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Johnnie 'Granny' Pyburn

Pennzoil top taxpayer in Scurry County

To no one's surprise, Pennzoil and Exxon led the 1997 tax rolls in Scurry County — but there were some notable changes in the top 10.

Patterson Energy, Inc., which has established itself as one of the leading providers of domestic land drilling services, saw its taxes more than triple from 1996 to 1997.

Snyder ISD, with a broad base and a $1.50 tax rate, pulls in more local tax money than any other entity in the county. Pennzoil's bill for local school taxes was $653,102. That was up substantially from 1996, when the district billed Pennzoil $444,887.

Exxon Corporation was billed $370,488 in 1997 by the school district, Southwestern Bell $218,558, Patterson $205,335 and TU Electric $146,983.

A year ago, Patterson was billed $63,596 in Snyder ISD taxes.

The amount a business or individual is billed is not necessarily the amount paid, since some entities give a discount for early payment.

Pennzoil was billed $215,985 in county taxes for 1997, up from $154,449 in 1996. The rest of the "top five" county taxpayers this past year were Exxon, $127,071; Anadarko Petroleum, $97,679; Southwestern Bell, $88,953; and Patterson, $67,719. Patterson was billed $22,006 in county taxes a year ago.

Southwestern Bell was billed $25,224 as the city's largest taxpayer. TU Electric was billed $13,853, Wal-Mart $9,233, Lawrence IGA $6,610 and Key Brothers Implement $6,594.

Ira ISD's largest taxpayer was Anadarko Petroleum with a $245,865 bill. BTA Oil Producers was billed $54,311 by the district while Southwest Royalty was billed $48,764. Sharp Image Energy was billed $45,238 and RUWCO Oil & Gas Corp. was billed $37,200.

Top taxpayers in Hermleigh ISD were Southwestern Bell, $32,749; Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe, $31,429; AT&T Comm. S/W Inc., $27,657; Chaparral Pipeline, $22,338; and TU Electric, $9,954.

Top taxpayers in the junior college district mirrored those in the county, but were billed less due to a lower tax rate. The top five, in order, were Pennzoil, $125,064; Exxon, $75,081.72; Anadarko, $55,983; Southwestern Bell, $50,982; and Patterson, $38,812.

Top ten taxpayers 1997

SCURRY COUNTY		CITY OF SNYDER		SNYDER ISD	
Pennzoil Ex&Prod	$215,985	SW Bell Telephone	$25,224	Pennzoil Ex&Prod	$653,102
Exxon Corp	$127,071	Texas Utilities Elect	$13,853	Exxon Corp	$370,488
Anadarko Petroleum	$97,679	Wal-Mart Stores	$9,233	SW Bell Telephone	$218,558
SW Bell Telephone	$88,953	Lawrence IGA	$6,610	Patterson Drilling	$205,335
Patterson Drilling	$67,719	Key Bros Implement	$6,594	Texas Utilities Elect	$146,983
Texas Utilities Elect	$62,306	West Texas St Bnk	$6,385	Apache Corporation	$116,107
Apache Corporation	$37,196	Seidenfeld Lily	$5,646	Torch Energy Adv	$94,933
Torch Energy Adv	$31,309	Reef Chemical Co.	$5,001	Diamond M Production	83,531
Atchison Topeka&SF	$29,471	Malouf Interest	$4,679	Cynara Company	76,176
Diamond M Found	$28,948	Snyder Natl Bnk	$4,592	Amoco Pipeline Co.	$62,835



ON LINE — A late night photo of Snyder's new water treatment plant shows the unit "at rest" after being declared substantially complete last week by the city. The unit has been producing treated water in conjunction with the old plant, said the city's water superintendent, Darrell Callahan. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Nothing is so useful in making a long story short as a poor memory."

Everybody is either on the telephone or away from their desk. At least, that's what the recordings say. It seems that real people seldom answer their telephones anymore.

Understanding the directions to pressing the right buttons does require that you pay attention, otherwise you may be listening to a message in a language other than English.

And then there are those telephone answering machines. We hate 'em as well.

But some folks are creative. Here's a few, contained in a civic club magazine.

--Hi, John's answering machine is broken. This is his refrigerator. Please speak slowly and I will stick your message to myself with one of those magnets.

--This is you-know-who. We are you-know-where. Leave your you-know-what. This is the '90s. You know what to do.

--Hi. I'm probably home but avoiding somebody I don't like. Leave me a message and if I don't return your call, it's you.

--This is not an answering machine. This is a telepathic thought-recording device. Don't say anything. Just think hard about your name, your reason for calling, and where I can reach you. If I receive your message, I will think about returning the call.

--Hello. You are talking to a machine. My owners do not need any aluminum siding, storm windows, insurance policies or yard fertilizer. They give to charity at the office and don't want a new long-distance phone service. If you have a message otherwise, leave it now.

A reader passed along this prayer:

"Dear Lord,

"So far today, God, I've done all right. I haven't gossiped, haven't lost my temper, haven't been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish or over-indulgent, and I'm really glad about that.

"But in a few minutes, God, I'm going to get out of bed, and from then on I'm probably going to need a lot of help!"

Five confess to smuggling nurses

By The Associated Press

Five health professionals who conspired to fraudulently bring hundreds of nurses into the United States to work for subpar wages have pleaded guilty to federal charges.

The pleas, entered Wednesday in a Lubbock courtroom, are the first payoffs from a long-running federal investigation into alien smuggling. Prosecutors said the multiagency probe, known as "Operation Windmill," is continuing and future charges are possible.

"This is without a doubt one of the largest, if not the largest, visa fraud schemes ever seen in this country," said Lynn Ligon of the Immigration and Naturalization Service.

Authorities said a nursing home operator, Billy Denver Jewell of Lubbock, teamed with nursing recruiters in California, New Jersey and Texas to fraudulently bring in more than 500 nurses, most from the Philippines.

Jewell received $1,000 or more for every nurse brought in with a legitimate work visa as a result of petitions filed by some of the 22 Jewell family-operated nursing and extended care facilities in

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Colorado handles mail at Hermleigh

By Shirley A. Gorman
News Editor

Rick R. Colorado of Lubbock is the Officer in Charge at Hermleigh Post Office.

He joins Aldelpha Sauceda, postmaster relief, and replaces Postmaster Doug Vineyard, who is ill.

Colorado also serves as the Postmaster for Water Valley. However, while he is in Hermleigh, another OIC is fullfilling duties there.

He was appointed to the Water Valley PO about five months ago. Previously, he had served as the OIC for the Guthrie Post Office for four months.

Before that, Colorado spent 25 years as a letter carrier for a business route in Lubbock.

Colorado also performs computer upgrades for post offices and had been working off and on in that capacity at Hermleigh for about six months.

While letter carrier and postmaster positions represent "different worlds," he said he likes both but prefers postmaster or OIC because he has more contact with people. He enjoys helping people solve their postal problems.

Colorado increased his knowledge of various areas of the postal service through correspondence courses and on-the-job training.

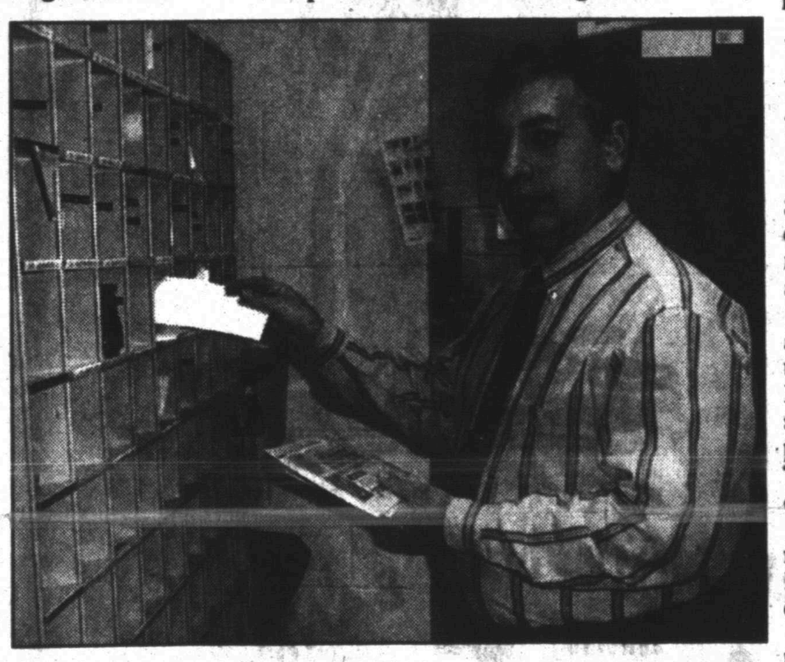
He has been trained as an inspector in various areas such as city and rural routes, and he travels to other post offices and evaluates them.

Originally from Puerto Rico, Colorado first came to the U.S. to serve in the U.S. Navy. Discharged in California, he went to Lubbock because his wife was a student at Texas Tech.

While waiting for her to graduate, he sought employment at the post office and was hired first as a part-time mail carrier and then full-time.

While serving as the Hermleigh Post Office OIC, Colorado is living in Snyder. The Fort Worth District office will appoint a postmaster at a later date.

Colorado's wife, Anita, works for Lubbock's Dr. Kim E. Pershall, an ear, nose and throat specialist who is a doctor in Cogdell Memorial Hospital's specialty clinic. The Colorados have two daughters, Danielle, a ninth grader, and Stephanie, who is in the sixth grade.



OFFICER IN CHARGE — Rick R. Colorado of Lubbock, the Officer In Charge at Hermleigh Post Office, is shown boxing some mail. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

TSHL gears for election; reps needed

Texans 60 years and older have an opportunity to become a representative from this region to the Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL).

The deadline to file as a candidate is Feb. 28. One legislator is elected from each of the four districts within the West Central Texas Council of Governments. One of those districts is District 3, which includes Scurry County, as well as Knox, Haskell, Stonewall, Kent, Fisher, Mitchell and Nolan counties.

Elected legislators work with the Texas Legislature on senior issues which may become law. Terms are for two years and TSHL members pay their own expenses.

Elections for TSHL representatives will be held May 26 at the Senior Center.

For information or filing forms, contact Jena Price, director of the WCTCOG Area Agency on Aging at (915) 672-8544 or (800) 928-2262.

DCOS meets this afternoon

Development Corporation of Snyder board members meet at 4 o'clock today to consider a request from Y-Z Industries, Inc. and other business.

Y-Z is expected to request assistance with engineering costs to help with a planned expansion. In a related item, DCOS staff will seek approval from the board to proceed with an application for a Texas Capital Fund real estate development grant.

The board will also consider a new account at American State Bank and approve bills and previous minutes.

Following that business, the board will go into executive session to complete its evaluation of executive director John DeLille.

ASK US

Q—Will local companies be given a chance to bid on the Workforce Training Center renovation work at Western Texas College?

A—Yes. Bid information will be published locally, as well as throughout the area.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 54 degrees; low, 26; 7 a.m. Thursday, 26; no precipitation; total for 1998, .05 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low, mid 30s. S-SW wind 5-15 mph. Friday, sunny. High 60-65. W-NW wind 10-20 mph.

Amy Campbell
Sunny

Sunset: 6:03 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:43 a.m.
Of 14 days in 1998, the sun has shone 14 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

If you are wrapped up in yourself, you are overdressed.

Kate Halverson

John Glenn awaits decision on possible second flight in space

WASHINGTON (AP) — John Glenn is waiting to find out whether he gets to make history again.

The National Aeronautics and Space Administration has been evaluating whether to accept the 76-year-old astronaut-turned-senator's offer to become the oldest man in space.

In 1962 Glenn was the first American to orbit the Earth.

Daniel Goldin, the agency's administrator, has said he's seriously considering authorizing using Glenn as an in-flight subject for tests that might improve earth-bound research on the human aging process

The NASA chief indicated he's likely to decide in the next few weeks, based on a determination of safety and scientific merit.

That's no small consideration, said John Logsdon, director of the Space Policy Institute at George Washington University. "There has to be enough science behind this that it can't be ridiculed as a stunt," the analyst said.

NASA already has a working relationship with the National Institute on Aging, through which there have been discussions about gerontological research. Glenn has done what he can to encourage those talks and helped round up scientists to participate in a special meeting last year.

The Ohio Democrat has been in the Senate since 1975 and plans to retire at the end of this year. After spending more than a year cheerfully chatting at length about his research into which flight would be most likely to have room for him, Glenn in recent days become uncharacteristically close-mouthed.

He wouldn't even authorize his press secretary to discuss his latest physical exam. Spokesman Jack Sparks said he could say nothing beyond "Senator Glenn is in extremely good physical condition but feels it's premature to discuss any medical matters until NASA makes a decision."

Glenn exercises daily, lifts weights, pilots his own plane and even set a 1996 speed record in his twin-engine Beechcraft Baron.

Logsdon speculated that Glenn's good condition might work against him, saying, "Because he's so healthy he's not your typical old guy." But Glenn based his argument to NASA on both superb condition and extraordinary background information.

He made the case that baseline information gathered during training for his Mercury 7 flight and subsequent yearly physicals provide a unique starting point for a study of osteoporosis and changes in the body's immune system during aging.

Space is a good place for gerontological study because of similarities between what happens to a body in zero gravity and what happens naturally over time on Earth.



SPECIAL GIFT — Meloney Early's fourth grade Friendship Flight gave a special gift to their teacher this Christmas, 50 AR paperback books for their classroom's library. The students are involved in the new Reading Renaissance and AR reading program. As a class, the 21 students have read over 900 books and earned 2,324.5 points. Bottom row, from left, Ashly Pavlovsky, Jessica Robbins, Dondi Brock, Austin Brunson; next row, Brianna Talavera, Tye Stone, Emily Jones, Andrew Welborn, Mark Keller; next row, Dustyn Williams, Mrs. Early, Shaela Thompson; next row, Tyler Zalman, Seth Cooper, Bryan Clifton, Glyn Wright, Tyler Ezzell; top row, Austin Lyle, Cale Lancaster, Will Floyd, Cade Simpson. (Contributed Photo)

Snowmobiler unscathed after four days in cold, snowy area

STEAMBOAT SPRINGS, Colo. (AP) — Christian George guesses he lost about 25 pounds off his already-slight build, one nourished for four days in the cold by only a king-sized Snickers bar.

He holds up dry, cracked hands, still a little grimy from breaking branches to light fires.

The 30-year-old man was otherwise unscathed after surviving chest-deep snow, near-zero temperatures and driving winds from the time he became lost Saturday while snowmobiling in rugged backcountry to his rescue Wednesday. A helicopter team used a handheld heat-seeking device to spot his fire.

"I feel OK. You know, it was quite an experience, but I don't feel any worse for wear," said George, who owns a handyman business in the Fort Collins area 90 miles east of Steamboat Springs.

About 160 rescuers used snowmobiles, snowshoes and cross-country skis during the four-day search, but were stymied by the weather themselves and surprised to find George in such good condition.

"That's a long time to be out there and we expected him to be incoherent," said Jim Linville of Routt County Search and Rescue. "With what (little) he had it's amazing that he made it."

Hospital officials, prepared for the worst, took less than 15 minutes to declare him fit.

George credits his survival to a lifelong interest in mountaineering. He read books on the subject and learned outdoor skills from his family while growing up in Boston.

"I just kept telling myself I can make it through this," George said. "If you didn't know what to do, you would have died for sure."

George was snowmobiling in northwest Colorado when he lost track of his two companions and got caught in a snowslide.

Then the winds picked up, temperatures dropped and as much as 7 feet of snow fell. George decided to try to hike out, rationing the candy bar bite by bite, eating snow to hydrate himself and spending the night in snow caves or curled tightly under the shelter of a tree.

He was dressed warmly in snowbibs and an insulated waterproof shell over a flannel shirt and a T-shirt. George also broke branches off the bottom of trees, cleared snow away from their trunks and used his two lighters to start fires.

"There was no sitting down. It was constantly break off sticks, throw them in the fire," he said.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

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

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th ; 7:30 p.m.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

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



PLANNING FOR FUTURE — Mark Hargrove, Fisher County Abstract owner and attorney with offices in Roby and Snyder, spoke to Atheneum Study Club members Tuesday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. He presented information on the importance of "Wills, Living Wills, Etc," some negative aspects to be aware of and areas one might want to seek legal advice. Pictured with Hargrove is Anne von Roeder and Burnell Hargrove. Members voted to donate $75 to help pay for carpeting in the foyer of the clubhouse. Sharon Bruns was hostess to 11 members. Atheneum will meet again on Feb. 10 for a program by Ellie Dryden and Sammie Jarrell. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Bruce Willis under collection suit

FAIRFIELD, Idaho (AP) — The company that sold Bruce Willis a ski area in 1996 has sued to collect the latest payment due from the actor.

Snow Inc. filed a collection lawsuit Monday against Willis, his company — Valley Entertainment Group — and Soldier Mountain Enterprises, which manages the area.

Snow Inc. Treasurer Kristi Schiermeier declined to disclose the size of the payment or when it was due. Valley Entertainment representatives could not be reached for comment Wednesday.

Willis, wife Demi Moore and their children have a home in nearby Hailey. His company bought the area for $850,000 from Snow Inc.

Soldier Mountain, described as having world-class potential, is 40 miles from the popular Sun Valley ski resort. Last year, Soldier Mountain Inc. remodeled the area's lodge and added a snowboard area.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North	
	♠ A 7 5	
	♥ 7 3 2	
	♦ K Q J 4	
	♣ 9 8 3	
West		**East**
♠ K Q J 10 8 2		♠ 6
♥ J		♥ Q 10 5
♦ 10 8 3		♦ 9 7 6 5 2
♣ Q 7 2		♣ K J 10 5
	South	
	♠ 9 4 3	
	♥ A K 9-8 6 4	
	♦ A	
	♣ A 6 4	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	2 ♠	Pass	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

Trickery of the first water

There is something irresistible about making a play that hoodwinks an opponent into error. Today's deal was reported by Tim Bourke (pronounced "Burke"), who lives in a suburb of Canberra, the Australian capital. As a sidelight, Bourke has one of the world's biggest collections of bridge books and magazines.

West opened two spades, a weak two-bid showing a good six-card suit and some 6-10 high-card points. A moment later, South was in four hearts. After West led the spade king, how did South play?

If South only had a second diamond, the contract would be easy to make. But now that the spade ace has been driven out of the dummy, things are more difficult.

The first declarer banked all on a 2-2 trump split (which would make the heart seven a dummy entry). He won with dummy's spade ace and cashed two top trumps. When they broke 3-1, South couldn't do better than two down.

The second declarer (unnamed because it was Bourke?) did much better. He ducked the first trick! Then he put up the spade ace on West's spade-queen continuation. No doubt laughing mockingly to himself, East ruffed. Yet now the contract couldn't be defeated. South won the club switch, drew trumps, unblocked the diamond ace, crossed to dummy with a trump to the seven, and discarded his three black-suit losers on the top diamonds. South had brought home an overtrick.

With hindsight, it is easy to say that East should have discarded at trick two, which stops declarer from getting to those diamonds. But who would do that?

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Lottery has two consecutive wins

NEWINGTON, Conn. (AP) — Lottery devotees did a double take: The same winning numbers were drawn two days in a row.

It was the first time that has happened in the history of the Connecticut State Lottery, spokeswoman Laura Gibbs said Wednesday.

The winning combination, 8-2-8, in the Daily Numbers game was picked Monday and again on Tuesday. The chances some three-digit combination would show up twice in a row are one in a thousand. The chances 8-2-8 would be picked two days in a row are one in a million.

Some players who read the number combinations in newspapers called wondering if the second 8-2-8 was a mistake.

On Monday, 556 people picked 8-2-8 and 647 picked another combination of the same numbers, getting a smaller prize. On Tuesday, 393 picked the numbers straight while 593 picked 2-8-8 or 8-8-2.

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Ask Anne and Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Is there anything I can spray on my dried flower arrangements that will keep my cats from disturbing them? They like to pull the flowers out and chew on them. I would really like to display the flowers in my home but fear I cannot do this as they'll be ruined. Do you know of anything nontoxic that will work? — JULIE FRANZ, West Dundee, Ill.

DEAR JULIE: There is a nontoxic product available called Bitter Apple Spray Plant and Leaf Protector that should discourage the cats from chewing on your dried flowers. If your local pet store doesn't carry it, it can be ordered from the Pet U.S.A. catalog, P.O. Box 325, Topsfield, MA 01983 (phone number: (800) 4-PET-USA). It is item No. VA1141; a 4-ounce spray bottle costs $3.15 plus shipping.

We assume, by the way, that your cats are house-bound. They sound as if they are (1) bored and (2) in need of some "greenery." Cats and dogs both require a periodic dose of the above. You have probably seen them snacking on grass or the occasional leaf. It is thought the reason for this is that it cleans out their systems, but no one seems to be absolutely sure. A cat that is confined to the house is going to attempt to ingest whatever is closest to fresh grass... which happens to be your dried flowers. The solution to (1) is simple: Buy your cats some toys. The solution to (2) is to buy them a product called The Purrfect Garden. This kit contains catnip and cat grass seed, which can be sown into the accompanying decorative wooden crate and grown right on a windowsill in your house. Fresh greens! Pet USA also carries The Purrfect Garden: It is item No. ZX355 and costs $11.67 plus shipping.

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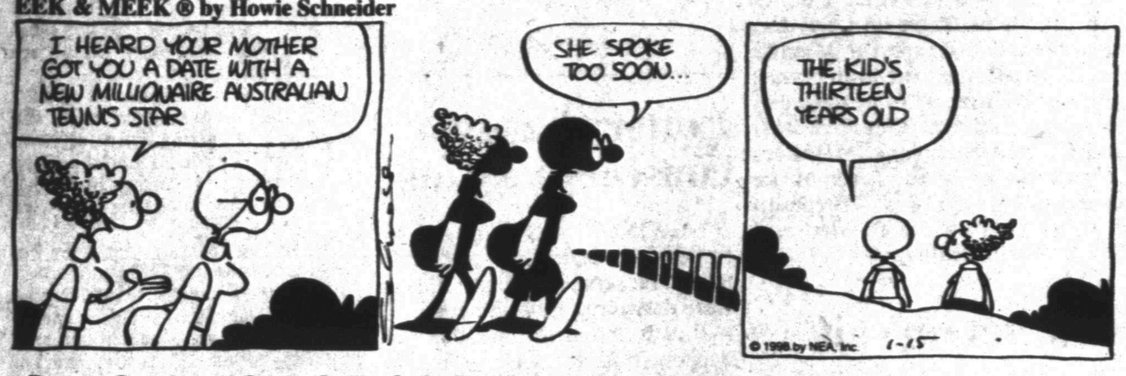
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ACROSS

1 Russian emperor
5 Timid
8 Crow sounds
12 Abominable Snowman
13 Hebrew letter
14 Future LL.Bs.' exam
15 — Hari
16 Joan of —
17 Director Preminger
18 Overjoys
20 Actor Shue
22 Yearn
24 Smells
25 Female pronoun
28 Heating material
29 Author Anais —
30 Goals
32 Junior, for one
36 Of earth history
38 One of Donald Duck's nephews
39 Playground game
40 Kind of pick?
42 Nautical rope
43 Wonderlarid girl
45 Adam's grandson
47 Attractive person (sl.)
49 Walk uncertainly
53 Crescent shape
54 Year (Sp.)
56 Nope's counterpart
57 No man — — island
58 Bro's sibling
59 Tardy
60 Skinny fishes
61 Shout of amusement
62 Actress

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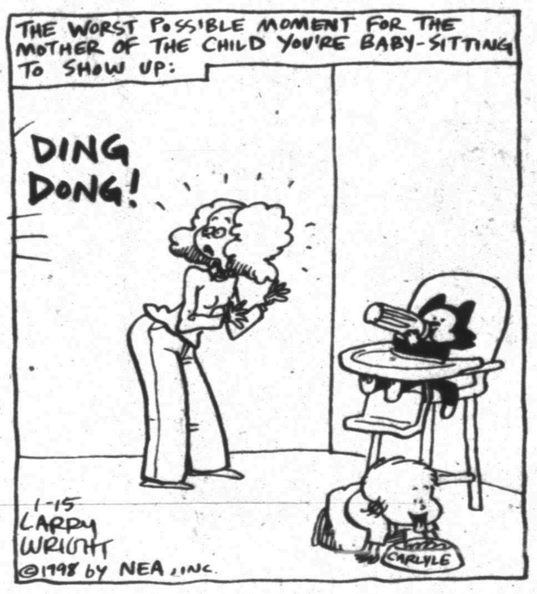
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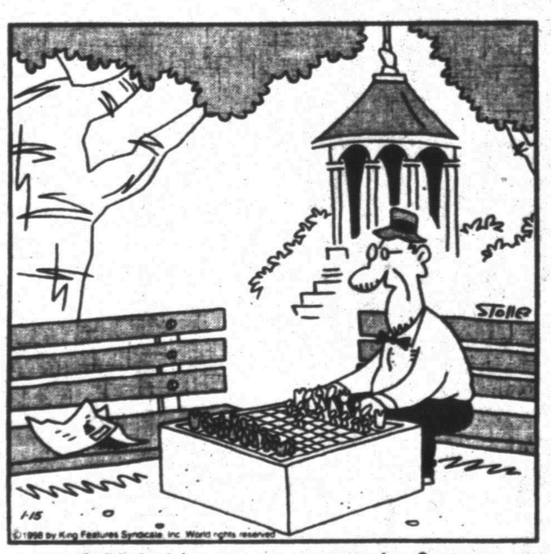


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SPORTS

Terps upset No. 1 UNC

By The Associated Press

North Carolina won't go unbeaten this season, and Bill Guthridge won't have a perfect career as a head coach.

Maryland took care of that Wednesday night with an 89-83 overtime victory over the top-ranked Tar Heels.

"This is the ACC. You're not going to go undefeated," said North Carolina's Antawn Jamison, who finished with 27 points, but had only one over the final 18 minutes. He missed four free throws in overtime.

"The second half, it was just one of those nights I just couldn't even see the ball," Jamison said. "Maryland didn't do anything special. They didn't really pay too much attention to me."

The Terrapins (10-5, 3-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) did pay a lot of attention to rebounding, and they outrebounded the Tar Heels 39-32. They also became the first team this season to shoot over 50 percent (34-for-66) against North Carolina (17-1, 4-1).

"The key was that we were able to rebound with a great rebounding team," Maryland coach Gary Williams said. "It was a team thing, not just one guy. We just wanted to have our guys get in the way of their guys."

In other games involving ranked teams Wednesday, it was No. 2 Duke 88, Wake Forest 52; No. 3 Kansas 83, Texas A&M 65; No. 13 Iowa 61, Ohio State 46; George Washington 78, No. 18 Xavier 73 in overtime; No. 22 Arkansas 89, Florida 84; and Missouri 70, No. 25 Oklahoma State 64.

Rodney Elliott and Obinna Ekezie both scored 16 points for Maryland, which lost by 32 points at home to Duke 11 days earlier. Laron Profit, who scored six of his 19 points in overtime, made two foul shots for an 87-82 lead with 18 seconds left as the Terrapins beat No. 1 North Carolina in Cole Field House for the second time in three years.

Guthridge took the blame for the Tar Heels having their 15-game conference winning streak ending.

"I don't think I coached as well as I should have. I hope I can learn from my mistakes," said Guthridge, who took over the program this season after serving as an assistant to Dean Smith for 30 years.

No. 2 Duke 88, Wake Forest 52

The Blue Devils (15-1, 5-0 ACC) had five players score in double figures as they handed Wake Forest its worst home loss in 31 years.

Chris Carrawell had 15 points to lead Duke to its sixth straight win with an impressive display of defense that boosted its average margin of victory in conference games to 28.

Tony Rutland had 15 points for the Demon Deacons (8-6, 1-3), who lost for the sixth time in eight games and are off to their worst start in the ACC in six years.

No. 3 Kansas 83, Texas A&M 65

The Jayhawks (20-2, 4-0 Big 12) used an 18-2 run late in the first half and early in the second to pull away to their fourth straight win and 12th in 13 games. Eric Chenowith had 16 points and 20 rebounds for visiting Kansas, while Paul Pierce added 15.

Michael Schmidt had 16 points for the Aggies (6-8, 0-4), who missed their last seven shots of the first half and their first eight of the second.

SJHS takes two from Sweetwater

Snyder's 8th grade boys basketball teams used separate strategies to notch victories over Sweetwater.

Snyder Black employed a stingy defense, holding the Mustangs to single digits in all four quarters for a 35-25 win.

For Snyder White, it was an offensive outburst in the fourth quarter that propelled the Tigers, 49-33, over the Ponies.

Craig Bowen spearheaded the Snyder Black effort with 10 points, while Jay Scott drained a long-range bucket for three of his eight points.

Jamaal Pruitt and Brandon McGuire paced Snyder white, as both players poured in 11.

McGuire was good for two three-pointers, while Nick Landes also finished in double digits with 10.

Snyder White was to have opened play today at the Big Spring tournament.

Snyder Black will be in action again at 6 p.m. Monday, when both Tiger squads visit Big Spring.

Snyder White 49, Sweetwater 33
Snyder: Brandon McGuire and Jamaal Pruitt, 11; Nick Landes, 10; Wade Pinson, 6; Chris McLeod and Brooks Nunley, 4; Shay Franks, 2; Bradley Bynum, 1.
Snyder Black 35, Sweetwater 25
Snyder: Craig Bowen, 10; Jay Scott, 8; Tito Alaniz and Stephen Ortegon, 4; Ryan McKamie, 3; John Logan, Rudy Martinez and Corey Clay, 2.

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Atlanta	24	12	.667	1½
Charlotte	22	14	.611	3½
Cleveland	21	14	.600	4
Milwaukee	18	19	.486	8
Detroit	17	19	.472	8½
Toronto	6	31	.162	20
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Denver	2	33	.057	22
Pacific Division				
Seattle	29	8	.784	-
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Tuesday's Games
San Antonio 97, Boston 88
Atlanta 91, New York 89
Philadelphia 107, Vancouver 89
New Jersey 81, Charlotte 68
Chicago 101, Seattle 91
Houston 100, Dallas 87
Orlando 98, Denver 84
Cleveland 102, Phoenix 84
Miami 76, Portland 68

Wednesday's Games
Toronto 109, L.A. Clippers 101
Indiana 100, Detroit 93
Atlanta 108, Dallas 82
San Antonio 89, Washington 79
Milwaukee 101, Golden State 95
L.A. Lakers 132, Denver 114
Sacramento 108, Orlando 96

Thursday's Games
Vancouver at Boston, 6 p.m.
L.A. Clippers at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
Chicago at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
Charlotte at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at Seattle, 9 p.m.

Friday's Games
Vancouver at Washington, 6 p.m.
Sacramento at Indiana, 6 p.m.
San Antonio at Charlotte, 6:30 p.m.
Golden State at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.
Orlando at Phoenix, 7 p.m.
Minnesota at Houston, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Denver, 8 p.m.
Utah at Portland, 9 p.m.

7th grade girls top Ponies

SWEETWATER — Snyder's 7th grade girls recorded basketball's version of a no-hitter.

Snyder White didn't allow a single bucket enroute to a 33-2 thrashing of Sweetwater.

It was a different story for Snyder Black, which overcame a three-point halftime deficit to slide past the Lady Mustangs, 21-18.

Chaelyn Robinson, who finished with 10 points, pushed Snyder White to a 14-0 lead after the first quarter.

Sweetwater connected on two free throws in the second, but could muster no more.

The Lady Tigers posted two shutout quarters in the second half, for the 33-2 rout.

It took a team effort for Snyder Black to garner its win.

Five different Lady Tigers in the third period, vaulting Snyder into the lead.

The Lady Tigers, led by Lauren Day's six points, held Sweetwater to only five fourth-quarter points to preserve the victory.

Both Snyder squads will be in action again Monday evening, when they host Big Spring at 5 and 6:15.

Snyder White 33, Sweetwater 2
Snyder: Chaelyn Robinson, 10; Hailey Putnam and Zipporah Peoples, 8; Kellie Dodson, 3; Rachel Cave and Rene Ballard, 2.
Snyder Black 21, Sweetwater 18
Snyder: Lauren Day, 6; Ashlee Grantham, 4; Magan Riley, 3; Jacinda Judah, Jessi Keller, Tyger McClain and Jacque Alvarez, 2.

Eighth grade girls split hoop games

SWEETWATER — Snyder's 8th grade girls might play better with their backs to the wall.

Snyder White hit halftime tied with Sweetwater, before outscoring the Lady Mustangs, 21-12, over the final two periods for a 35-26 victory.

Snyder Black also turned in a galliant second-half performance, only to fall 33-25 to Sweetwater.

Entering the third quarter of its contest knotted at 14-14, Snyder White decided to go to work.

Katie Voss poured in 13 of her game-high 15 points during the final two quarters, powering the Lady Tigers to a 21-point second half and the 35-26 victory.

For Snyder Black, it was Elvia Barrera who had the hot hand.

Barrera registered 10 of the Lady Tigers' 13 first-half points.

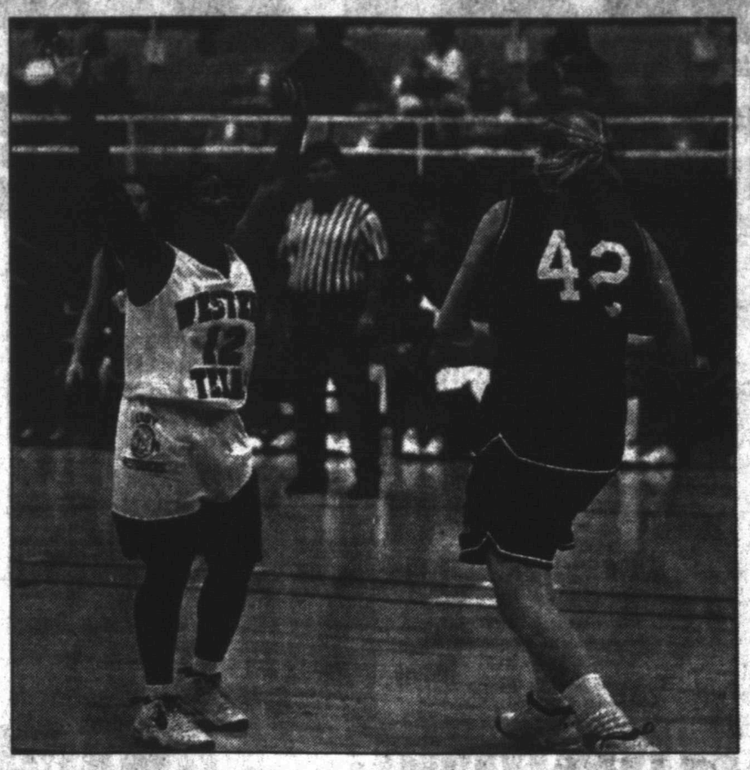
But Sweetwater answered by putting up 25 in the opening half for a 12-point lead.

Snyder's defense picked things up during the final two quarters, surrendering only eight points, but the Lady Mustangs' lead was large enough to hang on for the 33-25 victory.

Both Lady Tiger teams will be on the court again Monday evening, when they host Big Spring at 5 and 6:15.

Snyder White 33, Sweetwater 26
Snyder: Katie Voss, 15; Andra Lancaster, 6; Amber Alexander, 4; Taylor Daniell and Kallie Billingsley, 3; Lori Chesser, 2; Kasey Collier and Vanessa Freeman, 1.
Sweetwater 33, Snyder Black 25
Snyder: Elvia Barrera, 14; DeeDee Smith 5; Laci Hackfeld, 3; Erin Dunham, Stacy Copeland and Haley Holmes, 1.

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STICK'EM UP — WTC's Lacedra Miller (12) guards Jennifer Vinum of Howard College during the non-conference season opener in October. The Lady Westerners travel to Big Spring this evening for a WJCAC match-up with the Lady Hawks at 5:50. (SDN Staff Photo)

7th grade boys nab OT win and 58-25 blowout

Forty-seven feet away with under five seconds left in overtime, trailing by three — no problem for Clay Williams.

Williams was on target with a half-court rainbow to force a second extra period, as Snyder White edged Sweetwater for a 52-50 double-overtime victory in 7th grade boys action.

For Snyder Black, however, the outcome was quite different, as the Tigers took care of business in a hurry with a 58-25 trouncing of the Mustangs.

Facing an 18-9 third-quarter deficit in its contest, the Tigers' White squad was forced to make up some ground in the second half.

Powered by Chris Sorrells and Tanner Beard, who finished with 11 points apiece, Snyder rallied for a 39-39 tally at the end of regulation.

Both teams posted eight points in the first OT, thanks to Williams' miracle three-pointer.

The Tigers then held off the Mustangs in the second extra session for the 52-50 win.

For Snyder Black, it was Will Davis and Cory Lyons leading the way.

Will poured in a game-high 13, with Lyons ringing up 12 more, as the Tigers built a 25-12 halftime advantage.

Letting up was not on Snyder's mind, as the Tigers exploded for a 23-point third quarter, before cruising to the 58-25 victory.

Snyder White was to have competed in first-round action of the Big Spring tournament today.

Snyder Black will be on the court again Monday, when both Tiger teams travel to Big Spring for a 6 p.m. tipoff.

Snyder White 52, Sweetwater 50, 2(OT)
Snyder: Chris Sorrells and Tanner Beard, 11; Clay Williams, 9; Stafford Gray, 8; T.J. Jones, 5; Logan Hill, 3; Chance Greenwood and Colby Driggers, 2.
Snyder Black 58, Sweetwater 25
Snyder: Will Davis, 13; Cory Lyons, 12; Brady Reed, 7; Adrian Ramos, 5; Matt McCormick, Josh Green, Jason Guynes and Josh Montoya, 4; Shane Kitchens, 3; Tyler Trout and Tyler Pollard, 1.

SDN Sports Week

Today
WTC at Howard, Big Spring, 5:50.

Friday
Estacado at Snyder varsity girls and boys, 6:30, 8 p.m.
Estacado at Snyder JV boys and girls, 5 p.m.

WTC set to face No. 4 Howard

It would seem easy for the Lady Westerners to be apprehensive about this evening's contest with fourth-ranked Howard.

But that's not the case.

After falling behind early to Howard in the non-conference season opener, Western Texas College played the Lady Hawks to a stalemate in the second half.

The memory of that last twenty minutes has the Lady Westerners optimistic, heading into the 5:50 tipoff at Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring.

"The first time we played them we settled down in the second half and did well," WTC coach Valery Jackson said. "I told the girls that if they stay focused and play hard, good things will happen to them again."

Howard College will take to its home floor tonight, carrying an unblemished 14-0 record and the nation's No. 4 ranking.

But it will be a different Lady Westerner team that Howard sees this time around.

"We're a better team than we were at the start of the season," Jackson remarked. "We're playing more as a team and these girls believe in themselves."

One thing that won't be different for WTC will be its defense.

The Lady Westerners repeatedly switched from man-to-man to zone Tuesday night against New Mexico, keeping the Lady Thunderbirds guessing for much of the second half — a tactic which WTC will need tonight.

Following tonight's contest, the Lady Westerners (5-12, 0-1) continue WJCAC action Monday when they welcome Clarendon to Scurry County Coliseum for a 7:30 tipoff.

WJCAC Glance

Team	W	L	Pct	GB
Howard	1	0	1.000	-
Clarendon	1	0	1.000	-
New Mexico	1	0	1.000	-
Midland	1	0	1.000	-
WTC	0	1	.000	1
Frank Phillips	0	1	.000	1
Odessa	0	1	.000	1
South Plains	0	1	.000	1

Today's Games: WTC at Howard; Midland at New Mexico; Odessa at Clarendon; Frank Phillips at South Plains.

Sports Briefs

Volleyball clinic

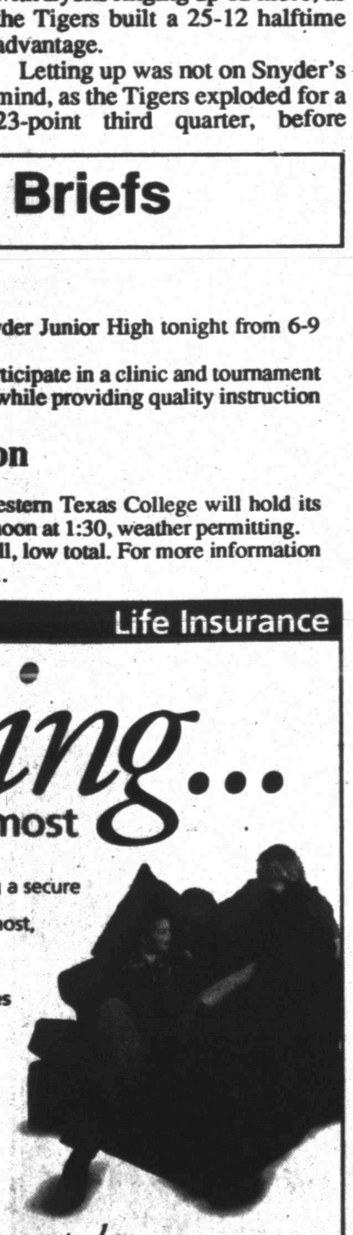
The Nike Volleyvan will be at Snyder Junior High tonight from 6-9 p.m.

Boys and girls in grades 4-8 can participate in a clinic and tournament that will stress the importance of fun, while providing quality instruction in basic volleyball skills.

Men's Golf Asscociation

The Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College will hold its monthly tournament Saturday at afternoon at 1:30, weather permitting.

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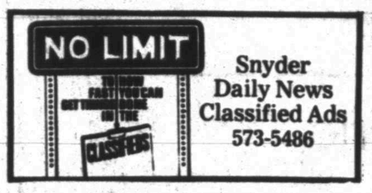
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010 LEGAL NOTICES

BID NOTICE
The City of Snyder is accepting bids for the purchase of material that will be used to replace the water lines in the Noble Addition within the City of Snyder. The bids will be received until Friday, January 30, 1998 at 3:30 p.m. at the City Hall in the Accounting Department. The City of Snyder reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

PUBLIC NOTICE
D.M. Cogdell Memorial Hospital will accept bids for the following projects:
(1) to provide carpet, sheet vinyl and rubber edge cap and base for designated areas of the hospital corridors and offices. This work will also include removal of existing floor coverings.
(2) painting all existing ceramic tile wainscot and door frames, installation of vinyl wall covering of specific areas of the hospital. This work will also include removal of existing wall coverings.
Request for Proposal including details of the project are available in the office of the architect and/or the Administration Office of D.M. Cogdell Memorial Hospital, Snyder, Texas. Proposals will be accepted in the office of Joe D. McKay, A.I.A., Architects at 1402 Avenue N, Lubbock, Texas 79401 through Thursday, January 22, 1998 at 4:00 P.M. D.M. Cogdell Memorial Hospital reserves the right to reject any and/or all proposals.

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COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION
SEX OFFENDER REGISTRATION
January 5, 1998

NOTICE

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Activities in grassroots courts create woes for justice system

WASHINGTON (AP) — Linda Ray thought it was funny at first when an anti-government activist slapped a lien on her home, her bank account and four family autos.

The Arkansas woman's amusement quickly turned to anger when she had to go to court a half-dozen times and miss work to get the lien removed. The man eventually was convicted of filing an invalid lien, but not soon enough to spare Ray significant hassle.

"It's just been an ongoing barrage of filings and suits that I've had to constantly respond to," said Ray, a case coordinator in Pulaski County circuit court in Little Rock.

In growing numbers, court workers, judges, sheriffs and police officers nationwide are being targeted by nuisance suits and liens filed by citizens dissatisfied with the way the American courts dispense justice.

These disaffected Americans are a quiet but fast-growing part of the anti-government movement, largely overshadowed by the militia movement that attracted attention after the Oklahoma City bombing in 1995.

Some use legal-looking documents to gum up the gears of justice. Many no longer recognize the American judicial system at all: Meeting in living rooms, motels, bingo halls and public libraries, they hold so-called common law courts and hand out their own form of justice.

"While authorities play catch-up trying to cope with the threat of the anti-government movement's militias, common law courts have surged past the militias as the most influential and rapidly growing element of the anti-government phenomenon," according to Joel Dyer, a Denver author who has written extensively on the movement.

Now numbering in the hundreds, common-law courts have taken root in nearly every state — not just places like Montana and Texas where anti-government sentiment has erupted in violence. Nearly three dozen states have responded by passing laws to discourage fraudulent filings.

Robert Getz Jr., chief clerk at the Lancaster County Court of Common Pleas in Pennsylvania, said he receives common-law court papers replete with messages from the Bible at least once a month.

"These people are not going away," he said. "They will continue to agitate the system. They think it is not their system — that it's not what our forefathers intended."

In Ohio, an estimated 1,000 to 1,500 activists have filed so many bogus papers that Chief Justice Thomas J. Moyer is convinced the common-law courts are more than a passing phenomenon.

"They're sort of chipping away at the institution," said Moyer, co-chairman of the national Conference of Chief Justices' new committee on common-law courts. "They slow down the court system for others who are there for legitimate purposes."

The way common-law court supporters read the Constitution, Magna Carta and other documents, theirs is the only constitutional court in the land. Public employees who try to enforce such things as foreclosures, zoning ordinances or motor vehicle regulations often are tried in their courts and found guilty in absentia.

Legally, anyone can file a lien on someone else's property as security for the payment of a debt. In many of these cases, however, no real debt is owed; the lien is a form of paper harassment. How-to kits and tips for filing bogus liens are available on the Internet.

Texas common-law court activist Jesse Enloe, who has fielded hundreds of calls from people interested in setting up courts around the nation, said he doesn't know anyone who has filed a lien without just cause.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: David Clinkinbeard, Jessie Leyva, Clara Smith, Inocencia Ynguanzo of Fluvanna, Ted Billingsley, Jasper McCartney.

DISCHARGES: Ted Billingsley, Christa Haltom and baby, Jim Pollard.

CENSUS: 43 (Med., Surg.-15, Long-term Care-27, CCU-1).

Peace officers make 4 arrests

Four people were arrested Wednesday, including three on outstanding warrants.

Deputies arrested a 21-year-old male at the courthouse Wednesday morning on a felony motion to revoke his probation. Taken into custody was Billy Wayne Souder of 4926 Souder Rd. on an original charge of credit card abuse.

A 28-year-old female was arrested by deputies at 6:45 p.m. in the 4000 block of Eastridge on several outstanding warrants. They included failure to maintain financial responsibility, failure to appear in city court and one out of Howard County for issuance of a bad check.

A 22-year-old male was booked into jail at 9:12 p.m. after being arrested in Navarro County on outstanding Department of Public Safety warrants out of Scurry County for speeding and failure to appear.

The other subject arrested was a 24-year-old male, taken into custody shortly before 10 p.m. in the 2400 block of Avenue J for public intoxication.

Otherwise, activity was light for local law enforcement personnel, who investigated complaints of loud music and of three juveniles hitting golf balls toward Stanfield Elementary.

A minor accident was reported shortly before noon in the 4200 block of College Avenue. Involved were a 1996 Dodge driven by Krista Abell of 2211 Ave. O and a 1993 Ford driven by a Western Texas College student, Christy Wells, of Lubbock.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	129⅝	128¾	129⅜	+ ¼
AT&T Corp	65 17-32	64¾	64 15-16	—11-16
AirTouch	42¾	41 7-16	41 13-16	— 9-16
Albertsons	45¾	45 5-16	45⅛	— ⅛
AlldSignal s	37⅞	37⅛	37⅛	— ⅛
Alltel	41 9-16	40 15-16	41	— 9-16
AmerOnline	92 5-16	89¾	92⅛	+ 1⅝
AmStoress	21⅛	21 5-16	21⅜	— ⅛
Ameritech	83¾	82⅞	83⅛	—1 3-16
Ameritech wi	42	42	42	— ¼
Amoco	83	81 7-16	83	+ 1¼
AndarkPtr	57⅞	57 3-16	57 9-16	+ 5-16
Armcolnc	4¾	4	11-16	4¾
AtlRichfld s	77	76⅝	76 9-16	+13-16
ATMOS Egy	28⅝	28¼	28 5-16	
Aviall	14 3-16	14 3-16	14 3-16	— 1-16
BakerHughes	38¾	37¾	38⅛	+ ⅛
BellAtl	89¾	89¼	89⅝	+ 1-16
BellSouth	58⅛	57 9-16	57⅞	— ⅜
BethSteel	8¼	8⅛	8 11-16	+ 1-16
BritPet s	80¾	79 3-16	80	+ 1⅜
BurlNoSFe	87	86⅛	86 13-16	— ⅛
CBS Corp	30¼	29 9-16	30⅛	+ ⅛
Caterpillar s	46⅜	45¾	45 13-16	— 5-16
CenSoWst	27 1-16	26¾	26⅝	— ⅜
Chevron	77	75¾	76⅛	+ 1¼
Chrysler	34 1-16	33⅜	34	+ ⅛
Coastal	55⅜	55 5-16	55 9-16	+ 1-16
CocaCola	64 7-16	63¾	63 15-16	—11-16
ColgatePalm s	69 7-16	68⅝	68 13-16	— ⅜
ComclMetals	30 5-16	30¼	30⅜	— 3-16
CooperIn	49 11-16	48 11-16	48¾	— 1¼
CyprusAmax	14⅜	14 5-16	14⅜	— ⅛
DallSemicn	42 11-16	41	42 9-16	+ ⅛
DeltaAirl	115⅜	115¼	115 13-16	— 3-16
DigitalEq	39	37⅞	38 13-16	+1 5-16
Dillards Inc	34⅛	34	34 1-16	— 9-16
DowChem	94 5-16	93 9-16	93 9-16	— ⅛
DresserInd	37⅛	37	37 3-16	+ ⅛
DuPont s	55⅜	55 1-16	55 3-16	— 5-16
EastmanChem	58 11-16	58¼	58½	— 3-16
EstKodak	59⅝	58½	59⅜	— ⅛
EDS Corp	42 15-16	42 7-16	42⅛	+ ⅜
Entergy	28 7-16	28	28 1-16	— 7-16
Exxon s	61 7-16	60⅛	60 15-16	+ ⅛
FstBksAm	22⅛	22 7-16	22 7-16	— 3-16
Flowers s	21⅞	21 1-16	21⅛	+ 7-16
FordMotor	48¼	48 3-16	48 5-16	— 3-16
GTE Cp	50 3-16	49 11-16	50⅛	+ ⅛
GenDynam	85⅝	85⅛	85⅛	— ⅛
GenlElecs	74	73⅞	73 9-16	—13-16
GenMills	72 3-16	71⅞	72 1-16	+ 3-16
GenMotors	58⅝	58¼	58⅜	— ⅛
GaPacGP s	55 13-16	55 3-16	55 5-16	— ⅛
GlobalMar	21 11-16	21 5-16	21 9-16	+ 9-16
Goodrich	40 3-16	39 13-16	40 1-16	+ ⅛
Goodyear s	61⅛	61	61 1-16	— ½
GtAtlPac	28 9-16	28¼	28 7-16	— 1-16
Halliburtn s	46⅞	45¼	46¼	+ 1⅜
Hanson ADS	21 9-16	21¼	21½	— 7-16
HarteHanks	37	36 15-16	36 15-16	
HomeDepot s	59¼	58 13-16	59	—11-16
HoustonInds	26 3-16	25⅛	25 9-16	— ½
IBM s	104⅛	102⅞	103¾	+ 1⅜
IntlPaper	43 1-16	42 1-16	42⅝	— 9-16
JohnsonJn	66⅛	66 1-16	66 3-16	— 5-16
K mart	11⅛	10 15-16	11 1-16	
Kroger s	35⅞	35 1-16	35⅝	— ⅛
Litton	57⅛	57¼	57 5-16	+ 5-16
LockhdMart	100	99 11-16	99 15-16	
Lowes Cos	45⅞	45	45⅛	— ⅛
Lubys	16 11-16	16⅝	16 11-16	— 1-16
LucentTech	78⅛	75¼	75⅛	— 2⅛
MayDeptStrs	51⅛	50 9-16	51 5-16	— ¼
Medtronic s	46 11-16	45 13-16	46⅛	—13-16
Mobils	69 7-16	68	69 5-16	+ 1⅛
Monsanto	40 1-16	39¾	39 13-16	— ⅛
MorganJP	107⅛	106¼	106 13-16	— ⅛
Motorola	56¼	55 11-16	56¼	—11-16
NCR Corp	27 9-16	27 5-16	27 5-16	+ ⅛
NationsBk s	60 9-16	59⅛	60 7-16	— ⅛
Navistar	25 11-16	25 7-16	25 9-16	+ ¼
Norwests	37 7-16	37¼	37⅜	+ 1-16
OryxEngy	23 15-16	23¼	23 13-16	+ 3-16
Penney JC	59⅜	58¾	58¾	— ⅛
Pennzoil	64 7-16	64	64¼	+ ⅛
PepBoys	23¼	23 1-16	23 1-16	— ⅛
PepsiCo	36⅛	36 7-16	36⅛	— 1-16
PhelpDodge	59 3-16	58¾	58 13-16	— 7-16
PhilipPet	45 5-16	45 1-16	45 1-16	+ 1-16
PilgrmPrd	15 15-32	15 5-16	15 15-32	+ 1-32
Polaroid	42⅞	42¼	42⅜	— ⅛
Praxair	44 1-16	42 5-16	42½	—1 15-16
ProctGamb s	80 5-16	79 13-16	79 15-16	— ⅜
PubSNwMx	22 15-16	22 13-16	22⅛	— 1-16
RoyalDut s	51¾	51 3-16	51⅝	— 1⅜
SBC Comm	73⅜	72 5-16	73⅛	— ⅜
SaraLee	59 3-16	58	59	+ 1
Scripps EW	47 7-16	47¼	47 7-16	+ ⅛
SearsRoeb	45¼	44 15-16	45 9-16	+ ⅛
SherwinW s	27⅛	26 15-16	27 5-16	+ 3-16
SmthBc ADS s	53¼	53 3-16	53 7-16	+11-16
SouthernCo	25⅛	25¼	25 5-16	— 3-16
SwstAirl s	24 15-16	24⅛	24¼	— 3-16
Sprint	58	56 13-16	57 5-16	—13-16
SunCo	41 15-16	41⅛	41 11-16	+ ⅛
TNP Ent	32 15-16	32 27-32	32 15-16	+ 1-16
Tandy s	34	33¼	33¼	— ⅛
TempleInland	52¼	51¼	51⅛	— 5-16
Tenneco	37	36 11-16	37	
Texaco s	54¼	53	53⅞	+ ⅛
TexInd s	46 27-32	46 9-16	46⅝	— ⅛
TexasInst s	47⅞	45¼	47⅜	+ 1⅛
TexUtil	42¼	41¼	41⅜	— ⅛
Textron s	59¾	59	59⅝	+11-16
Travelers s	50¼	49 13-16	50	— ⅛
TriconGlbR n	26	25¾	25 15-16	— 3-16
TrinityInds	45 15-16	45 9-16	45 9-16	— ⅛
TritonEngy	28 3-16	27⅛	27 15-16	+13-16
Tyler	5	9-16	5⅜	5⅜
US WestCm	47 1-16	46 11-16	46 13-16	— ⅛
USWstMda	29	28 13-16	28 15-16	+ 3-16
USX Delhi	20	9-16	20 9-16	20 9-16
USX-Marathn	31	15-16	31 9-16	31 15-16
USX-USS	29 15-16	29 11-16	29 13-16	— 1-16
UnCarbde	41¾	41¼	41 7-16	— ⅛
UnionPacif	59 13-16	59¾	59 3-16	—15-16
UnitedTech	72¼	71¼	71 9-16	—13-16
Unocal	36¼	35 5-16	36⅛	+ ⅛
WalMart	39 13-16	39 3-16	39⅜	— 5-16
WstnGasRs	20 3-16	19 13-16	20⅛	+ 1-16
WinnDixie	45 3-16	44 9-16	44 13-16	— ⅜
Woolworth	20 3-16	19¾	19⅜	— ⅛
Xerox Corp	71 9-16	70 11-16	71 3-16	+ 5-16
ZenithE	7⅜	6 15-16	7¼	— 3-16

GOP challenger withdraws from race

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A Corpus Christi accountant has withdrawn as a Republican challenger to state Sen. Carlos Truan, D-Corpus Christi, saying he only ran because of rumors Truan planned to withdraw, leaving his son to run.

Joe Gardner said he filed at the direction of state GOP leaders.

"This was a contingency plan based on rumors we had heard that Truan was going to drop out of the race at the last minute and let his son sneak into his seat on his name," Gardner told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times.

"I filed for office to keep Carlos Truan Jr. from slipping into his father's seat."

However, Austin lobbyist Carlos Truan Jr. did not file by the Jan. 2 deadline, and his father did not drop out of the race.

Truan took offense at Gardner's suspicions.

"To think that I would tell more than 2,000 people at my annual fund-raising dinner that I was going to run and then drop out is a slight against my integrity," Truan said.

"Not only would that be foolish, that would portray me as a dishonest person. I resent his implication that I would mislead the people."

At least three lobbyists who worked with the younger Truan said they had been approached about the possibility by the younger Truan, the Caller-Times reported.

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Tucker may claim death penalty no longer appropriate

HOUSTON (AP) — Death-row inmate Karla Faye Tucker is expected to claim in an appeal that as a born-again Christian she has changed so much that the death penalty is no longer appropriate for her.

Ms. Tucker, if she is executed on Feb. 3 as scheduled, would become the first woman to be put to death by Texas officials in 135 years.

Her latest appeal, to be filed today, is also expected to argue that the state's clemency process is unconstitutional.

Harris County prosecutor Shirley Cornelius told the Houston Chronicle that Ms. Tucker's attorney has indicated the petition to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals will include claims of Ms. Tucker's reformation and how it relates to her sentence.

Ms. Tucker was sentenced to death for killing Jerry Dean with a pickax in 1983. A companion, Daniel Garrett, also was sentenced to death, but he died in prison in 1993.

Deborah Ruth Thornton, a woman who left a party with Dean and was spending the night with him, also was killed.

The prosecutor said she expects lawyers Mac Secrest and David Botsford to argue that Ms. Tucker is not the same person who, under the influence of drugs, killed Dean and Mrs. Thornton in June of 1983.

In Texas, before jurors can pronounce a death sentence, they must conclude the defendant is a future threat to society.

Cornelius, an attorney in the appeals division, said Ms. Tucker's lawyers may contend she is no longer a threat and that the death sentence no longer applies to her.

This strategy was developed in federal courts a few years ago, but is not commonly used in appeals in Texas, she said.

Cornelius, who has not seen the petition, said she doesn't think the argument will work.

"I don't think she should prevail on it," she said. "How do you determine if she has changed? The drugs didn't make Karla Faye Tucker kill these people. There is something mean in her."

Ministers and others have pushed for leniency for Ms. Tucker because of her purported conversion and her model behavior on death row.

The appeal is also expected to challenge the state's clemency procedure under which the Board of Pardons and Paroles can recommend to the governor that Ms. Tucker's sentence be commuted.

Under Texas law, the board and the governor can consider only the issues of innocence and whether the defendant had proper access to courts in deciding whether to grant clemency, Botsford said.

Other states allow the consideration of humanitarian grounds when making clemency decisions. Because Texas does not, he said, the state violates Ms. Tucker's 8th Amendment rights against being subjected to cruel and unusual punishment.

He pointed out that 16 of the inmates executed in Texas last year asked for clemency and not one parole board member recommended clemency to Gov. George W. Bush.

Bush could grant clemency or reject it, or he could issue one-time 30-day stay of execution.

As preparations for the execution continue, the husband and son of murder victim Deborah Thornton have been authorized to watch the execution.

"The last thing Karla Tucker sees will be our faces, and the next thing she sees will be my wife's face," husband Richard Thornton told the Houston newspaper.

William Davis, 25, Deborah Thornton's son from a previous marriage, is also eager to see the execution, his stepfather said. Davis, now an auto mechanic out of state, was 12 when his mother was killed. After that, he lived with his maternal grandparents.

"He is very adamant about wanting to see this execution," Thornton said. "He wants to send Karla Faye Tucker to see his mother and so do I.

"He was a child when all this went on, and this will be his only attempt as an adult to deal with it."

'Is he crazy?' Seinfeld jokes about turning down millions per show

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Standing before a studio audience for the first time since declaring an end to the comedy that bears his name, Jerry Seinfeld bluntly said what was on everyone's mind.

"Five million bucks a week?" he said. "Is he crazy?

Even throwing away a fortune is a joke for Seinfeld, the money a reference to what NBC was willing to pay him to keep "Seinfeld" on the air for another year. With the moments suddenly a precious few, a "Seinfeld" taping is a hot ticket in Hollywood.

"Welcome to the last helicopter out of Saigon," Seinfeld told about 200 people Wednesday night who watched filming of "The Cartoon," episode No. 169 in the countdown toward 180 and out. The final "Seinfeld" is scheduled for May 14.

No. 169 was a typical tangled web of warped comedy, with a vow of silence from Kramer, a weird relationship for George and a short-lived career as a cartoonist for Elaine. Comic Kathy Griffin spoofed her recent Home Box Office comedy routine where she complained about her treatment on a previous "Seinfeld" guest spot by returning to create a one-woman show: "Jerry Seinfeld is the Devil."

Along the way, "Seinfeld" even managed to poke fun at all the testimonials to the oft-described "show about nothing" that appeared after he pulled the plug.

When the hated Newman tells Griffin's character how much she loves her show, he looks down disdainfully on Jerry.

"It's so great to see a show about something," Newman said.

The five-hour taping was a grind that even a potential $5 million man could tire of. Seinfeld didn't bother stifling some long yawns while waiting for some scenes to be shot.

While sorry to see "Seinfeld" go, several fans who attended the taping said they wouldn't argue with the star's decision.

Seinfeld said his supporting cast — Jason Alexander, Julia Louis-Dreyfuss and Michael Richards — all agreed with his decision.

Ex-sheriff's sergeant charged with theft

WACO (AP) — A former McLennan County sheriff's sergeant was indicted Wednesday on charges she stole about $13,200 from the county jail cash bond fund.

Rita Norred, 42, has been free on bail since her Sept. 16 second-degree felony theft charge, the Waco Tribune-Herald reported.

Assistant District Attorney Mike Freeman said Ms. Norred is charged with taking the money over a 10-month period starting in December 1996.

But unlike other employees whose theft cases resulted in plea bargains, Ms. Norred's case is expected to go to trial, Freeman said.

"This is a theft case that involves a public servant and we believe that it is best, unless we can reach a compromise that we feel with confidence will meet with public approval, to submit the issue to a jury and let them determine the outcome," he said.

When Ms. Norred was arrested and Sheriff Jack Harwell fired her, it sparked a federal investigation of county jail operations and allegations of other crimes by sheriff's officials.

The missing funds came to light when a man came to the sheriff's department Sept. 3 for a refund of his $1,000 bond and there was no record that his bond had been received, a source close to the investigation has said.

That aroused suspicions, and sheriff's detectives and the county auditor's office began their investigation.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, Jan. 16, 1998

Exciting times could be in the offing for you in the year ahead concerning projects harvested from your imagination. Focus your luck on things you invent or originate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You are still in a favorable cycle pertaining to things you personally originate, manage or control. Positive action will produce better results than usual. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that will govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Today, it's best to discuss your ambitious intentions only with those involved. Do not feel obligated to reveal things to nonplayers.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Conditions in general are moving in more hopeful patterns at this time. You could see improvements in your social life and valued relationships.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Focus on advancing your most ambitious interests today. You are stronger than you realize, so don't let fear of competitors blur your thinking.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today, start making plans for what you hope to accomplish in the future. The more familiar you are with the objectives, the better your chances are for success.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Any promising arrangements that look like they could serve as an additional channel to supplement your earnings should be investigated at this time.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Friends will desire to do things with you today. There is something charismatic about your presence that will attract them to you like a magnet.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Do not be reluctant about taking on extra duties at work today. Show authority figures how capable you are, and they may put greater faith in you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Where your popularity is concerned, you are in a favorable cycle, especially with members of the opposite gender. This should become obvious to you today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today could become an unusual day of endings and beginnings. Two involvements might be successfully concluded and replaced by two new ones.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) This is a good cycle for learning and retaining knowledge. If there is some special know-how that can improve your lot in life, make an effort to acquire it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Something you feel could bring a greater sense of material security might start to come together now. Be patient, it may take a while to develop.

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Berry's World



Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is milk linked to ear infections?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I read your column about the child who suffered repeated ear infections despite antibiotic therapy and pressure-equalizing tubes. My granddaughter had the same condition until her mother gave her milk with acidophilus culture. Since consuming this product in place of standard milk, the child has been completely free of ear infections. Moreover, several of my friends with small children have also been able to break the ear-infection cycle using the same technique. Perhaps this observation will interest your readers.

DEAR READER: Indeed it will. It's likely that such children suffer from milk allergy, which can lead to blockage of the eustachian tubes that vent the middle-ear chambers. Once the tubes are closed, infection can set in.

My ear-nose-and-throat consultants tell me that this situation is probably unusual. However, if acidophilus-spiked milk works, I'm in favor of it and would be interested in comments by other readers who have had experience with this unique approach.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have pernicious anemia for which I receive monthly shots of vitamin B-12. What is the substance I lack that prevents B-12 from entering my body from food?

DEAR READER: The substance is called "intrinsic factor," a protein that is secreted by certain cells in the stomach lining and acts to transport vitamin B-12 from food into the bloodstream.

For unknown reasons — probably due to an autoimmune reaction that destroys the cells that produce intrinsic factor — some people stop secreting the protein and become B-12-deficient. Such a serious situation can, over a span of years, lead to a disease marked by nerve damage, liver enlargement, depression, dementia, color blindness and anemia. Before the cause of this disorder was identified, the mortality rate was 100 percent. Now, however, pernicious anemia is easily and inexpensively treated with B-12 shots. When given by injection, the vitamin bypasses the oral route and is absorbed directly. Attempts to isolate intrinsic factor and administer it to patients have been unsuccessful; it's much simpler and cheaper just to give B-12 shots.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please tell me what happens to the junk that is released from arteriosclerotic plaque during balloon angioplasty.

DEAR READER: I don't know, and neither do the experts.

When arteriosclerotic plaque is dislodged by the balloon, fragments break off and are carried somewhere by the blood. No one knows where. But it's clear that this material causes no harm.

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Linda Jones pleads guilty to all charges

LUBBOCK (AP) — A tearful Linda Jones, the former mistress of ex-Housing Secretary Henry Cisneros, pleaded guilty today to 28 charges connected to a federal investigation into his hush-money payments to her.

The deal calls for her to spend 3½ years in a federal prison, but can be voided if she does not cooperate with prosecutors.

The plea came in a magistrate's courtroom while prospective jurors in her scheduled trial waited on another floor. It was entered about three hours after her sister and brother-in-law pleaded guilty to related charges.

Ms. Jones' guilty plea to all charges of bank fraud, money laundering and lying cancels the trial scheduled to begin today.

Patsy Jo and Allen Wooten, who had been charged with 19 counts of money laundering and fraud, face from probation to five years in prison. Sentencing for all three is April 14.

It's been 11 years since Cisneros, then the San Antonio mayor, and fund-raiser Linda Jones began their adulterous affair. Since then, Cisneros has come and gone at the White House as President Clinton's first housing secretary.

Cisneros patched things up with his wife but wasn't able to reconcile other troubles stemming from the tryst. He left the Cabinet post in 1996 amid glaring publicity about his personal and financial troubles.

And Cisneros — who is not a defendant in the Lubbock trial — faces his own federal trial, on Nov. 4 in Washington. He is charged with 18 counts of conspiracy, obstructing justice and making false statements to the FBI.

He has pleaded innocent to charges that he lied to conceal thousands of dollars in hush money paid to Ms. Jones while he was being considered for a Cabinet job. Prosecutors say the payments eventually totaled $250,000.

At his arraignment a week ago, Cisneros exchanged glances with Ms. Jones — also charged in the Washington indictment — with whom he acknowledged living with periodically before he reconciled with his wife, Mary Alice.

Cisneros, who is now president of the Spanish-language Univision network, was working in private business when Clinton nominated him for the Cabinet post in December 1992. During a routine FBI background check, Cisneros admitted sending money to Ms. Jones, known before her divorce as Linda Medlar, from 1989 to 1993.

The payments, which Cisneros said were made because he felt sorry for her ruined career, never exceeded $10,000 a year or $2,500 at a time, he told investigators.

But prosecutors contend in the indictment against Ms. Jones that he funneled $16,000 to her for a down payment on a house in Lubbock even while he was being considered to lead the Department of Housing and Urban Development.

Those payments eventually entangled the Wootens. The alleged scheme was intended to hide the fact that Ms. Jones bought the house with money provided by Cisneros, prosecutors contend.

Obituaries

E.W. Schrader

E.W. Schrader of Corpus Christi, formerly of Snyder, died at 4:15 p.m. Wednesday, Jan.14, in Corpus Christi. Service has been set for 2 p.m Friday under the direction of Seaside Funeral Home in Corpus Christi.

Mr. Schrader moved to Snyder in 1969 as an employee of the Snyder National Bank, and then to Corpus Christi in 1974.

Survivors include his wife, Nell Schrader of Corpus Christi; and two sons, Bobby Schrader and Eric Schrader.

Ida Hale

1906-1998

Ida Schubert Hale, a former resident of Snyder, died at 2:05 a.m. Thursday, Jan. 15, in the Slaton Care Center in Slaton after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Hale, 91, is set for 11 a.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church in Roby. The Rev. James Merrell will officiate. Burial will follow in the Longworth Cemetery in Fisher County under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Aug. 28, 1906 in LaGrange, she married Frank Hale on Nov. 23, 1923 in Roby. He died in 1980.

A longtime resident of Fisher County, Mrs. Hale moved to Snyder in 1979. She had lived in Slaton for the past two years.

Mrs. Hale was a homemaker and a member of the First United Methodist Church in Snyder.

She was also preceded in death by a grandson.

Survivors include two daughters, Nona Jones of Snyder and Frances Atnip of Slaton; a son, Ervin Hale of Snyder; a sister, Lenora Morton of Roby; a brother, Willie Schubert of Longworth; two grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

E.O. Wedgeworth

1907-1998

TYLER — Service is set for 3:30 p.m. Friday in the First Christian Church in Tyler for E.O. (Red) Wedgeworth, former resident of Snyder and Fluvanna. Burial will follow in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Tyler under the direction of Lloyd James Funeral Home. Revs. Donald Hauck and Mike Hunter, and Dr. C. Earl Gibbs will officiate.

Mr. Wedgeworth, 90, died Wednesday, Jan. 14, in a Tyler nursing home.

He was born April 4, 1907 in Timpson where he graduated from high school. He received his BS degree from Stephen F. Austin College and performed graduate work at Texas Tech.

He was in public school administration for 14 years at Snyder and Fluvanna and later served as chamber of commerce manager in Snyder and Stamford before moving to Pampa.

He graduated from the Chamber of Commerce Southwest Institute in Dallas, later serving as president. He was on the board of the American Chamber of Commerce Executives and served as president of the Texas Chamber of Commerce Managers, the West Texas Chamber of Commerce Executives and Texas Association of Fairs and Expositions.

He was instrumental in helping organize the Top O' Texas Rodeo Association and the Hereford Breeders Association.

Mr. Wedgeworth was a member of the Lions Club, Masonic Lodge and was a Shriner. He was a charter member of the S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. of Pampa and sang with the "Squeaky Door Four" quartet. He also organized and directed "That Band with Dixieland."

He served as ruling elder of the Pampa First Presbyterian Church, and after retirement in 1977, lived in Mineola and was a member of the First Christian Church, serving as an elder, chairman of the church board and choir director.

He was preceded in death by his wife of 57 years, Doris Elza Wedgeworth of Snyder, and his wife of five years, Doris Wedgeworth of Timpson, three sisters and three brothers.

Survivors include a daughter, Anita Pickle of Tyler; one granddaughter, Laura Pickle of Fort Worth; a sister, Opal Gartman of Austin; and several nieces and nephews.

Bobby Hodges

1927-1998

MABANK — Bobby Hodges, the brother of two Snyder residents, died Tuesday, Jan. 13, in Dallas following a long illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Hodges, 70, is set for 3 p.m. Friday in the First United Methodist Church in Mabank. Dr. Royce Riley will officiate. Interment will follow in the Oaklawn Cemetery under the dirction of Eubank Funeral Home.

Born Sept. 25, 1927 in Mitchell County, he married Maxine Franklin on Jan. 15, 1949.

He was a former resident of Lamesa and Artesia, N.M., and had lived in Mabank since 1978. He was a member of the Brian Street Baptist Church in Lamesa.

Mr. Hodges was a member of the VFW, Long Cabin Swingers Square Dance Club and was associated with Manning Realtors from 1979-84.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Arthur and Pearl Hodges; a son, Phil Hodges; and three brothers.

Survivors include his wife, Maxine Hodges of Mabank; a daughter, Lisa Hudgens of Mabank; a son, David Hodges of Cabot, Ark.; a brother, Joe Hodges of Bowie; five sisters, Annie Dunn and Margie Norred, both of Snyder; Estell Erwin of Gorman, Opal Bonner of Midlothian and Vaudean Everheart of Bowie; and 10 grandchildren.

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Wolf up for walk in space

MOSCOW (AP) — American astronaut David Wolf ventured into open space for the first time today, floating outside the Mir for nearly four hours on a mission to examine the orbiting Russian station's outer hull.

Unlike some previous spacewalks, the cursory inspection of the Mir was not crucial and scientific accomplishments were minimal. Just as important was the experience it provided a U.S. astronaut outside a space station.

Wolf had the most experienced partner he could ask for — Russian flight commander Anatoly Solovyov, who has logged about 82 hours in 16 spacewalks, seven since he arrived on the Mir in August.

"Take a picture of me," Wolf told Solovyov, who was filming the walk. "This is a big moment in life."

The two began the walk just after midnight Moscow time (4:12 p.m. EST Wednesday) with the Mir high over the southeastern Pacific and sealed the hatch back up a relatively uneventful 3 hours, 52 minutes later.

Because Wolf was a rookie spacewalker, ground controllers gave more detailed instructions than usual.

Wolf, a 41-year-old doctor, engineer and pilot from Indianapolis, has been aloft since September. The sixth American to live on Mir, he is a replacement for a NASA astronaut who was too small for a Russian spacewalking suit.

Wolf, who remained inside the Mir during spacewalks by his two Russian colleagues, clearly was impressed by the experience, even saying at the end of the spacewalk that he didn't want to go in.

"Wow!" he uttered while looking at the stars during one break. "Oh my God."

Playing tour guide, Solovyov told him: "David, turn around and you'll see the Earth behind your back," pointing out Cairo, Tel Aviv and a long stretch of populated coastline lit up at night. "Look how beautiful it is."

Footage beamed back live clearly showed an air leak from the hatchway on the space outpost's Kvant-2 module, with a white residue visible around the rubber seal that encircles the hatch.

The leak is more inconvenient than serious, forcing the crew to use a smaller adjacent compartment to don and remove their bulky suits for spacewalks.

Solovyov and Wolf tried to seal the hatch more tightly when they fastened the nine main locks and 10 additional locks at the end of the walk.

Mission Control chief Vladimir Solovyov said oxygen would be pumped into the docking chamber in order to determine the rate of the leak.

Nurses

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Texas and Oklahoma, said U.S. Attorney Paul Coggins.

The scheme brought Jewell more than $545,000 in payments from the recruiters, who in turn levied fees of $2,500 to $7,000 per nurse. He and his associates filed more than 1,100 petitions for nonimmigrant work visas, resulting in the issuance of more than 500 fraudulent visas, prosecutors charged.

Because of nursing shortages in the 1980s, Congress in 1989 established a program allowing health care facilities to petition for foreign help. In exchange, the facilities had to vouch that they could not find qualified U.S. workers and that they would pay the foreigners prevailing wages.

The nurses who came in on Jewell's petitions were paid substandard wages and farmed out to health care facilities in 35 states. Where U.S. nurses were making $11 to $14 hourly, Coggins said, the foreign nurses were being paid as little as $5.

The government estimates the foreigners deprived licensed U.S. nurses of more than $13 million annually.

"It's unfortunate that the hospitals and the industry have looked to use foreign nurses and to pay them such low wages when in 1996 their profit was $21 billion," said Cheryl Peterson of the American Nurses Association.

Operation Windmill began in 1995 when U.S. Embassy officials in the Philippines noticed an unusually high number of petitions filed by a person named "Jewell." That information was forwarded to the Labor Department and INS, where a task force was formed.

Jewell, 54, pleaded guilty to conspiring to launder money and wire fraud. He faces up to 15 years imprisonment and $250,000 in fines. Three others — Holly Arthur Estreller, 46, of Los Angeles; Haesook C. Kim, 48, of Wayne, N.J.; and Sidney Hewitt, 45, of San Diego — pleaded guilty to visa fraud, facing up to 10 years imprisonment and $250,000 fines. Veronica Hewitt, 46, of San Diego pleaded guilty to aiding and abetting an unlawful entry, which carries up to six months imprisonment and a $5,000 fine.

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College games free

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

Ira Council for Excellence

Ira Council for Excellence will meet at 4 p.m. Friday in the cafeteria.

Spring registration

Spring registration at Western Texas College begins Monday. Classes toward an associate's degree in a variety of liberal arts and pre-professional fields are offered, along with vocational programs in electronic office technology, welding, criminal justice, golf and landscape technology and licensed vocational nursing. Students may also take a class for fun, such as ceramics, accounting, diet and weight control, desktop publishing, aqua aerobics, creative writing or beginning Spanish. To obtain a school schedule, call 1-888 GO TO WTC (468-6982).

AARP to meet

ARP Chapter 2063 will meet at noon Monday in the Senior Center. Carla Thompson will be the guest speaker.

Bible study tapes airing

The "Key to the Kingdom" video tapes and "Getting to Know God" series air weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next set of tapes, "Bear One Another's Burdens," followed by "Getting to Know God's Person and Problem," will begin at 7 p.m. Monday.

High school choir boosters

High school choir boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the choir room.

Windbreak trees

The deadline for ordering windbreak trees is Jan. 31. A variety of evergreens and hardwoods is available. The district is also offering evergreens in one-gallon yearling size for fill-ins. For more information, contact the Upper Colorado SWCD at 573-6317 or go by 5309 Big Spring Highway.

Road to Recovery program

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

Tiger banners for sale

Snyder Girls Hoops Club is selling Tiger banners for $25. Call 573-1769 or 573-4283. They will deliver.

Adult basic education

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

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

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

Circus Gatti

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

Support group ministry

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

Pancake supper set

Snyder High School Senior Class will sponsor a pancake supper at McDonald's from 6-8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 29. Tickets are $2.50 and available from any senior or by calling 573-1400 and leaving a message.

Oil boom artifacts needed

Scurry County Museum is looking for items used during the Oil Boom of 1948 in the area. Anyone willing to lend their photographs, clothes, or related collections from Feb. 1 through March 15, is asked to contact the museum.

Help is also needed in presenting the history of the oil boom and telling its importance to the area. To help on any aspect of the project, call 573-6107.

Pick 3

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

7-9-1

(seven, nine, one)

Lotto Texas

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

Winning numbers drawn: 3-5-15-20-30-34.

Estimated jackpot: $4 million.

Number matching six of six: none.

Next Lotto Texas game: Saturday night.

Estimated jackpot: $8 million.

NBC pays record price to keep 'ER' three more years

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Stung by the loss of "Seinfeld" and pro football, NBC has stopped the bleeding by wrapping up television's No. 1 show for the next three years.

The top-rated network kept "ER" by agreeing to buy 22 original episodes each year from Warner Bros. Television for a licensing fee that industry sources estimated at a record $13 million per show.

The published record had been $6 million per episode for "Seinfeld." NBC had been getting "ER" for less than $2 million per show in a deal that ends this season.

"Obviously, it's a fabulous deal for our side and hopefully for NBC," said Robert Daly, chairman of Warner Bros. "It's the biggest deal that has ever been made in the history of television as far as series are concerned."

The show's executive producer, John Wells, said cast and crew won't worry about living up to the price tag.

"It's no different than the pressure we already place ourselves under," he said Wednesday. "We have the good fortune ... to just do the work, do the best show we can. That's always been the challenge.

"This is an agreement between the retailer and the distributor, and we're sort of the manufacturing unit."

The ensemble medical drama based in Chicago's Cook County Hospital was an instant hit after its premiere in September 1994. It usually vies with "Seinfeld," its neighbor on NBC's powerful Thursday night lineup, to be television's most-watched show each week.

Its fate became a matter of intense speculation due to an unusual contract provision that allowed "ER" to move to another network if it couldn't reach a deal with NBC by the end of February.

The stakes became higher for NBC when "Seinfeld" announced last month it would cease production at the end of this season. NBC was also hurt this week when it lost the rights to broadcast National Football League games to CBS and was outbid by ABC for "Monday Night Football."

"We've all heard of must-see TV. This is called must-keep TV," said Larry Gerbrandt, industry analyst with Paul Kagan Associates in Carmel.

"ER" already attracts some of the highest-priced ads on television, and Gerbrandt said the rates could go up 15 percent. The show also boosts ratings and advertising prices for the local news and "Tonight" show that follow it on Thursday nights.

Daly and Don Ohlmeyer, president of NBC West Coast, said the deal was reached after intense talks completed on Monday, before the NFL's $17.6 billion deal began to fall into place.

NBC wanted to avoid prolonged negotiations to get "ER," Ohlmeyer said, and the show was drawing plenty of interest.

Daly said loyalty and the studio's relationship with NBC were important in reaching the deal. More shows owned by the studio and its subsidiaries air on NBC than any other network, including every Thursday show with the exception of NBC-owned "Union Square."

2 more girls come forward with stories of sexual abuse

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — Last week, two men were jailed on sex abuse charges after two 10-year-old girls told about being photographed in the nude and coaxed into sexual encounters.

Wednesday, police said two 13-year-old girls stepped forward with similar accusations.

Jeffrey Orr, 49, of Flour Bluff is being held on $500,000 bond on four counts of sexual assault of a child and five counts of indecency with a child.

Jeremy Arnold, 19, who rented a room at Orr's house, was released Friday after posting $50,000 bond on one count of possession of child pornography.

If convicted, Orr faces up to life in prison and Arnold up to 10 years in prison, said Corpus Christi Police Chief Pete Alvarez.

Police raided Orr's residence on Jan. 7 after the two 10-year-old girls told investigators that he photographed them in the nude and induced them to perform sexual acts three times over a period of several months.

Officers said they confiscated hundreds of photographs of young, nude girls and videotapes of the men having sex with the children.

Police said they suspect Orr lured girls into his home with offers to play board games and receive gifts, including shoes, roller blades and trips to the beach.

Ralph Longbine, Orr's nextdoor neighbor, contacted police after a girl told his granddaughter that Orr had photographed her and another girl nude and asked them to dance for him.

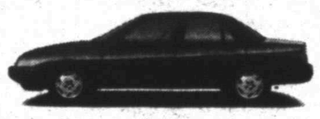
Three young girls — all looking to be younger than 10 — were frequent visitors at Orr's, he said.

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren
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Choosing sides in gym class shouldn't be anyone's loss

DEAR ABBY: I have taught physical education in the elementary grades and middle school, and I'm presently teaching grades 9 through 12 at La Quinta High School in La Quinta, Calif. I was both saddened and furious when I read the letter by the 10-year-old student who hates going to P.E. because he or she is always chosen last.

Unfortunately, this happens in many P.E. programs around the country, and there is no one to blame but the teacher. Not only does it humiliate a student, it also wastes quality teaching time. The people who are cutting our physical education programs today are probably the same students who were chosen last in their P.E. classes.

One of the most important organizations we as professional physical educators need to be members of is COPEC (Council on Physical Education for Children). In 1992, COPEC listed examples of inappropriate activities in physical education classes:

"Forming teams: Teams are formed by designated 'captains' who publicly select one child at a time, thereby exposing lower-skilled students to peer ridicule. ... It is a process that can either expedite the activity process, or belittle students and become a risk factor for future involvement."

Following is a list of strategies that are quick and nonthreatening, taken from the Success Oriented P.E. Activities book:

1. Instructor equitably preselects teams
2. Clothing colors or colored strips of paper
3. Birthday months, or birthdays (odd and even)
4. Alphabetical (first or last names)
5. Sizes of tennis shoes
6. Squads or roll groups
7. Freeze game (position on the floor)
8. Draw cards from a deck (odd and even, or suits)

Abby, I hope you will print this because there is no accountability in our programs, and this shouldn't be happening in physical education or within the school system. People need to know there are other ways to divide students into teams that leave everyone feeling good about themselves and about physical activity. It is our duty as physical educators to provide a safe and positive environment for the lives we touch daily. Our students are our future.

JOANN MONACHELLO PRAHL, LA QUINTA, CALIF.

DEAR JOANN: Thank you for the excellent suggestions. I hope P.E. teachers everywhere will take them to heart and put them into practice.

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DEAR READERS: Today marks the birthday of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., who inspired so many to reach upward for equality. It is only fitting that I share with you a passage from his "Strength to Love":

"Like an unchecked cancer, hate corrodes the personality and eats away its vital unity. Hate destroys a man's sense of values and his objectivity. It causes him to describe the beautiful as ugly and the ugly as beautiful, and to confuse the true with the false and the false with the true.

"Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that. Hate multiplies hate, violence multiplies violence, and toughness multiplies toughness in a descending spiral of destruction ... The chain reaction of evil — hate begetting hate, wars producing more wars — must be broken, or we shall be plunged into the dark abyss of annihilation."

Hawaii to ease rabies quarantine for guide dogs for blind people

HONOLULU (AP) — Pat Blum is anxious to visit her new grandson in California now that her dog, Sultan, no longer faces four months in rabies quarantine when they return.

It wasn't just a question of taking along a pet. Blum is blind and Sultan is her guide dog.

During the businesswoman's past trips to the mainland, Sultan stayed home.

"I would have to go with my trusty white cane and get a lot of help along the way," Blum said.

That's about to change. A settlement filed Wednesday in U.S. District Court lets Blum and other visually impaired Hawaii residents — as well as blind visitors to the islands — bypass the quarantine as long as their guide dogs are pre-certified and vaccinated against rabies.

"Now people who are blind or visually impaired, like all Americans, will be able to travel freely and independently to Hawaii for business or pleasure," said Bill Lann Lee, the Justice Department's acting assistant attorney general for civil rights.

Hawaii is the only state with a quarantine for rabies. The state has never had a reported case of the disease, and all dogs and cats entering Hawaii face a quarantine.

"I think it's ridiculous," Blum said of the quarantine law, which was implemented in 1912 but has yet to intercept a rabid animal. "It's like putting up elephant bells in your garden and saying it's working because there's no elephants in the garden."

Complaints forced the state Board of Agriculture last year to approve a 30-day quarantine for dogs and cats that were certified as vaccinated.

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Today is the 15th day of 1998 and the 26th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1974, "Happy Days" premiered, starring Ron Howard, Anson Williams and Henry Winkler.

On this day in 1976, Sara Jane Moore was sentenced to life in prison for the attempted shooting of President Ford.

On this day in 1988, Jimmy "The Greek" Snyder was fired from CBS for racist remarks about black athletes.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Matthew Brady (1823-1896), Civil War photographer; Edward Teller (1908-), physicist, is 90; Osip Mandelstam (1891-1938), poet; Gene Krupa (1909-1973), musician; Lloyd Bridges (1913-), actor, is 85; John Joseph O'Connor (1920-), archbishop of New York City, is 78; Martin Luther King Jr. (1929-1968), civil rights leader; Margaret O'Brien (1937-), actress, is 61.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1978, the Dallas Cowboys defeated the Denver Broncos, 27-10, to win Super Bowl XII.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The military caste did not originate as a party of patriots, but as a party of bandits." — H.L. Mencken

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1919, a 2.3 million-gallon tank of molasses burst in Boston, killing 21 people.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Jan. 12) and last quarter (Jan. 20).

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