementary. During 1953-54 he said he was the prinicipal of grades four through six that were located in the old high school building. He later served as principal at West and then Stanfield before retiring in 1979.

"I have a soft spot in my heart for teachers and children," Griffin said. "I loved my job." "I am very appreciative of all who helped me along the way," Griffin said, "especially Pat Falls and O. S. Clark who was the principal at the first school I taught at in Snyder."



WAR MEMORIES--Joel Griffin of Snyder well remembers World War II just like it all happened yesterday. He was a POW of the Japanese and was later imprisoned in Japan until the end of the war. (SDN Staff Photo)

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TIPS TO CUT AIR CONDITIONING COSTS

The pleasant warming sunlight that streamed in your windows last winter can easily become a costly overload on your air conditioning this summer.

The best way to reduce unwanted solar heat gains is to block the sun before it enters your home. Shading windows with remote, external, or internal devices offers a variety of solutions.

Remote shading uses objects that are not part of the building to provide shade. Trees, shrubs, vines and walls can be used to block the low morning and evening sun from east and west surfaces. Deciduous trees are particularly good for shading south-facing windows because they provide shade in the summer and shed their leaves to admit sunlight in the winter.

When building a house, orientation is critical to minimize summer heat gain, maximize summer ventilation potential, and maximize winter solar gain. A building elongated along the east-west axis will have less surface area to the east and west to minimize solar gain. East and west walls should have no windows. A light colored roof will reflect solar radiation that would be absorbed by a darker roof.

Exterior and interior shading devices also provide a good way to block the summer sun. Exterior shading devices can prevent up to 95 percent of the sun's heat from reaching to the interior of the home. Overhangs, porches, carports, awnings, trellises, shutters, solar screens and roll shades are examples of effective exterior shades that are attached to buildings.

Modest fixed overhangs are effective in blocking direct solar radiation from entering south-facing windows. However, diffuse and reflected solar radiation may still account for a significant portion of the unwanted heat reaching the window. Additional forms of shading, such as blinds or shades are required.

Very wide overhangs, such as carports, porches or awnings are effective in reducing solar heat gains through windows of any orientation. Awnings and similar devices should be ventilated near the top to prevent a buildup of excessively hot air that may add to the heat load.

Interior shades provide an easily controlled last line of defense against unwanted solar heat. Blinds, shades and drapes will reflect 20 to 50 percent of the sun's radiant energy back through the glass. Performance improves with opaque materials, lighter color reflective backings and shades that fit close to the glass.

Interior shading is not as effective as exterior shading because some of the heat escapes into the house instead of being reflected back to the outside. For best results, use interior shading as well as exterior shading.

Over the past 13 years, nearly 70 people have been killed on California's Imperial Sand Dunes, most in accidents involving recreational vehicles, says National Geographic.

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MR. AND MRS. MIKE SELLARS

Couple united in evening ceremony

SWEETWATER — Jackie Creswell and Mike Sellars were united in matrimony July 2 at 9 p.m. in the home of the bride's parents. Justice of the Peace Ann Walker performed the ceremony.

Parents of the couple are Mr. and Mrs. Johnny Rose of Sweetwater and Dell Marie and the late Christal Sellars of Snyder.

Vows were promised before an arch decorated in greenery and peach flowers.

The song, "You're Something Special," was used as the bride entered.

The bride was attired in a street-length dress in peach with white lace trimming and satin ribbon. A white satin belt accented the ensemble.

The bouquet carried by the bride was composed of peach flowers with peach and white ribbon streamers.

Maid of honor and best man were Michelle and Michael Creswell of Sweetwater, children of the bride.

Following the ceremony, a white cake was served which was decorated with peach flowers and hearts with the names of the couple and the wedding date inside.

The groom's cake was a chocolate almond creation with peach decorations and the couple's names.

The bride graduated from high school in Sweetwater and is attending Western Texas College.

The groom is a Snyder High School and WTC graduate. He is employed with Abilene Agriculture.

After a honeymoon trip, the couple will reside in Sweetwater.

The cold facts

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans contract an estimated 1 billion colds each year, but a recent national survey finds that most adults know very little about the causes, spread and treatment of colds.

The survey for the CONTAC Physicians Advisory Board showed nearly 82 percent of the 1,004 people polled wrongly believed kissing was a frequent culprit in the spread of colds. And 61 percent said getting caught in a draft or not wearing enough warm clothing was thought to lead to a cold.

"Recent research proves conclusively that hand contact with a cold sufferer is most responsible for the transmission of a cold virus," said the CONTAC board. "And exposure to cold weather does not increase your chances of catching a cold."

Diversified

By Marvin Ensor
Extension Agent

Many homeowners experience a condition called "scorch" in their ornamental plants each year. Scorch develops when unfavorable conditions for plant growth exist. This condition is associated with root failure, lack of water, atmosphere toxicity (air pollutants), soil sterilizers and herbicide damage or vascular diseases.

Symptoms usually consist of leaves turning from dark green to a yellow blotched leaf and then the leaves begin to turn dark brown to black from the outside edges inward. In some cases the leaves will turn quickly from dark green to a brown or black color. Rapid defoliation of a limb or entire tree can follow.

A primary cause of scorch is herbicide and/or soil sterilizer intake. Many homeowners use soil sterilizers in rock beds, alleys and other areas they wish to keep free of weeds. They use these chemicals not realizing that a large tree's root system is very extensive and may reach the treated area. Also, homeowners need to remember that small trees will grow and their root system may reach the treated areas, and that water drainage from treated areas can be hazardous to plants.

In conclusion, be sure when using chemicals to control weeds and brush to analyze your situation. Many of these chemicals do an excellent job for their designed purpose but when misused can cause severe problems.

Recommendations for treatment of landscape plants after scorch symptoms occur are to simply practice good watering and fertilizing techniques. Hopefully the plants will survive, but many will die each year.

Brighten the basement

ATLANTA (AP) — More homeowners are installing paneling to help turn cold, damp basements into cozy family rooms.

With proper selection and installation, paneling appears to lighten, enlarge and warm a remodeled basement. It also can be an enjoyable do-it-yourself project, says Dick Rose of Georgia-Pacific.

"It doesn't take a lot of expertise to install paneling," Rose says. "Since it's often a one-person job, paneling a basement can be easy for a do-it-yourselfer."

CWC to have style show, luncheon

Fashions from Li'l Rascals will be the special feature at the Wednesday luncheon of the Snyder Christian Women's Club. Some 15 youngsters will be modeling new fall fashions. The meeting will be from 11:15 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.

Richard and Debra Hester, owners and managers of the children's shop located on the south side of the square, have been in business almost two years. Both were born and raised in Scurry County. Their sons, Jared and Matt, are fifth generation Scurry County residents.

Also featured at the luncheon will be two Snyder public school teachers. Betty Thompson will provide special music and Judy McLarty will be the featured speaker.

The theme for the event is back-to-school time.

Reservations for the luncheon and free nursery may be made by calling Doris at 573-6602 or Melissa at 573-0745 by noon Tuesday. The cost of the meal is $6 or a beverage alone may be purchased for $1.

Snyder CWC is not affiliated with any single denomination and all women of the community are invited to attend.

Bowen reception set for Sunday

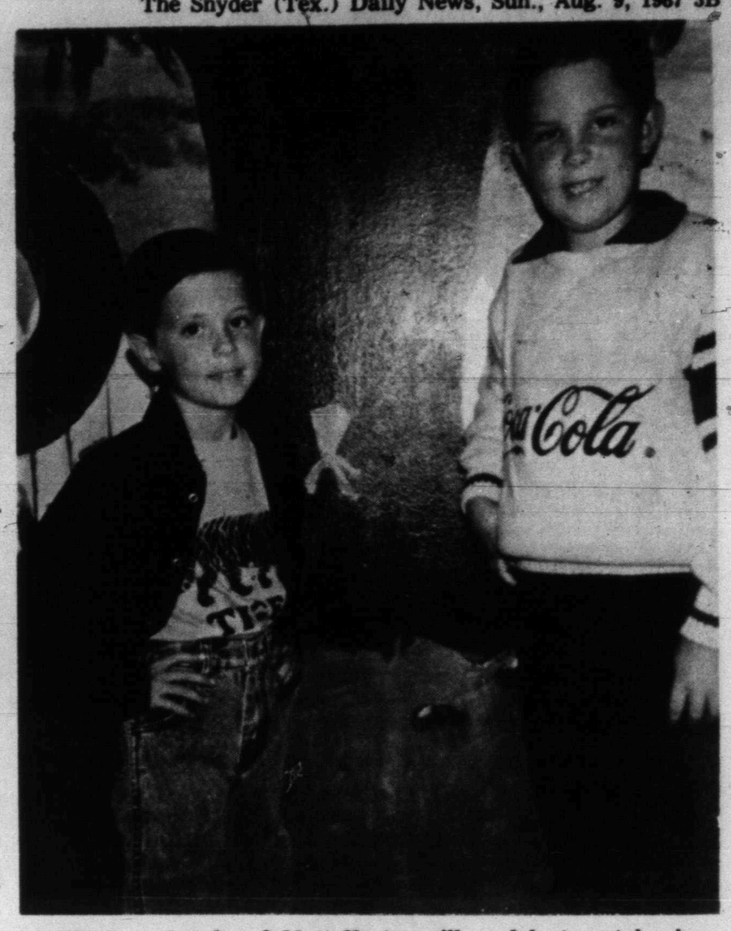
A 25th anniversary reception is planned for Jerrald and Agnes Bowen to be hosted by their children, Beth and Jerry.

Friends and relatives are invited to attend Sunday from 3 to 4 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Garden Room.

Polar set for homecoming

The Polar homecoming is planned for all day Aug. 16 at the Polar Community Center.

Friends and neighbors of the community are invited to share the covered dish meal.



MODELS — Jared and Matt Hester will model at a style show Wednesday for the Snyder Christian Women's Club at the Snyder Country Club. Sponsored by Li'l Rascals, back to school styles will be featured. (Club Photo)

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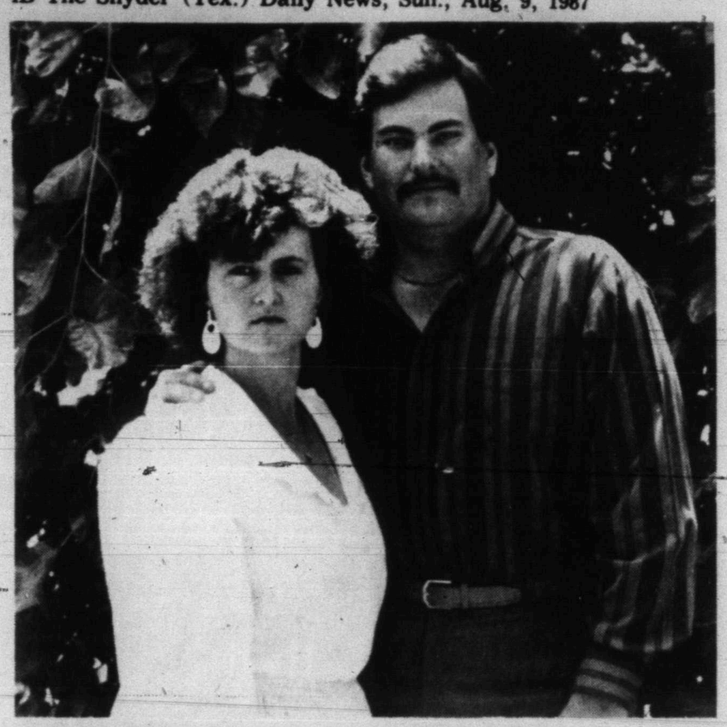
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NUPTIALS SET — Mr. and Mrs. Nolan Ball and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Stahl announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their children, Michale and Tim. The ceremony is set for Sept. 4 at the First Baptist Church in Hermleigh. (Private Photo)

Bridge

James Jacoby

NORTH 8-8-87
♠ K Q 2
♥ J 4
♦ 10 7 2
♣ K Q J 10 7

WEST
♠ 10 9 6
♥ K Q 7 3 2
♦ J 5 3
♣ 6 3

EAST
♠ A 7 4
♥ 9 8 5
♦ A K 4
♣ 9 8 4 2

SOUTH
♠ J 8 5 3
♥ A 10 6
♦ Q 9 8 6
♣ A 5

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

West	North	East	South
			Pass
Pass	1 ♦	Pass	1 ♠
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: ♣ 6

Reaching the top at the one-level

By James Jacoby

At tournament bridge your score on a deal is compared with that of many other partnerships that played the same deal. When you do better than everyone else, you get a top. Usually a top score is for making an impossible contract or inflicting a big penalty or sometimes bidding and making a game or slam contract that no one else bid. Here is an unusual top score — for successfully defending a mundane one-spade contract.

Because North and South were playing a strong-club system, North had to open the bidding with one diamond. South responded one spade and everyone passed. The opening lead of the club six went to declarer's ace. Declarer then led a spade to dummy's king and East's ace. East deceptively led a low diamond away from his A-K and South played low. West won the diamond jack and continued the suit, East taking the ace and king. Now came the nine of hearts. Still smarting over East's diamond lead, declarer decided to go all out for the rest. He won the heart ace and played a spade to dummy's queen, noting the fall of West's nine. When he played a spade back, he decided that East originally held the A-10-7-4 of spades, so he inserted the eight. That lost to West's 10, and West took the K-Q of hearts to set one spade a trick. Plus-50 for East-West beat every other East-West in that tournament section.

Declarer was right to go all out. He had lost one more diamond trick than the other declarers, but he still needed to make nine tricks to get a decent result.

A new book by James Jacoby and his father, the late Oswald Jacoby, is now available at bookstores. It is "Jacoby on Card Games," published by Pharos Books.

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

MAWC board of directors; MAWC; all members urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Noah Project support group for victims of family violence; 3:45 p.m.; for more information, call 573-1822.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Snyder Police Auxiliary; SNB community room; 7 p.m.

Open duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 7 p.m.

Rebekah Lodge 294; 2701 Ave. Z; 7:30 p.m.

American Legion Layne Kite Post 181 and auxiliary; 7:30 p.m.

Adult Children of Alcoholics (or other dysfunctional families); 3781 Highland; 8 p.m.; for more information, call 573-8730.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Winston Park building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-4870 or 573-1357.

TUESDAY

Ladies Golf Association; tee time at 8:30 a.m.

Patchwork Squares Extension Homemakers Club; 2506 31st; program by Wanda Coker; guests welcome; members bring bazaar ideas; 9:30 a.m.

Scurry County legal secretaries; noon.

Phobic and Anxiety Disorders meets at 1911 25th St. at 6 p.m. Led by licensed professional counselor. Call 573-8140 or 573-9750 for more information.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 6:30-7:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Kiwaniannes; Golden Corral; 7 p.m.

TOPS TX56; weigh-in and meeting 7-8 p.m.; 2501 35th St.; for more information, call Peggy at 573-9000.

Snyder Singles Organization; First United Methodist Church; games and fellowship, 7:30 p.m.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Chapel of Roses, Ave. K and 13th St.; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101.

Al-Anon; Chapel of Roses, Ave. K and 13th St.; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101.

WEDNESDAY

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-0414.

THURSDAY

If you are a pregnant teenager in need of help, meet with Maria Montes of Catholic Family Services of Lubbock from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in the Scurry County Welfare Offices in the Senior Center on Ave. M. For more information, call 573-9967.

Scurry County Library; create your own button; materials provided by library; movie; 10 a.m.

Luncheon and program; Scurry County Museum; 12 noon; $4; reservations must be made by noon Wednesday, 573-6107.

Advanced duplicate bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

Overeaters Anonymous, a program for out-of-control eating; St. John's Episcopal Church Parish Hall; 2214 42nd St. All are welcome; the meeting is free; 4 p.m. For more information, call Joann at 573-9839.

Weight Watchers of West Texas; basement of First Presbyterian Church; 6 p.m. New members welcome and should register at 5:30 p.m.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 6:30-7:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Alateen; for the children of alcoholics; 7 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101.

Scurry County Sheriff's Posse; Posse Clubhouse; 7:30 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Winston Park Building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-4870 or 573-1357.

FRIDAY

Story Time for Preschoolers; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

Duplicate bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Cornelius Dodson House; open to public 2:30-5 p.m.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Al-Anon; Chapel of Roses, Ave. K and 13th St.; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101.

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SATURDAY

Li'l Rascals Style Show and brunch; MAWC; 10 a.m.-noon; $5; call 573-3427 by 5 p.m. Friday for reservations. All proceeds will go toward the upkeep of MAWC. Limited tickets available at the door.

Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-0414.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Winston Park building, off 37th St. in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-4870 or 573-1357.

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

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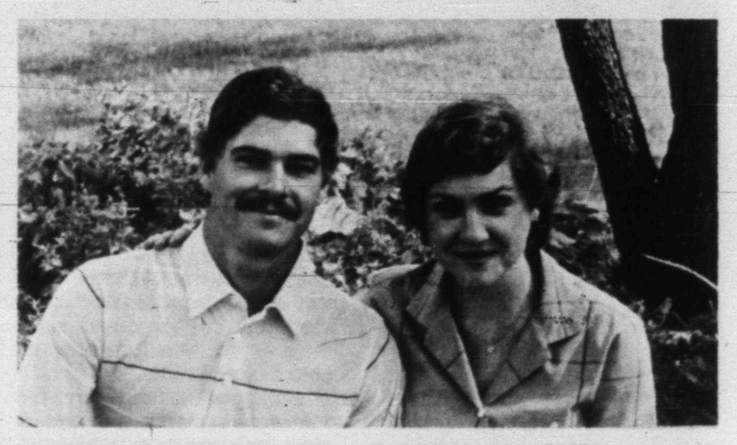
Duplicate Bridge Club; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Private capital flows to Latin America tended to increase on a yearly basis throughout the 1970s. They peaked in 1981 at $24.5 billion and then fell in the following three years to $10.8 billion in 1984, according to the Inter-American Development Bank. Official flows, meanwhile, increased from $4.3 billion to $6.3 billion. But the increase in the volume of official aid, which now accounts for 50 percent of total flows, pales in comparison with the sharp fall in private capital flows.

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ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED — Mr. and Mrs. Ruben Vaughn announce the engagement and upcoming marriage of their daughter, Gina, to Chris Dorn, son of Rev. and Mrs. John Dorn of Falletto. The couple will be united Sept. 5 at 6 p.m. at Union Methodist Church. (Private Photo)



APPROACHING MARRIAGE — Mr. and Mrs. Don Dollins announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Lisa Ann, to Louis O. Midwell, son of Lucille and the late Louis Midwell of Coolidge, Ariz. The couple plans an Aug. 29 wedding at 3 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Chapel. (Private Photo)

Scurry Library News and Views

FEATURED THIS WEEK

PECOS TO RIO GRANDE.

It is a land of contrast, of far-spreading plains and high-reaching canyon walls, and of air stretched thin — a land made for painting, not perhaps, for living. Intrigued by the danger, the drama and the savage light of this land of geological upheaval and downcutting, artists have long been drawn to the far west of Texas. The 49 paintings selected for this volume display the variety, the majesty, the glory of this vast region. The styles and dominant concerns of the eighteen artists represented in this volume vary, but their fascination with the region binds them together. The artists whose paintings appear in this book have all been touched by far West Texas. The land between the rivers has given to them, and they give to us.

NON-FICTION

"100 Years of Science and Technology in Texas."

"The Sierra Club Guides to the National Parks of the East and Middle West."

"The Math Computer Connection" by David A. Thomas.

FICTION

"Over the Edge" by Jonathan Kellerman.

"League of Night and Fog" by David Morrell.

The library is accepting donations of books of all kinds: garage sale leftovers, estates, housecleaning, etc.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday.

10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

Sturdivants meet, set yearly reunion

The descendents of Ira and Melinda Sturdivant met for a family reunion Aug. 1 at the Willow Park Inn.

Four generations were represented with ages ranging from six weeks to 84 years.

The family decided to make this the first of an annual event.

Those in attendance were Vernon and Judy Sturdivant of Helotes; Dorothy Sturdivant of New Braunfels; Gary, Amy and Adam Estlack of Katy; Clark and Alva Sturdivant of Sudan; Todd Stewart of Tyler and Jeff Stewart of Slaton.

Present from Midland were Louis and Jewell Newby; Marla Ryan; Gary and Laurel Moore; Brent Newby and Don Burdick. Dallas residents in attendance were Dan Sturdivant; Latham and Lynn Ryan and Carolyn Bond.

Also attending from Snyder were Oren and Juanita Sturdivant; Cindy, Blake and Megan Lyle; Mrs. Clyde Sturdivant; Milton and Beverly Sturdivant; Harley and Melissa Vineyard; James, Gwen and Chad Stewart and Ethel Mae Sturdivant.

Take the calories out of ice cream

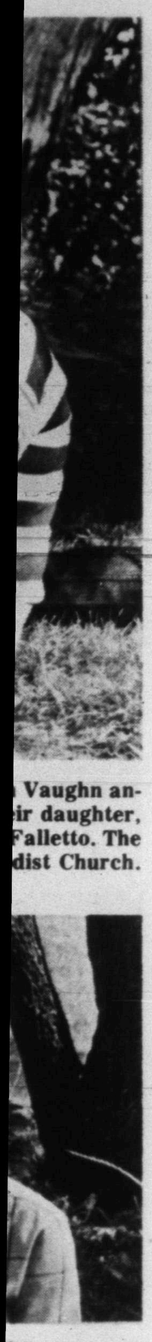
DES MOINES (AP) — How can you take some of the calories out of ice cream?

According to Better Homes and Gardens magazine, you can leave a good number of unwanted calories behind by looking closely in the supermarket's freezer.

Instead of taking a high-fat ice cream, pick up a carton of ice milk, which contains from 2 to 7 percent milk fat. Ice cream has at least 10 percent milk fat.

Or you may want to substitute ice cream treats with frozen fruit and juice bars which are competitive in the calorie field.

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Public Records

New Vehicles

Michael D. Landrum and Carolyn S. Landrum, 1987 Chevrolet van from Collard Chevrolet.

Jim Robinson, 1987 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Fae Rinker, 1987 Ford from Wilson Motors.

Iva Hudman, 1988 Lincoln from Wilson Motors.

Blankenship Packer Service, 1987 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

W. B. Shaw and Ruth Shaw, 1987 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Kenneth W. Dacus, 1987 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Mark Bawcum and Theresa Bawcum, 1987 Buick from Wilson Motors.

Ben Miller, 1987 GMC Sub from Howard Gray Motors.

Sue Carter, 1987 Buick from Howard Gray Motors.

Action in District Court

Paul R. Lane vs. Illinois Employers Insurance of Wausau, judgment for the plaintiff.

Hermleigh Independent School District in separate tax suits vs. Southwestern Investment Co.; Ossie E. Mobley et al; Willie Prince et al; W. R. Kelley; Margaret Adams; W. H. Neely; W. H. Warren; Swanee Westover; Arthur Yonge et ux; and L. C. Darby; judgments for the plaintiff.

Snyder Independent School District in separate tax suits vs. Lupe Zamora et al; L. C. Thompson et al; Mozelle Braziel; Curtis R. Green et al; and Raymond Medrano et ux; judgments for the plaintiff.

Scurry County vs. Mary Ruth Cline, tax suit, judgment for the plaintiff; and vs. Joe A. Castillo et ux, tax suit, judgment for the plaintiff.

Marriage Licenses

Ramon Hernandez and Vicki Lopez, home towns not yet in files.

Irwin Alexander Cross and La Nelle Williams, both of Snyder.

Woodrow Wilson Black and Frances Aunita Teague, both of Snyder.

Darrell Parnell Robertson and Dana Lynn Hines, both of Snyder.

Charles Henry DuBois and Florentina B. Quiros, both of Snyder.

Rodney Cole Glass and Jana Marie Mullis, both of Snyder.

Warranty Deeds

Fred Pitner to Myron Fenton, the south 75 feet of the west 70 feet of Lot 3 in Block 22 of the T. N. Nunn Addition to the City of Snyder.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. to Johnny G. Escobedo et ux, Lot 10 in Block 45 of the Wilmeth Addition to the City of Snyder.

Lanelle Woodson Williams to C. Ophel Woodson, Lot 22 in Block 3 of the Parkview Addition, Section 3, to the City of Snyder and the northeast one-fourth of Section 209, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Survey, Scurry County, Tex.

Lillie J. Foster to Gary D. Foster et ux, the east 100 feet of the north 50 feet of Lot 1 in Block 37 of the Blankenship Addition to the City of Snyder.

Philomena Hundsnurcher to the Herman R. Hundsnurcher Estate Trust, Lot 12 in Block C of the Westridge Addition to the City of Snyder; the northeast one-fourth of Section 240 in Block 3, H&TC Ry. Co. Surveys, Scurry County, Tex.; and 330 acres, more or less, out of Section 1 of the J. P. Smith Surveys in Mitchell County, Tex.

Gregg C. Gary et ux to William James Kastler et ux, Lot 24 in Block 11 of the Park Place Addition to the City of Snyder.

Kellie D'Ann Holladay to Macky Wayne Holladay, the south one-half of the east one-half of Section 101, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Surveys, and 1.22 acres out of the east 37 acres of the north one-fourth of the northwest quarter of Section 119, Block 97, H&TC Ry. Co. Surveys, Scurry County, Tex.

Tommy Gene Moore to Johnny Alvarez, Lots 9, 10 and 11 in Block 18 of the Gross Subdivision of the Scarborough Addition to the City of Snyder.

Edward A. Broker et ux to West Texas State Bank, Lot 6 and the east 35 feet of Lot 5 in Block 4 of the Wilmeth Addition to the City of Snyder (trustee's deed).

Billy W. Gleastine et ux to Wade T. Nowlin et al, Lot 9 in Block 1 of the Eastridge Addition to the City of Snyder.

Lucille Norris to the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp., Lot 25 of the Second Replat of Block 3, Section 1, of the Parkway Addition to the City of Snyder (substitute trustee's deed).

Beverly Jo Thomason Williams et al to Frances Mildred Thomason, Lot 1 in Block 47 in the Town of Hermleigh.

Mary Jo Harrell et vir to George Faye Cromwell, Tract 34 of the subdivisions of Grimes Ranch Lands made under the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank, Scurry County, Tex., and containing 157.5 acres, more or less.

Mary Jo Harrell et al to Charles William Harrell, Tracts 38, 39 and 4 of the Grimes Ranch Lands subdivisions made under the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank, Scurry County, Tex., and containing 330.9 acres, more or less.

Billy L. Ford et ux to Bernard D. Garrett et ux, Lots 2 and 3 of Block 8 in the Original Town of Hermleigh.

Willie Palmer to Michael Earl Will Palmer, Lot 32 and the north 5 feet of Lot 31 in Block 3 of the Parkway Addition to the City of Snyder.

Oil price slide continues as traders await news

NEW YORK (AP) — Oil prices have relaxed to near $21 per barrel as traders in the volatile futures market await more news from the Middle East.

Contracts for September delivery of West Texas Intermediate, the benchmark U.S. crude oil, settled Thursday at $21.14 per 42-gallon barrel, down 15 cents from Wednesday's close.

The bellwether contract lost 87 cents in the previous two sessions as speculators rushed to dump contracts purchased Monday at the peak of concern over tensions in the Mideast. The contract had traded as high as $22.67 in the week's opening session.

Prices for refined oil products also gave up more ground Thursday. The September contract for wholesale unleaded gasoline fell .16 cent to 54.82 cents a gallon, while the near-month contract for wholesale No. 2 heating oil dropped .21 cent to 55.28 cents a gallon.

"We continued to see the air being let out of the balloon," Bob Baker, an analyst with Prudential-Bache Securities Inc., said Thursday.

As in the previous session, sellers outnumbered buyers in the absence of more bad news from the Persian Gulf.

"We're waiting for a news story," said Madison Galbraith, senior energy specialist for Merrill Lynch Energy Futures.

Some of the latent tension over the Middle East found an outlet in Thursday's trading, despite the price erosion on the September contract. Prices for later-month contracts fared much better and in some cases moved slightly higher.

The contract for April delivery, for example, gained 5 cents on the day to settle at $20.41 per barrel.

Analysts said the discrepancy indicated a fear that prices would move higher in 1988.



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Dr. Gott



Peter Gott, M.D.

Depression needs treating

DEAR DR. GOTT — I used to suffer from severe depression. Then I started taking oral contraceptives and began eating a high-carbohydrate diet, including about a half-pound of candy a day. My depression disappeared. However, the doctor wants me to stop the pills because of my age (35). What can I do to keep the depression from returning?

DEAR READER — Your doctor is correct. You probably should stop taking contraceptive pills around age 35, because the risk of developing blood clots from the pills increases with age. In addition, a half-pound of candy a day is unhealthy and is likely to produce many problems, such as obesity and a diabetic tendency.

Ask your doctor about anti-depressant medication. If he or she is reluctant to consider this possibility, request a consultation with a psychiatrist or counselor. Your depression can best be treated with drugs or counseling.

Some women's natural hormone cycles predispose them to depression. Oral contraceptives may overcome this tendency by replacing your own hormones with the synthetic variety. Therefore, some form of hormone therapy may be necessary in your case. Your gynecologist can work with your psychiatrist/therapist to find the proper combination of medicine that will be suitable for you.

DEAR DR. GOTT — I'm 73 and live in a marshy area. We have gnats and mosquitoes to contend with. To work in my yard, I must keep a smudgepot going, and I burn tree limbs and throw leaves on top. Lately I've had a sore and runny nose all the time, with blood in the mucus. Will breathing this smoke be injurious?

DEAR READER — Air pollution, including smudgepots and smoke, can certainly cause irritation of the upper respiratory tract, producing excess mucus, cough and runny nose. I think that you have two options: By spraying the swampy land adjacent to your house, exterminators may be able to cut down on the population of gnats and mosquitoes. Also, you can control the bug problem by spraying and using special repellant lights or electric "bug zappers," which electrocute insects on contact.

In addition, you can try chemical insect repellants that are applied directly to your skin or clothing. Several effective substances are commercially available for this purpose. By using repellants, you probably can get rid of the smoke in your environment and, at the same time, effectively protect yourself from becoming a meal for your tiny unwanted guests.

If you have questions about HIATAL HERNIA, you can get answers in Dr. Gott's new Health Report on the subject. Send $1 and your name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to ask for the Health Report on Hiatal Hernia.

Something for nothing

Last year, Thomas Wyman was fired as chairman of CBS, Inc. Before you shrug your shoulders, yawn or feel bad for still another poor slob on unemployment, you should know that Wyman snatched victory from the jaws of defeat: He received a settlement of more than $4.3 million, a guaranteed $400,000 a year for life, and "$1.1 million in salary and bonuses for 1986 and the right to exercise stock options worth an additional, undisclosed amount," according to the New York Times.

In short: For getting fired from his job, the ex-exec was paid millions and is entitled to almost a half-million bucks of pinball money a year for the rest of his life.

This is for losing his job, mind you. In our cockeyed culture, the guy made a fortune by getting fired.

Do you know what would happen to your doctor if he were fired or if his patient load shriveled? Correct: He wouldn't be paid a red cent. To enjoy the standard of living to which he is accustomed, he would have to take a salaried job — if he were lucky enough to get one — with a corporation or a health maintenance organization. Even then, the finance company would foreclose on his lavish mortgage and attach his Porsche Turbo. His wife's line of credit would be severed. Instead of eagerly paying outrageous tuitions for his children at prestigious private universities, the humble healer would have to educate his kids in scholarship programs at state colleges.

Evidently, in the glitzy entertainment world, a Type-A personality can write lucrative contracts while climbing the corporate ladder, get fired and then collect a lottery of benefits while — unemployed — he sips pina coladas on the fantail of his yacht. There's something wrong with this system, and it's going to stay wrong until ordinary people realize that they can get paid more for not doing something than for doing their jobs.

In particular, doctors should be able to devise a way to make a tidy income doing nothing. Fact is, I've dreamed up a scheme. Doctors-in-training get paid relatively little for working themselves to the bone. Why shouldn't the reverse be true? Here's how it works.

The No. 1 frustration facing every M.D. is how to pry money from healthy people. Traditionally, the sick have paid for medical services and the healthy get off scot free. This system hasn't solved doctors' income problems because it penalizes the very few patients unlucky enough to become ill.

Today's practitioners cannot possibly survive on fees derived solely from healing ill people. What we need is to tap into a larger market, preferably one that requires less work. The market is out there — in the form of millions of citizens who don't require medical attention. A doctor should be paid in health dollars for not treating the people who don't need care.

Let me simplify: Doctors should be paid for healthy people, not for the sick. To accomplish this, the federal government should put aside, out of tax revenues, $200 annually for every man, woman and child. After this money is put into a giant kitty, each doctor will be paid, by the head, for those in his community, whether or not the people need medical attention.

For example, here is an average U.S. community of 25,000 souls. This generates $5 million a year ($200 X 25,000) for the government. There are 25 practicing doctors in the community, so each healer receives $200,000 ($5 million divided by 25) — all for doing nothing.

It's a great idea. The doctor can provide whatever service he chooses (or none at all) and still get paid. No citizen will be taxed more than $200 a year for medical care — right there, it's a terrific deal for the public. Medical costs will be demographically predictable; no more Diagnosis Related Groups, major medical or catastrophic insurance. The bureaucrats will be ecstatic. Hospital costs will be paid out of a separate fund, unrelated to doctors' fees.

This plan will lure practitioners to underserved rural communities. With fewer doctors in the cities, more wealth will be shared among those who stay. Overtreatment will become a rarity, and doctors' advertising will be a thing of the past.

Just think: Paid for doing nothing. How American.

Send your questions to Dr. Gott in care of this newspaper at P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Due to volume of mail, individual questions cannot be answered. Questions of general interest will be answered in future columns.

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Chernobyl proves that humans can take more rads

CHICAGO (AP) — The Chernobyl nuclear plant disaster, despite proving that humans can survive radiation doses previously thought fatal, showed the impossibility of coping medically with nuclear war, a study concludes.

"The medical response to Chernobyl, involving physicians and scientists from 20 nations and several million dollars in supplies and equipment, would appear trivial in the context of a nuclear war," said Dr. Robert Gale, author of one of the studies in today's Journal of the American Medical Association.

Gale treated Chernobyl victims in the Soviet Union for six months after the April 26, 1986, disaster, the worst nuclear accident in history.

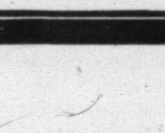
"An adequate medical response to the intentional use of less than 10 percent of the Soviet or American nuclear arsenals is not possible," Gale's report concluded.

Two people died instantly and 29 more died of radiation injuries and burns in the months after the accident, Gale reported.

But more than 90 percent of the 500 people hospitalized with radiation sickness from the accident are doing well now and most have been discharged, said Gale.

Scientists had estimated that a radiation dose of 450 rads would be fatal to about 50 percent of the population.

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Above the Fold

By Donny Brown

(The following "Above the Fold" is reprinted from Nov. 7, 1982. A vacation last week prevented its writer from cranking out any fresh stuff).

As the tension begins to build in a classic science fiction movie of the 1950s, a minor character croacks to the unsuspecting hero, "They're here...they're here."

He was referring to seed pods from outer space preparing to conquer Earth. We are referring to computers.

Perhaps only a small minority of the world's working class now faces a computer screen daily, but progress and cheaper components are working to quickly change that.

For the journalist lucky enough to have one--and the staff of the SDN falls into this group--the future is today.

Faithful readers of the comic strip "Shoe" know that the bird journalist's computer goes "Eeep! Eeep!" and occasionally exhibits disturbingly human traits.

All we can add is, correct on both counts.

Everytime you prepare your computer to do something important like (in the lingo) writing to disc, type or hard copy, you push a button and it goes "Eeep!" The exclamation point is needed because it has an urgent sound.

As for the other, we'll relate two stories.

On the staff of a North Texas newspaper, while still virtually a cub as to the wonders of computers, we were assigned to "punch in" a lengthy and bloated story provided by the information office of a local state agency.

Wordy was the word for this particular piece of copy and the working was drawing down to way past 6 p.m. on a Friday.

Rushing to get finished, considerable license was taken to reduce the story, paring away a bunch of editorial-type comments and occasionally an entire paragraph of quotes.

(In the newspaper business, you find out quickly that quotes almost invariably can be cut since they usually just repeat what was said in the above paragraph).

So, the knife work was done and we prepared to push the magic buttons which would whisk the copy written on the screen to "memory." The procedure is to push VDT on line (Eeep!) then W for "write." The machine silently whirled, then flashed on the screen, "PART OF STORY NOT WRITTEN."

How could it know? The news room was empty that afternoon, and the eerie feeling that we were being watched suddenly descended like wet fog.

The explanation, of course, there is a key on the machine which produces a symbol that, once in place on the screen, no written copy beyond it can be transmitted to the memory disc.

So, all the story after this symbol--which was hit by speeding and clumsy fingers--was not "written" or sent to memory.

The brief impression remained, however, that an all-knowing computer was shaking a critical finger.

Another story, same newspaper.

Unbeknownst to several of the staffers, messages could be flashed from one computer screen to another. One of those ignorant was the managing editor.

At the start of one working day he cranked up his machine and, in the process, balanced a cup of hot coffee on the desk beside the computer keyboard.

His aim fell short, however, and the cup tipped, spilling its contents into the keys. In seconds, every drop of the hot coffee disappeared.

A quick witted staffer quickly punched into his machine then transferred to the editor's screen, "What, no cream or sugar?"

Imagine how Moses might have looked when the burning bush struck up a conversation. For a brief moment, that editor's concentration was riveted to the single phrase, as if it contained the answer to the final question.

"What no cream or sugar?"

"They're here...they're here."

"Eeep!"

SDN Opinion Page

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Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills

Here it is, 11 p.m. on a Saturday night and everyone is asleep but me, whose eyelids are definitely drooping.

Pathetic.

I'm a die-hard night-owl. I consider it criminal to hit the sack before 1 or 2 a.m. on a Saturday night, for sure, midnight other nights. At least, I used to be that way.

It started back in high school, when I found that I could study better when the house was completely quiet after my folks went to bed following the 10 p.m. news. The college dorm ran about the same. Even after I started teaching, paper-grading seemed smoother in the wee hours.

Then came motherhood when, to my horror, I gave birth to a real live early-bird, a kid who, to this day, wakes up naturally at 6:30 a.m. Sure, he's 10 years old now and can get his own breakfast, but mothers have a way of being AWARE when their young are about, even if they (the mothers) seem to be asleep. Besides, it's too late anyway. He's already ruined me.

Since becoming a mother, I have actually beheld the sunrise — many times — have inhaled the magical morning air that is like no other, have tasted dewdrops on my tongue, and have listened to the peace of early morning.

I hate it.

OK, OK, so I don't really hate it...I just feel, well, unnatural. Like I should be somewhere else. In bed, for instance.

In fact, the best way to handle it, to my way of thinking, is to groove out on all that sunrise stuff and then go BACK to bed, where a person belongs at such an ungodly hour.

There are millions of closet night-owls like me, most of them mothers. By the solitude of late-night movies, all-night radio, or just the soft breathing of a silent house, they sort through the day's chaos, putting order to jumbled thoughts and savoring their precious privacy. Some clean or bake or sew, others simply enjoy the freedom of choosing their moments to spend as they please.

Many of these midnight mavericks use those alone-time hours to heap attention and affection on a new baby, away from the brooding eyes of jealous siblings. Others use the time to make glorious uninterrupted love to their husbands. We all do each of these things at one time or another during our quiet time, but mostly we hoard the sweet silence to ourselves. We read or write or pray. We try not to look at the clock.

We night-owls aren't fools. We have to get up at the same time as everyone else, and most of us go on to work as well. We curse the sound of the alarm and fight afternoon drowsiness...but when the house settles down for the night, our "second wind" kicks in, we begin to relish the sounds of solitude, and find that the sacrifice is oh so worth it.

During a recent trip to Dallas, I stayed five nights with a very dear friend who is forced into night-owlism by late-night working hours and a high-stress job that requires some winding-down time before bed.

Night after night we sat up together, listening to music, talking, giggling, sharing confidences and cookies until nearly dawn...like an adolescent sleepover or a college dorm. Oh, we paid for our sins, especially when my son made his usual 6:30 a.m. appearance.

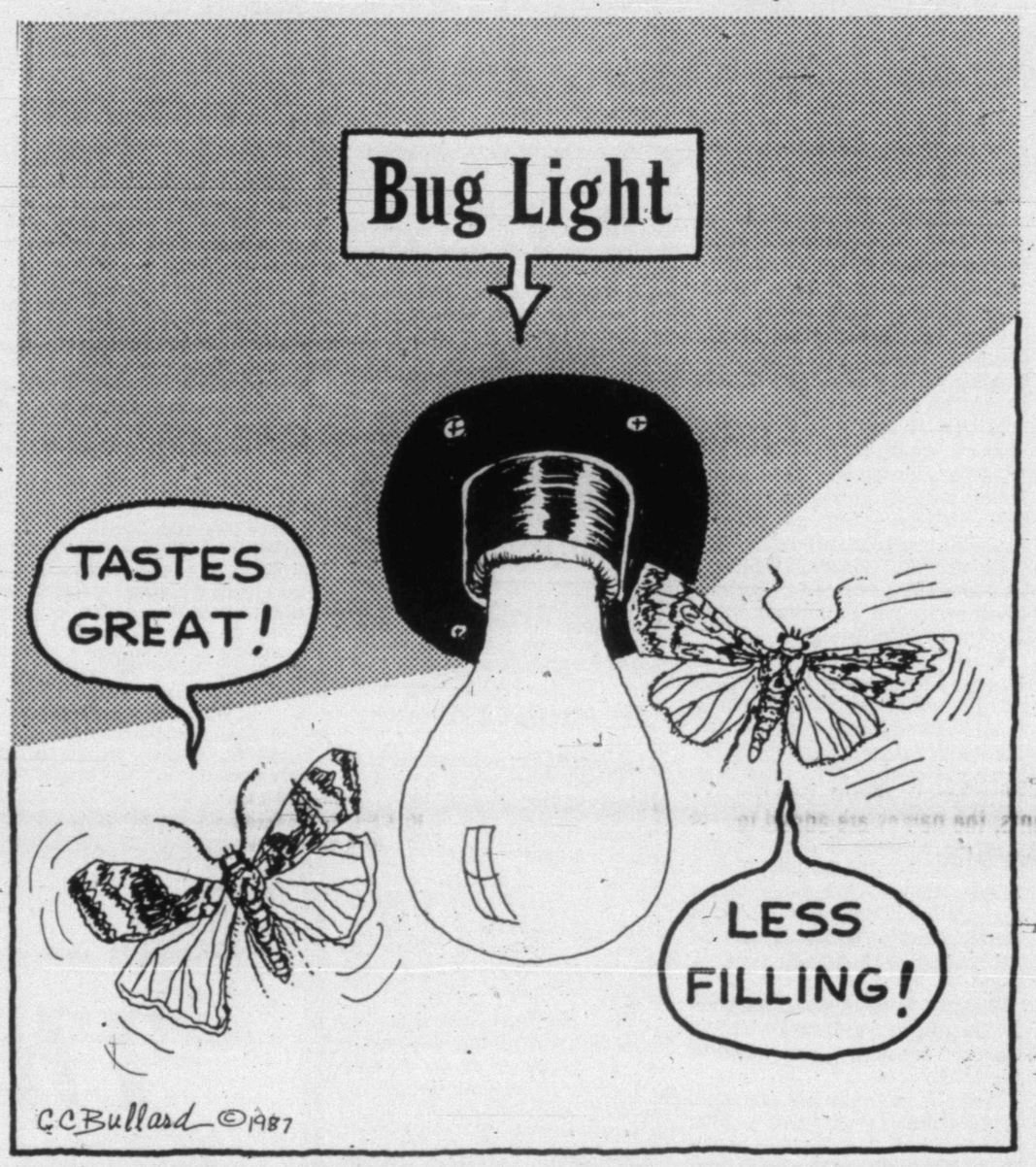
But how fantastic it was! What great fun! It was a bonding that I never expected to experience after I left college and joined the workaday world. We grown-ups don't like to drop our everyday town masks, don't like to break down those walls we've spent our adulthood so carefully constructing around our souls, certainly not to anyone to whom we are not married, or to anyone of the same sex.

But with the combination of fatigue and darkness...maybe a little wine...we find ourselves saying things that surprise even ourselves. (Remember the HBO movie, "Between Friends," with Carol Burnett and Elizabeth Taylor?) Between woman friends, it's like a marriage of the spirit.

It's the nature of the night.

So here I sit, exhausted after one of those all-day-run-around 4-H horse shows. I should follow the sensible example of my family, lay this notebook and pen aside, and sink into rest.

But not just yet. I'm not quite ready to relinquish the magic. It is, after all, my own magic.



Look Back

By Lilith Smith

FIVE YEARS AGO

Tom Holcomb completed his first month as minister at East Side Church of Christ.

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Dr. Bid A. Cooper, new physician to Snyder, was honored with a reception by the Cogdell Hospital Auxiliary.

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Mort Ewing Jr. was selected from a list of 35 applicants to serve as manager of the Chamber of Commerce.

10 YEARS AGO

Locals Sarah Coleman and Junanne Brock, actresses participating in "Texas," were given major roles with Coleman changing from Pamela Flynn to Kate Lucas and Brock moving from the role of Jenny Lou Polk to Tonasy, wife of Quanah Parker.

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Snyder Seniors won the West Texas State Miss Softball America Tournament and qualified to play in the regional tournament in Midland.

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Gloria Romo won $50 in the Snyder Merchants' Sizzler Contest.

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Mal Donelson, Devin Donelson, Steven Ham and Milton Ham were winners in a Florida Scramble Tournament held at the WTC golf course.

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Work began on a new location for Spanish Inn, moving from 17th and College to 23rd and College.

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Local Mandy Tubb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dubb Tubb, was crowned Miss AJRA for 1977-78 out of a field of six contestants. Becky Miller, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller of Fluvanna was named the Miss National Finals Queen for 1978.

15 YEARS AGO

The remodeled courthouse was ready for occupancy with the 132nd District Court offices the first to move in.

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Launching its second year, WTC opened its dormitory complex and work continued on the Student Center and the Physical Education Center.

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Snyder experienced its biggest flood since 1939 with unofficial measurements of 15 inches of precipitation causing raging waters in Deep Creek and Dry Run Creek. One person drowned and property damage was estimated to be in millions of dollars.

20 YEARS AGO

Inez Teaff was named ABWA Woman of the Year by the Scurry Charter Chapter.

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Dana Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thompson, made her first solo flight on her 16th birthday after nine hours of flying time. Her father, a WW II pilot, had 6,000 hours logged in flight experience.

SDN Week in Review

SUNDAY
August 2

A photo related to Snyder's first Trades Day, held on the courthouse square Saturday, was featured in Sunday's SDN.

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Proponents of the half-cent county sales tax to be voted on next Saturday see it as a means to reduce property taxes, while opponents--with no organized opposition voiced in Scurry County to date--are expected to be primarily those who oppose new taxes in any form, it was reported Sunday.

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Absentee voting for special elections scheduled here next Saturday, Aug. 8, will end Tuesday, and the voter response to date--particularly for a city vote related to civil service-- continues to run high, it was reported Sunday.

The city has on the ballot the question of placing police and the paid fire department staffers under statewide civil service laws; and the county will ask the voters to decide if they support the addition of a ½ cent sales tax locally to be used to offset county ad valorem taxes.

As of late Friday afternoon, 114 votes had been cast in the city election and 88 in the county vote.

MONDAY
August 3

Six persons were injured, none seriously, among 10 persons in two cars which collided head-on Saturday afternoon near Ira.

The Department of Public Safety said both cars were going about 20 mph when the crash occurred on a curving gravel road one mile south of Ira about 4:25 p.m. Saturday.

DPS Trooper Larry Brown said a 1979 Ford Thunderbird two-door driven by Billy D. Jones, 21, of 302 E. 23rd St. in Snyder was traveling west on County Road 3232 and was in collision with a 1979 Oldsmobile Cutlass two-door driven by Chad Raines, 31, of 3102 Ave. V in Snyder.

"Both vehicles were attempting to make a sharp corner on the gravel road and struck head-on," Brown said.

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Scurry County commissioners Monday voted to combine county polling places into four locations, one for each commissioner's precinct, for the Nov. 3 constitutional amendments election. County Judge Bobby Goodwin noted that 23 proposed amendments will be on the state ballot.

Commissioner C. D. Gray said work is progressing rapidly on the Scurry County Airport renovation, with the main runway asphalt having been torn away and preparations being made to begin leveling the runway.

Gray said the annual Trades Day Saturday on the courthouse square was an apparent success, from the viewpoint of both vendors and visitors.

TUESDAY
August 4

A Snyder man was indicted Monday for burglary of a vehicle and burglary of a habitation as a Scurry County grand jury returned 12 indictments against 11 defendants.



Letters to the Editor

To the editor,

The Scurry County Senior Center commends McDonald's for the newly implemented monthly birthday party for seniors.

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USS Stark was saved by heroes and luck

MAYPORT NAVAL STATION, Fla. (AP) — Sailors who had practiced leaving their bunks blindfolded scrambled to save themselves and their ship in an inferno of flame after the USS Stark was hit by two Iraqi missiles in the Persian Gulf, crewmen said.

The ship was saved from an even worse disaster by incredible feats of heroism, the sailors said.

Blackened bulkheads were still visible Thursday, almost two months after the ship was hit and 37 men were killed. Wires hung down in some spots and aluminum patches were visible on holes between the computer center and the captain's quarters

But on the outside, reporters given a tour saw little evidence of the damage done by the May 17 attack.

"I just heard a loud boom," said Senior Chief Petty Officer Calvin Ellis of Hixon, Tenn. "I knew exactly what it was because I'd been in Vietnam."

Donning an oxygen mask, Ellis worked his way out of his quarters where several sailors had been killed. Only a week before, the men had gone through a drill in which they practiced leaving their berths blindfolded.

The sailors had to avoid debris, live electrical wires and broken water pipes as they made their way to safety.

The first missile, which did not explode, started an intense fire. Most of the men were killed when the second Exocet exploded about 15 seconds later in an enlisted men's sleeping area with 60 triple-decked berth bunks.

"If they were sleeping, they were unable to escape from their racks," said Boatswain's Mate 3rd Class Jeff Pearson of Palm Beach. "But it wasn't full capacity sleeping because of the watch rotation."

"The second explosion caught a lot of people on their way out," he said. Others fell into the ocean through the missile entrance hole.

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More witnesses are anticipated

WASHINGTON (AP) — The congressional Iran-Contra committees have wrapped up their hearings, but the chairman of the House panel says investigators will continue to interview witnesses and are unlikely to complete a final report before October.

The panels on Thursday finished interviewing their 32nd witness, CIA covert operations director Clair George, in closed session. That concluded three days of private testimony from CIA witnesses, and there were no plans to hear from further witnesses.

However, Rep. Lee Hamilton, D-Ind., chairman of the House panel, did not rule out the possibility that further witnesses could be called, and said the panels still have much work to do.

"There are lots of leads that have not been pursued as fully as we could," Hamilton told reporters. Unanswered questions remain for "almost every single witness," he added. And he said he was "not at all satisfied with" the depth of the financial investigation.

"There's a lot of depositions to be taken," he said.

Asked whether Vice President George Bush was correct when he asserted the hearings have placed him beyond criticism in the secret sale of weapons to Iran and the resupply of the Nicaraguan Contra rebels, Hamilton reiterated that the committees' work is not yet complete.

"So long as that's the status of it, I'm not going to make any comment with regard to Vice President Bush, or any other person, that has any finality to it," Hamilton said. "We have very little evidence of the vice president's involvement."

A committee spokesman, Robert Havel, said investigators would continue to take depositions. He said that James Radzimski, the former official in charge of classified records at the National Security Council, would be recalled for further deposition questioning, as might be Michael Ledeen, the private counterterrorism consultant who was in on the early stages of the Iran arms sales.

Investigators planned to interview some new witnesses as well, Havel said, although he declined to name them.

Hamilton said it was unlikely the panels' final report will be finished before October. He said he saw no need for sweeping legislative change.

In another development, The Washington Post reported that independent counsel Lawrence Walsh will have to obtain a judge's approval of questions he wants two Israeli figures to answer.

Israel objects to subpoenas by Walsh's grand jury, which is seeking to question Adolph Schwimmer, an Israeli arms dealer, and David Kimche, a former foreign ministry official, about the arms sales. The Post said U.S. District Judge Aubrey Robinson will review the questions Walsh wants to put to the Israelis.

Meanwhile, an ABC News-Washington Post poll conducted Sunday through Wednesday of this week found that a majority of Americans still don't believe President Reagan has generally told the truth about the Iran-Contra affair, though more now believe him than in recent weeks.

According to the poll, 52 percent think Reagan has not told the truth compared with 44 percent who think he has told the truth. The doubters were down from 60 percent on July 21 and 69 percent as recently as June 1.

Dear Abby

Wisdom to Remain Silent Is Prayer of Mothers-in-Law



By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My son is being married soon, and I am giving a luncheon for my future daughter-in-law.

A friend told me that some years ago you published a wonderful article titled "A Mother-in-Law's Prayer." From the way she described it, it sounds like something that would make a big hit if I read it at the luncheon.

Can you dig it up for me?

MRS. G., DES MOINES, IOWA

DEAR MRS. G.: I dug it up:

A MOTHER-IN-LAW'S PRAYER

"O, Lord, help me to be glad when my son (or daughter) picks a mate. If he brings home a girl with two heads, help me to love both of them equally. And when my son says, 'Mom, I want to get married,' forbid that I should blurt out: 'How far along is she?'

"And please, Lord, help me to get through the wedding preparations without a squabble with the 'other side.' And drive from my mind the belief that had my child waited a while, she or he could have done better.

"Dear Lord, remind me daily that when I become a grandmother, my children don't want any advice on how to raise their children any more than I did when I was raising mine.

"If you will help me to do these things, perhaps my children will find me a joy to be around, and maybe I won't have to write a 'Dear Abby' letter complaining about my children neglecting me."

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DEAR ABBY: This is for your fidelity survey. My husband and I have been married for 51 years and neither one of us has ever cheated. In fact, we are more in love today than we were before we were married.

Our 46-year-old son is getting his third divorce. Abby, how do you explain these crazy liberated women who do not appreciate a good husband and provider?

PUZZLED IN PETERSBERG

DEAR PUZZLED: I can't. But with three strikes on him, perhaps you should stop blaming the ladies he's liberated.

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DEAR ABBY: We have a couple in our circle of friends who, when we go out to eat, always order the most expensive items on the menu — then the bill is "split evenly." (If there are two couples, it's cut in half — three couples, in thirds, etc.)

We are getting fed up. How do you handle a couple like that?

FRUSTRATED IN MILWAUKEE

DEAR FRUSTRATED: Ask the waiter/waitress for separate checks. It's a little more work but he or she will invariably get a bigger tip. I'm told that when several couples eat out and there's only one bill, the tip is usually less than it should be — 15 percent.

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(Problems? Write to Abby. For a personal, unpublished reply, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles, Calif. 90069. All correspondence is confidential.)

DEAR ABBY: My husband has a habit that upsets me a whole lot. He drives full speed through a flock of birds. First he says, "I can't stop because I might cause an accident." Then, "They always manage to get out of my way." I wonder about that.

Last week, we were driving down a one-lane paved country road that was straight as a pin, and there wasn't a car in sight. About 200 to 300 feet ahead was a small flock of birds right in the middle of the road. He was going 55 mph and never once did he let up on the gas. As we came closer, the birds tried to get out of his way, but he plowed right into them. It was a gruesome sight. I felt sick inside. I've been through this many times. I've asked him to please slow down and give the birds a chance, but he pays no attention.

Since we were not in any way rushing to get anywhere, I can't for the life of me figure out why he would deliberately slam into fleeing birds.

What gives? Am I an oddball for caring about the birds? I am truly one very disappointed woman. I've been driving for as many years as he, and I've always tried my best not to kill anything.

SICK INSIDE IN LOCKPORT, ILL.

DEAR SICK: You are not an oddball. Your husband is clearly a cruel and heartless man to deliberately kill birds. Some people use guns. Your husband uses an automobile.

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DEAR ABBY: In a few weeks, my live-in gentleman friend and I will be taking our long-awaited European trip.

My problem: How can we go about making others (on the tour) think we are married and get away with it? We've purchased the tour and airline tickets under "Mr. and Mrs. ( )" but our passports say otherwise.

Can this create some legal problems? If so, please tell us what to do (other than get married).

PACKING TO GO

DEAR PACKING: You may introduce yourselves as "Mr. and Mrs. ( )" to others on the tour, and your relationship will not be questioned. You could also introduce yourselves as "Mary Smith" and "John Brown" — a couple of very good friends, and few would give it a second thought. Good friends who do not sleep together may take a twin-bedded room to save expenses.

As for the "legal" aspects, consult a lawyer. In some states couples establish a common-law status by passing themselves off as married.

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DEAR ABBY: My fiance and I are planning our wedding. We want to invite some friends from work. These are the co-workers we socialize with outside of work. We're not inviting those we have only a working relationship with. Would it be in poor taste to enclose a brief note with the invitations asking them to please keep quiet about our wedding? We don't want to offend those who aren't invited, but we can't afford to have everybody we work with.

Also, would it be tacky to ask our parents to pay for their friends — the ones we don't know, or haven't seen in years? We are paying for our own wedding and want to keep the cost down.

STRESSED OUT

DEAR STRESSED: It would be in poor taste to include a note with the invitations asking your co-workers to keep quiet about the wedding. (It would be easier to smuggle dawn past a rooster.)

And don't ask your parents to pay for their friends. If they should offer, though, you could cave in.

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(For Abby's booklet, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding," send a check or money order for $2.50 and a long, stamped (39 cents), self-addressed envelope to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054.)

Plan unites left, right in opposition

WASHINGTON (AP) — Conservatives and liberals who traditionally have held the most entrenched positions in the debate over aid to the Nicaraguan Contras finally have agreed on something: the administration's new Central American peace initiative is a bad idea.

Both the left and the right in Congress have been using words like "sellout," "sham" and "ploy" to describe President Reagan's effort to pursue a diplomatic solution while delaying a planned request to seek additional aid for the rebels battling the leftist Sandinista government.

Conservative Republican Sen. William Armstrong of Colorado called it "the least promising initiative I have ever heard of," saying the move invited stalling by the Sandinistas.

Liberal Rep. George Brown, D-Calif., said he was "skeptical as hell" about the proposal and that "anybody who would buy into this ought to have his head examined." Brown and other like-minded House members said they saw the plan as a trap by the administration to snooker Congress into supporting Contra aid.

The opposition from the two hardline camps comes as no surprise to the administration. But officials hope that uncommitted lawmakers will be impressed with Reagan's pursuit of the diplomatic track and vote for Contra aid if the initiative fails.

AP analysis

As administration officials see it, there are about 200 safe pro-Contra House members, with about two dozen others thought to be swing votes. For the administration, the magic number is 218 — a bare majority. Obtaining a majority in the Senate is believed to be somewhat easier, but the sentiment now is running slightly against the administration.

The administration hopes that if the Sandinistas reject the plan, members of Congress will find themselves morally obligated to back the Contras. But no such suggestion was made by House Speaker Rep. Jim Wright, D-Texas, during the two-week period in which he and administration officials forged the initiative.

What is shaping up is a battle of perceptions over the next seven weeks — the time allotted by the administration for the Sandinistas to agree to a cease-fire and democratic reform, among other steps.

The Sandinista strategy thus far seems clear: Express interest in the plan while haggling over procedures. This way, the Nicaraguans hope to escape blame if the initiative falls flat.

The administration wants the Sandinistas to talk about a cease-fire and democratization, but the Nicaraguans want to talk to Washington instead.

"If the United States rejects direct talks with us, the whole thing is a sham, a publicity stunt designed to impress whoever they think is gullible enough," Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega said.

Secretary of State George P. Shultz said there is "no way" the United States will sit down with Nicaragua to decide Central America's future. That, he said, should be left to the Central Americans themselves.

EDITOR'S NOTE — George Gedda has covered foreign affairs for The Associated Press since 1968.

Trains collide in coal-mining region

MOSCOW (AP) — A passenger train slammed into a freight train in southern Russia and some people aboard were killed, the state-run Tass news agency said today.

Tass did not say how many passengers or crewmembers died in the wreck at Kamenskaya Station east of the city of Donestsk, which it termed a "disaster."

The dispatch's wording indicated the loss of life could be high.

A government commission headed by Gennady Vedernikov, deputy chairman of the Soviet Council of Ministers, was formed to determine what caused the wreck, Tass said.

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By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Sunday, Aug. 9, 1987

In the year ahead, your mental faculties, such as curiosity and inventiveness, will be more easily stimulated than usual. These attributes will be big contributors to your success.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Glamorous people and settings may hold a special appeal for you today. Dinner by candlelight in a posh restaurant could gratify your aesthetic yearnings. Major changes are ahead for Leos in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today. Mail $1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The market value of the skills or talents that you have to purvey is up today. If someone is interested in your expertise, don't let this person cause you to believe otherwise.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) A departure from your usual routines will help revitalize your psyche today. Do something fun and unusual with different friends.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) The concerns of those you love should take precedence over all of your other interests today. First provide for their needs, and then for yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) People with whom you'll be involved today will see you in a leadership role. It's extremely important that you set a proper example for them to follow.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) When it comes to hard-nosed horse trading today, you might be out of your element. Don't let a "smoothie" sucker you into a bum deal.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Select companions wisely today. Detractors will not differentiate between their behavior and yours. All will be smeared by the same brush.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Leave the door ajar today so it's possible for friends who want to do you favors to do so. Don't let your pride put obstacles in their path.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You're quite clever today in maneuvering around obstacles. Your hopes have good chances of being realized with or without the cooperation of others.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Sometimes, trying too hard can be as ineffective as not trying at all. Today, if you are too aggressive, there's a possibility you might defeat your own purposes.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Soft sell could be the most effective tool at your disposal today. Understate your offering, and let the listener fill in the blank spots.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Today, your most outstanding qualities are your ingenuity and resourcefulness. It looks like you will be using them to right a situation that has gone wrong.

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Your Birthday

Monday, Aug. 10, 1987

Several enduring relationships that will prove to be of immense value will be established in the year ahead. They will enrich your life for many years to come.

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions in general are favorable for negotiating delicate arrangements today. Later this week, the influences may be less friendly.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) There are unique premiums attached to any services you perform for others at this time. Concentrate on doing the best job possible.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your thoughts are likely to be far more constructive than those of your peers today. Take a chance on your own ideas, not theirs.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Let your natural sense of timing come into play today if you have to promote a sensitive issue. Press forward when your intuition urges to you to do so.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't hesitate to exercise your curiosity today about something you're involved in but don't fully understand. Ask lots of questions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There are two promising areas that could mean something to you materially today. One is your present job, and the other is a confidential matter.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This should be the kind of day you'll like because conditions in general will tend to be in your favor. Focus your efforts on meaningful goals.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't be impatient with present conditions, even those which appear to be thwarting your purpose. Everything is slipping into place, and soon you'll have an open road.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If you have to firm up plans that involve other friends, you'll have more luck doing it today instead of waiting until later. Start putting the people together.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You may be pleasantly surprised today regarding the support you'll get from associates. They'll help you achieve a goal that is important to you, but has little bearing on them.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be sure to accept any fun invitations you get today. Something interesting, beneficial — and unexpected — could develop from a social encounter.

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Teachers liked accused teen

KERRVILLE, Texas (AP) — A teen-ager accused of murdering the wife of a prominent banker was liked by teachers at his school but wasn't popular among his classmates, one teacher said.

"He was a good kid. This is really sad," elementary school teacher Brenda Albrecht said Thursday after the bullet-riddled body of Joyce Louise Walters was found buried near her ranch home.

Two Kerr County Sheriff's deputies discovered the body of Mrs. Walters, 44, about 7:30 a.m. underneath trash less than a mile from her Prison Canyon Ranch home, Sheriff Cliff Greeson said.

Mrs. Walters, who had been missing two days, was shot several times with a small-caliber rifle and her body was sent to the Bexar County Medical Examiners Office for an autopsy, Greeson said.

Raymond Charles "R.C." Tabares Jr., 18, the son of a ranch hand, was charged with murder and jailed in lieu of a $500,000 bond set by Peace Justice Betty Burney.

Ms. Albrecht said Tabares was a special education student at a high school a few miles away at Center Point, a sophomore and a loner. Teachers liked him but some of the other students didn't like his attitude, she said.

Darroll Bluemel, 18, said Tabares lived across the street from him about two years ago.

"It doesn't surprise me because he's pulled out a gun on people before. When they moved in across the street from us he had a .30-30 and he threatened to shoot my sister," Bluemel said.

Greeson said Tabares, who also did odd jobs at the ranch, gave authorities a statement, but the sheriff declined to discuss a possible motive.

"Two of my deputies were digging through a trash dump area and discovered the buried body," Greeson said. "This is like trash that's dug on many ranches for their own disposal."

Mrs. Walters was reported missing her husband, Roland Walters, chairman of the board of the Bank of Kerrville. Walters called Greeson Tuesday to report his wife missing, saying he was in Houston on a business trip and had been unable to reach his wife by telephone since Monday night.

Shortly after Mrs. Walter's body was found Thursday, authorities arrested Tabares, who lives on the Walters' 9,000-acre ranch near Camp Verde, about 12 miles south of Kerrville.

Tabares is the son of ranch hand Raymond Tabares Sr., who has worked for Walters many years, Greeson said. The youth, who also was arrested in the vicinity of Camp Verde, where Mrs. Walters owned and operated a store, the sheriff said.

"R.C. was very kind. He never gave me any problems at school," said principal Burt Slater. "This really comes as a shock."

Federal, state and local law enforcement officials began searching for Mrs. Walters Tuesday after her jewelry and the clothing she was last seen wearing were found near Verde Creek, about one-third mile from the general store she operated.

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The party will be held each month on the first Wednesday at 2:30 p.m.

The August party held this past Wednesday was a grand success. The McDonald's staff presented favors to the birthday honorees, and served cake and punch to all seniors present. They also had games for them, and everyone really enjoyed the festivities.

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Norma Laywell
Administrative Assistant
Scurry County Senior Center

To the editor,

The Scurry County Library Board and the entire Library Staff would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people and businesses who have helped to make this Children's Program one of the best, and busiest, at the library this summer.

To the many teachers and parents who encourage reading and bring their children to the library, we thank you.

To the businesses which donated prizes, Lot-A-Burger, College Avenue Dairy Queen, Texas Taco, Sonic, McDonald's, Everybody's Thriftway, Lawrence IGA, Furrs, Bennett's, we thank you.

To individuals who helped with programs, Ellen Rumpff, Francoise Pointeau, the Gay 20s, Sam Grimes and Sharyon Bond and her 4-H helpers, we thank you.

To the Chamber of Commerce for the loan of five bucking stick horses, we thank you.

To the many library patrons who unselfishly donated to our box in the lobby, we thank you.

And to the Snyder Daily News and KSNY for their consistently good publicity and coverage of all our activities, we thank you.

Eleanor O'Banion, President of Scurry County Library Board
Janice Mitchell, Librarian

To the editor,

I've been doing some studying on this civil service issue going on in Snyder. I've read the pros and cons and all newspaper articles available in this area concerning the issue.

I don't mind telling you that I am caught between the pros and cons, so I started looking at this from another point of view. The issue concerns our fire department and police department, right? We must first look at these departments for what they are and how much we depend on them for our safety, our children's safety and the safety of our town.

We have to have both departments in order to keep the city a safe place for everyone and everything. Let's keep names out if it — don't vote against civil service because you don't like John Doe, John Q. Public, who is in the department. Civil service could offer benefits and assure this city of good men (or women) and keep out those people who aren't fit to protect this city.

These departments are extremely important to Snyder or any other city for that matter. If the people on the force aren't worthy of their jobs, get them out and give the ones who are something they can work on or for by the way of benefits and guarantees.

Even our police and fire departments need some kind of protection in order to fulfill what can be a life or death future for themselves and their families.

Yes, I pay taxes too and I sure don't want or need to pay more by any means, but I feel even I can compromise for my safety and the safety for others. Let's find a happy medium, OK?

Carolyn Doolittle
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Savings bond sales are suspended

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Treasury Department announced Friday that it was suspending the sale of U.S. savings bonds for the second time in three weeks because of Congress' failure to reach agreement on a new debt ceiling.

The department said it had notified banks and other financial institutions to stop selling the bonds until further notice. Sales were also suspended on July 18 for 12 days until Congress passed a temporary increase in the government's borrowing authority to $2.32 trillion.

Developer raps city credit policy

AUSTIN (AP) — A developer says the capital city's new policy of not accepting letters of credit from many lenders threatens to stall one of Austin's most successful residential subdivisions.

"We've been shut down by the letter of credit policy. We're going to run out of lots," said developer John Spaid, joint venture partner in Austin's Colony.

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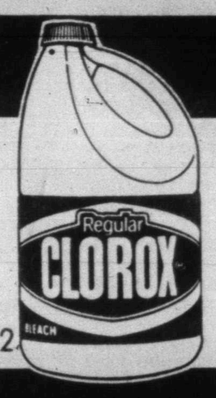


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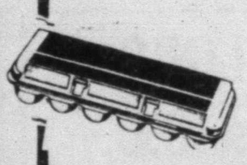
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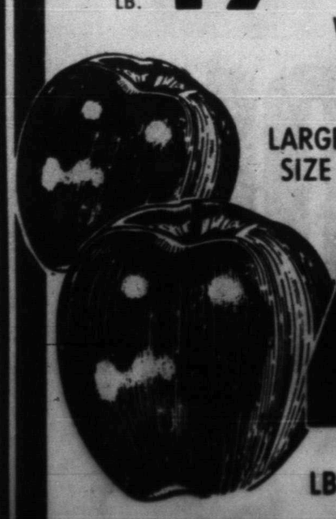
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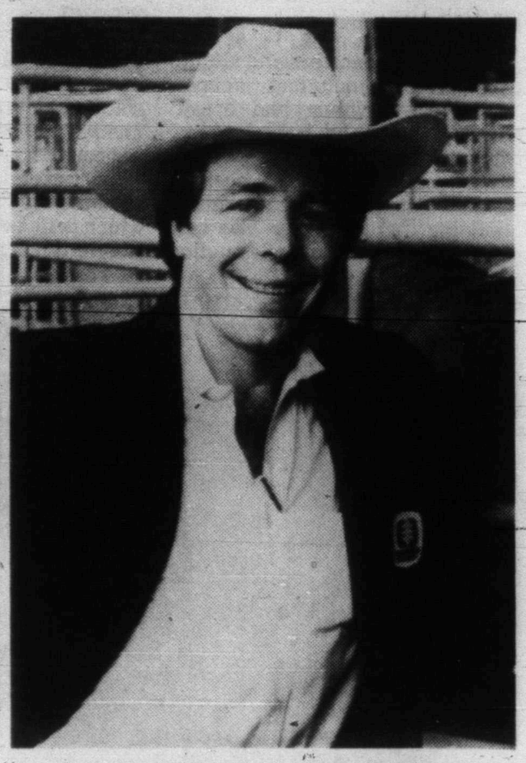
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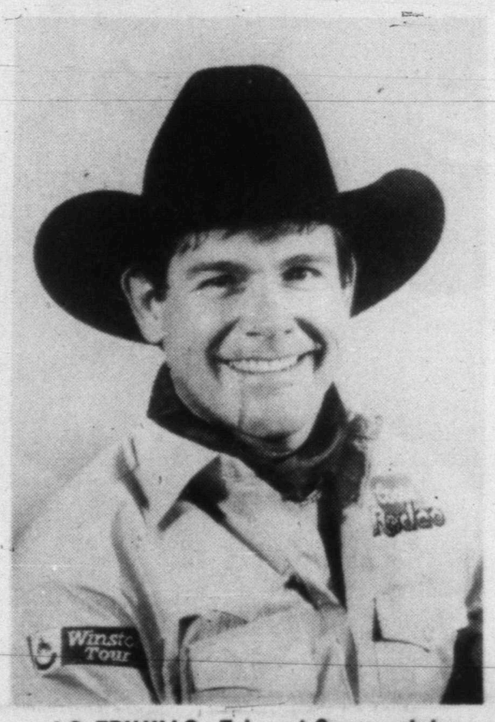
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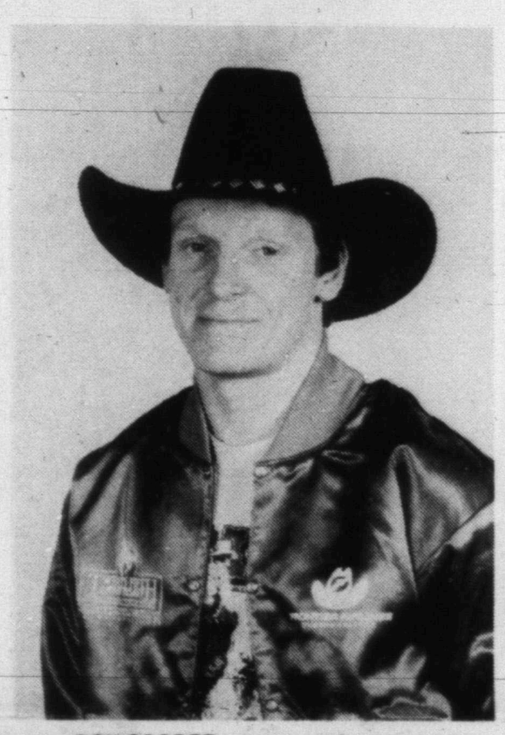
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Events for AJRA announced

This year's 12th edition of the AJRA National Finals Rodeo in Snyder will mark also the 35th anniversary for AJRA exes — and a full lineup of events for ex-AJRA contestants are planned.

The rodeo in the Scurry County Coliseum will take up a full week here Aug. 9-15, but exes events will be centered around the conclusion Aug. 14-15.

Registration of AJRA alumni and Booster Club members will be held from 3-7 p.m. Friday, Aug. 14, at the lobby of the Willow Park Inn.

A welcoming reception is planned from 5-7 p.m. that day in the motel's atrium.

On Saturday, Aug. 15, several activities for boosters and alumni are planned including jackpot, calf, team, ribbon and breakaway roping and barrel races. Events begin at 11 a.m.

A 5 p.m. sirloin steak cookout will be at the coliseum annex building that Saturday. The cost is $5 per plate. A benefit auction will follow with proceeds to go toward AJRA scholarships and/or prizes.

At 9:30 p.m. on Saturday, a dance for AJRA alumni and Booster Club members only is planned at the Willow Park Inn. Tickets are $5 per person or $8 per couple.

All tickets will be sold at a special AJRA alumni booth which will be set up at the coliseum during the week of the rodeo which kicks off Aug. 11.

For more information contact Terry Canon Cheatham at 573-7581 or 573-4975.

Cheatham said the AJRA Alumni Association was organized last year and plans are to have various fund raisers held throughout the year in Texas, New Mexico and Oklahoma.

She said an individual does not have to be a member of the AJRA to become an alumni member.

Six candidates are vying for Miss AJRA title

The 1987 Miss AJRA queen candidates are as follows:

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Tallman returns for 7th consecutive year

Bob Tallman, nationally-known rodeo announcer, will return to Snyder for his seventh consecutive year as announcer for the AJRA National Rodeo Finals scheduled in the Scurry County Coliseum Aug. 11-15.

Tallman's unique way of getting close to his work and to the competitors has made him a favorite with rodeo fans. Tallman works from horseback in the arena. Many announcers have tried to copy his original style, but none have been able to master it--finding themselves short of hands trying to carry a microphone in one hand, notes in the other, plus the reins of the horse.

Being in the right place at the right time is the key to Talman's success. This method requires that the announcer be a real horseman with a tremendous knowledge of the rodeo world.

In addition, the announcer must be abreast of the rodeo talent. Tallman never carries notes but only a contestant list for that night's performance.

Fans of Tallman says his "gift of words" is a great asset in making this style successful.

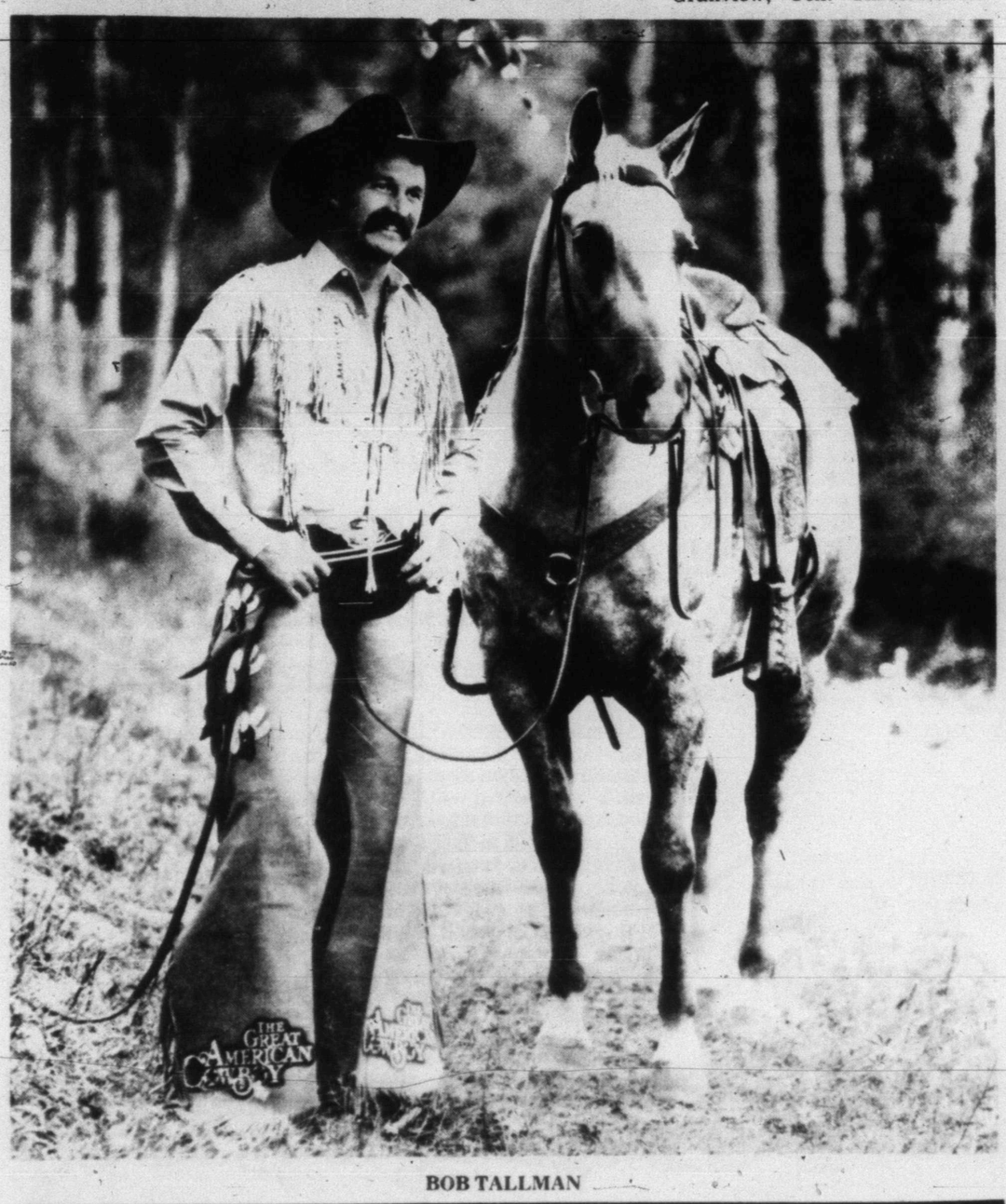
He will be announcing from horseback for the first three performances Tuesday through Thursday. Friday and Saturday night will take him back to the grandstand with headphones for the telecast.

Tallman will be assisted this year by a new talent to the PRCA. Charlie Throckmorton of Granview, Tex. Throckmorton will take over the house announcing while Talman describes the action during the telecast.

Tallman, his wife, Kristen, and a daughter, Nicole, live on a ranch in Baker, Ore., where they run a registered herd of cattle. The wife and daughter take over most of the ranching duties while Tallman is traveling entertaining rodeo audiences.

Tallman also does three radio shows and does TV productions. Early July found Tallman traveling from Greely, Colo. to Calgary, Alberto daily working both rodeo and live telecasts for the Calgary Stampede.

This is a typical schedule in Tallman's life, and he looks forward to his days back at the ranch. Once he arrives home, there is plenty of ranch chores to keep him busy.



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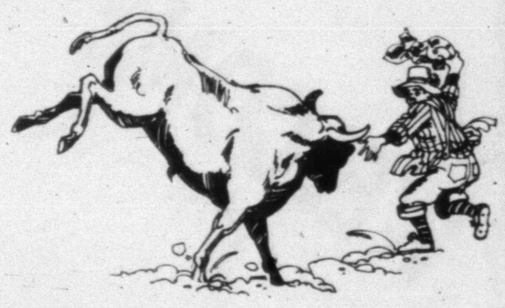


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AJRA sponsor list revealed

Sponsors for the 1987 edition of the AJRA National Finals Rodeo have been announced, an expanded list which again includes Wrangler as a national sponsor.

This year will mark the 35th anniversary of the AJRA finals and the 12th consecutive year they have been held in Snyder.

In addition, this year will mark the second time the national finals will be televised and broadcast live from the Scurry County Coliseum.

That broadcast will be on Saturday, Aug. 15, the final day of the rodeo. The telecast is expected to be viewed that night across the nation.

In addition to Wrangler, other major backers, called arena sponsors this year, include Walls Industries, Barq's Root Beer, Stetson and Abilene Boots.

The event will feature chute sponsors as well as a new list of chute sponsors signed on exclusively for the national telecast.

The chute sponsors include Dairy Queen, The Shack, Fort Justice, Edward D. Jones and Co:, McCormick Marketing and McLeod's Jewelers.

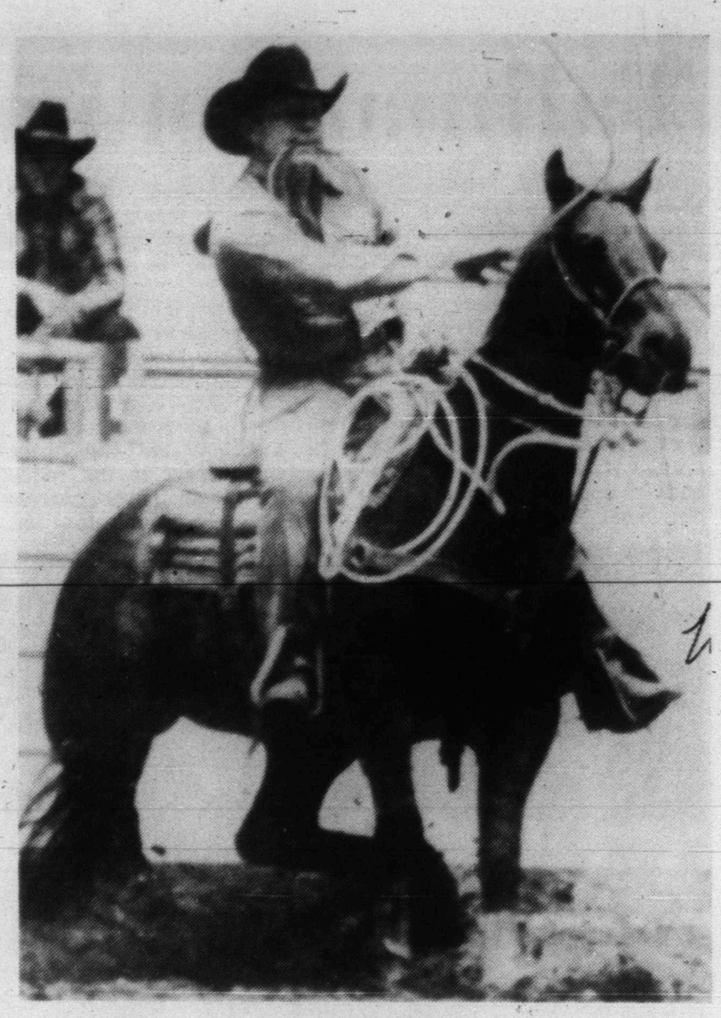
Chute sponsors the night of the telecast will include Kmart, Edward D. Jones and Co., Dairy Queen, C.R. Anthony and Gary Gist Trophy Buckles.

In addition, mini-sponsors for the rodeo include C. R. Anthony, Golden Corral, Snyder Daily News, Line and Line Oil Co., Bar H Bar Western Wear, Great Western Motel, KWZD-Wizard of Abilene, KCBD Channel 11 of Lubbock, KMAC Channel 28 of Lubbock, KLBK Channel 13 of Lubbock and KJTV Channel 34 of Lubbock, and Beard Van Lines.

Koda Kountry is also serving as barrel sponsor for the AJRA and D&D Auto Supply is the sponsor for the pickup men's "leggins."

Also contributing toward the project are this year's saddle

See Sponsor List, Page 7c



WILLARD MOODY

Cowboy Fellowship of Christian Athletes to meet in Snyder

A meeting of the Cowboys Fellowship of Christian Athletes is again scheduled as part of this year's AJRA National Finals Rodeo. The fellowship will meet at 3 p.m. Aug. 12 in the coliseum.

Everyone is invited to the Cowboys Fellowship of Christian Athletes meeting. Willard Moody of Roswell, N.M., head of Willard Moody Ministries, will be the guest speaker. Music will be provided by New Creations of Gail and Lamesa.

Moody is also a PRCA cowboy and qualified for the national finals in calf roping four times. He still competes on a limited basis.

Moody has traveled all over the world in his ministry.

Many movie lovers hate it when television squeezes film images by about 50 percent to accomodate its small, rectangular viewing area. So, a New York City theater sponsored a festival of CinemaScope and other movies shot for widescreen reproduction.

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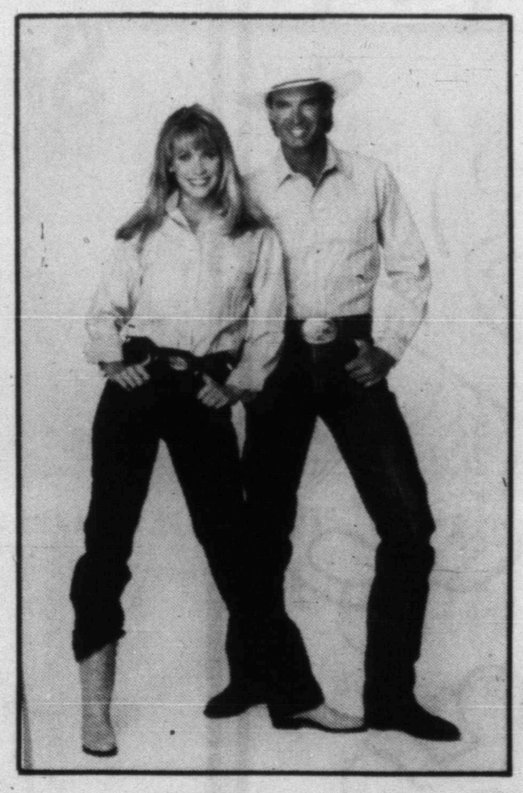
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Described as getting bigger and better every year, the AJRA National Finals Rodeo has become a highlight of late summers in Snyder.

Snyder will host the 35th annual event starting Tuesday in the Scurry County Coliseum. It will mark the 12th consecutive year that Snyder and the Snyder chamber's AJRA committee has hosted the event.

Contestants and their families will start arriving in Snyder as early as Saturday. Although the rodeo does not officially begin until Tuesday there are two preliminary events scheduled.

At 1 p.m. Sunday there will be a World Champion Barrel Race for kids eight and under. This is the third year for this event, sponsored by the Ogden family of Gail. There will be a saddle for first, buckle for second and jackets for the top 10.

Another preliminary event is the team roping finals starting a 10 a.m. Monday in the coliseum.

Local support has always been a vital part of the AJRA's success. The committee, headed by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller of Fluvanna, works year-around to bring the many facets of the AJRA together for the five-day nationally-televised rodeo.

The local business community has long been supportive of the rodeo effort. Each year the community swells with visitors as motels, restaurants and other businesses see increased activity.

The National sponsor this year is Wrangler jeans. Arena sponsors are Wall's Industries, Barq's Root Beer, Stetson and Abilene Boots.

Local saddle donors are West Texas State Bank, Snyder National Bank, Olney Savings, Willow Park Inn, James Aaron and the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

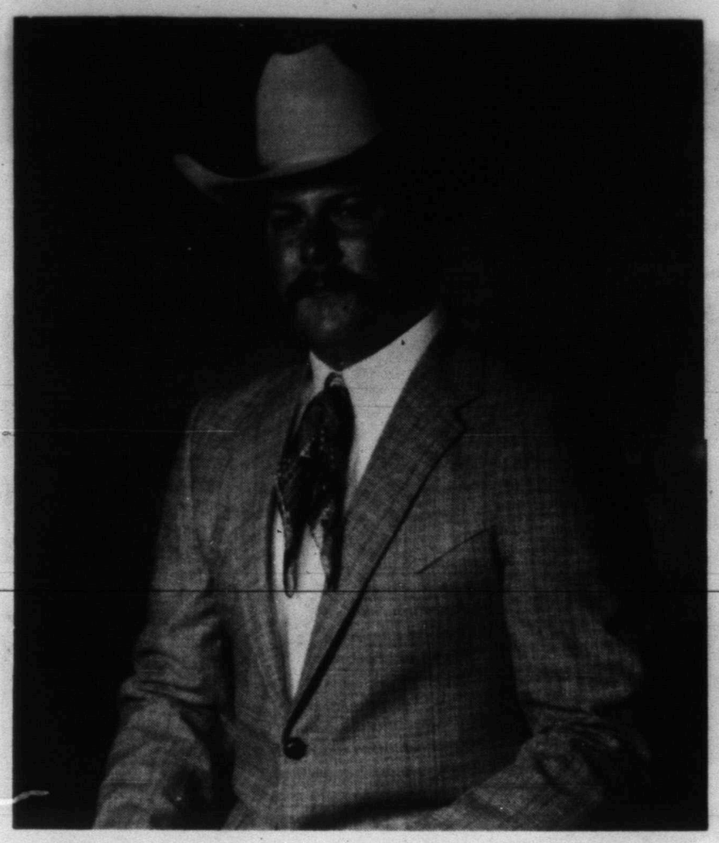
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Pick up men sponsors are D&D Auto Supply and Koda Kountry is the barrel sponsor.

Mini sponsors are Anthony's, Golden Corral, Snyder Daily News, Line and Line Oil Co., Bar H Bar Western Wear, Great Western Motel, Beard Van Lines, Lubbock TV stations KCBD, KMAC, KLBK, and KJTV, and Abilene Radio KWZD.

Tickets to the AJRA Finals are available at the Snyder chamber of commerce offfice. Box seats are $6 and general admission is $2 for children and $4 for adults.



CHARLIE THROCKMORTON, JR.

AJRA finals adds one new voice

There will be a new voice sharing the microphone at the AJRA National Finals Rodeo scheduled Aug. 11-15 at the Scurry County Coliseum.

The voice will be Charlie Throckmorton Jr. of Cleburne, a member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association and a lifetime member of the Pro Rodeo Historical Society.

Throckmorton became interested in rodeo at an early age when he began studying and researching rodeo and the cowboys who perform. This in-depth study formed a good foundation for his extensive knowledge of the sport.

He began his announcing career at the age of 14, working high school and amateur shows. After being away from the microphone for seven years while pursuing a career in farming and ranching, he made a decision to get back into rodeo at the professional level.

This decision was made after much encouragement from his close friend, Harry Tomkins, many times World Champion Cowboy of Dublin, and from other friends--including Casey Tibbs and Jim Shoulders and Buster Ivory.

Throckmorton acted as master of ceremonies for the Wild Bunch Cowboy Reunion held in conjunction with the National Finals Rodeo in Las Vegas last year.

He announced the 1987 Ben Johnson Pro Celebrity team roping in Fort Worth last April, and has just returned from Reno, Nev. where he announced the 1987 Celebrity Classics featuring such stars as Ben Johnson, Buck Taylor, Wilford Brimley, Richard Farnsworth, Steve Ford and many more.

He has been asked to announce the Houston Classics in October, and has been selected to emcee for the PRCA-PRHS style show at the Tropicana Hotel in Las Vegas next December.

In addition to his interest in rodeo, Throckmorton is a country and western song writer, and he has produced an album as a tribute to the Wild Bunch, Harry Tomkins and Casey Tibbs.

Throckmorton lives on the Coastal Meadows Ranch at Parker with his wife, Debbie.

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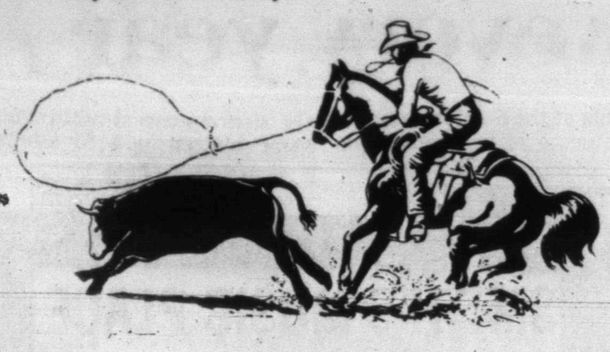
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DON GAY--Don Gay, eight-time world champion bull rider, will be one of four celebrities who will serve as commentator for the AJRA finals to begin August 11 in Snyder. Gay has won numerous honors since turning pro in 1970.

World champion bull rider...

Gay will be a commentator

Don Gay, eight-time world champion bull rider, will be one of four celebrities who will serve as commentator for the AJRA finals to begin Aug. 11-15 in Snyder.

He won eight world bull riding championships in 1974-77, 1979-81 and 1984, breaking Jim Shoulders' record of seven.

He was the PRCA bull riding champion from 1976-78.

Gay won the only NFR sudden death title ride-off ever held. The year was 1977 and he had been tied with Randy Magers.

He was the Lone Star Circuit Bull Riding Champion from 1975-76 and in 1978.

Gay won the NFR bull riding average in 1976 and holds the record for high score at the National Finals rodeo with 95 points on "Red One."

He broke bull riding's single-season earnings record for eight consecutive years, 1974-81.

He was the only man to qualify 13 years in NFR bull riding (11 consecutive years); in 1972-82 and 1984-85.

He was an original honoree of the Pro Rodeo Hall of Champions.

Gay's total career earnings include $631,726 and his total Winston awards include $92,050.

He's been described by rodeo great Larry Mahan as the "best bullrider to ever strap on a pair of spurs." Nagging injuries slowed him in 1982 and forced retirement for all of 1983.

In 1984, Gay returned to fulltime bullriding competition and finally achieved his goal of a record-breaking title at the National Rodeo Finals in December.

He flies his own plane to personal appearances and has appeared on "Good Morning America," "The Dick Cavett Show," and "NBC Sports." He has been frofiled by "People Magazine" and "Sports Illustrated" and is co-host of the Mesquite Rodeo's weekly cable TV show on the Nashville Network.

He turned pro in 1970.

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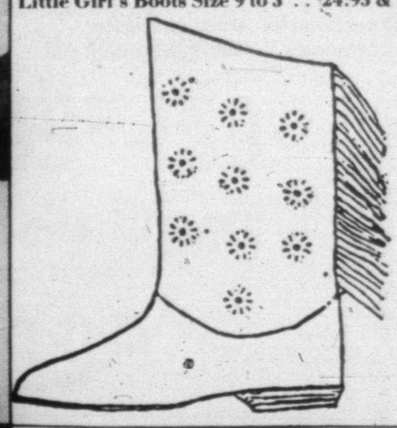
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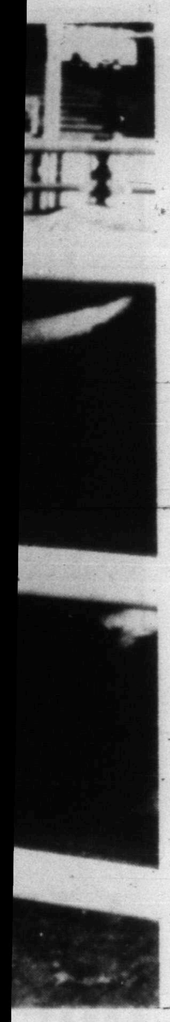
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The AJRA National Finals Rodeo will return to the Scurry County Coliseum Aug. 11-15. Jenice Miller will again serve as executive producer of the telecast.

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In addition to her fund-raising skills, she is a 7th Degree Black Belt in karate. Miller currently is working out of the offices of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.



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RIBBON ROPING – Lari Dee Guy helps Ty Watkins in the ribbon roping event of the AJRA National Finals Rodeo.



COMMENTATOR--Pamela Minick will serve as one of four commentators during the national AJRA rodeo finals to be begin Aug. 11 in Snyder. She is a former Miss Rodeo America and women's world champion calf roper. She will be joined in the booth by Don Gay, J. C. Trujillo, and Roy Cooper.

Kiker set as AJRA auctioneer

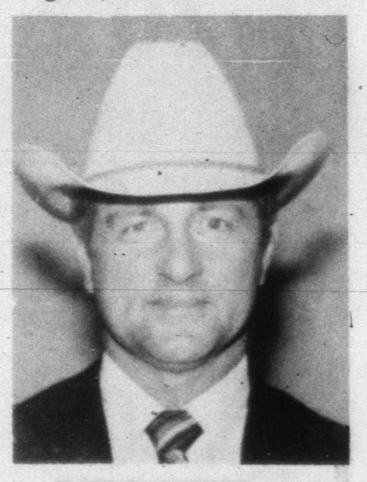
Ernest Kiker will be the auctioneer for the AJRA Alumni and Booster Club auction to be held Saturday afternoon, Aug. 15, at 5 p.m. in conjunction with the steak cookout.

For the convenience of all who attend, the event will be held in the ag complex at the coliseum instead of Towle Park as originally planned.

Kiker, son of Earl and Betty Kiker, is a native of Rotan. He graduated from Texas Tech University with a bachelors and masters degrees in agriculture education.

Kiker has been with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service for 15 years and is currently serving as county extension agent in Midland.

He is married to the former Vickie Newton. They have one daughter, Jessica.



EARNEST KIKER

Pamela Minick slated as one commentator

For the nationally televised broadcast of the AJRA National Finals Aug. 15, four commentators will offer both color and commentary, to include Pamela Minick, a former Miss Rodeo America and women's world champion calf roper.

She will be joined in the booth by Don Gay, J. C. Trujillo, and Roy Cooper.

Minick is a former Miss Rodeo America, winning her crown in 1973. She was also a world champion calf roper in 1982.

She has appeared in several commercials and television programs including the NBC mini series "The Sacketts." She was also in the 1980 CBS movie, "Rodeo Girl."

Since 1976 she had functioned as a sports commentator giving play-by-play comments for numerous rodeos and interviews. Her latest appearance as a rodeo commentator was at the Fort Worth Stock Show.

Minick is a private pilot, is interested in all sports and is an expert horsewoman and stunts rider.

She has trained at the Conrad Film Actor's Workshop in Los Angeles, Calif. and the On Camera and Voice Workshops in Phoenix, Ariz.

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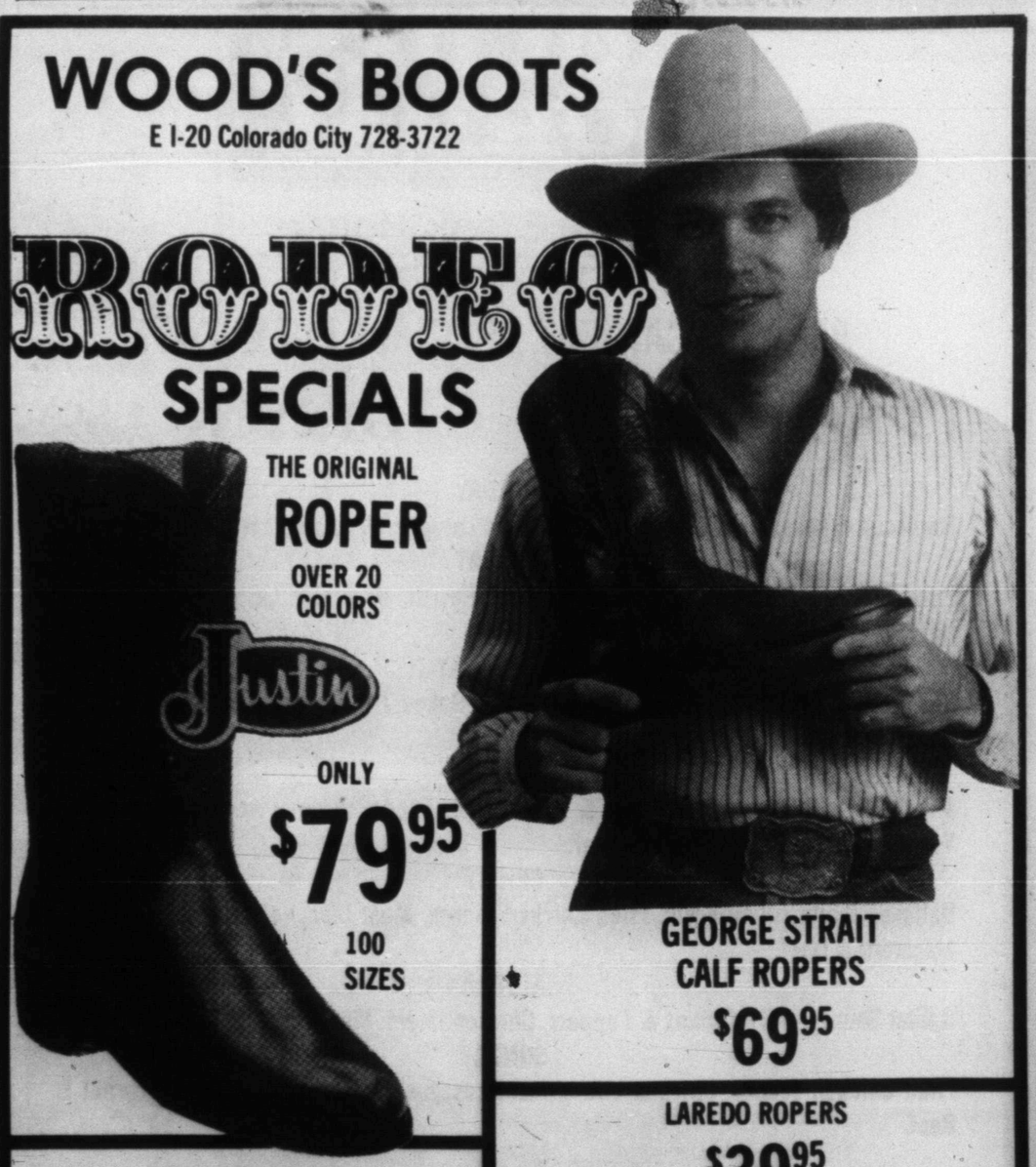
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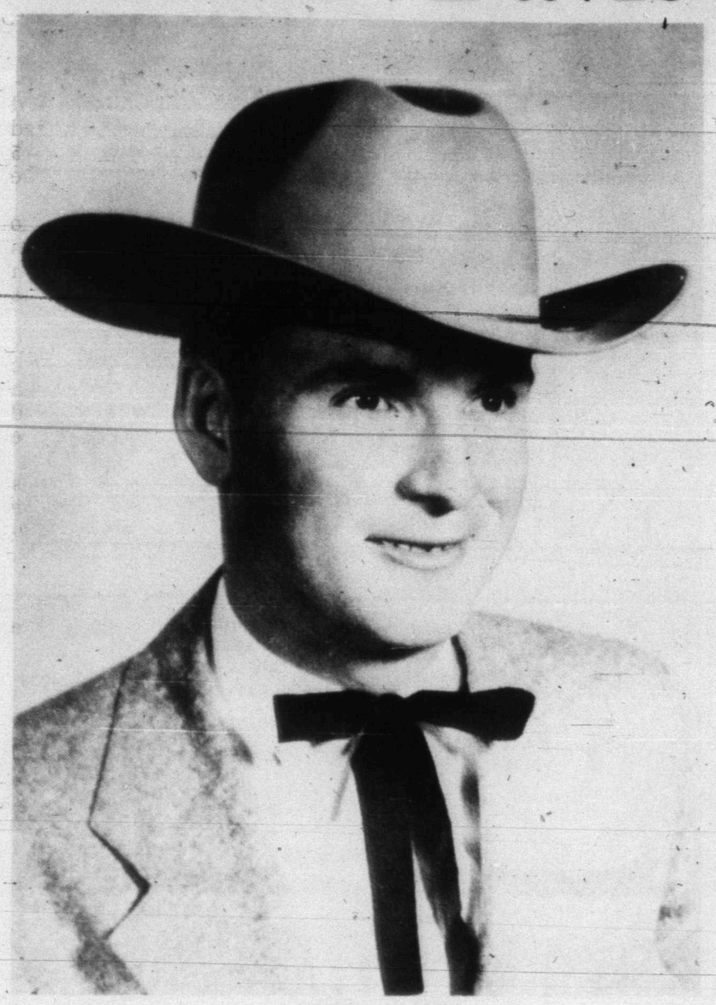


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ALVIN G. DAVIS
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This photo shows Alvin G. Davis as he looked 35 years ago when the AJRA was founded at the Levelland Junior Rodeo. He was just out of college and beginning a banking career.

Perhaps no other individual has ever risen to the leadership level in so many areas that relate to the cowboy and western heritage as Davis.

He has headed or been a director of organizations that have produced junior, amateur, college and RCA rodeos. He has produced, announced and even clowned individual rodeos.

Davis has been the administrator for two national rodeo organizations, the AJRA and the NIRA. He has written a regular column for a national rodeo publication and feature stories for national publications.

He has edited and published a publication that covered junior, high school and college rodeos. He has raised and shown horses that have been state and national champions and has been the president and/or director of several horse organizations.

Davis was the founding father of the national western wear retailers organization. His bronzes are owned by collectors in several states and Germany and Japan. He is a cowboy poet and is on the program at the first Texas Cowboy Poetry Gathering earlier this year. He is currently doing research to write a book on the history of western wear and equipment.

Davis has been the administrator for the Ranching Heritage Association for the past 6½ years. It is a non-profit support group for the National Ranching Heritage Center.

AJRA finals August 11-15



CINDY HATAWAY--Cindy Hataway will sing the National Anthem during the 1987 AJRA rodeo finals to kick off August 11 in Snyder.

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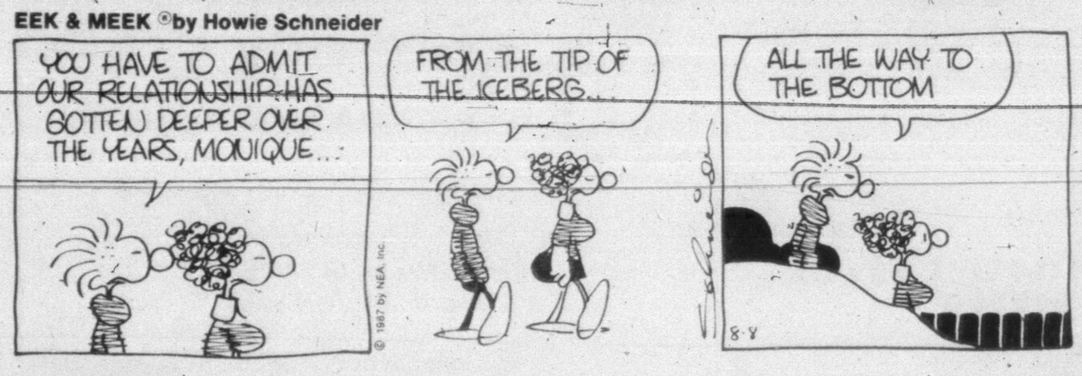
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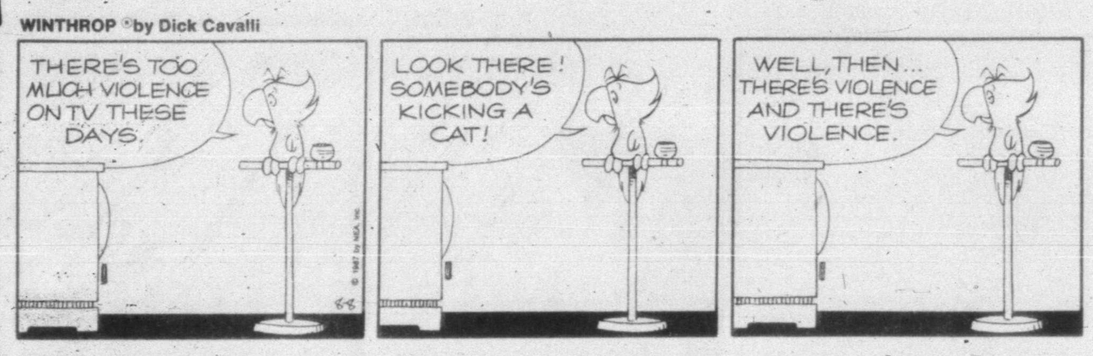
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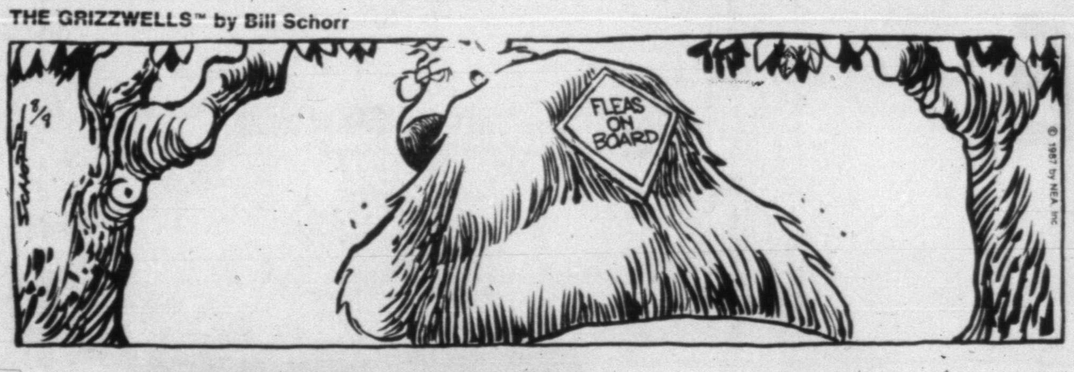
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12 Shakespearean villain
13 Unclose (poet.)
14 Something small
15 Disturb the peace
16 Stagnate
17 Thwart
18 Leftovers
20 _____ fly
22 Yellow fever mosquito
24 Octopuslike creature
28 Peaceful
32 Corrode
33 Moslem priest
35 Baking chamber
36 Agile
37 A refrigerant (2 wds.)
41 Prospect
42 Likewise
44 Green mineral
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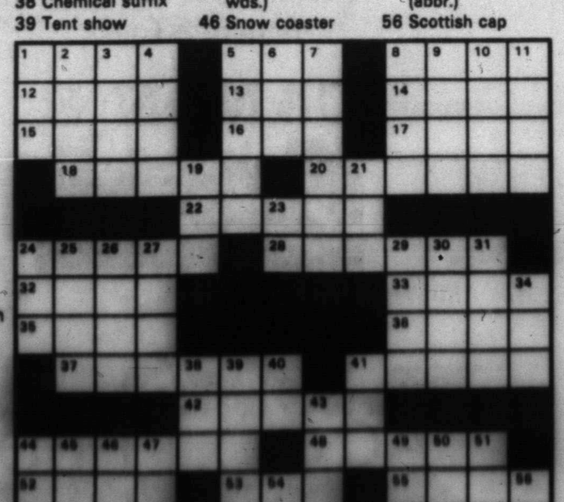
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9 Stolen goods
10 How sweet _____ _____
11 Chalky
19 Roam about idly
21 Compass point
23 501, Roman
24 Sign at sellout (abbr.)
25 Campus area
26 Soviet Union (abbr.)
27 _____-bitty
29 Unless
30 Demons
31 Rustic vehicle
34 Clam genus
38 Chemical suffix
39 Tent show
40 _____ tu, Brute
41 Make a promise
43 Palatable
44 Shift direction
45 Tennis term (2 wds.)
46 Snow coaster
47 Writes
49 Think nothing _____ _____
50 Citizen _____
51 Behold (Lat.)
54 Sandwich type (abbr.)
56 Scottish cap

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1 Evergreen tree
2 Put down
3 Composer Strevinsky
4 Carry
5 Not better

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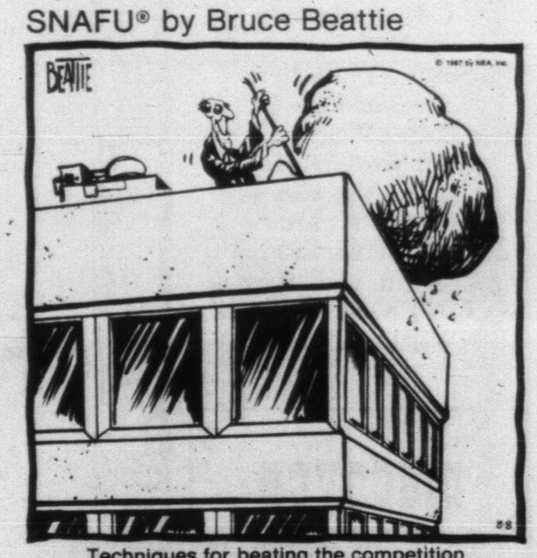
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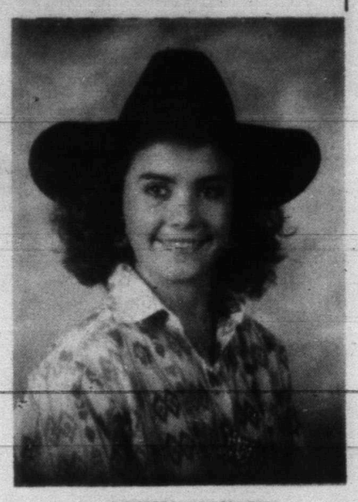
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National AJRA rodeo finals offers variety of activities

The national AJRA Rodeo finals will begin August 11 in Snyder.

Several pros are back for the finals including Bob Tallman, as rodeo announcer for the seventh consecutive year.

National sponsors for the annual event include Wrangler, Barq's Root Beer, Wall's Industries, Stetson, and Abilene Boots.

Team roping finals will be held at 10 a.m. Aug. 10 in the coliseum.

The eight and under world champion barrel race will be held at 1 p.m. Sunday at the coliseum. This event is sponsored by the Ogden family of Gail.

The Cowboys' Fellowship of Christian Athletes will meet at 3 p.m. Aug. 12 in the coliseum. Willard Moody will be the speaker.

Reunion and alumni activities are also planned to mark the 35th anniversary of the AJRA.

Several professional clowns will be on hand for the national AJRA rodeo finals.

The event will be televised for the second year in a row.

Professional clowns include Rick Chatman, Leon Coffee, and Tom Feller.

Activities for the AJRA finals will conclude Aug. 15.

Cindy Hataway will sing the National Anthem.

Mack Altizer of Bad Company Rodeo Producers is the rodeo stock producer.

The event will be telecast and Jenice Miller is the executive producer of the telecast.

TV commentators include Pam Minick, Don Gay, J. C. Trujillo and Roy Cooper.

Miss AJRA will be crowned Friday night, Aug. 14, during the AJRA rodeo finals to be held in Snyder.

Robin Wardlaw of Del Rio the reigning Miss AJRA.

The AJRA Alumni and Booster Club will sponsor an exes reunion celebrating the 35th anniversary of the AJRA on Friday, Aug. 14.

Other related activities include team roping finals, world champion barrel race, Cowboys' Fellowship of Christian Athletes meeting, and country and western disco dances.

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Founder of AJRA to receive special buckle during finals

Twenty-nine years later, the "giver" is the "givee."

Among the special awards during the upcoming American Junior Rodeo Association National Finals Rodeo here this week will be a belt buckle presented to AJRA founder Alvin G. Davis.

The award won't be just any buckle, however. This one, commemorating Davis and the 35 years of AJRA, is being made by Gist, Inc.

It was 29 years ago that Gary Gist of Benicia, Calif., won his first trophy saddle as a champion team roper. Ironically, this first of 30 saddles Gist was to win was made by the Alvin G. Davis Hub Specialty Company of Post.

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Meanwhile, Gist, along with his dad, Byron, went on to rope at 12 National Finals Rodeos and to win the team roping championship of the 1964 NFR. He was runnerup PRCA team roper in 1964 as well.

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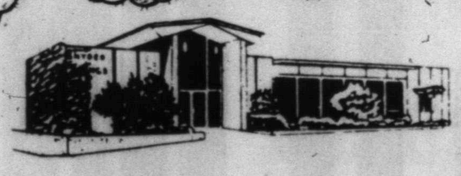
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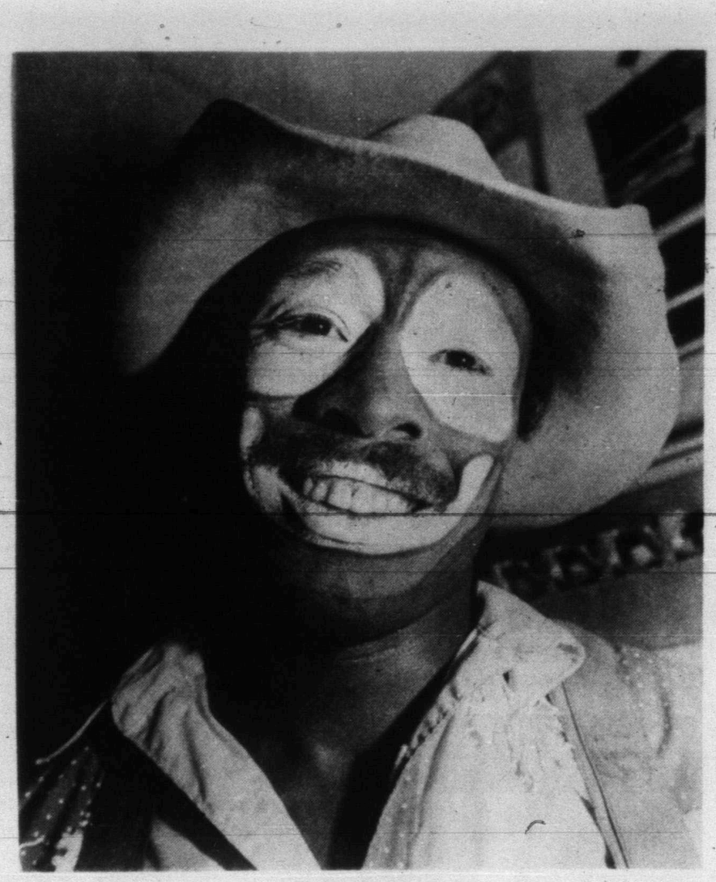


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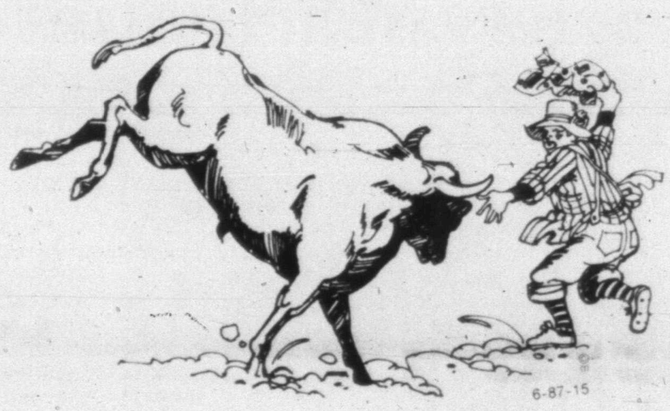
TOM FELLER

Professional clowns to staff AJRA rodeo

Once again the AJRA National Rodeo Finals will be entertained by three of their favorite professional clowns.

Rick Chatman has been associated with the AJRA finals since 1976. Four years ago he teamed up with Leon Coffee and Tom Feller and the trio has been top hits working together.

Chatman was 1984 clown of the year, winning the pro bullfights in Las Vegas. Coffee was named PRCA top clown in 1981.



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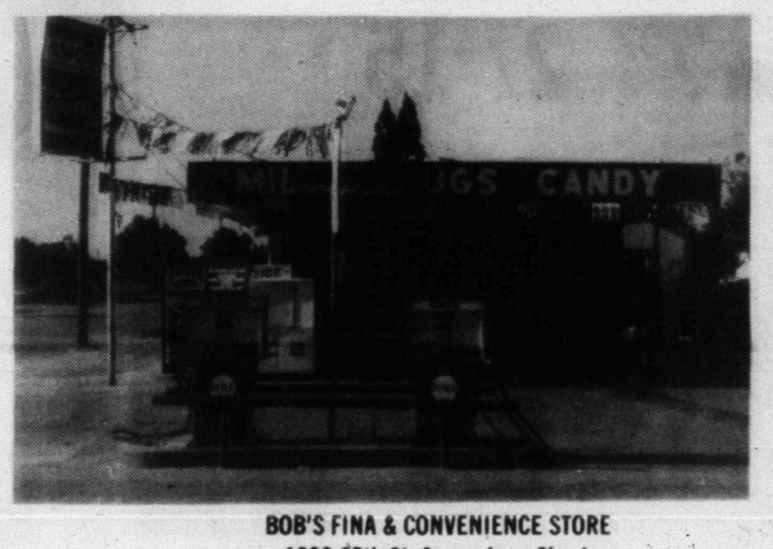
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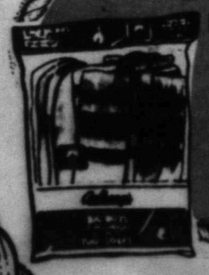
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