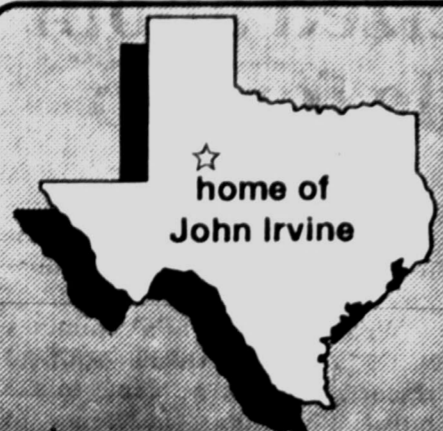


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Ask Us

Q—Why aren't county residents going to get to vote on the 1/2-cent sales tax? They will pay the tax just like city residents.

A—According to state law, only residents in the corporate limits of the city in which the tax will be collected are allowed to vote in the election, explain city officials.

Local

Genealogy

Ray Hernandez (Broken Eagle) will be guest speaker at a genealogy meeting scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday at Golden Corral. Visitors are welcome.

Style show

Ira FHA is sponsoring a "Cover Girl Christmas" style show and salad supper Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Tickets are \$3.50 for adults and \$2 for children 5 and under in advance. Tickets at the door are \$5.

Magic show

The Elegant Magic of Fred Story and his Wonder Workers will be held Saturday at 2 p.m. in Worsham Auditorium on the high school campus.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children.

Funds needed

Child Protective Services in Snyder is asking for donations to give the 45 youngsters in foster care and conservatorship a better Christmas this year.

Tax deductible donations may be mailed to Box 1037 in Snyder. For more information, call 573-1161.

Services

Scurry County Ministerial Alliance Community Thanksgiving Service will be held 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 24 at First United Methodist Church.

Raymond Dunkins, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church, will be the speaker. A benevolence offering will be taken.

Book shower

Hermleigh Booster Club is holding a "book shower" on Sunday at 2 p.m. in the school auditorium. The purpose is to update and add to the variety of books available in the school libraries.

Book orders and donations will be accepted. Cake, punch and coffee will be served.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 72 degrees, low, 31 degrees, reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 45 degrees, no precipitation, total precipitation for 1991 to date, 24 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. Low around 30. North wind 10-20 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy. High in the mid 40s.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:42 p.m. Sunrise Friday, 7:18 a.m. Of 325 days in 1991, the sun has shone 312 days in Snyder.

Sales rebates see 17% hike

Sales tax rebates to Scurry County this month were up over 17 percent, according to the State Comptroller's Office.

The county received \$58,038.26, up 17.49 percent from \$49,397.62 during November of 1990.

This month's payments include taxes collected on September sales

and reported in October by businesses filing monthly returns. November's rebates also include taxes reported by businesses filing quarterly returns for sales made in July, August and September.

County sales tax rebates now total \$533,376.15 for the year, up 15.80 percent from \$460,597.57 last year.

Rebates to the city were up only slightly for November, but remain well above last year's totals. The City of Snyder received \$75,373.55 for the month, up .091 percent from the \$74,695.39 received during November of 1990. The city's year-to-date total of \$815,031.86 is up 12.26 percent from the \$725,996.55 received during the same period last year.

Sales tax rebates for area cities included the following:

—Abilene received \$1,813,500.69, up 0.74 percent from the \$1,800,215.80 received during the same month last year. The year-to-date total of \$15,319,550.87 is up 16.98 percent.

—Andrews received \$73,247.06, up 2.98 percent from the \$71,125.67 received during the same month last year. The year-to-date total of \$661,594.24 is up 6.54 percent.

—Big Spring received \$354,879.81, up 125.99 percent from the \$157,033.94 received during the same month last year. The year-to-date total of \$2,816,631.16 is up 110.16 percent.

—Colorado City received \$40,447.20, up 9.58 percent from

Clues few in case of missing 3

With the investigation nearing three weeks, police still have few clues as to the whereabouts of three missing Snyder people.

Forty-nine-year-old Paul Edward Milford, owner of Fast Oil Change, was last seen in Snyder on the evening of Nov. 2.

Milford's employee, 43-year-old Arthur Lee Harding, and Harding's 28-year-old girlfriend, Nina Jonell Henderson, have been missing since the evening of Nov. 4.

The whereabouts of Harding's 1982 Chevrolet pickup are also unknown.

"The pickup is either hidden or left the area," Snyder Police Chief Lannie Lee said earlier this week.

According to police, no clues have surfaced since Milford's 1982 GMC Suburban was discovered in the Sam's Wholesale Club parking lot in northwest Abilene on the morning of Nov. 14.

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Mills signs contract for television movie

Local author and SDN columnist Deanie Francis Mills has signed a contract to have her novel "Darkroom" adapted for a TV movie, she announced.

Producer Ron Schwary, whose credits include such films as "Footsie," "Ordinary People," "Havana" and "A Soldier's Story," contacted Mills about buying rights to the story after picking up the book at an airport and reading it on a New York to Los Angeles flight.

CBS has been lined up to air the movie, which could go into production sometime after April. According to Schwary, actress Jaelyn Smith is currently considering the starring role.

Mills said she would not be writing the screenplay and does not know if she will be consulted in any of the production details.

"According to my contract, they can change the title or any details they want to about the story. But this producer has done so many quality films that I trust him to do a quality job with 'Darkroom'."

Mills will be given screen credit as the author of the novel, publisher said.

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DEANIE FRANCIS MILLS



JOB SEARCH SEMINAR — Joyce McIntire of Texas Employment Commission discusses career possibilities with Jose Manuel Marques during Thursday night's job search seminar in the TU Electric Reddy Room. The seminar was

sponsored by Western Texas College and speakers included McIntire, WTC management instructor Jack Price and Cogdell personnel director Barbara Parker. (SDN Staff Photo)

\$291 billion...

Congress okays defense bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress today gave final approval and sent to President Bush a \$291 billion defense bill for 1992 that denies his request for four more B-2 stealth bombers while boosting spending on anti-missile defenses.

The legislation also reduces the size of the military and ends Navy and Air Force bans against women flying combat aircraft.

The Senate today approved the measure 79-15. Bush is expected to sign it into law. On Monday the House approved the bill on a 329-82 vote. The legislation lays out defense programs for the fiscal year that started Oct. 1, a separate bill actually providing the money has passed the House and is awaiting Senate approval.

Democratic and Republican leaders alike lauded the legislation as a sober balance between the end of the Cold War and continuing threats to U.S. security.

Sen. Sam Nunn, D-Ga., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, said the bill would keep America strong while reacting to the "dramatic events and momentous changes" of the Persian Gulf War and the failed Moscow coup.

"This is a good compromise," added Sen. John Warner of Virginia, the committee's ranking Republican.

Medicaid...

Texas backs off compromise

WASHINGTON (AP) — Texas is among a handful of states that have not endorsed a com-

promise that would end a federal-state battle over Medicaid that could slash billions of federal dollars in health care for the poor.

By late Thursday, Texas had not approved an agreement negotiated by the National Governors' Association and the Bush administration, said DeAnn Friedholm, a special assistant to Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock.

Texas earlier approved a draft of the compromise, but then rejected the agreement when it was translated into legislative language, she said.

"We were ready to be supportive of the compromise as it was laid out yesterday, and today we find ourselves in a position of now not being able to support the draft legislative language until we see some changes in it," she said Thursday evening.

The agreement was scheduled to be presented today to the Senate Finance Committee, which is chaired by Texas Democrat Lloyd Bentsen.

Texas officials estimate the state would lose up to \$1.2 billion in Medicaid funding if a new regulation proposed by the admin-

istration goes into effect. Bentsen's committee was to consider a bill today that would block implementation of the regulation which limits ways in which states can obtain federal Medicaid matching funds.

"We would very much like to see this worked out but we will be very supportive of a moratorium if that's what we have to get in these final days (before Congress adjourns)," Ms. Friedholm said.

A moratorium, however, is not the best solution, she said.

"It extends the uncertainty," she said, and also reduces the amount of time states have to adjust to any negative impact that might result.

The agreement would set aside the regulation, which was issued in September. The administration has agreed to drop its rule if the compromise negotiated with NGA is enacted by Congress.

NGA executive director Raymond Scheppach said the compromise has been endorsed by all but three of the 39 states that would be affected by the proposed rule.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "One of life's true blessings is that rusty brains don't have to squeak."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors

A few days ago, we printed some words that are natural to Texans. Russell Skiles, in the Lamesa Press-Reporter, was provided with some phrases of true West Texas lingo.

- Feel like I been rode hard and put up wet
- He is as honest as the day is long
- He's as crooked as a dog's hind leg
- Figures don't lie, but liars sure can figure
- Just between you, me and the gatepost
- A little bird told me
- Meaner'n than old scratch
- In a pig's eye
- Thicker'n fleas
- Sound as a dollar. (Doesn't say much these days)
- Beats the heck out of me
- Dead as a doornail
- A straw in the wind
- That's about API

- Cold as a fish
- Cool as a cucumber
- So sweet that sugar wouldn't melt in her mouth.
- Shicker'n a door knob
- Those kinds of phrases help out with typical home-spun philosophy
- Be kind, for everyone you meet is carrying a heavy load
- If he gossips to you about others, he is gossiping to others about you
- Help your neighbor out of the ditch, but make sure you're lifting and not letting him pull you down.
- Kim Pease, editor of the Rotan Advance, is probably in trouble with the ladies in Fisher County. He wrote:
- There are two reasons why a wife won't wear last year's dresses — she doesn't want to and she can't.
- He also added: "An ideal husband treats his wife with the same consideration as his pretty secretary."

Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What causes acid reflux in the stomach? Is there a treatment for this condition other than ulcer medication?

DEAR READER: Acid reflux doesn't occur in the stomach; it occurs in the lower esophagus, which is not lined by protective mucus and is, therefore, especially susceptible to being irritated by gastric juice.

At the junction of the esophagus and the stomach, there is an opening in the diaphragm that is controlled by a sphincter. This ring of muscle prevents backwash of stomach contents during gastric contractions.

However, in many people, partic-

ularly those with hiatal hernia — the sphincter is defective, so when the stomach contracts, acid contents flow back into the esophagus. Called reflux, this causes heartburn, indigestion and gas.

In the absence of a safe and easy method to tighten the sphincter (surgery is expensive and not consistently reliable), most patients rely on antacids to neutralize the stomach contents, thereby relieving symptoms. As an alternate, people often use anti-ulcer prescription drugs, too, such as Tagamet or Zantac. By reducing the production of gastric acid, these drugs alleviate the heartburn of

reflux.

I suggest people with reflux try several simple suggestions:

- Avoid food, such as spices and alcohol, known to aggravate symptoms.
- Don't lie down for at least 30 minutes after eating. There's no sense in increasing reflux with gravity.
- Don't stuff yourself. A full stomach is more likely to cause symptoms.
- If you're obese, lose weight. Abdominal fat deposits can press on the stomach and increase reflux.
- Use antacids plentifully. Initially, the liquid forms usually work best but once the symptoms are controlled, the chewable tablets are fine to use.

Because reflux and hiatal hernia often go hand in hand, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Hiatal Hernia." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 plus a long self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Florida to hold first event in 1992 elections

WASHINGTON (AP) — Forget for now the wintry weather of Iowa and New Hampshire. Sunny Florida will hold the first event in the 1992 presidential sweepstakes, much to the dismay of Democratic Party leaders.

The party doesn't have a problem with sunshine, shorts or straw hats — it's straw polls that don't sit too well.

When the Florida Democratic Party holds its annual convention next month, the 2,350 delegates will vote on which of the six major Democratic candidates they think should be president.

The non-binding straw poll Dec. 15 has little to do with who will get the state's 148 national convention delegates, but everything to do with one of the favorite subplots of politics — the expectations game.

"We're very excited about it," said State Democratic Chairman Simon Ferro. "It's the kickoff event for the '92 campaign."

Sort of. The official kickoff comes Feb. 10, when Iowa holds its caucuses, followed eight days later by New Hampshire's primary.

Sharp criticized about selecting aide for job

AUSTIN (AP) — A Texas member of the Republican National Committee is criticizing state Comptroller John Sharp, a Democrat, for hiring one of his post assistants as lottery director.

But Sharp's spokesman, Andy Welch, on Thursday described the accusations by Ernest Angelo Jr. of Midland as nothing but a partisan attack.

Angelo suggested that Sharp's appointment of Nora Linares, 37, to the \$79,500 a year lottery post was a political move that "appears to be nothing more than a roll of the dice."

"I feel that Texans are far more

interested in a state lottery that is managed professionally, effectively and cleanly, with no corruption, no politics, and no mistakes," he said.

Welch said Angelo's comments were "cheap, partisan, political rhetoric that has no place in the business decisions necessary to run a lottery."

"There is no Texan who knows more about a lottery than Nora Linares," Welch said. "If Mr. Angelo had some Yankee in mind who he thinks is better qualified he should have brought them forward."

Astrograph By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Nov. 22, 1991

You'll have to be on your toes in order to recognize and appreciate opportunities that will be coming your way in the year ahead. Several might develop from a least suspected source.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Usually, you have a rather sound sense of value, but this attribute might desert you today, and you could spend more money for things than they're actually worth. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences governing you in the year ahead. Send for Scorpio's Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Conditions that have a direct effect upon your career could be unsettling today, so proceed cautiously, especially in matters where funds are exchanged. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Time you spend today brooding over real or imagined problems is wasted time. Immersing yourself in your work is the only thing that will pay real dividends. **AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)** There's a possibility you might put yourself in a position today where those you associate with could take advantage of you. Don't be your own worst enemy. **PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)** Partnerships could prove to be more counter-productive than constructive today. If you team up with anyone, be sure there is parity in the union.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Strive to spend your time on endeavors today that gratify your sense of achievement. If you are idle or unproductive, it will have a depressing effect on your attitude. **Taurus (April 20-May 20)** It's best not to discuss your present financial affairs with anyone today, not even a close friend. There's a possibility something detrimental might unwittingly be repeated.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) This is one of those days where you might not be able to please anyone, no matter how hard you try. Don't waste your resources as a tool of appeasement. **CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Individuals you'll deal with today might not operate in accordance with your high standards. Be very careful with whom you place your trust.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Avoid gambling with either romance or dollars today. Your performance in these areas might not be up to par, and you could end up a loser. **VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Even after you've achieved an important objective today, don't take your success for granted. Your underpinnings might not be strong enough to sustain a victory. **LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** There's a possibility today that what you think you want, you won't, and what you have, you may not be happy with. Be grateful for your present circumstances.

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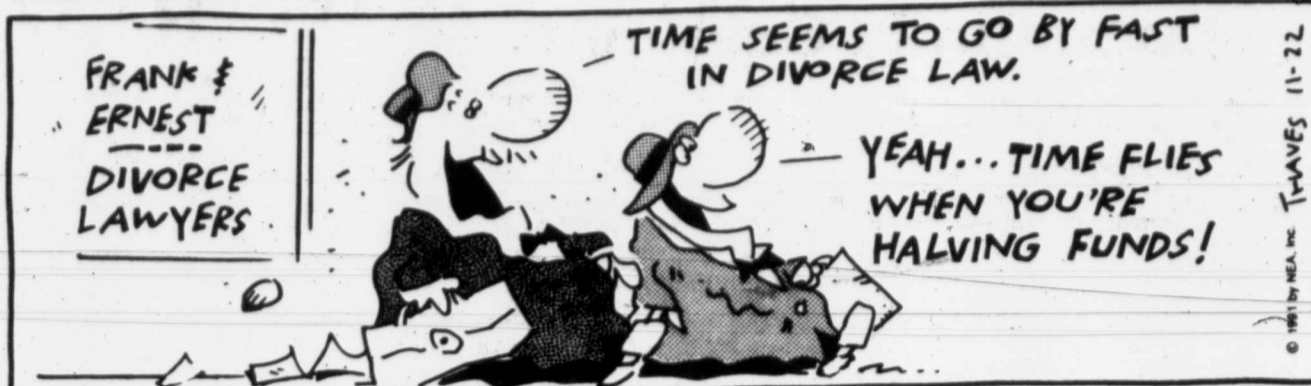
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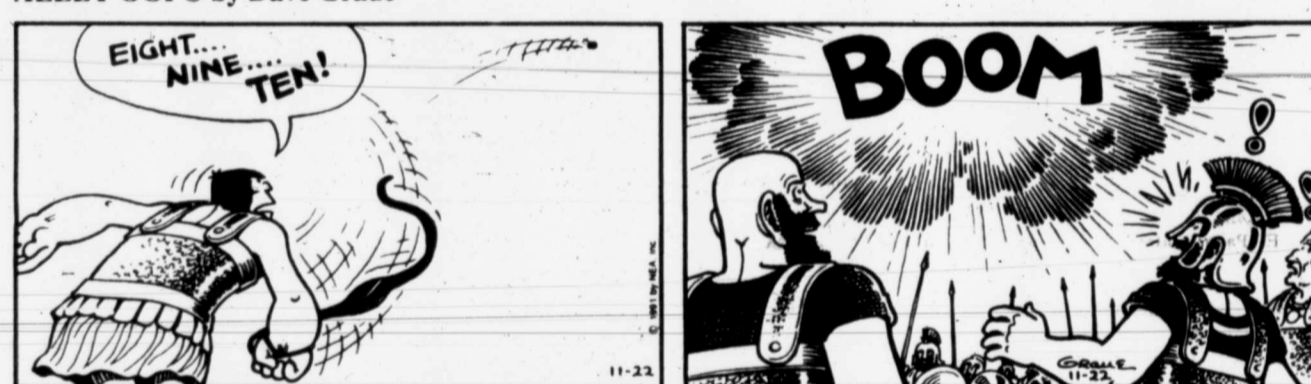
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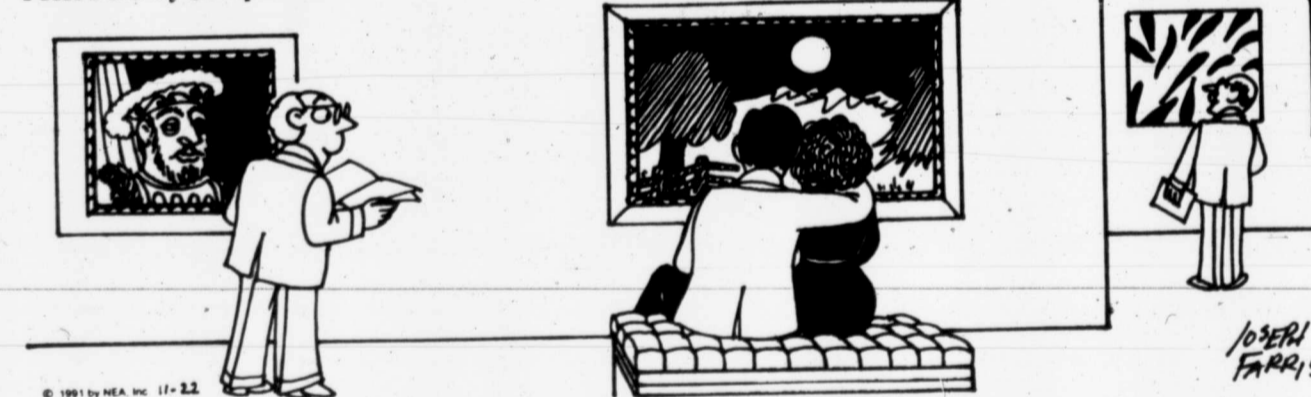
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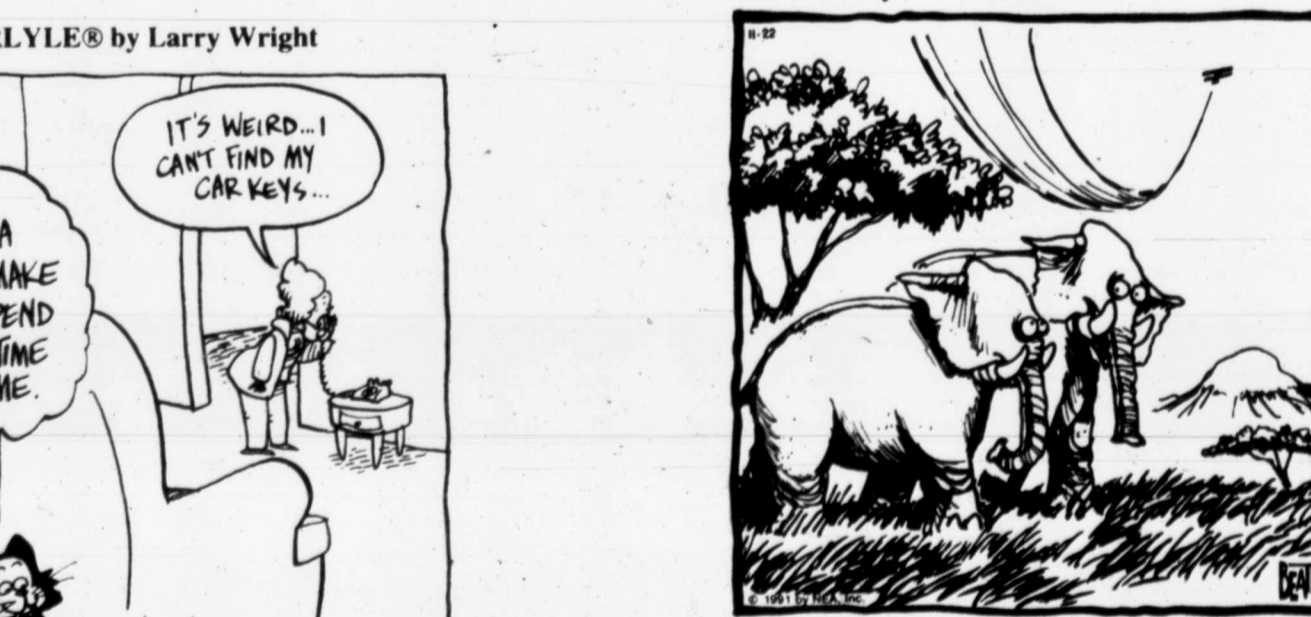
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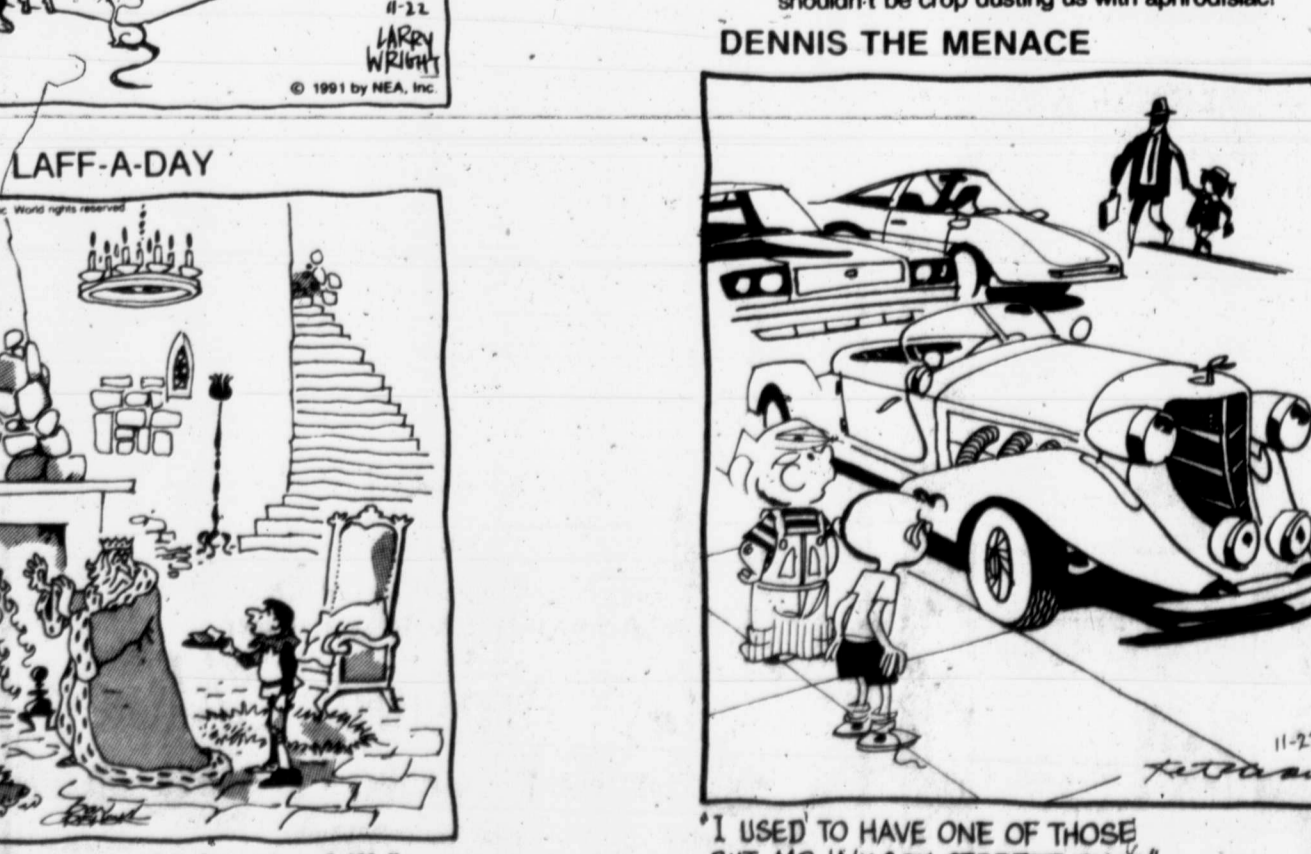
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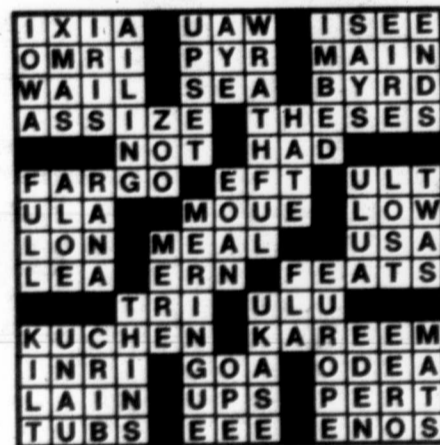
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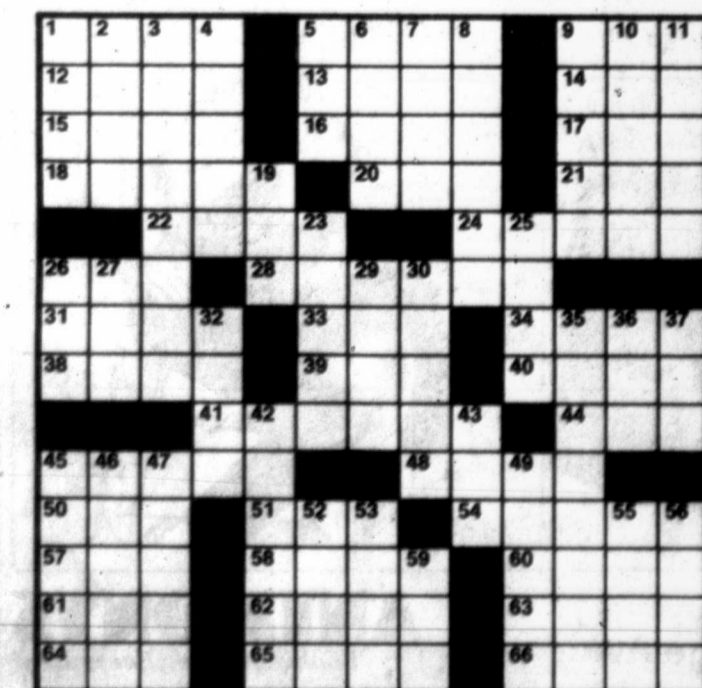
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Rick Perry says Texas food for Texas menu

AUSTIN (AP) — All any Texan needs to celebrate Thanksgiving grows in Texas, Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry says.

"Not only this Thanksgiving but every meal can be — and quite frankly should be — a totally

Texas menu," he says. Perry and other state leaders gathered in the Texas House on Thursday to talk turkey, giblet gravy, cornbread dressing and other trimmings.

The feast was cooked up to tout the "totally Texas" menu being

promoted by the Department of Agriculture to consumers, grocery stores, hotels and restaurants.

"It is not only good for our health, but it is good for our economy," said Gov. Ann Richards, who dined with Perry and House Speaker Gib Lewis.

The only non-Texas product served was cranberries, and Perry said that dish got help from Texas grapefruit.

"We're not a cranberry growing state. But you know, cranberries can be a little bland, so we spiced those up with some of those

good, sweet ruby red grapefruit," he said.

The dinner featured bell pepper soup, roasted turkey, loin of pork, giblet gravy, cornbread sage dressing, brown Texmati rice and sausage dressing, minted carrots, broccoli, sweet potato pecan pie,

orange cake, Texas wines and Texas mineral waters.

Perry said the meal showed the diversity of Texas agricultural products.

"Agriculture is an \$11.2 billion annual business in Texas," he said. "Our farmers and ranchers raise nearly every kind of crop and livestock produced in America."

While the officials fulfilled their obligation to push Texas commodities, their interest clearly was on the table.

"Now do we eat?" the governor asked after making some brief remarks. Speaker Lewis handed out the napkins. Perry passed the plates.

TV evangelists investigated

DALLAS (AP) — Investigators are trying to find out how televangelist Robert Tilton's Word of Faith ministry spends the millions of dollars it receives each year, an assistant Texas attorney general says.

"Our inquiry is going to be directed primarily at learning whether or not this money is going to help people's souls or just line Brother Bob's wallet," Steve Gardner told WFAA-TV.

Gardner made his comments after previewing Thursday night's edition of the ABC-TV news program PrimeTime Live.

The program said Tilton has the

fastest-growing ministry in television. Tilton received \$80 million a year from his followers, PrimeTime estimated.

The program used hidden cameras to penetrate his ministry. Jim Moore, president of Response Media, which handles Tilton's direct-mail campaign, said computers help target donors whose responses are opened by an Oklahoma bank.

The donors' pleas are thrown in the trash, PrimeTime said.

"When it's a faith in God that is being abused, that's the most cold, manipulative and chilling kind of fraud I know of," Gardner said.

Former resident, husband picked for Soviet Union trip

Benny and Donna Baker have been asked to join a teaching team which will travel to the Soviet Union over Thanksgiving.

The Bakers will travel with a group from the Herald of Truth, an international media ministry supported by Churches of Christ across the country. The group's primary effort will be in Kiev in the Ukraine, which is the second largest republic in the Soviet Union with a population of over 53 million people.

The group will be conducting follow-up work from television broadcasts that began last Thanksgiving in Kiev and other efforts that have been going on throughout the year. These included the distribution of Bibles and correspondence courses. They will hold town hall meetings using a 1,000-seat auditorium at the Medical University in Kiev.

The Bakers said the area they will be working in has a direct relationship with the West Texas, because the Ukraine is known as the "Bread Basket" of the Soviet Union, because it has a major production of wheat, sugar beets and potatoes.

Mr. and Mrs. Baker will leave for the Soviet Union on Monday, Nov. 25, and will return home on Friday, Dec. 6.

Baker is the minister of the Church of Christ in Dimmitt. Mrs. Baker is a native of Snyder and is

the daughter of Bob and Jean Prather of Plainview and the late Billy Wood. She is the granddaughter of Eunice Wood and niece of Kenneth and Trudie Wood and Dean Horsley, all of Snyder.



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FHA HAS BUBBLE BLOW — In cooperation with the American Cancer Society, Future Homemakers of America sponsored the Great American Smokeout at Snyder High School. FHA members passed out information regarding the hazards of smoking. For environmental purposes, the FHA opted to hold a "Bubble Blow" rather than a balloon release as planned. FFA officers are Lucy Bogard, Monica Rios, Christy Flores, Margarita Garcia, Jennifer Yruegas, Venita Davis, and sponsors are Carolyn Derouen and Carolyn Limmer. (SDN Staff Photo)

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