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Allied forces down two Iraqi jets

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) — A Saudi warplane shot down two Iraqi jets in a dogfight today after they entered Saudi airspace loaded with bombs, Saudi military officials said.

Also today, British Defense Secretary Tom King said allied forces downed two Iraqi jets and chased away a third that ejected an Exocet missile. King may have been referring to the incident involving the Saudi plane.

The strategic Iraqi city of Basra, meanwhile, was reported

under allied bombardment by air and sea for a third day.

Military officials in Dhahran said a Saudi pilot flying a U.S.-made F-15 shot down two Iraqi Mirage F-1 fighter jets loaded with bombs that entered Saudi airspace.

It was the first report of an Iraqi attempt to enter Saudi airspace since the war with Iraq began a week ago.

"I just rolled in behind them and shot them down," said the pilot, who agreed to be identified

only as Capt. Ayedh.

The other report of air action came from King, who said allied jets — which he believed to be American — shot down two Iraqi fighter planes and chased away a third which discharged an Exocet missile.

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The British Broadcasting Corp. said the incident occurred in the northern Persian Gulf and that the planes were headed toward

allied shipping.

"It would appear to be a combination of Mirage and MiG-23s," King said at a briefing. "Two of the aircraft were shot down. The other aircraft we believe discharged its Exocet missile out of range and rapidly returned to base."

However, at a morning briefing in Riyadh, Army Lt. Col. Greg Pepin mentioned only the one air engagement involving the Saudi jet fighter.

In other developments, French

warplanes made their first foray into Iraq, pounding positions of the elite Republican Guard near the Iraq-Kuwait border, according to military sources in Paris. Previously, France had said it would only hit targets in occupied Kuwait.

The Iraqi News Agency said today Saddam Hussein visited the southern front on Wednesday and met with commanders who briefed him on developments in "the mother of battles" — the week-old Persian Gulf war.

BCD vacancy faces county court Friday

Scurry County commissioners are expected to fill a vacant seat on the Board of County Development when they meet for a work session at 8 a.m. Friday at the county courthouse.

Also on the agenda is discussion of precinct equipment and operations and the signing of a resolution supporting the economic development committee and its efforts in formulating an economic development plan for the county.

Commissioners may call an executive session to discuss the appointment to a vacant seat on the BCD. The seat was vacated by Bill Parker who announced by letter his resignation after the court made 23 appointments to county boards Jan. 14, including two to the BCD.

In addition, the court is scheduled to sign a resolution supporting the chamber's economic development committee and its efforts to formulate a county-wide economic development plan.

The committee met Tuesday

and approved the compilation of the plan that would assist the county in securing state funds for local social and economic development projects.

Also on the agenda is the discussion of precinct equipment and operations commissioners.

HW Cross is 'Key' show entry

A heavy weight Cross entered by Snyder FFA member Reagan Key took home Grand Champion of Show honors as the Scurry County Stock Show opened with the judging of pigs Wednesday.

Lamb judging is scheduled for 6 p.m. today and the steer competition is to begin at 7 p.m. Friday. The show continues Saturday with the buyer's luncheon, followed by the auction at 1 p.m.

The Junior Livestock Association is sponsoring the show, held at Scurry County Coliseum ag annex.

Ira FFA student Carla Smith had the Reserve Champion entry, also a heavy weight Cross. Hermleigh FFA student Andrea Smith took home showmanship honors in the competition.

Key also won champion of breed among both the Durocs and

Scotty Windham of Abernathy was the show judge.

Breed champions included the following:

—OPB champion, Laurie Hand of Snyder FFA, and OPB reserve, Justin White of Snyder FFA.

—Duroc champion, Reagan Key, Snyder FFA, and Duroc reserve, Nelson Beeks of Hermleigh FFA.

—Hampshire champion, Trey Roemisch of Hermleigh FFA, and Hampshire reserve, Will Collier of 4-H.

—Cross champion, Reagan Key, Snyder FFA, and Cross reserve, Carla Smith of Ira FFA. (see SHOW, page 8)

6 students named for region band

Six Snyder High School students have been selected to perform with the District 16

The students, who are under the direction of SHS band instructor Walter Reneau, will be performing with the region band at 8:30 p.m. Saturday at Monterey High School.

The band is composed of students from both 4A and 5A schools.

Named to the band from Snyder were junior David Cozart, French horn, sixth chair; junior Chris Gober, trombone, fourth chair; junior Andy Rumpff, percussion, first chair; senior Kelly Pace, trumpet, second chair; senior Drew Travis, bass clarinet, fourth chair; and sophomore Julie Zeck, flute, fourth chair.



MORNING ACCIDENT — 84-year-old Iva Woodson was injured in a two-vehicle accident this morning at El Paso and 25th St. Icy road conditions were cited as a contributing factor in the accident. (SDN Staff Photo)

Aycock callup, swearing in topics before hospital board

The news that Dr. Thomas Aycock, surgeon at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, has received

election of board officers, approval of medical staff reappointments and an update on the

efforts are among the other items of business.

Dr. Aycock, a colonel in the Air Force reserves spent six weeks in active duty late last year in South Carolina in connection with the then-impending war in the Persian Gulf. He was notified Wednesday that he is being call-

ed again, and that he is to report by February 3.

Doug Foster, a Chevron

Hermleigh, and Roland Longoria, a local Oryx Energy Co. engineer, were named to the board of managers earlier this month by the county commissioners court and will be sworn in for two-year terms during ceremonies this evening. Also reappointed to the board and expected to be sworn in is Brenda Hedges, who was chosen last year to fill the unexpired term of Janet Hall. Foster will replace Jackie Smith on the board while Longoria will replace Roy McQueen. Both Smith and McQueen had asked not to be reappointed.

The board will also elect officers. G.A. Parks Jr. is the current chairman of the board. Other board members include Bill Wilson III and Jim Palmer.

Routine items of business include a medical staff report, a quality assurance and risk management/safety report, the financial report and approval of previous minutes.

Court mandate fuels talk of statewide tax

AUSTIN (AP) — Substituting a statewide property tax for local school property taxes may be the way to answer court orders to equalize public school funding, Gov. Ann Richards said today.

Facing an April 1 Texas Supreme Court deadline for action, Richards said the statewide tax plan might be placed before voters as a take-it or leave-it proposition.

The governor said she and legislative leaders have discussed the statewide tax plan and are (see SCHOOLS, page 8)

"We have the option to do nothing, to allow the courts to act ... It is incumbent on us to devise what we believe is the simplest alternative to understand and the easiest one to carry out. The people of Texas deserve the opportunity to make a decision," Richards said.

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The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If people listened to themselves more often, they would talk less."

Charles Anderson, the retired principal, is one of those guys who makes sure his car is routinely serviced. Despite his education, Anderson doesn't claim to understand the intricate workings of the automobile.

Charles and wife Marge recently set out for Abilene. About Trent, the family buggy began to act up. It would try to die, and the engine and oil lights would come on.

Anderson pulled to the side of the road and waited. In a few minutes the car seemed to run okay again. Just a few miles down the road, the car again started to act up. Anderson pulled to the shoulder when another Snyder couple came along and spotted the stranded motorists.

The fellow Snyderite suggested he take Anderson to the car dealership in Merkel and perhaps

they could help. The auto was towed, and the Good Samaritan suggested that he take the Andersons on to their Abilene destination while the car was being repaired.

A few hours later, Anderson called back to the Merkel dealership to inquire about the status of the repairs.

"Yep, it's fixed," said the shop foreman. "What did you have to do to it?" inquired Anderson who had envisioned a large repair bill. "We put in five gallons of gas."

Bumper sticker seen on I-20: "God Loves You. I'm Trying, But I'm Having a Hard Time."

Did you hear about the Aggie who experienced a stabbing pain in his eye everytime he drank a cup of coffee. He sought medical advice and was told, "Take the spoon out of your cup."



CHAMPION HOG — Reagan Key of Snyder FFA was presented Grand Champion of Show honors as the Scurry County Livestock Show got underway Wednesday night. The lamb competition begins at 6 p.m. today in the ag annex of Scurry County Coliseum. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ask Us

Q—Is tonight's meeting of a support group for servicemen and women limited to family members, or for anyone?

A—The organizational meeting, set for 7 p.m. at the National Guard Armory in Towle Park, is open to anyone interested in showing support for servicemen and women and their families.

In Brief

Alcohol death

FORT WORTH, Texas (AP) — A San Antonio toxicologist on Wednesday said he did not believe that 4 ounces of alcohol killed a 5-year-old Everman boy.

"In my opinion it would not be enough to cause death with the complicating factor of hypoglycemia (low blood sugar)," said Jim Garriott, chief toxicologist for the Bexar County Medical Examiner's Office.

Doctors said Thomas "Tinky" Griffin's low blood sugar caused the seizures that eventually killed the boy.

The testimony came shortly before the defense rested in the trial of Anthony Darron Jimerson, 22, of the Tarrant County community of Forest Hill.

Jimerson is accused of giving the youth several ounces of straight bourbon at a party Feb. 23. The child died five days later.

Lewis pre-trial

AUSTIN (AP) — A state district judge today set a July 2 pre-trial hearing in indicted House Speaker Gib Lewis' criminal case.

Judge Bob Perkins also instructed Lewis' attorneys to bring the Fort Worth Democrat to the proceeding.

Lewis has been indicted by a Travis County grand jury on two counts of alleged ethics violations. The House speaker was granted proceedings in the case until at least 30 days after the regular session ends May 27.

Two arrested

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Two former Marine buddies, including a Texas man, have been arrested in connection with the slayings of two men found shot to death in the Sandia Mountains two months ago.

Don J. Jackson, 27, whose last known residence was in Alpine, Texas, was arrested late Wednesday at Albuquerque International Airport, said sheriff's department spokeswoman Ronni Crago.

"He flew to Albuquerque from California and turned himself in," she said today.

Matthew Gonzales, 25, a University of New Mexico student from suburban Rio Rancho, was arrested Tuesday, Crago said.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 45 degrees; low, 30 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 30 degrees; .10 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for January, 1.64 inches; total precipitation for 1991 to date, 1.64 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear with a low in the lower 30s. South wind 5 to 15 mph. Friday, mostly sunny and warmer with a high in the upper 50s. Southwest wind 5 to 15 mph shifting to north during the afternoon.

Two smoking studies raise new fears

NEW YORK (AP) — Two new studies link parents' smoking to cancer and serious infectious diseases in children, and one suggests that the children's cancer may arise from the harmful effects of smoking on fathers' sperm.

In one study, researchers found that children whose parents smoke are three to four times as likely as other children to develop serious infectious diseases requiring hospitalization.

"I don't think anyone before has demonstrated that the association is not just for mild illnesses, but for really serious infections as well," said the study's principal author, Anne T. Berg of the Yale University School of Medicine.

A separate study showed that men who smoke have an increased risk of fathering children with brain cancer and leukemia, suggesting that smoking might have harmed the men's sperm, researchers said Wednesday.

That conclusion is speculative, but the implication is strong enough that "another study with bigger numbers ought to look at it

carefully," said one of the study's authors, Dale P. Sandler of the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences in Research Triangle Park, N.C.

Both new studies appear in the current issue of the American Journal of Epidemiology.

The link between parents' smoking and serious infections was a surprise finding from a study designed to see if attendance in day-care centers increased children's risk of getting infectious disease.

The study found that, with one exception among 386 children studied — a case of bacterial meningitis, previously known to be transmitted in such settings — those in day care were not more likely to develop serious diseases. But researchers discovered that "children who were hospitalized were more likely to live with a smoker than were children who were not hospitalized," Berg said in a telephone interview.

The risk of serious infection to children who lived with a smoker was three to four times higher, she said.

Berg said the variety of infections included digestive-system

infections and respiratory infections, possibly because smoke depressed the children's immune systems generally.

The study that raised questions about the effects of smoking on men's sperm also found that mothers' smoking could lead to an increased risk of cancer in children.

Sandler, Esther M. John of the Stanford University School of Medicine and David Savitz of the University of North Carolina studied 223 children with cancer and 196 children without.

They found that the risks of leukemia and lymphoma were 30 percent higher in children whose mothers smoked during pregnancy, compared with children whose mothers didn't smoke.

They also found an increased risk of leukemia, lymphoma and brain cancer in children whose mothers didn't smoke but whose fathers did.

"If the association with fathers' smoking is confirmed in future studies, it may suggest a genetic effect on the sperm cells caused by the fathers' smoking," John said.

The increased cancer risk also could be due to children's exposure to fathers' cigarette smoke after birth, Sandler said.

John and her colleagues estimated that about 6 percent of all childhood cancers and perhaps 17 percent of cases of acute lymphocytic leukemia might be due to mothers' smoking.



RETIREMENT RECEPTION — Isalu Minor, far left, who has retired after working for Snyder ISD for 18 years, was honored with a reception recently at East Side Church of Christ. Visiting with Mrs. Minor are, continuing from left, Trudy Garcia, Terri Powell and Jim Erwin, principal of East Elementary, where she was secretary for the past nine years. Mrs. Minor was the secretary at Snyder Junior High for nine years also. (SDN Staff Photo)

One-fourth of Texans may not have health insurance

WASHINGTON (AP) — One in four Texans has no health insurance, according to Sen. Lloyd Bentsen, who is promising to investigate the problems of the uninsured in hearings over the next few weeks.

A fourth of all pregnant women in the state receive no prenatal care and 40 percent of children in Texas under the age of 4 have not been immunized.

That's according to two studies that paint a bleak picture of the health care situation for many Texans.

Bentsen, chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, which has jurisdiction over health-care financing issues, said Wednesday he would look into the problems of the uninsured.

The Texas Democrat calls it a longstanding problem and a difficult challenge.

"Many uninsured Americans have jobs but they work for small businesses, which themselves face a number of barriers to providing health insurance for employees. Many employers are unable to get coverage for small numbers of workers, or when they can, are faced with enormously high premiums. Reducing these barriers will make affordable insurance available to more people," Bentsen said.

According to Bentsen, 37 million Americans — including 9 million children and one in every four Texans — don't have any health insurance.

A recent study by the non-profit Employee Benefit Research Institute estimated that 15 percent of the U.S. population is without any health insurance coverage, and that in Texas, 25 percent of the population is believed to be doing without.

A second study by the Texas Medical Association said 16 percent of the state's population lacked health insurance.

Rep. Martin Frost, D-Dallas, who cited the institute's study in a newsletter to constituents, said only 16.5 percent of the nation's uninsured are unemployed. More than half, 55.7 percent, are working adults and 27.8 percent are

children too young to work. "The skyrocketing cost of health care over the last decade has made every family vulnerable to financial ruin in the event of serious illness or injury," Frost wrote. "Even families with health insurance often face overwhelming out-of-pocket costs associated with medical care."

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Jan. 25, 1991

Your personal successes will be more affected by what you know rather than who you know in the year ahead. Fortunately, you'll have a well of expertise from which to draw.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your companions aren't likely to find your assertiveness offensive today, because they'll recognize you're the one most qualified to take control of mutual interests. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You'll function better today in a supporting role rather than in a domineering one. This is because publicity won't be as important to you as doing things the right way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try to select lively, stimulating companions today, because it behooves you to be around friends who are energetic both physically and intellectually. Interesting developments are likely.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Focus on objectives that are materially meaningful to you today. There are involvements than in imperceptible endeavors.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your sphere of influence could be substantially enlarged today, as others will recognize and appreciate the quality of your ideas. Speak your mind.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your analytical faculties are likely to be keener than usual today. This could give you a definite edge in your commercial involvements; you'll see advantages others won't.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though you might feel rather independent today, you'll find that the involvements which offer you the greatest yield will be those that require a partner.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions are extremely favorable for fulfilling ambitious objectives today. You're in a good cycle, so don't put off until later what should be done now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You could be luckier than usual today in situations that have elements of chance and those that rely rather heavily on Lady Luck. However, much will depend upon your ability to visualize victory.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A priority matter that you have been unable to finalize can be completed to your satisfaction today, if you focus on it exclusively. Don't let less-significant objectives sidetrack you.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your greatest asset today is your ability to effectively weigh and balance alternatives when making important decisions. Have faith in the judgments you render.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Whether you'll be lucky in love today could be rather "iffy." However, I'd be inclined to bet on you in material circumstances.

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Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren
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Woman Shrinks From Her Feelings for Her Doctor

DEAR ABBY: After breaking my engagement to a man with whom I had a five-year, on-again, off-again relationship, I went to a psychiatrist to get my head straight. I am a 35-year-old professional woman. After nearly a year in therapy, I find myself very much attracted to my psychiatrist. He is not married. I see him once a week for an hour and find myself looking forward to our weekly sessions.

When I date other men, I compare them with my doctor, and none can equal him in intelligence, sensitivity and kindness.

I realize that my feelings are inappropriate, but I don't want to stop seeing him. Is this sort of thing unusual, and how should I handle it?

FALLING IN LOVE
DEAR FALLING: Be up-front with your doctor and tell him that you have a "crush" on him. No need to feel embarrassed — it's not uncommon. He will know how to put you at ease and help you deal with your feelings. If the feelings are mutual and he's an ethical doctor, he will refer you to another therapist.

DEAR ABBY: Will you please settle a little dispute? My business hours are from noon to midnight (12 a.m. to 12 p.m.). I have been told it should be 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. — and I say no-no!

I always thought "a.m." meant morning and "p.m." meant afternoon or night. Am I correct, or not? Please find out and let me know.

G. CURRAN IN BRUNSWICK, MAINE
DEAR G. CURRAN: Noon to midnight is 12 p.m. to 12 a.m. — so you are incorrect. Eliminate all the "a.m.'s" and "p.m.'s," and

simplify matters by saying, "12 o'clock noon — or 12 o'clock midnight."

DEAR ABBY: I enjoyed your Dog's Prayer so much, I composed a companion prayer for cats. If you use it, just sign me ...

DEAR D.H.: Here it is: A CAT'S PRAYER
Now hear this! You may live in this dwelling with me, but keep in mind your sole purpose for existing is to care for me. I pray God keeps you able to do so.

Feed me well and promptly, so that I may then find a quiet place to lie down and stare at you. If that place happens to be on top of the television set, do not keep trying to dislodge me even though my tail is hanging in the middle of the picture.

I expect full run of the premises, including the kitchen table. I sniff your food only to see if I would prefer it to mine. Brush me twice a week. Pet me as often as you wish, but I can do without the idiotic statements you utter as you do so.

When I bump my head against your leg or cheek, it means I accept you as part of my environment. Keep in mind that if I thought the lady next door would feed me better, I'd be out of here in a minute. If you're looking for loyalty, get a dog.

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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.
DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 79-year-old female with sciatica. After many doctors and no results, I tried Chinese acupuncture and am doing well. What's your opinion?

DEAR READER: Sciatica is sharp back pain that radiates into the but-

tock and, sometimes, into one leg. It is caused by pressure on nerves that exit between the lower spinal bones and supply the lower extremities. The most common cause of sciatica is a herniated disc, which slips out of place and pinches the nerves. Ordinarily, herniated discs are treated with rest and physical therapy; pain medication may be required.

If, after a course of this conservative therapy, the pain persists, patients usually must consider other treatment options, such as surgery, chymopapain injections or acupuncture.

Given your age, I believe you have made a good choice, because aggressive therapy — such as surgery — is more hazardous in the elderly. Of course, acupuncture will not cure your sciatica; it may simply relieve your pain while your body heals the condition. Since you experienced relief from acupuncture, I suggest you continue with this therapy, should the pain recur. If and when the acupuncture loses effectiveness, you and your

doctor can weigh the benefits of the other treatments I mentioned.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "An Informed Approach To Surgery." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their names and addresses to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Prevention magazine recently published a medical survey of cancer physicians who listed the 10 most effective ways people can prevent cancer. What do you think of this?

DEAR READER: I agree with the findings, which seem very sensible. The purpose of the survey, according to Prevention executive editor Emrika Padus, was to "give the public reliable guidance about how to prioritize cancer prevention steps."

Chronic exposure to natural radon, high-voltage wires, computer terminals and irradiated foods ranked low on the list. The most important factors, in descending order of importance, are: Don't smoke or chew tobacco, get regular cancer screening (such as pap tests, mammography and stool blood analysis), perform breast or testicular self-exams, limit exposure to sunlight, avoid industrial and agricultural toxins, avoid passive smoking, avoid high alcohol intake, reduce overall dietary fat, eat more food fiber, and eat more fruits, grains and vegetables.

Between 60 and 99 percent of the surveyed physicians rated these factors as the most important ways of preventing cancer.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
 Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.
 Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
 Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.
 Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-8110 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

Storytime; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.; 4 and 5-year olds.
 Snyder Jaycees; noon-luncheon; Golden Corral.
 Overeaters Anonymous; 1:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park; For more information, call 573-8322, 573-7705 or 573-9839.
 Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.
 Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
 Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101, 573-3657 or 573-3956.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9410. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting).

SATURDAY

Alateen Step Study Group; 2:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park. For more information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.
 People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-8626 or 573-9410.
 Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 Black Women's Assoc.; SNB community room; 5 p.m.

Ladies of B&PW hold afternoon tea in home

Members of the Business and Professional Women's Club held an afternoon tea in the home of Fay McCollum Jan. 16 with Jackie Hall, executive secretary of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce, as guest speaker.

Ms. Hall spoke about a spring project under consideration by the board of directors of the chamber of commerce. Annually, civic groups volunteer in clean-up and fix-up activities; therefore the speaker invited the group to join in this year's beautification project. The chamber of commerce will announce its plans soon.

She used an analogy, "Consider and picture how a large pot with a blooming plant in front of homes and businesses would brighten the atmosphere of our town." Hall stated that if everyone would become more careful about throw-away paper and other objects, that the town would soon have a cleaner appearance and a more pleasant atmosphere — just like a home newly renovated.

She continued to cite research results that confirm consumers prefer clean and attractive malls, stores, and other public places.

Members discussed how the roses and hyacinths in the hospital area had beautified the surroundings.

Frances Brown conducted the business meeting with Polly Phillips, treasurer, reporting that the club's contribution to the Veterans' Hospital in Big Spring was appreciated. She urged members to pay their 1991 dues at the February meeting.

Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY

N-S
 Director—Coleen Palmer
 1. Sue Mize, Ena Carroll
 2. Grace Jay, Kathy Rogers
 3. LaVerne Hood, Billie Sue Stuard

E-W

1. Marjorie Brown, Verdi Kimbro
 2. Dorothy Rosson, Rosie Floyd
 3. Shirley, George Stewart

SUNDAY

Director—Dot Casey
 1. Shirley, George Stewart
 2. Tie—Tizzie Hall, Ruby McKinley and Nona Morrison, Barbara Yorgesen
 3. Margaret Birdwell, Jane Hinton

TUESDAY

Director—Dot Casey
 1. Bessie Collins, Margaret Birdwell
 2. Dr. Stanley Allen, Charlie Crane
 3. Tie—Nona Morrison, Louise Thompson and Shirley, George Stewart.

Rock legend Buddy Holly was born in 1936 in Lubbock, Texas.

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HOME BEAUTY, COMFORT STUDY — Atheneum Study Club met recently at the Martha Ann Woman's Club for a program on home accessories to make a home more beautiful and comfortable. It was given by Jeana Duke, left, and Lyn Lancaster of Classic Interiors. In the business session, the club voted to make a contribution to the Image Program at Western Texas College and plans individual contributions to Snyder Neighbors Sharing. The club's next meeting will be at 4:15 p.m. Feb. 12 at MAWC. (SDN Staff Photo)



PLANNING SESSION — From left, Bill Love, LeRoy (Kandy) Brown, Joe Landrum, Juanita Fambro and M.J. Merritt are planning a reunion for the Fluvanna graduating class of 1941. They have set the event for May 17-18 at Willow Park. (SDN Staff Photo)

Bryant presents program

The Scurry County Penwomen met Jan. 16 in the home of Mr. and Mrs. C.J. Killgo with nine members attending.

Mrs. Killgo gave the invocation. Sherry Bryant reported she had presented a poetry program at the Colonial Hill Baptist Church for two ladies' classes. Janelle Burk reported she had a poem published along with three recipes in a cookbook, "Food For Thought," by Jackie Palham.

A program on poetry forms was presented by Mrs. Burk. She illustrated with the sonnet, ballad and haiku. The physical parts of the poem such as the meter, stanza, rhyme and sound patterns represent the body of a poem, she noted. Some of the elements representing the soul of a poem include, imagery, tonality, mood, emotion and resolution. She further explained that in the true poem, form and content are inextricably one. She read an original ballad entitled "Traveling Man," and stated that a ballad is a narrative poem that is lyrical in tonality. The critiquing of one's poem was also presented before the group.

Members reading their poems were Dorothy Cox, "Dog Days and David's Child;" Betty Boyd, "Thoughts On War and Things I Did Not Say;" Sherry Bryant, "The Passing and Hug Me Tight;" Estelline Murphy, "Two Brothers, Two Friends and Shadow of War;" and Jean Everett read her article about Earl Fish who for many years operated a tailor shop in Scurry County.

Mrs. Boyd won the door prize. Rachel Martin gave the word of

encouragement. Refreshments were served following the meeting.

The club's next meeting will be Feb. 20 at the home of Garnet Quiett.

Top ten best selling books

FICTION

1. "Cold Fire," Dean R. Koontz
2. "The Plains of Passage," Jean M. Auel
3. "The Secret Pilgrim," John le Carre
4. "Battleground," W.E.B. Griffin
5. "The Witching Hour," Anne Rice
6. "Dazzle," Judith Krantz
7. "Vital Signs," Robin Cook
8. "Four Past Midnight," Stephen King
9. "The Fourth K," Mario Puzo
10. "Angel Eyes," Eric V. Lustbader

NON-FICTION

1. "Financial Self-Defense," Charles Givens
2. "Homecoming," John Bradshaw
3. "Wealth Without Risk," Charles Givens
4. "The Civil War," Geoffrey C. Ward
5. "Bo Knows Bo," Bo Jackson
6. "A Life on the Road," Charles Kuralt
7. "Weight Watchers Healthy Lifestyle," Eds.
8. "The Frugal Gourmet on Our Immigrant Ancestors," Jeff Smith
9. "Millie's Book," Mildred Kerr Bush
10. "A Child Is Born," Lenhart Nilsson

Bridge by James Jacoby

NORTH 1-24-91
 ♠ K J 5
 ♥ A 7 4 2
 ♦ A Q 5
 ♣ Q J 5

WEST EAST
 ♠ A 7 4 ♠ 8 2
 ♥ Q J 10 9 ♥ 8 6 3
 ♦ K J 9 8 ♦ 10 7 4 3 2
 ♣ K 4 ♣ A 7 3

SOUTH
 ♠ Q 10 9 6 3
 ♥ K 5
 ♦ 6
 ♣ 10 9 8 6 2

Vulnerable: Neither
 Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
Pass	1♦	Dbl.	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♣	Pass	2♦	Pass
4♣	All pass		

Opening lead: ♥ Q

only to tell partner that there may be a game if he has something extra for his takeout double. It is important for a defender to take note when this does not happen. In today's deal, South bid only one spade when North doubled. When North continued with one no-trump, theoretically showing 18 or 19 points, South mentioned his other suit. North bid two spades, and South, assuming that North had a better hand, went right to game.

Declarer won the opening lead with the king of hearts and led the 10 of spades. West ducked. When another spade was led, West took the ace. Since South had shown up with the heart king and (by inference) the spade queen, West correctly assumed that

South could not also hold the ace of clubs. (He would then have jumped to two spades as his response to North's takeout double.) So West played king of clubs and a club, and got a ruff to set four spades.

Declarer made it too easy for West. If declarer had won dummy's ace of hearts at trick one and then played king of spades, West might not have been able to read that his partner held the ace of clubs. And what if South held the ace of clubs anyway and had made a terrible underbid originally? Then West had lost only an overtrick and never was going to set the hand.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books.

Setting limits

By James Jacoby

When you respond to partner's takeout double over an opposing opening bid, it is normal to jump in a suit with 9 or 10 points, not as a forcing bid but

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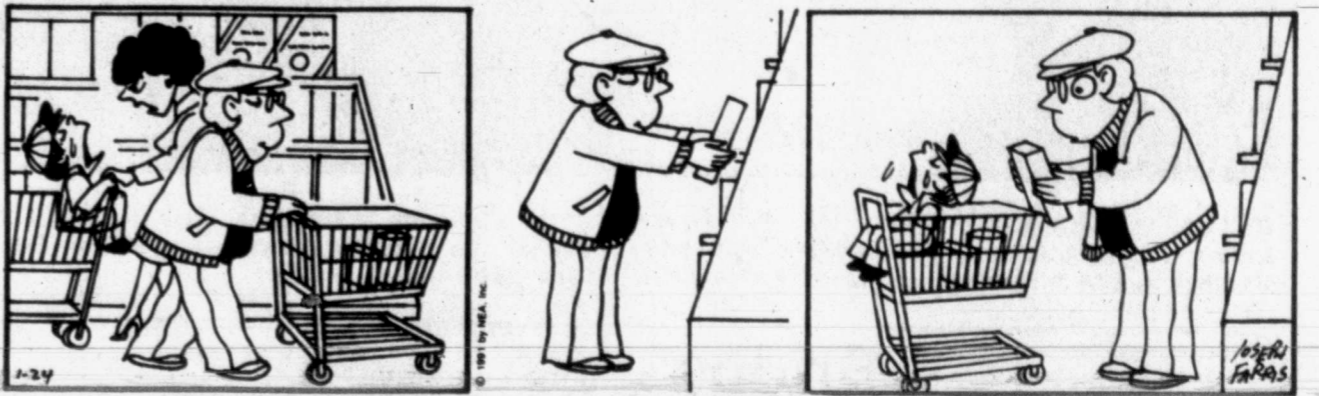
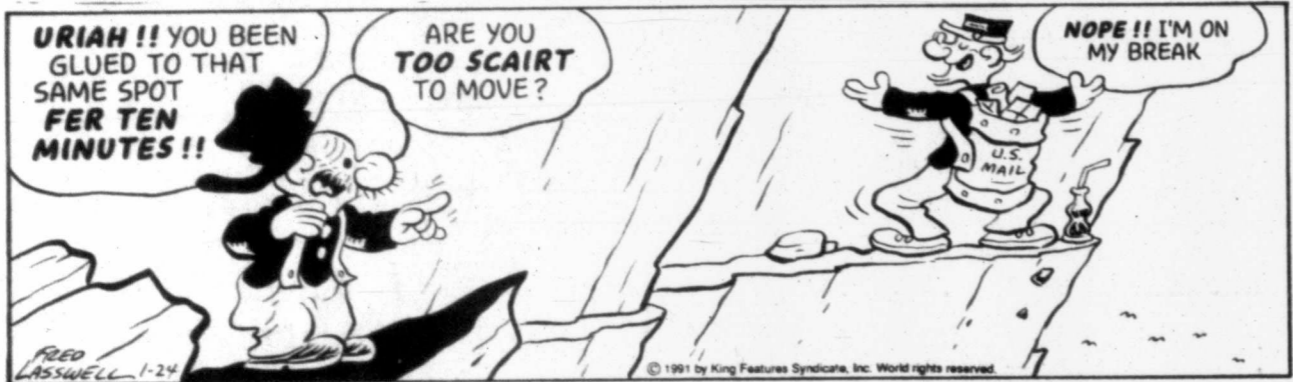
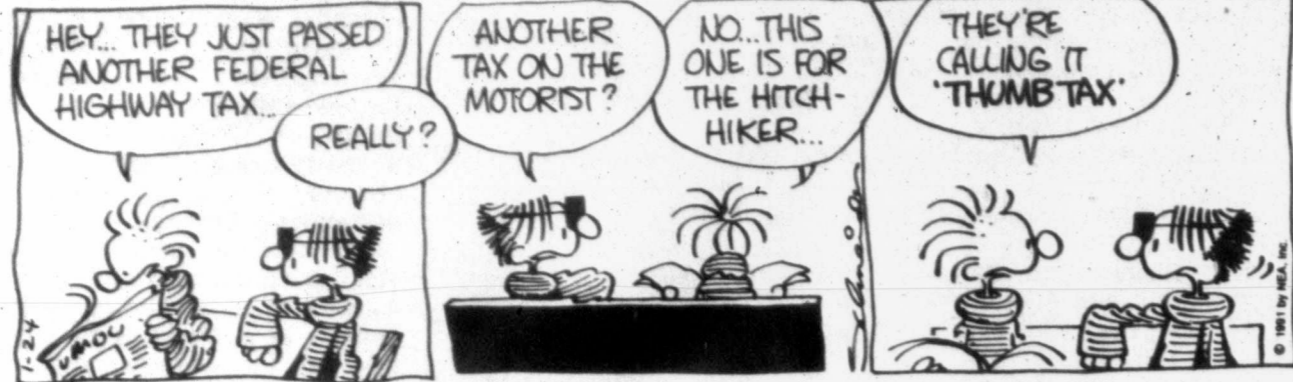
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- 4 Adore
- 8 Fall to win
- 12 Wood sorrel
- 13 Flying saucers (abbr.)
- 14 Leaf-cutting ant
- 15 Agnus —
- 16 Rugs
- 17 Fly high
- 18 Prevent, in law
- 20 — Standard Time
- 22 Confederate soldier
- 24 Actor
- 25 Duchy
- 29 Song words
- 33 Information agcy.
- 34 Glance
- 36 — Clear Day
- 37 Ida. time

DOWN

- 38 Business deficit
- 39 Falls behind
- 40 Printing machine
- 42 Temples
- 44 Paddle
- 46 Motorists' org.
- 47 Made afraid
- 51 Ice
- 55 Forearm bone
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- 60 To the sheltered side
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- 63 Vintage
- 64 Baseball player Mel —

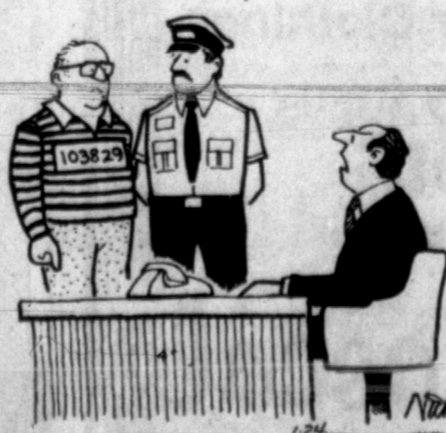
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- 3 Canter, e.g.
- 4 Clustered
- 5 Birds — feather
- 6 Show of hands
- 7 Thesis
- 8 Finally
- 9 Plains Indian
- 10 Be chief
- 11 Get as deserved
- 19 Sources of metal
- 21 Be moodily silent
- 23 Machete
- 25 Trash pile
- 26 Soviet Union (abbr.)
- 27 Type of hawk
- 28 — Hart
- 30 Horse color
- 31 Author of "Picnic"
- 32 "Mama" — Elliott
- 35 Safety agcy.
- 38 Future LL.Bs. exam
- 39 Fibber
- 41 Piano piece
- 43 Roof beam
- 45 Pass on
- 47 Two
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- 53 Hearts, e.g.
- 54 Circus shelter
- 57 Briny expanse

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"Well, Congressman, I guess this isn't the kind of second term you had in mind."



"BREAD-LANDING PEANUT-BUTTER-SIDE-UP ISN'T SO BAD, ALICE." "ON THE CEILING?"

WTC cage squads to face Plainsmen

BORGER — The Lady Dusters of Western Texas College get back to the hardwood after a week's layoff and the WTC Westerners try to rebound from two straight conference losses against Frank Phillips College tonight.

The Dusters' last outing was a 75-72 loss to the Lady T-Birds from New Mexico Junior College.

Monica Ramirez poured in 28 points for WTC in the loss followed by La Shunta Jackson's 14 and 10 from Becky Hinojos.

The Western Texas women stand at 7-15 on the campaign and 0-5 in Western Junior College Athletic Conference games.

Frank Phillips, coming off an 84-65 whipping of Clarendon College on Monday, boasts a 9-4 mark, 1-3 within the league.

The Lady Plainsmen finished last season at 25-3 and were 11-1 in WJCAC tilts. Lynette Barber and Yelle Piereau, both 5-9 all-conference returnees anchor the FPC squad for '91.

The Western Texas men slid to 12-7 on the year and 2-3 in conference matchups with their 120-109 loss to Midland College Monday.

One bright spot in the Westerners' performance was Paul Johnson's 36 points.

The 5-8 sophomore point guard scored 12 baskets and 11-of-14 attempts from the free-throw line to lead all scorers.

Frank Phillips, currently 11-7 and 3-3, counts heavily on Robert Torrence, a Raeford, N.C. talent who averages almost 20 points per game and shoots over 70 percent from the floor.

Clarendon was FPC's latest victim as the Plainsmen took an 81-71 WJCAC win on Monday.

Tip-off tonight is slated for 6 p.m. for the women's game followed at 8 p.m. by the WTC-FPC men.

Western Texas returns home Monday against Clarendon.

In other Western Conference games tonight the top two teams in both the mens' and womens' divisions, Howard and South Plains, face off in the Texan Dome in Levelland.

NMJC is at Midland and Odessa is at New Mexico Military Institute in men's games while both Clarendon teams are open.

Bills remember 2-14 seasons

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The Bills remember 2-14. The Giants remember 14-2.

The Super Bowl teams used motivational tools as different as their offensive styles this season. Buffalo's players looked back to the bad old days of 1984 and 1985 when their playoff hopes had vanished by October and their December's were spent in pursuit of the top draft pick. The Giants recalled their 1986 powerhouse championship team that rolled through November, December and January to the NFL crown.

"After 2-14, you'll do anything to keep from going back to 2-14," Bills guard Jim Ritcher said.

One of the benefits — the few benefits — that came from those years and a 4-12 mark in 1986 was the hiring of Marv Levy as coach. GM Bill Polian made that choice.

Another offshoot of the losing years were profitable drafts. They selected Bruce Smith, Greg Bell (who was a 1,000-yard rusher before being part of the three-way trade involving Eric Dickerson that brought Cornelius Bennett to Buffalo), Andre Reed, Hal Garner, Will Wolford, Shane Conlan, Nate Odomes, Leon Seals, Keith McKeller and Howard Ballard in those down years.

"That's not really a comfort

when you're losing every week," Ritcher said. "You're never looking that far ahead."

Darryl Talley, Buffalo's best linebacker this season, envies the younger players who have gotten to "The Show" so quickly. For him, it's been an often frustrating eight-year climb.

"I still remember the bad years, I always will," Talley said. "Well, you know, knock, knock, who's there? Owen. Oh-and-ten."

"Some of the things that drive

you to be here come from the bad times. It means a lot more when you've been through a few down years. You really appreciate what you have now."

What the Bills have is offensive momentum after scoring 95 points in their two playoff games. They also have a big-play defense and the special teams have been, well, pretty special.

Thus are the ingredients that make for a champion. They also are the ingredients the Bills could only dream about a few years

back.

"It's so gratifying," Ritcher said. "I can really appreciate it more than the others who didn't play on those teams. I know there are some guys who might be in their first or second year who might think it wasn't that hard to get here. They think it's going to happen all the time."



The Giants can tell you how unrealistic that is. After beating Denver for the 1986 championship, they didn't make the playoffs the next two seasons.

Last year, they lost their first postseason game at home to the Rams.

"We had some good teams that just didn't take that extra step," said cornerback Mark Collins, a rookie with the '86 champs.

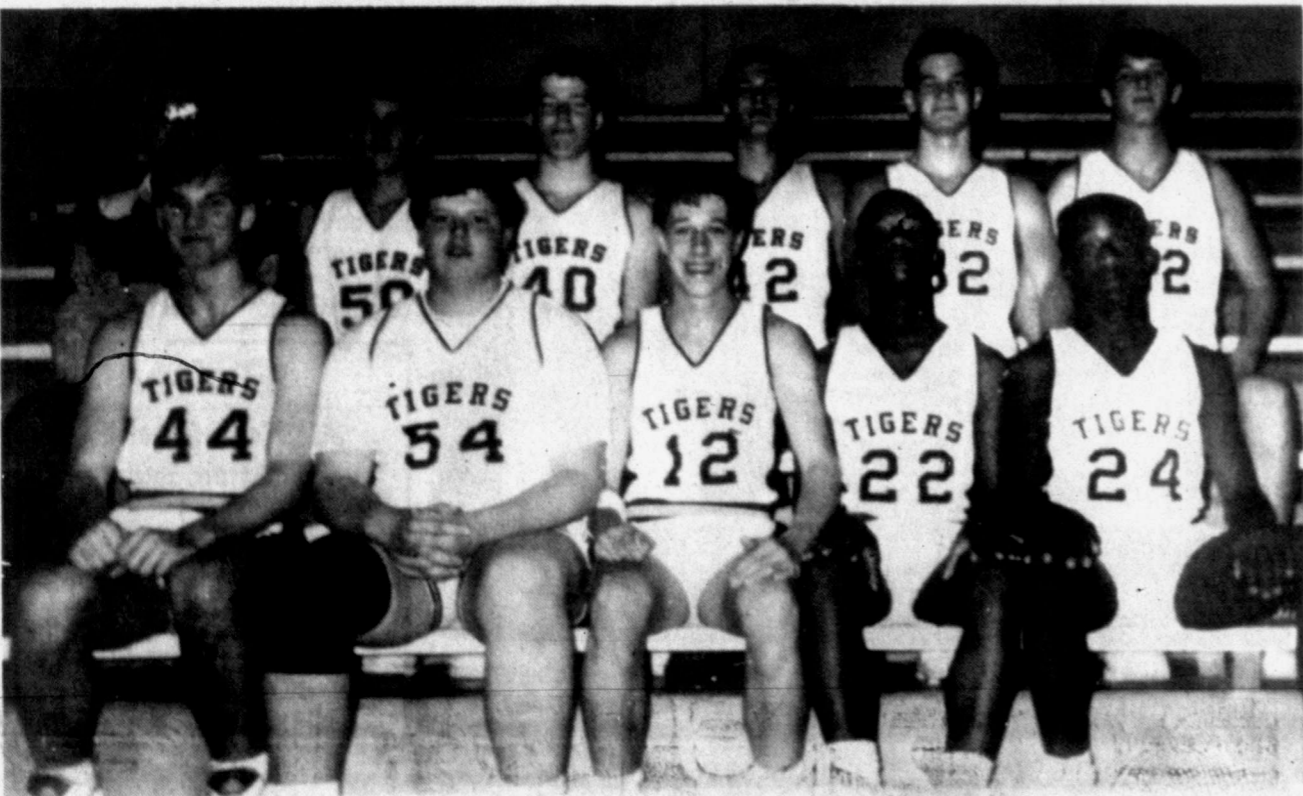
Lawrence Taylor doesn't want people confusing the 1990 NFC winners with the '86 NFL champs.

"This team is different than the one four years ago," he said. "Nobody could stop us, nobody challenged us that year. We ran through everyone."

"This time, it was more of a struggle."

The Giants were a divided team in 1987, the strike year. In '88, they finished 10-6, but a last-minute loss to their local rivals, the Jets, cost them a playoff berth.

When they won the division last season, many players felt it was the Giants' destiny to reach the Super Bowl. Then the Rams ended that dream.



FRESHMEN TIGERS — The Snyder High School freshmen basketball team for 1990-91 are, back row from left, coach Mackey Greene, Coby Pennington, Jeff Armstrong, Jimmy Henry, John Patrick and Jim Pat Griffin. Front row, David Krenek, Brian Upton, Tyson Cromeens, Anthony Jones and Spencer Tratree. Not pictured is Adrian Sneed. The Tiger frosh are slated to play Sweetwater at 4:30 p.m. today in the opening round of the Sweetwater Freshman Tournament. (SDN Staff Photo)

Seles advances to Open finals

MELBOURNE, Australia (AP) — One point kept Mary Joe Fernandez out of the women's final at the Australian Open. One point let Monica Seles in instead.

Seles saved a match point, then converted her first chance at victory five games later to end a 2½ hour battle of classic tennis today between two hard hitters who do more than just belt ground-strokes.

The winner in the 6-3, 0-6, 9-7 beauty was a serve at 40-30 to Fernandez's backhand, which the 19-year-old from Miami clanked against the net post.

"I wanted to make sure I didn't go for a huge shot, just a good shot, on my match point," Seles said. "It was the same when Mary Joe had match point against me. ... I was pretty lucky there."

The winner that wasn't was a backhand by Fernandez that floated into the net with last year's runner-up holding a 6-5 third-set lead and break point.

"I sure had the opportunity to

win. Those are tough ones to lose," Fernandez said. "I was a bit unlucky on match point."

Lucky vs. unlucky. Put the money on luck every time.

The victory put Seles, the her second Grand Slam final. Seles will face Jana Novotna in Saturday's championship match.

Novotna, dissuaded from her powerful serve-and-volley game when she found the retractable roof of center court open, steadied herself quickly enough — and watched Arantxa Sanchez Vicario make enough errors — for a 6-2, 6-4 victory.

"We were both tentative in the beginning. That was the key. I could get rid of it before she did," Novotna said.

The men's finalists are decided Friday, with top-seeded Stefan Edberg playing old nemesis Ivan Lendl, the two-time defending champion, and third-seeded Boris Becker against Patrick McEnroe, the 114th-ranked player and until now best known as John McEnroe's kid brother.

Following Novotna's quarter-final elimination of defending champion Steffi Graf, the Melbourne bookies were listing Seles as the odds-on favorite to

add the Australian Open championship to last year's French Open title.

This is Seles' first trip Down Under, and she's had a great time, winning the Hopman-Cup in ming Championships and breezing through the first five rounds here with the loss of just 12 games.

But she kept saying she was tired, and against Fernandez she found out that sometimes the best practice is no practice.

After she and American Anne Smith saved six match points and won a women's doubles match 10-8 in the third set Wednesday, Seles went to work on her singles' games.

"I should not have done that," she said. "I felt tired this morning, and I have felt stiff the whole tournament."

Fishing report

MILLER CREEK: Water murky, 42 degrees, normal level; black bass are fair to 6 pounds on deep running lures; striped are fair to 3½ pounds on trolling lures; crappie are good to 1½ pounds on jigs; white bass are fair but mostly small; catfish are fairly good to 10 pounds on trotlines baited with live bait, Tan Bait and bloodbait.

POSSUM KINGDOM: Water clear, 45 degrees, 18 inches low; black bass are good on slabs off points on the main river channel; striped are fairly slow, some under birds; crappie are slow; white bass are fairly good under birds; catfish are slow.

PROCTOR: Water clear, normal level; black bass are slow; striped are slow; crappie are slow; catfish are slow. Few fishermen are out midweek.

SPENCE: Water clear, 38 degrees, 36 feet low; all fishing has been slow because of the weather and lack of fishermen.

STAMFORD: Water clear, 45 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow; striped are slow; all fishing slow due to weather.

TWIN BUTTES: Water clear, 44 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow; crappie are slow with spouts and minnows; white bass are slow; catfish are fair to 4 pounds on catfish bait.

NBA roundup...

Knicks whip Utah

By The Associated Press

The New York Knicks may have been confused for an expansion franchise at times this season and for the better part of six others during their visits to the Salt Palace. The Utah Jazz won't make that mistake again.

"Maybe we did think they were just going to come in here and lay down," Utah's Karl Malone said after a 109-94 loss Wednesday night. "We've done that a couple of times with expansion teams and were able to come back."

"But with a team like this, you can't get 20 points down and come back very often."

"The Knicks shot 77 percent (17 of 22) in the second quarter," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. "That's tough on any team."

Especially one conditioned to victories at home against New York. The Knicks, winners of three straight games — one short of their season-best streak — last beat the Jazz at the Salt Palace on Feb. 10, 1984.

They did it this time on the strength of a 41-22 second-quarter performance and an awesome showing by Patrick Ewing. He had 34 points, a career-high nine blocked shots and 11 rebounds while meshing well with point guard Mark Jackson.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was

New Jersey 99, Chicago 95; Indiana 110, Philadelphia 109; Washington 104, Atlanta 99; Boston 111, Detroit 94; Cleveland 99, Dallas 85; and Sacramento 95, Milwaukee 91.

Ewing and Jackson scored 12 points apiece in the second quarter.

Gerald Wilkins added 19 points and Jackson 17 for New York.

Malone led Utah with 28 points.

Cavaliers 99, Mavericks 85

Larry Nance and Brad Daugherty scored 21 points each as Cleveland used a late 14-point run to win.

Nance's follow shot put Cleveland ahead to stay at 76-74 with 7:10 left, and Dallas went 5:19 without a point.

Bullets, 104, Hawks 99

Pervis Ellison scored six points during a 12-0 run late in the final period.

Bernard King scored 25 points and Darrell Walker had his second straight triple-double with 12 points, 10 rebounds and 13 assists.

Nets 99, Bulls 95

Reggie Theus scored 13 of his 25 points in the fourth quarter, including eight free throws in the final 1:23.

Derrick Coleman and Mookie Blaylock scored 21 points each for the Nets.

SWC basketball...

Arkansas pops Aggies, 113-88

by The Associated Press

Second-ranked Arkansas won for the third time in five days, and still coach Nolan Richardson wanted more.

"We just went through the motions a lot of the time," Richardson said after Wednesday night's 113-88 victory over Texas A&M. "We were physically tired and mentally exhausted from playing so many games in the last few days."

In other Southwest Conference games Wednesday night, Houston edged Texas Christian,

Methodist defeated Rice, 77-73.

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WJCAC standings

Team	Season		District	
	W	L	W	L
South Plains	21	0	7	0
Howard	20	0	6	0
Odessa	16	6	3	3
Midland	12	7	3	3
Frank Phillips	11	7	3	3
WTC	12	7	2	4
NMJC	11	8	2	4
NMMI	7	11	1	5
Clarendon	6	11	1	6

Monday's games
South Plains 78, Odessa 68
Frank Phillips 81, Clarendon 71
NMJC 105, NMMI 93

Thursday's games
WTC at Frank Phillips
NMJC at Midland
Howard at South Plains
Odessa at NMMI
Clarendon — open

Monday's games
South Plains 18, 2 4 1
Howard 18 1 5 0
Odessa 19 1 5 1
NMJC 12 11 2 3
Frank Phillips 9 4 1 3
Clarendon 7 10 0 5
WTC

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Frank Phillips 84, Clarendon 65
Odessa 81, South Plains 66

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AIDS patient's campaign leads to changes

MIAMI (AP) — Kimberly Bergalis had no way of knowing she'd risked her life by having her wisdom teeth pulled, or that her plight would lead to new national guidelines for health-care workers with AIDS.

The 23-year-old Fort Pierce woman did know she had to speak out. Now Bergalis, the first person in the country to report catching acquired immune deficiency syndrome from a health-care worker, said she's grateful she lived to see some results from her public struggle.

"There was still a lot of fear," she said. "I was afraid for my little sister, afraid I would come home at night and see our tires slashed. But I realized I had to do it. If it happened to me, it will

happen again unless changes are made."

The national Centers for Disease Control disclosed Bergalis' case six months ago, and investigators then seemed skeptical that she could have contracted the fatal virus from her dentist, Dr. David Acer of Stuart, Fla., who pulled two of her teeth in 1987. Acer died of AIDS-related cancer in September.

But last week, the CDC released another report after genetic tests showed a 99 percent probability that Acer infected Bergalis and two other patients. Now the medical profession has begun revising rules on AIDS in the operating room.

The American Dental Association and the American Medical

Association recommended that infected doctors tell patients or give up surgery. The AMA also said doctors who risk infection through exposure to patients' blood should be tested.

On Tuesday, Acer's insurance company, CNA Insurance, agreed to award Bergalis \$1 million, the full value of the late dentist's policy. Bergalis still seeks monetary damages from CIGNA Dental Health of Florida, which sent her and hundreds of others to Acer.

Bergalis, the only one of the three infected patients to speak out, savors the victory over medical experts whom she said were initially more interested in her sex life than in examining their own policies. AIDS is com-

monly transmitted sexually or intravenously; Bergalis said she was a virgin who did not use drugs.

"I'm glad to be alive to see these changes are being made," she said. "I never realized how loudly my voice would be heard."

She suffered AIDS symptoms and side effects from drugs, including persistent fevers and infections, hair loss and acne that covered her entire body. For now, she's doing better.

After dropping from 132 to 98 pounds, Bergalis stopped taking the drug AZT and is up to 112 pounds.

"I'm not saying anyone with AIDS should be stuffed into a closet...there's going to be a great need for doctors to treat

AIDS patients," she said. "It's a two-way thing. I'm not advocating only that patients know about their doctors. It has to work both ways."

Hospitals file \$200 million lawsuit

AUSTIN (AP) — An association of hospitals sued the state for \$200 million, saying the Texas Department of Human Services has failed to provide reimbursements for health care to the poor.

The lawsuit was filed Wednesday in a Travis County state district court by the Texas Hospital Association against DHS and the agency's insurance carrier, National Heritage Insurance Co.

The \$200 million in unpaid Medicaid costs dates back to 1986 when state reimbursements were cut 10 percent, the association said.

In 1989, the Legislature voted to restore about three-fourths of those cuts, but DHS has only reimbursed the hospitals about 4.5 percent, the association said.

In addition, the Human Services budget for the 1992-93

budget period does not seek funds for those repayments, the hospitals said.

"Unless government reimburses hospitals adequately for the services delivered to Medicaid patients, many hospitals will have to cut services to survive, and some will close," THA President Terry Townsend said.

For the first 10 months of 1990, Texas hospitals lost an average of \$840 for Medicaid patient treatment, he said.

"Hospitals have to make up these losses," he said. "They do this through higher costs to paying patients and through higher local taxes, if the hospital is tax supported," he said.

Medicaid, a joint state and federal program to provide health care services to the poor, covers about 1.5 million Texans who are disabled, elderly, pregnant and children.

State Sen. Chet Brooks, D-Spadena, chairman of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee, blamed the Human Services agency.

"It was clearly the intent of the Legislature that we wanted to work toward getting that shortfall covered," Brooks said.

"Sadly the department brought it on itself. I'm sorry it had to get to a lawsuit," he said.

Astronauts want to see action in Gulf

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — The commander of Discovery's upcoming flight says his crew plans to look for evidence of the Persian Gulf war as the shuttle flies over the embattled area on the first unclassified military mission.

But Navy Capt. Michael Coats said Wednesday the Defense Department has not asked the seven astronauts to take any ad-

ditional cameras or conduct special surveillance over the Middle East, where American-led troops in Saudi Arabia are fighting the forces of Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein.

"Obviously, it's of very great interest to all of us. We're going to try and see what we can see up there," Coats told reporters.

"But I can tell you based on my experience, we're not going to be

able to see a whole lot. ... We will be looking for things like smoke plumes from burning refineries, ships in the Gulf, that sort of thing. But anything smaller than that will be very difficult for us to detect."

Discovery is scheduled to launch as early as Feb. 26 on an eight-day mission to observe chemical and gas plumes from the shuttle and another spacecraft that will be released into orbit for several days.

Scientists hope the data will help them in their research to develop sensors that can detect missiles aimed at the United States or its allies. The experiment is managed by the Strategic Defense Initiative, or "Star Wars," program.

An Army experiment also will be on board to gather information on Earth's atmosphere, celestial sources and the environment in and around the shuttle's cargo bay.

Numerous shuttle maneuvers are planned, and the crew will work round-the-clock.

"We believe it's the most complex flight we've flown to date," lead flight director Ron Dittmore said.

Security has been tightened at Florida's Kennedy Space Center and the Johnson Space Center in Houston because of the threat of terrorist activity since war erupted last week. JSC spokesman Jeff Carr said public and employees access has been limited in some areas and guards at entrance gates are checking passes more carefully.

"Beyond that, suffice it to say

that appropriate measures are being taken," Carr said.

Coats said the seven astronauts discussed whether it was appropriate to hold the traditional pre-flight crew press conference Wednesday because of the events taking place in the Gulf.

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that appropriate measures are being taken," Carr said.



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Nelson's personal goods are sold at an IRS auction

BRIARCLIFF, Texas (AP) — Robert Black's grandchildren, Willie Nelson's golf cart may be just a toy.

But for Black and others who bought some of the singer's belongings at an Internal Revenue Service auction Wednesday, the sale was a chance to give Nelson their support.

"We're good Willie Nelson fans," said Black, 67, of Keller, who paid \$1,100 for the red golf cart shaped like a Rolls-Royce. "It's a good memorabilia. We'll use it, let the grandkids ride around in it."

Black was one of more than 200 bidders at the first of three IRS auctions being held to pay off some \$16.7 million in taxes and penalties Nelson owes. Items sold ranged from vacuum cleaners to concert posters.

Many who gathered in the cold for the sale at Nelson's Pedernales Country Club said they were neighbors drawn by curiosity and sympathy for Nelson, whose property in several states was seized in November. Others said they came merely out of curiosity.

"Everybody wants a piece of Willie," said Sonny Contreras, after buying two posters. "Everybody feels the same way about Willie. They all love him, and they all want a piece of what he is and what he means to the community."

"We're sorry to see it happen," said Billie Boyd of Briarcliff. "We want to see who'll end up with (the property), and we think Willie will."

But many said the auction was justified.

"It's fair," said Bill Johnson from Lake Travis. "Whether it's his fault or not, you've still got to pay your taxes, just like you and I, right?"

IRS spokeswoman Jamie Stewart said the sale's tally was not immediately available, and might not be made public when it was known.

"They seemed to be real pleased with the way things were going," Ms. Stewart said late Thursday.

Equipment from Nelson's recording studio, including a grand piano for \$18,500 plus a \$5,502 property lien, was sold in the daylong auction.

Also sold: movie posters and

sketches of Nelson, some of which brought more than \$100; a microwave, a ladder, a wooden desk, a leather belt with a silver and turquoise buckle, a water cooler and a safe.

Kirk Henry, assistant manager of Austin's Balcones Country Club, bought a box of 40 golf shorts for \$160 and numerous golf shirts for \$590 to sell at his own club.

The day before the auction, Jeanie Oakley of the Willie Nelson and Friends Showcase Museum in Nashville, Tenn., paid "several thousand dollars" for items from Nelson's office, including photos, gold records, an Indian headdress and furniture. The sale was arranged through Nelson's lawyers.

"It's for everybody to see. We want to keep it all intact," said Mrs. Oakley, who said she has known Nelson for some 30 years. But she said she would give the items back if Nelson requested them. "If he'd like it, sure."

The biggest reaction from the auction crowd was to a poster advertising one of Nelson's Fourth of July picnic concerts. It showed Nelson as Uncle Sam in the "I Want You" recruiting pose.

Sue Goebel, who bought the poster for \$235, said it illustrated "the whole mood of the IRS."

"We care a lot about Willie around here. He's done a lot to help a lot of people out," she said. "I think it's sad this happened. We're just trying to help out, show our support."

On Friday, the IRS will sell some of Nelson's Briarcliff properties, located about 30 miles west of Austin. Those include his recording studio, 9-hole golf course, a fishing camp on the Pedernales River, three condominiums, two townhomes, 19 vacant lots and 688 acres with a movie set and hilltop cabin.

Next week, Nelson's Dripping Springs ranch house, located on about 44 acres, will be auctioned at the Hays County Courthouse in San Marcos.

Although Wednesday's auction focused on Nelson memorabilia, IRS auctioneer Keith Thomas kept the sale in focus.

"Hey, man, I appreciate this. That's going to pay for a couple of bombs, maybe," Thomas said after a buyer paid \$105 for a framed sketch of Nelson.

Scientists: progress seen in gene therapy for muscular dystrophy

said today they had created a "minigene" that mimics the gene linked to the most common and severe form of muscular dystrophy, a step toward gene therapy for the disease.

The synthetic gene contains key portions of the muscular dystrophy gene found in mice, which strongly resembles the human version.

The synthetic gene functioned when put into experimental cells, researchers said.

Scientists said the accomplishment boosts prospects for treating Duchenne dystrophy, the most devastating and common form, by supplying muscle cells with a functioning version of the gene. Duchenne occurs in people who lack that version.

The work is presented in today's issue of the British journal Nature by Cheng Chi Lee, C. Thomas Caskey and others at the Baylor College of Medicine and Howard Hughes Medical Institute in Houston.

"It's a milestone," said genetics researcher Ronald Worton of the Hospital for Sick Children in Toronto and the University of Toronto.

But creating the gene is still "a long way from putting it into a patient," said Louis Kunkel of Children's Hospital in Boston, Harvard Medical School and the Hughes Institute there.

Both men said the gene also will help other studies of the disease.

The synthetic gene, like its natural counterpart, tells cells how to make a protein called dystrophin. In Duchenne dystrophy, lack of that protein makes muscles weaken and waste away.

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patients into wheelchairs by age 12. Few survive beyond their early 20s.

Kunkel and colleagues discovered the dystrophin gene several years ago. It is the largest known human gene, and its size had frustrated efforts to make copies of it, a process called cloning. The new work meets that goal.

Scientists will insert the synthetic gene into mice that lack the natural gene, Lee said. If that corrects the defects, "it will open up the possibility of gene therapy in humans as a good possibility," he said.

Joel told not to come to Saudi Arabia on tour

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Singer Billy Joel says he considered touring U.S. troop bases in the Persian Gulf before war broke out there, but military officials told him it might not be a good idea.

"We asked if we could go to Saudi Arabia, and they said: 'When are you thinking of going?'" Joel said Wednesday. "We said: 'Well, the best time for us would be the middle of January,' and they said: 'Don't come.'" The United States and its allies began war with Iraq on Jan. 16.

Joel is in Australia on his 16-month Storm Front tour, named for his triple-platinum album.

He may have stayed away from the Operation Desert Storm front, but his tour is living up to its name anyway. A freak storm swept Sydney on Monday, and New South Wales state Premier Nick Greiner said many suburbs looked like a "war zone."

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Snyder recognizes two school nurses

Snyder ISD is taking time to recognize its school nurses during School Nurse Awareness Week this week.

"Our schools couldn't do without them," said Barbara Granato of school nurses Reba Erwin and Angel Duncan.

"Our kids need them...They do a million and one things every day."

The nurses contribute to the health of students in many ways beyond their best known function as licensed health care providers. School nurses serve as advocates for students by lending a perspective regarding individual health needs. Their assistance is particularly important for students whose illnesses hinder the ability to learn. In the past, students with health problems were kept at home. Students' needs during the school day for medication, specialized pro-

cedures and access to sophisticated health care apparatus have expanded the role of the school nurse.

School nurses serve as informal health educators by providing counseling and support for students and teachers. They are key resource persons in the processes of curriculum development, textbook selection and review of instructional materials in which accuracy of information is of key importance.

They assist school administrators as communicators with parents regarding sensitive health topics. Their connection to the health care system adds credibility in addressing topics such as prevention of drug use, child abuse, HIV infection, suicide, school-age pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases.



NURSES WEEK — Snyder ISD Superintendent Dalton Moseley presents school nurses Angel Duncan, left, and Reba Erwin, right, with tote bags in honor of school nurses week. (SDN Staff Photo)

Show

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SCURRY COUNTY STOCK SHOW
Grand Champion of Show: Carla Smith, heavy cross, Ira FFA.
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Prospect Pigs: 1. Cole Drum, Snyder FFA; 2. Shea Norwood, Snyder FFA; 3. Jay Nettles, Ira FFA; 4. Cody Cribbs, Snyder FFA; 5. Shannon Walker, 4-H; 6. Rodney White, Ira FFA; 7. Chris McDonald, Snyder FFA; 8. Michael Almon, Snyder FFA; 9. Bridget Moore, Hermleigh FFA; 10. Tasha Naegale, Snyder FFA.
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Light Weight Duroc: 1. Brandy Ackinson, Hermleigh FFA; 2. Becky Ramey, Hermleigh; 3. Billy Mebane, Ira FFA; 4. Buddy Ackinson, Hermleigh FFA; 5. Joey Hall, Hermleigh FFA; 6. Tasha Naegale, Snyder FFA; 7. Billy Joe Digby, Hermleigh FFA; 8. Tiffany Moore, Hermleigh FFA; 9. Shanna Wade, 4-H; 10. Russell Wall, 4-H.
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Heavy Weight Duroc: 1. Reagan Key, Snyder FFA; Grand Champion: 2. Nelson Beeks, Hermleigh FFA; Reserve Champion: 3. Allison Beeks, Hermleigh FFA; 4. Jenise Judah, 4-H; 5. Rad Eicke, 4-H; 6. Shane Wade, 4-H; 7. Tommy Henderson, Snyder FFA; 8. Bay John Long, Snyder FFA; 9. Chad Beaver, 4-H; 10. Christie Kennedy, Ira FFA.
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Light Weight Hamp: 1. Andrea Smith, Hermleigh FFA; 2. Shannon Walker, 4-H; 3. Rad Eicke, 4-H; 4. Larry Labram, Hermleigh FFA; 5. Andrea Smith, Hermleigh FFA; 6. Stacie Taylor, Ira FFA; 7. Michelle Payne, Hermleigh FFA; 8. Emily Taylor, Ira FFA; 9. Cynthia Stansell, Snyder FFA; 10. Rodney White, Ira FFA.
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Second arrest made following constable's videotaped murder

GARRISON, Texas (AP) — State troopers arrested a second man today wanted in connection with the stabbing death of a constable who unwittingly videotaped his own slaying. The man was arrested at about 8:45 a.m. today as he walked along some railroad tracks about six miles north of Nacogdoches, said Texas Department of Public Safety spokesman David Wells. Authorities continued searching for a third suspect, and another man remained in jail without bond. Nacogdoches County Constable Darrell Lunsford, 47, of Gar-

rison, was killed about 1:30 a.m. Wednesday after he stopped a car that was weaving along U.S. Highway 59, which runs through the tiny town in northeastern Nacogdoches County. Wells said the second man arrested was expected to appear before a judge later today. Another man was arrested Wednesday, and scores of law enforcement officers, helicopters and tracking dogs from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice had worked through the night in search of two other suspects. "We have about 50 to 60 officers

who are coming in to resume the search early this morning. They were searching through the night, too," Wells said early today. "Right now, they've got heavy rain up there so they can't the choppers up, but they will be up as soon as it clears."

Condemnation of crackdown measure fails

VILNIUS, U.S.S.R. (AP) — The Russian parliament today failed to muster enough votes to pass a resolution condemning the Kremlin's crackdown in Lithuania, where Soviet troops have seized another government building. The legislature voted 117-51 in favor of the resolution, which had the backing of Boris Yeltsin, the Russian federation president. But the measure lacked a majority of the 250-member body. The vote was a victory for Communist Party conservatives who have been demanding Soviet take tough measures against the separatist Baltic republics and other groups challenging central authority. The resolution would have condemned pro-Kremlin National Salvation Committees in Lithuania and Latvia for appealing to the army in "a prepared attempt to replace the legally elected organs of state power." It also declared that any similar committee would be unconstitutional in Russia, by far the largest of the 15 Soviet republics.

School funding mulled

Continued From Page 1 continuing to analyze it. On Wednesday, lawmakers said they might also meet the court order to change the public school finance system by dividing the state into two huge taxing entities to impose and divvy up the local property tax, a state lawyer said. The plan could be instituted without voter approval of a constitutional amendment, Texas Education Agency lawyer Kevin O'Hanlon said Wednesday. As a former assistant attorney general, he has defended the finance system, which twice has been declared unconstitutional.

statewide property tax for education. The \$14 billion-a-year finance system currently relies on state aid, local property taxes and some federal money. The Texas Supreme Court ruled Tuesday that it remains unconstitutional, despite a reform law approved last year that would have pumped more than \$500 million a year into public education. Property-poor school districts still are denied the same access to education funds as wealthy districts, the court said. It first ruled the system unconstitutional in 1989. Parker's proposal requires a constitutional amendment that could be put to voters in May. But the Supreme Court has ordered state funding for schools to be cut off April 1 if lawmakers do not devise a constitutional school finance system by then.

But Senate Education Committee Chairman Carl Parker criticized the idea of multiple taxing districts, saying it would create more bureaucracies. Parker is pushing a plan to even out schools' access to funds by replacing most of the local property tax for schools with a

Early accident injures woman

Icy road conditions were a contributing factor in a morning accident that sent an elderly Snyder woman to the hospital today. Iva Woodson, 84, of 600 24th St. was taken to Cogdell Memorial Hospital by Snyder EMS where she was still undergoing treatment for head injuries at noon.

According to police at the scene of the accident, reported at approximately 8:25 a.m., Woodson was attempting to turn south on El Paso from 25th St. when the 1976 Chevrolet she was driving slid on the ice. Her vehicle was struck broadside by a 1990 Chevrolet van traveling east on 25th St. driven by Arnold Freeman of Hobbs, N.M. The impact sent the Woodson vehicle to a drainage ditch at the

Both vehicles sustained extensive damage in the collision and were towed from the scene.

Police work mishap, report criminal mischief

Local police investigated a minor accident, filed reports of criminal mischief and recorded one arrest in the last 24 hours.

A minor accident was reported at 3:52 p.m. in the 2400 block of Ave. M. Involved were a 1973 Ford driven by Virgil Mott of 3765 Sunset and a 1977 Toyota driven by Otto Parish of 1208 19th St. Damage to both vehicles was reported as minor.

A 59-year-old man was arrested 7:48 p.m. in the 3100 block of Ave. I on warrants for failing to pay municipal court fines. He was taken to Scurry County Jail.

Police were called to the Busy Bee grocery store, 500 East Hwy., where a window had been broken. An officer then discovered a broken window at nearby Cox's Laundry. Reports for criminal mischief were filed.

SO arrests 2

Scurry County sheriff's office recorded two arrests in the last 24 hours.

A 34-year-old female was taken into custody by deputies at 12:17 p.m. Wednesday 10 miles south of town on three counts of issuance of bad checks.

At 1:35 a.m., a 22-year-old female was arrested for public intoxication near Snyder Cemetery after authorities answered a disturbance call at the location.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Carla Sanchez, Ira; Katherine Redwine, 4109 Denison.
DISMISSALS: Lee Brooks, Kolton Herrley.

Births

Gilbert and Carla Sanchez of Ira announce the birth of a baby boy born at 2:34 p.m. Jan. 23 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed eight pounds and 8 1/2 ounces.

Oilfield fire extinguished

A natural gas pipeline fire near Knapp saw units of Snyder Fire Department dispatched late Wednesday morning.

Firefighters responded to the call at 11:38 a.m. and arrived at the Exxon lease to find that the fire had been extinguished by workers on the scene using several fire extinguishers.

Firemen sprayed water on the 10-inch line, owned by Oryx Energy, to cool the pipeline in an effort to keep it from re-igniting. The blaze apparently started as workers were repairing the line.

Petroleum prices

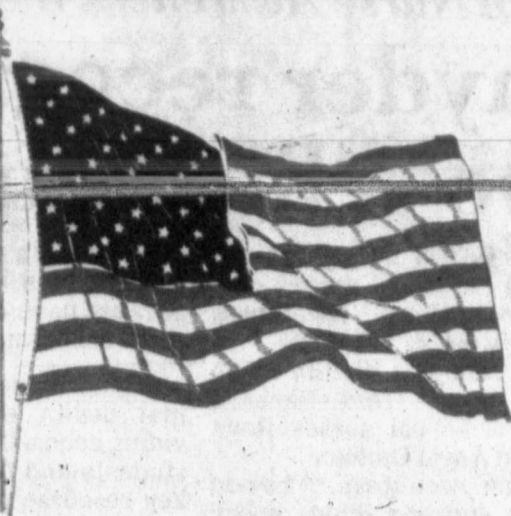
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Desert Storm Update



Gulf War briefs

Here is a look at the latest developments in the Persian Gulf war:

Around the Gulf:

- Baghdad radio said allied warplanes repeatedly rained bombs on the Iraqi capital this morning. It also claimed — contrary to allied accounts — that overnight Iraqi missile attacks on Israel and Saudi Arabia were successful.
- Iran's official news agency said allied warplanes blasted targets in southern Iraq, including the port city of Basra, in two separate air raids this morning. Basra is the command post for Iraqi troops in occupied Kuwait.
- A U.S. Patriot anti-missile rocket knocked an incoming Scud from the skies — the first Patriot interception over Israel.
- In Saudi Arabia, Iraq fired Scuds overnight at the capital, Riyadh; at the eastern port city of Dhahran; and at another site in north-central Saudi Arabia, the U.S. military command said early today. The military said the number of Scuds fired and the number of Patriot intercepts was being determined.
- In Kuwait, an oil field set afire by Iraqi troops was still in flames — and may burn for weeks, oil and salvage industry executives said.
- President Bush said Wednesday night the war against Saddam Hussein was "right on schedule," undercutting Iraq's ability to fight back.
- The Bush administration angrily rejected a broadcast report from Baghdad that allied attacks had destroyed a baby milk factory in Iraq. The plant was really used to produce biological weapons, said White House spokesman Marlin Fitzwater.
- Allied forces seized air superiority with an intense one-week bombardment and will focus bombing runs against Iraqi ground forces around Kuwait, said Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the joint chiefs of staff. Powell added, "Our strategy for dealing with this army is very simple: First we're going to cut it off, then we're going to kill it."
- Defense Secretary Richard Cheney said "there may well be surprises ahead for us," including possible Iraqi air strikes, terrorist attacks and additional missile attacks.
- Japan swallowed misgivings over additional spending and announced a \$9 billion contribution to the allies fighting Iraq. It also said it will use military airplanes to evacuate refugees from the war region. Japan already has contributed \$2 million.
- On the Tokyo Stock Exchange, the Nikkei Stock Average of 225 selected issues gained 218.91 points, or 0.95 percent, closing at 23,269.01.2 points over the previous three days. Oil prices were lower. North Sea Brent crude for March delivery was being traded at between \$20.10 and \$20.20 a barrel in late afternoon.

Texans rise in support of Operation Desert Storm

By The Associated Press

Metal detectors, gas masks and even barbed wire are being snatched up by nervous consumers as the nation enters its second week of war.

In Fort Worth, a local barbed-wire manufacturer has received an order from the military to ship 10,000 rolls of the piercing material to the Persian Gulf.

Although barbed wire has been used in past wars to top fences in prisoner of war camps, George Peevey, owner of Burly Corp. of North America, says he hasn't been told officially what the military intends to do with his product.

"Barbed wire has been used in wars since the first World War, I guess for ground troops and security fencing," Peevey said. "We can only speculate on what they're going to do."

In Garland, the staff of Garrett Electronics has been expanded to meet the sudden demand for their metal detector products.

Orders are coming in from around the world, mostly from airports and even the security-conscious Super Bowl.

The most popular item is the hand-held model, company officials said.

In the East Texas coastal city of Beaumont, gas masks are doing a swift business.

Oilworkers, fearful of a terrorist attack, though deemed unlikely, are the primary buyers, according to Donna Sanders, manager of GI Surplus in Beaumont.

"A lot of people, especially from Port Arthur near the refinery areas, are buying them," Ms. Sanders said. "They

may be scared something is going to happen. They're buying water purification tablets, too."

Since war began on Jan. 16, Ms. Sanders says more than 60 gas masks have been sold.

Meanwhile, retired U.S. Army Gen. William Westmoreland, former commander of U.S. forces in Vietnam said Wednesday he believed the war with Iraq would last longer than anticipated.

Speaking at Southern Methodist University in Dallas, Westmoreland told students that even more dangerous than the war is Iraqi President Saddam Hussein's legacy in the Islamic world.

"When he becomes helpless, his ruthless regime may and I say may, fall apart," Westmoreland said. "And Saddam Hussein may, and I say may again to emphasize it, he may become a martyr which I think he would like..."

On Wednesday, the Corpus

Christi Chamber of Commerce issued a statement after a speech the day before by Houston oilman Oscar Wyatt Jr. during which 100 people walked out.

Wyatt, who flew to Iraq last month with former Texas Gov. John Connally to bring out 22 American hostages, criticized Bush as being "hell bent to go to war."

He also told the 1,200-member audience that the conflict with Iraq would be a "meat grinder" in terms of lost lives.

"We respect Oscar Wyatt's right to express his views, although we don't feel that the Chamber of Commerce Banquet was the appropriate forum," Chairman S. Loyd Neal Jr. said in the statement.

In Austin Wednesday, about 60 people demonstrated in the rain outside the Capitol in support of the war against Iraq.

Further north, in East Texas, Tyler residents were greeted by about 80 military supporters.

Support group notes meeting site changed

A support group for servicemen and women overseas has been moved to the National Guard Armory.

Kay Abrahams, organizer, said the 7 p.m. meeting, originally scheduled at TU Electric's Reddy Room, has been moved to the armory in Towle Park.

The organizational meeting is open to anyone interested in showing support for service men and women and their families.

For more information, contact Mrs. Abrahams at 573-9659.

Saudis importing much fuel for oil-guzzling fleet

MANAMA, Bahrain (AP) — Saudi Arabia, the world's biggest oil exporter, is importing millions of barrels of jet fuel and other refined products to slake the thirst of Operation Desert Storm, oil industry officials say.

"The gulf crisis is going to be good news for oil companies with refining," said Geoff Pyne, an analyst with the Phillips and Drew securities firm in London.

He estimated that aircraft carrying in the attacks on Iraq are eating up about 40,000-50,000 barrels of jet fuel daily. Other analysts have put it at several hundred thousand barrels daily. U.S. military officials won't say.

All oil refineries are operating at capacity in the gulf to process enough jet fuel, diesel and gasoline for the planes, tanks and other vehicles in the 28-nation allied force. Jet fuel is providing big profits, Pyne said.

"Refiners in Europe are making about \$7 to \$8 a barrel, as opposed to \$2.50 a barrel in December," he said.

Allied warplanes have flown more than 12,000 missions since combat began, some by aircraft that burn their weight in jet fuel on a single mission.

"Nobody knows what sort of amounts they are using, but you can believe it's fairly phenomenal," said Alan Marshall, an oil industry analyst for Normura, a Japanese securities firm in London.

Oil industry executives say Saudi Arabia has imported 8 million barrels of petroleum products since December to meet the demands of the war effort. They didn't import any before the war, the officials said.

4 CBS journalists reported missing for three days

NEW YORK (AP) — Four CBS journalists covering the Persian Gulf war were reported missing today after a Saudi military patrol found their empty car in northern Saudi Arabia, the network said today.

"It is our expectation they are with friendly forces," but their whereabouts are not known right now, said CBS spokesman Tom Goodman.

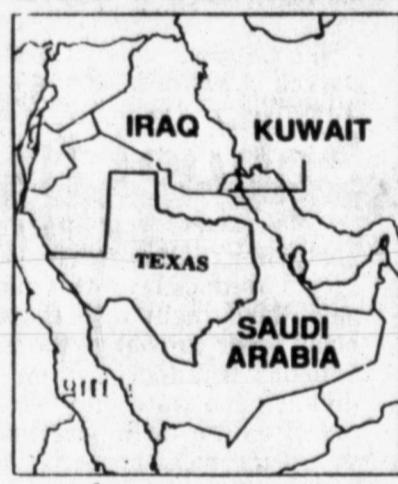
The four include veteran correspondent Bob Simon. CBS has not heard from them since Monday morning, when they contacted the CBS bureau in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, he said. Their car was found in near the Kuwait border town of Al Roqui.

Goodman said the four men, among more than 700 print and broadcast journalists now in Saudi Arabia covering the war, hadn't been part of a military press pool and were working by themselves on a story.

Simon, who has long experience covering the Middle East, also covered the Vietnam War and the fighting in Lebanon.

Goodman identified the other missing CBS journalists as producer Peter Bluff; cameraman Robert Alvarez, and soundman Juan Caldera.

SIZE COMPARISON



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Oil companies uncomfortably report huge quarterly profits

NEW YORK (AP) — Fantastic leaps in earnings ordinarily make companies exult, but that's not so for the big oil corporations, which are squirming over their Persian Gulf windfall.

Not only do they want to convince investors such gains are nothing more than a blip, they also hope to educate a cynical public that considers them greedy gougers who should surrender the money to worthy causes.

The nation's nine largest oil companies are expected to tally \$7.2 billion in profits for the final 1990 quarter, up 69 percent from \$4.3 billion in the 1989 period, said Michael C. Young, an analyst with Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co.

So far, Texaco Inc. reported fourth-quarter profits on Wednesday of \$473 million, up from \$280 million a year ago. Even when special one-time ac-

counting adjustments are considered, Texaco's fourth-quarter earnings were still \$388 million, a 39 percent jump.

Amoco Corp. said earlier this week its quarterly earnings soared 69 percent to \$538 million, while Mobil Corp. reported a 45 percent earnings jump to \$651 million.

Chevron Corp. Chairman Kenneth Derr jumped the gun earlier this month by indicating quarterly earnings will be in the \$700-million range. "They're going to be high, and they're going to create a lot of flack," Derr predicted, though he viewed the quarter as "an anomaly."

The results are not lost on a war-conscious public that has been monitoring developments in the Persian Gulf — and at the gas pumps — since Iraq invaded Kuwait on Aug. 2.