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## Ask Us

Q—How many officers are employed by the Snyder Police Department?

A—The department employs 12 officers. In addition, two investigators, four dispatchers and the chief of police are also on staff.



## In Brief

### 4 found dead

AUSTIN (AP) — The bodies of four women were found early Saturday in the rear of a yogurt store after firefighters extinguished a two-alarm fire inside the establishment, police said.

Karl Balmer, a police communications supervisor, said the victims appeared to have been shot. However, police on the scene said the bodies were badly burned and the cause of death will be determined during autopsies Saturday.

Police did not release the names of the victims, pending notification of family members.

Extent of damage to the building and a motive for the killings and the blaze had not been determined. Police say they are looking for multiple suspects.

## Local

### FFA parents

Snyder FFA parent organization will meet in the high school ag building at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

### Civil trial

Jury selection is scheduled to begin Monday morning in 132nd District Court in the case of Noah Bilano vs. Tex Meter Service Inc. and West Texas Meter Co.

### Craft room

The Christmas Craft Room at Grace Lutheran Church will be open from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Dec. 10 and 17.

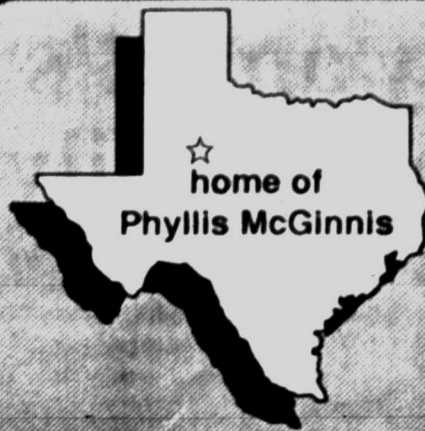
A joint anniversary celebration by Grace Lutheran and St. John's Episcopal will begin at 9 a.m. on Dec. 15 at Grace Lutheran.

## Weather

Snyder Area Forecast: Saturday night, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of showers. Low in the lower 50s. South wind 10-15 mph. Sunday, partly cloudy. High in the mid 70s. Southwest wind 10-15 mph.

Snyder Temperatures: High Friday, 70 degrees, low, 36 degrees, reading at 7 a.m. Saturday, 51 degrees, no precipitation, total precipitation for 1991 to date, 24 inches.

Almanac: Sunset Saturday, 5:41 p.m. Sunrise Sunday, 7:30 p.m. Sunset Sunday, 5:41 p.m. Sunrise Monday, 7:31 a.m. Of 341 days in 1991, the sun has shone 328 days in Snyder.



# SUNDAY

# Snyder Daily News

## Dunn resident injured in fire

A Scurry County man received severe burns in a fire which destroyed a house two miles east of Dunn Saturday morning.

Ismael Salazar received burns to his upper torso, legs and feet from the fire and was rushed to Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room about 6:20 a.m. The 49-year-old man was stabilized and taken by Snyder EMS to University Medical Center in Lub-

bock at 8:35 a.m.

Fire officials said the structure was "on the ground" by the time firemen arrived on the scene at 6:30 a.m. The cause of the blaze is under investigation. Firemen said the house is owned by O.P. Richardson and was being occupied by Salazar.

Officials at University Medical Center listed Salazar's condition as serious but stable as of noon Saturday.

The fire was one of three worked by Snyder Fire Department in a 24-hour period.

At 2:25 p.m. Friday, a fire burned 23 cotton modules and an estimated 50 ginned bales at Farmer's Co-op Gin on Hwy. 180.

Fire personnel said the blaze began as a grass fire along the highway right-of-way and was quickly spread by winds. Fire officials, who worked the fire until 9 p.m., were assisted by maintainers from county precincts 1 and 2, a highway department maintainer, dozers from Price Construction, Inc. and transport trucks from Fluid Transports, Inc.

Robby Robinson, gin manager, estimated the damage at \$40,000. There was no structural damage to the gin, which resumed operations again at 9 p.m.

At 8:15 p.m. Friday, firefighters responded to a house fire six miles northeast of Snyder, southwest of the Price Daniel Unit. Officials said damage from the fire was heaviest in the kitchen area but noted that there was also heavy heat and smoke damage to the rest of the house.

The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The home is owned by Roscoe Williams. No one was at the residence at the time of the fire.

## Collier to seek 8th term

Keith Collier, Scurry County sheriff since 1965, announced Friday his intentions to seek an eighth four-year term.

Collier, Texas sheriff of the year in 1987, will seek re-election subject to the March 10 Democratic primary.

"I want to thank the citizens of Scurry County for their goodwill and support through the years and pledge my continuing efforts to provide all with fair, effective law enforcement," Collier said.

He is a past-president of the Sheriff's Association of Texas and is a director of the Texas Association of Counties. The award presented in 1987 was the Tom Tellepsen award.

He is also past president of the West Central Texas Law Enforcement Association. He is a member of the Snyder chamber of commerce and the chamber's economic development committee.

Last Tuesday, a contested race developed for Precinct 1 County Commissioner in the Democratic primary. Area rancher Weldon Beck announced to face Democrat Tommy Marricle who, on Oct. 23, was the first candidate to declare for county office.

Precinct 1 incumbent Jerry Morgan, a Republican who was appointed to the court in August, has yet to announce his candidacy. (see PRIMARY, page 12A)



KEITH COLLIER

## Incentives increase ISD attendance rate

A move by the Snyder school board earlier this year is having a positive effect on attendance at the district's six elementary schools.

At the recommendation of Snyder ISD Superintendent Dalton Moseley, the board gave its okay in an August meeting to have a party and cookie party for the elementary school with the best average daily attendance for each six-week period. In previous years, a party had been given to the school with the best attendance for the month of October.

"I feel that this has helped our attendance. It gives us competition among students and schools and is also an added motive for students to come to school," said Moseley.

The superintendent said he enjoys the parties because it gives him the opportunity to visit with the students and staff of different schools, another aspect he feels is important.

Moseley pointed to the atten-



SHOPPING DECISIONS — Adrian and Tina Chavez face the same dilemmas as other holiday shoppers as they choose gifts for their family during a shopping spree Saturday sponsored by

Kmart and the Jaycees. Pictured assisting the young shoppers is Jaycee Makala Roberts. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Christmas Happening slated Sunday at college, museum

The public is invited as Scurry County Museum and Western Texas College host the 1991 Christmas Happening from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m. Sunday.

A Faculty Art Show and pottery sale on campus, and a Christmas-style open house at the Cornelius-Dodson House and Dermott School on the county coliseum grounds are other weekend attractions.

The museum and college were

to co-sponsor a Pearl Harbor Remembrance on Saturday and the museum will be continuing the World War II theme with its exhibits for the holiday season. Special emphasis will be on activities on the home front, with the overall theme of "Since You Went Away." Posters and photographs help recapture the feelings of those at home.

Children attending the Christmas Happening are encouraged to bring aluminum cans for a scrap drive like those in which school children took part during the war. They will receive V (V for victory) buttons similar to those awarded the 1940s children, with the present V standing for Victory Over Pollution. They can enter their names in a drawing for a "Save the Cans" T-shirt and the cans will go to the WTC collection

for scholarship funds.

The museum will be conducting a recruiting campaign, but their recruits will be signing up to give volunteer time to the museum instead of going off to war. A War Bond booth will offer visitors an opportunity to invest in the museum through memberships or gifts.

Of special interest to children will be the arrival of Santa Claus at 1:30 p.m. Pinata breakings for children are planned near the museum at 2 and 3 p.m.

Carolers from WTC will be singing in the museum's USO booth at 1:45 p.m., 2:30 p.m. and 3:15 p.m. under the direction of Brent Hardegree. Speech students of Jan McCathern will present a Christmas Readers' Theatre in the college Fine Arts Theatre at 2 p.m. (see HAPPENING, page 12A)

## Commissioners face long agenda Monday

County commissioners will face a lengthy agenda Monday, including community center manager salaries, problems with the roof at the coliseum, personnel and an appraisal board election.

Several budget items and bids are also on the agenda for the 10 a.m. meeting at the county courthouse.

Formal action on the salary of community center managers will be taken by commissioners. This summer, the court took action to do away with users fees at the centers, except for reunions. Discussed during that time but not voted on was paying managers \$200 monthly to manage the facilities.

In addition, commissioners will discuss options and possible bid specifications for repairs to the leaking roof at the coliseum. A supervisor for the consolidated

road and bridge crew is also expected to be named Monday.

Expected to be approved is a resolution calling for an election for the Scurry County Appraisal District Board. Last month, commissioners nominated Bill Voss for re-election to the position. Another resolution up for approval is one authorizing the county to apply for a grant from the Community Justice Assistance Division. The grant is worth a minimum of \$50,000.

Some 12 line-item budget transfers will be reviewed by commissioners. An \$80,000 budget amendment to the county welfare budget to cover indigent care expenses will also be considered.

Several bids are scheduled to be awarded for county equipment, liability and property insurance and the outside audit.

## Council reviews topics prior to board meeting

Snyder city council members discussed bids for a telephone system and five vehicles during a brief workshop Friday.

The work session served as a review of agenda topics prior to the board's regular meeting, scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at City Hall.

Police Chief Lannie Lee and Fire Chief Terry Don McDowell studied bids for a telephone sys-

tem for the police and fire departments with the council Friday. Council members, who are expected to take a formal vote on the bids Tuesday, noted that some \$9,290 has been budgeted for the system.

Also reviewed were bids for a community service vehicle for the police department. The vehicle will be utilized at times to transport (see COUNCIL, page 12A)

## The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "At this time of year, it often seems like everything in the world remains to be done, or done over."

Jerald Garner, minister of music at Colonial Hill Baptist Church, has teamed up with several of his musically-inclined members and formed a group known as the Colonial Hillbillies.

We first heard them perform in October at the appreciation day for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice. Although they find little time to practice together, their pickin' and grinnin' quickly has the audience patting a foot.

When they played in October, Jack Denman was out of town attending a meeting of the Texas Municipal League. The Colonial Hillbillies certainly sounded good that day.

We first heard about the Colonial Hill Wrap Group in a conversation, and we thought the Hillbillies must have changed its name. We thought they said "Rap Group."

It was Garner who told us a story that underscores the advantages of living in a small town. He often writes thank-you notes on postcards. Being in a hurry one day, Garner forgot to put a stamp on a card that he had simply signed, "Jerald."

Rather than sending it to some dead-letter office, the folks at the Snyder post office returned it to him for postage.

Speaking of mail, retired milkman Hub Evans came up with a thoughtful suggestion. He recently visited former Game Warden Rue Gambol in a Jayton nursing home.

You may remember that Gambol suffered a massive stroke and is paralyzed. Hub says that Gambol's mind remains alert and that he has learned to communicate with his eyes and lips.

A Christmas card would be appreciated at this time of year, and Evans provided Gambol's address at Kent County Nursing Home. It is Box 86, Highway 70-N, Jayton, Tex., 79528.





# It's creepy and it's kooky, it's an Addams Family economy

NEW YORK (AP) — The Rockefeller Center Christmas tree was lit this past week — in a driving rain. Snow arrived, off cue, the next day.

The traditional, warm and fuzzy displays in the windows of Saks Fifth Avenue have been replaced

by long-legged mannequins in skimpy Santa outfits that would make poor old Mrs. Claus blush.

This is Christmas? Yes, Virginia. But you'll have to forgive the slightly out-of-step performances on the streets of New York. Then again, they may be appropriate for this season of sagging confidence and rising worries about the economy.

country with weakness in consumer spending, construction and factory production.

—A monthly survey by corporate purchasing managers affirmed that the manufacturing sector continued to slip in November. —Retailers, getting their first glimpse of sales from the start of the shopping season, reported generally weak results from November.

Was there no good news? There was some. The retail numbers were not as disastrous as some companies had feared. Under the circumstances, that registered as a major plus. The numbers showed strength at the discount houses, Wal-Mart Stores in particular, proving that people were indeed spending, albeit frugally.

Sales from the major automakers also appeared to pick up in late November, suggesting some faint signs of life in big-ticket purchases.

In addition, the Federal Reserve took another step toward easing interest rates by injecting reserves into the banking system and lowering the rate for loans between banks for the 14th time since the recession began last year.

Many in Washington were doing their best to brighten the outlook. Congress started churning out ideas for tax cuts to spur the economy, and Bush administration officials promised to lobby for a plan of their own early next year.

President Bush himself got into the act, accelerating \$9.7 billion in government payments to get more money pumping through the economy's veins.

The president pledged to introduce more "common sense" approaches to stimulating the economy next year, but offered few specifics, except the capital-gains tax cut he has long favored.

He also promised not to "do anything dumb," which proved a reassuring prospect in itself in this upside-down season.

## Principal accused of doctoring students' tests

CHICAGO (AP) — Lake Forest is wringing its wealthy hands over charges that an award-winning principal doctored standardized tests to make her pupils look better.

The elementary school principal, Linda K. Chase, has been suspended with pay from her \$62,000-a-year job while the school board investigates the charges. She is expected to answer the allegations Monday at a special board hearing.

The board says Chase told teachers to keep slower pupils from taking achievement tests and to cheat on the tests in order to inflate the scores.

Some parents at Cherokee School have rallied to Chase's defense while others are demanding that the school district begin to reconsider its emphasis on achievement scores as a measure of success.

The conflict has galvanized the northern suburb of about 17,000, where housing stock starts at \$170,000 and climbs to \$8 million for mansions on Lake Michigan's shore.

Chase's attorney said Friday his client is innocent and suggested the allegations may have arisen in part because teachers at other schools failed to get the positive results Chase was able to attain from her pupils.

"To throw these charges at a brilliant, well-regarded teacher we think is a shabby way to treat her," attorney George Grumley said. "Something, I think, has gone terribly wrong."

Chase has served as teacher and principal of Cherokee School for 19 years.

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## Mistletoe loses its charm after holiday

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — Although Yuletide tradition provides for smooching under a sprig of mistletoe, the parasite is sucking the life from Texas trees, a plant expert warns.

"For 11 and a half months out of the year, mistletoe is a pest," said Jerral Johnson, an extension plant pathologist for the Texas Agricultural Extension Service at Texas A&M University.

"It's a parasite, it weakens the tree and over time will kill it." American mistletoe is an evergreen shrub not related to the European mistletoe, celebrated in Christmas tradition. The United States has nine species of the parasite. Three are in Texas.

Water oak, hackberry and elm are the trees most often harmed by the shrub.

It attaches itself through the bark with root-like extensions, then lives off of the same nutrients the tree needs to survive.

The mistletoe is spread by birds, which eat its small white berries, then deposit seeds in their

droppings or when they wipe their beaks on rough bark.

Johnson said mistletoe damage varies. It can kill an oak within three years, but mesquite is hardly harmed.

Still, it doesn't pose a significant threat to agriculture, Johnson said.

"It doesn't have any particular

economic impact," he said. "Of course, if it kills the oak in your front yard, it'll reduce the value of your lot."

Johnson said scientists at Texas A&M have not been successful in formulating chemical controls for it. Herbicides that kill the mistletoe usually also kill the trees it infests.

## Court strikes down rules for hazardous waste material

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal appeals court on Friday struck down part of the 1980 federal regulations intended to create a system for tracking hazardous wastes, from generation to disposal.

The Environmental Protection Agency did not give adequate opportunity for outside comment before it adopted the three rules, the appeals court said.

The judges suggested that in the interest of continuity, the EPA may want to re-adopt the regulations on an interim basis while it provides a public comment

period. The rules were adopted in 1980 to implement the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act of 1976, which was aimed at creating a system for tracking waste from its generation to disposal. A number of industry groups brought suit to challenge the rules.

EPA spokeswoman Wendy Butler said it was too early to say whether they would be reimposed on an interim basis.

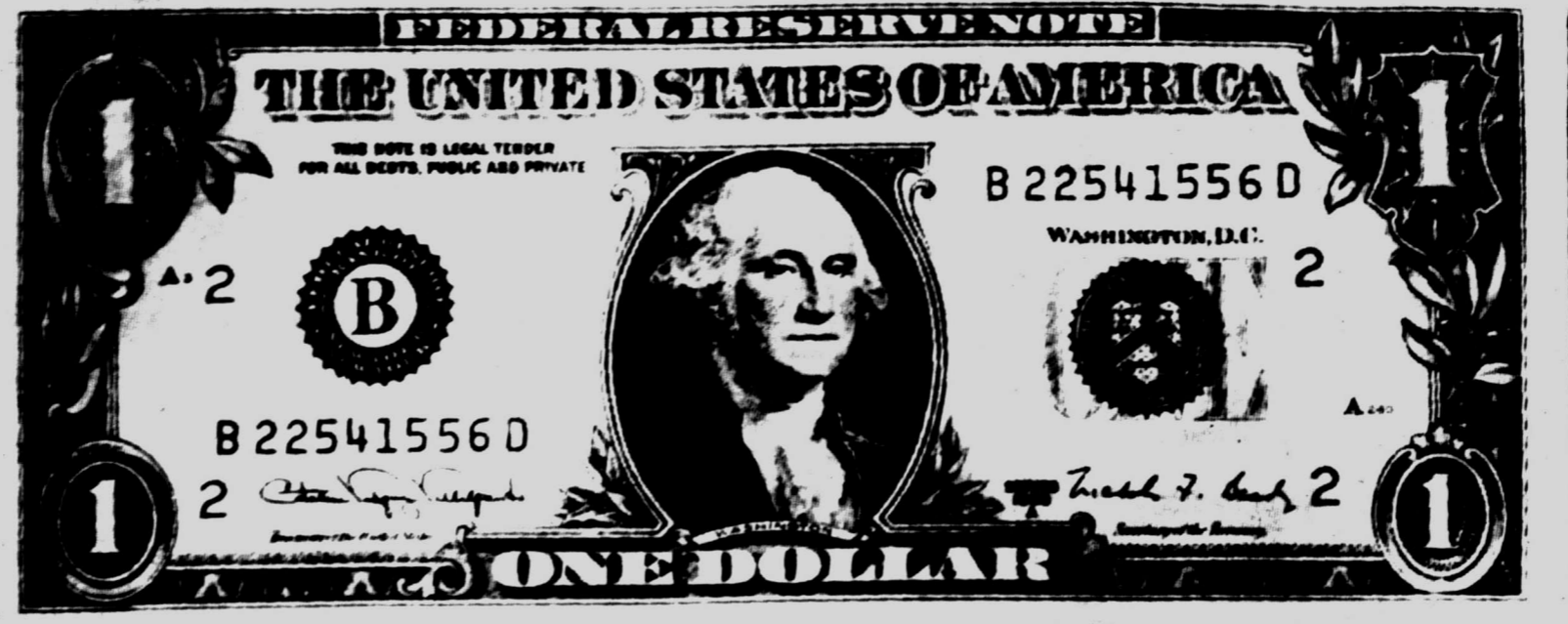
The EPA has a number of criteria for deciding what materials must be classified as hazardous waste.

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Grace Lutheran, St. John's Episcopal Church...

# Joint anniversary celebration planned

A Joint Worship Service on Sunday, Dec. 15, will celebrate Grace Lutheran Church's 35th and St. John's Episcopal Church's 40th anniversary.

Worship will begin at 9 a.m. at Grace Lutheran with the "Service of the Word." Bishop Mark Herbener of Dallas will preach, Bishop Sam B. Hulsey of Lubbock will preside over the Holy Eucharist service to follow at St. John's. The Rev. Walter Lentz, former Grace Lutheran pastor now living in Seguin, will be the guest soloist.

Herbener serves in the Northern

Texas Northern Louisiana division of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

Hulsey is the bishop for the Synod/Episcopal Diocese of the Northwest Texas USA.

A potluck meal and short program will follow.

All friends, former members and Lutherans and Methodists in the area are invited to attend.

Charter members and former pastors/priests will be honored guests.

The theme of the joint celebration will be praise and thanksgiving.

Grace Lutheran Church held its first informal meeting of the congregation in January of 1956. Seventeen adults and 12 children were present.

Worship services began 10 days later with two Lutheran pastors, the Rev. James Vorkoper and the Rev. Clarence Hagens, alternating services. Sunday School and periodic family nights were held as well.

Grace Lutheran Church was newly re-organized on Dec. 9, 1956.

Worship services in 1956 were held in the West Elementary School Auditorium. Various church organizations were also being organized during this time, including Women of the Church, Children's Choir and Junior Luther League.

Toward the latter part of 1956, the late Mr. and Mrs. D.M. Cogdell, Sr. presented the congregation with a half-acre tract of land just west of the then nurses' homes of the hospital. Two years later, this property was first exchanged for a 1.5 acre tract of land fronting Round Top Road, now College Avenue.

Beginning in January of 1957, Rev. Lentz served as the first pastor. A parsonage, located at 3750 Avondale, was purchased.

Plans were then made for a church to be constructed at the site but groundbreaking ceremonies were not held until 1960 when the late Mr. Cogdell turned the first spade of dirt.

Bob Eime served as chairman of the committee with J.D. Hinton as the architect, and T.E. Shelburne as the contractor. The church then cost 65,000 to build.

Throughout the years, the church continued to grow and new things such as an organ were added a little at a time. Financial difficulties later developed which forced the church to sell the parsonage in 1978.

In 1981, the church was cut back to having a part-time pastor and the note was paid in 1984.

In 1989, the same year the Rev. Arlyne C. Turnquist was installed as the pastor for both Grace

Lutheran and St. John's, the two congregations merged.

"Grace Church," or St. John's Episcopal Church as it was later named in 1950, was organized in May of 1910 through the efforts of eight charter members.

A "carpenter's gothic" church building with bell tower was erected. Monies were donated by a New York group to which local members added slightly more than \$800. The altar and cross were donated.

Grace Church prospered from 1911-1920, but following World War I membership declined as young people left the area. Judge Yonge, a staunch supporter of the church, died and the church building was blown away by a tornado. Church services were held every Sunday as long as the Yonge family continued to live in Snyder. They left around 1920 and by 1926 the church had become a "preaching station" which received a visit from a pastor every fifth week.

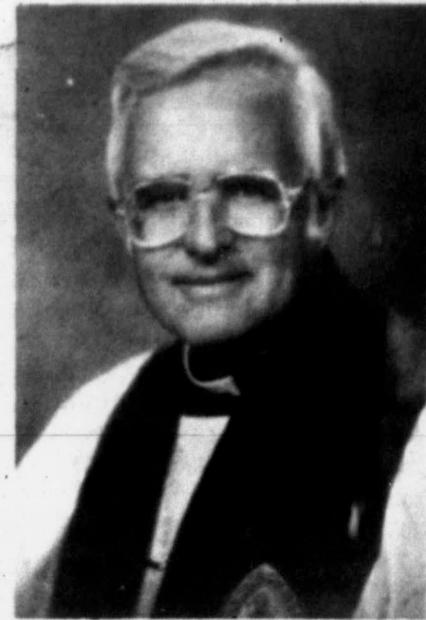
By 1932, the Episcopal presence in Snyder had disappeared. But, with the discovery of oil and subsequent population growth, the mission was revived with a new name, "St. John's Episcopal Church."

Groundbreaking for the new church was held on Aug. 5, 1950 on property donated by Mrs. A.J. Towle, a Methodist. The Women's Auxiliary was organized in September of 1953. On Oct. 25, 1953, dedication services for the new church building were conducted.

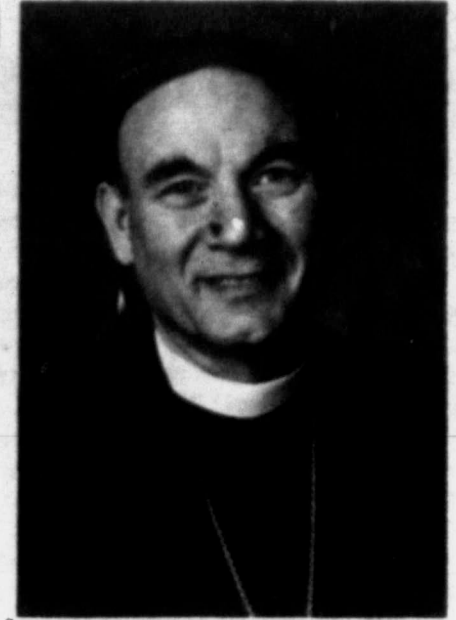
The building which then cost \$25,000 was enlarged and improved during the next few years. Two lots of the donated land south of the church were sold to remodel the church and the educational wing/parish hall was added at a later date.

The parish hall was remodeled in 1977, stained glass windows given as memorials were purchased in 1982 and another extensive remodeling project was carried out in 1982.

In 1989, St. John's merged with Grace Lutheran.



SAM B. HULSEY



MARK HERBENER

## Morgan Freeman encourages education

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — Morgan Freeman may be a famous actor, but he says that doesn't make him a role model. He encourages young people to get an education so that they can become society's real role models.

## ANC leader nominated for top Communist post

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Chris Hani, a leader of the African National Congress, was nominated Friday to become general-secretary of the South African Communist Party.

At its first legal congress in 41 years, the Communist Party's 400 delegates chose Hani to replace Joe Slovo, the longtime party leader and ANC official who was diagnosed this year as having bone marrow cancer. Hani was the only candidate nominated.

The choice of Hani would enhance the Communist Party's popularity with radical blacks, particularly younger people who oppose negotiations with the white-minority government.

Hani has strongly supported Marxist policies as the vehicle for curing socio-economic ills despite their failure in Eastern Europe and elsewhere.

Hani has long been a leading member of the ANC, the nation's main black opposition group and an ally of the Communists. He led the ANC's military wing, Spear of the Nation, and was elected to the ANC's governing National Executive in July.

Hani had earlier asked the ANC leadership for permission to become the Communist Party's general-secretary. The ANC National Executive opposed the

move, saying it wanted Hani to devote all his time to the ANC.

The South African Press Association reported Friday that Hani said he would accept the nomination. "It there's an overwhelming feeling from the party that I should stand ... then I will stand," Hani reportedly said.

Another Communist official and ANC member, Ronnie Kasrils, said the ANC would have no choice but to accept the Communist Party's decision to nominate Hani. "It shows how popular he is and how strongly the party needs Chris Hani in this position," Kasrils said.

Slovo, 65, has been the ANC's most prominent white leader and is one of its most popular figures.

The party is popular with blacks because of its leading role in the fight against apartheid.

In his opening speech to the congress Thursday, Slovo demanded that the government resign and allow an interim authority to oversee South Africa's transition from white-minority to democratic rule. He said the interim leadership should be the first step toward the eventual election of a new government.

Sonja Henie, the great ice skater, was born in a blizzard in Oslo in 1912.

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# Funding cut begins

AUSTIN (AP) — Federal Medicaid funding to the state's top institution for the mentally retarded has been terminated because of inadequate care, a newspaper has reported.

Beginning Saturday, Fort Worth State School loses \$29,500 a day unless an appeal to the decision is granted, according to the Texas Department of Mental Health-Mental Retardation.

The Austin American-Statesman reported in Saturday editions that health inspectors found 30 injuries to residents in the past three weeks, which prompted the funding cutoff.

Federal inspectors determined that the injuries could have been prevented if residents had been supervised adequately, state records show.

MHMR officials say they will appeal the funding loss by correcting all the deficiencies next week.

"We are taking immediate action at the school to remedy this situation," said Dennis Jones, commissioner of the state's mental health agency. "This is an extremely serious sanction, one that we are addressing with all due gravity."

If MHMR wins the appeal, the lost funding will be restored to a facility which houses about 350 retarded residents.

The funding cutoff is the first ever for Texas.

The inspection team cited 30 injuries since Nov. 13, including 10 injuries that required a doctor's attention, said Peg Barry, a MHMR spokeswoman.

Fort Worth State School receives \$10.7 million a year in Medicaid funding, which helps reimburse the state for health care costs.

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**RIBBON CUTTING** — A Goldcoat delegation of the Chamber of Commerce gathered at Mail Center Plus Thursday to welcome the local business, under new management, as a new member. The

postal, business and communication service is owned and operated by Polly Echols. Bridgette Green and Nancy Harper are shown in the center, from left, with Echols. (SDN Staff Photo)

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MARY JEAN QUIMBY

## Hermleigh teacher cited by student

Mrs. Mary Jean Quimby, a teacher at Hermleigh Schools and the subject of the winning essay entitled "The Most Influential Woman in My Life," is on her way to Austin.

She will accompany the fifth grade winner of the essay contest, Elizabeth Camarillo of Nolan, formerly of Hermleigh. Elizabeth chose to write about Quimby, a former teacher, and her essay placed first out of 1,424.

In addition to Quimby, Elizabeth will be accompanied by her parents and her present teacher, Mrs. Cheryl Blair, on a private tour of the governor's mansion and the Capitol Building.

## Too ill to appear

CULVER CITY, Calif. (AP) — Lyle Alzado, who has inoperable brain cancer, was too ill to appear in court to face a charge of assaulting a police officer, his lawyer said in seeking a postponement of the former football star's case.

Alzado was in no condition for Friday's Municipal Court arraignment, said his attorney, Robert Shapiro. The hearing was postponed until Jan. 21.

## Bush signs defense spending bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush signed into law Friday a \$291 billion military budget bill that denies his request for more B-2 stealth bombers but provides the highest-ever spending on the antimissile Strategic Defense Initiative.

In a statement released by the White House as Bush traveled to Hawaii for ceremonies marking the 50th anniversary of Japan's attack on Pearl Harbor, the president said the bill provides for a defense "sufficient to meet foreseeable threats to the national security" and generally supports his defense priorities.

The House and the Senate passed the bill last month.

Bush said he was particularly pleased by the SDI provisions of the bill, which include \$4.15 billion in research and development money and for the first time set a target date for deploying a defense against long-range ballistic missiles.

The bill orders the Defense Department to develop for deployment by 1996 a force of 100 ground-based interceptor missiles at Grand Forks, N.D., capable of defending against a limited attack on the continental United States by long-range missiles.

Bush wants to go further to put antimissile weapons in space as part of a system that could protect not only the United States but also other countries around the globe. The 1992 defense bill is a step in that direction, although it specifies that no space-based weapons would be part of an initial antimissile system.

In his statement, Bush said he objected to several of the bill's provisions but would "respect the intent" of the provisions "as far as possible."

Particularly troubling, Bush said, was a provision that requires him to work out new agreements with Germany, Britain and the other member countries of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization on sharing the cost of basing U.S. troops on their soil.

That provision reflects a growing concern in Congress that the

United States' well-off allies in Europe and Asia are paying too little for the U.S. contribution to their defense.

Bush said the provision undercuts his constitutional authority as the chief maker of foreign policy. He said he would interpret this provision of the bill as a recommendation rather than a requirement.

The president also raised constitutional objections to several other provisions of the bill, including ones that restrict his options in

redeploying certain intercontinental ballistic missiles and prohibit the spending of U.S. payments to NATO for the construction of an F-16 fighter air base in Italy.

Bush made no mention of the bill's denial of his request for \$3.2 billion to buy four new B-2 stealth bombers, which he earlier had said was one of his highest military priorities. The bill does provide \$1.8 billion to buy spare parts for B-2s and for other costs of keeping the B-2 assembly line from shutting down.

# Financial Focus

Each year thousands of people who have worked hard and invested wisely lose half or more of their estates to various state and local taxes. Unfortunately, the tragedy of poor estate planning is not limited only to the uninformed. William H. Myers Jr., a Naples Fla., attorney writing for the *Wall Street Journal* found that 65 percent of executives questioned in a nationwide survey have no estate plan. Why?

Misunderstanding of what makes an estate plan could be a major reason. "Many executives think a will is sufficient," says Myers. "Others naively claim they have plenty of life insurance." Wills and life insurance are part of an estate plan, but they are not the entire plan. The purpose of an estate plan is simply to distribute your assets after death to the people and organizations you designate. How you do this constitutes your estate plan.

Myers suggests that an effective estate plan must answer three questions: "Whom or what do you want to benefit? What are the best means to pass your assets to your beneficiaries? And, what are the tax consequences of your actions, and how can you minimize them?"

Tax laws frequently change, so it is recommended that you find an attorney who specializes in estate planning. If you intend to change your state of residence after you retire, your attorney should be familiar with that state's probate, income, gift and estate tax laws in addition to the federal laws.

Once you select an attorney, it is necessary to list all your assets. Your bank or financial adviser can help you prepare this financial statement. It should include real estate, securities, bank accounts, retirement funds, insurance and all other assets of value. To this list add your liabilities, debts and obligations. Finally, write down how you want all these assets divided. Be specific as to names, organizations, amounts and anything else you wish to add. Remember, the purpose of this plan is to distribute your wealth as you wish and not leave it to the discretion of the state.

With this information, your estate attorney can put your wishes into proper legal language and advise you if there are any problems. A knowledgeable attorney working with you and your financial adviser can be invaluable in protecting your estate from unnecessary tax liabilities.

For many people, estate planning is a project often put off until tomorrow. The problem with procrastinating, however, is that half your estate could be lost to federal estate taxes.

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 Orange Juice  
 Milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
 Hot Cinnamon Toast  
 Rice  
 Pineapple Juice  
 Milk

**THURSDAY**  
 Blueberry Muffins  
 Apple Juice  
 Milk

**FRIDAY**  
 Breakfast Tacos  
 Grape Juice  
 Milk

**LUNCH MONDAY**  
 Hamburgers  
 Burger Fixins  
 French Fries  
 Fresh Apple  
 Milk

**TUESDAY**  
 Spaghetti, Meat Sauce  
 Buttered Green Beans  
 Chilled Peaches  
 French Bread  
 Milk

**WEDNESDAY**  
 Oven Fried Chicken  
 Southern Gravy  
 Whipped Potatoes  
 Buttered Mixed Vegetables  
 Whole Wheat Rolls  
 Milk

**THURSDAY**  
 Corn Dogs  
 Baked Beans  
 Mixed Fruit  
 Chocolate Cake  
 Milk

**FRIDAY**  
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# Hartwig family files \$10 million suit

CLEVELAND (AP) — The family of a sailor the Navy mista-

kenly blamed for a battleship explosion that killed 47 people — including the sailor — filed a \$10 million lawsuit Friday against NBC Inc. over its coverage of the accident.

The suit claims NBC News purposely inflicted emotional distress on the family of Clayton Hartwig, a 25-year-old Cleveland native who was killed in the April 19, 1989, explosion in a USS Iowa gun turret.

NBC, citing unidentified sources, reported on May 24, 1989, that Navy investigators found circumstantial evidence indicating Hartwig had been upset that a homosexual relationship had ended and had planted a detonator in the turret's powder magazine.

The Navy's initial findings that Hartwig might have caused the

blast were roundly criticized by Congress and vehemently denied by Hartwig's family.

A subsequent Navy investigation found "no clear and convincing proof" that Hartwig was to blame and prompted a formal apology to the family in October.

NBC spokeswoman Katherine McQuay declined to comment because the matter is in litigation.

NBC Pentagon correspondent Fred Francis, who reported the stories, said they were accurate accounts of what the Navy believed at the time.

The suit filed in Cuyahoga County Common Pleas Court seeks \$10 million in punitive damages and an unspecified amount in compensation, family attorney Kreig Brusnahan said. A second

suit, against the Navy, is planned, Brusnahan said.

Brusnahan said the distress resulted from "a number of unsubstantiated leaks to NBC News by the United States Navy, implying that Clayton Hartwig was a troubled homosexual who took his own life, that he was suicidal, that he was despondent, that he was a mass murderer and that he was homicidal."

Those leaks have never been substantiated, he said.

"The Navy acknowledges that it never accused Mr. Hartwig of being a homosexual" and never accused him of being involved with a fellow sailor, Brusnahan said.

Francis is not named as a defendant in the suit, but Brusnahan said he plans to ask the judge to compel Francis to reveal his sources.

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 Milk

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 Milk

**THURSDAY**  
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**TUESDAY**  
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 Hot Rolls  
 Peaches, Whipped Topping  
 Milk

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 Hot Rolls  
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 Waldorf Salad  
 Potato Rolls  
 Cherry Cheesecake Pie

**FRIDAY**  
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 Baked Beans  
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**Senior Center lists activities**

Senior citizens will enjoy a traditional Christmas dinner in the Senior Citizens Center on Thursday. Those planning to attend are asked to make reservations by Wednesday by calling the office at 573-4035 or putting their name on the reservation list when they are in the center. Serving will begin at 11:30 a.m. and continue until 1 p.m.

The Sunshine Choir will be singing at 10:15 a.m. Thursday before the serving of the Christmas dinner. They will go to Snyder Oaks for a program on Friday morning. The choir will be leading a community sing-along featuring carols starting at 5 p.m. on Dec. 14 preceding the downtown Christmas parade and everyone is invited to the gazebo on the south side of the courthouse to join in the singing. The parade, featuring lighted floats, will begin at 6 p.m.

Students from Northeast Elementary will visit the center at 11:15 a.m. Monday to present a program of holiday music. They will also be bringing fruit baskets they have prepared to be taken to senior citizens who receive home delivered meals from the center.

The Colonial Hill handbell choir will be providing a special program in the center at 11 a.m. Tuesday. Children from Kids Kampus will present a program of carols at 11 a.m. Wednesday. Santa Claus will be in the center with candy for the children and senior citizens on that morning.

The Robert Allen Band will be playing for a country/western dance in the center starting at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

The Kitchen Band will go to the Snyder Oaks Care Center for a program at 10 a.m. Wednesday. The swimnastics group will meet at the Western Texas College indoor pool at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday and Thursday mornings and then will be in recess through the Christmas-New Year holiday, resuming when spring classes start at the college. The center will be closed on Dec. Dec. 25-27 for Christmas.

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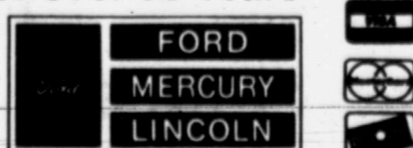
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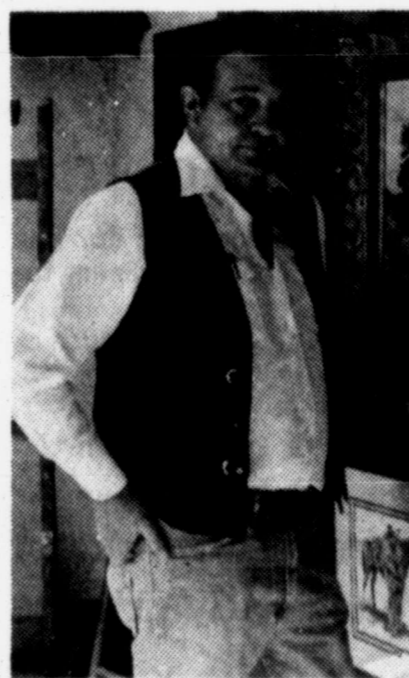
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## Face Denver City for title...

# Tigers bulldog BSHS Steers

DENVER CITY — The Snyder Tigers earned a spot in the finals of the Denver City Invitational Basketball Tournament by beating Big Spring for the second time in four days, 64-48, on Friday.

The win came a little harder than Snyder's 82-47 victory over the Steers on Tuesday as Big Spring's offensive stalling tactics kept the game close until the final period.

"It was really a pretty good strategy," said Tiger coach Bud Birks. "They were basically eating a minute off the clock before every shot."

With the score tied at 39-39 to begin the fourth period, Big Spring was forced to speed up the tempo of the game, allowing the Tigers to score 25 points in the final eight minutes, while giving up just nine.

"Our kids hung in there and played hard and were able to pick it up and get after them a little at the end," said Birks.

Birks is feeling some cautious optimism by his team's early-season performance.

"We've been playing pretty well," he said, "and it's giving the kids some confidence. But, we have to remember that these games, as important as they seem while we're playing them, don't really matter."

"What we have to understand is that now is the time we have to work and try to get better."

Senior Jeff Wortham was Snyder's workhorse Friday, picking up 23 points on nine field goals, including a pair of three-pointers and three-of-five shooting from the free-throw line.

Barron Wesley added 14, Hayward Clay canned 13 and Eric West, who recorded a trey, rang up 12.

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## Ysleta stops Lady Tigers

SAN ANGELO — Snyder's girls fell to El Paso Ysleta, 39-28, in a consolation bracket battle Friday at the Concho River Classic at Central High School here.

The Lady Tigers were to have met El Paso Irvin in their final appearance at the tournament Saturday at 1 p.m.

Snyder, with Friday's loss, fell to 0-6 on the season.

In other games at the tournament, Lamesa and host Central advanced to Saturday's title game with wins.

The Lady Tors hammered Wall, 58-39, Friday while Central beat Snyder Thursday, 72-37.

Also on Friday, Lubbock Estacado fell to Killeen Ellison 60-49; Central's JV drilled San Angelo Lake View 45-27; Odessa whipped Uvalde 63-23; and El Paso Riverside edged El Paso Irvin, 34-30.

The Lady Tigers' next home appearance is scheduled for Tuesday when they host Merkel at Scurry County Coliseum.

Steers.

The Tigers, now 5-1 and winners of five straight, were to battle host Denver City at 8 p.m. Saturday for the tournament crown.

The Mustangs advanced to the title tilt by beating Frenship, 62-60 in double overtime Friday.

Other Saturday games at the event featured Big Spring facing Frenship for third place and Hereford meeting Littlefield in the consolation bracket.

Snyder will return home for a Tuesday meeting against Midland Greenwood at Scurry County Coliseum.

## Cardinals get tourney win

HIGHLAND — Hermleigh stayed alive in the Highland Basketball Tournament Friday with a 64-57 win over Loraine in boys' division play.

A 22-point fourth-quarter rally brought the Cards from a 45-42 deficit to the win.

The HHS Lady Cards were eliminated with a second-round loss to Loraine, 53-28.

Five Hermleigh players in double figures paced the boys' win, lifting the Cardinals to 1-3 on the season.

Billy Breitweiser led the charge with 15 points while Chris Velasco and Eric Romero added 13 apiece and Daniel Hermsillo and Chris Lambaren contributed 10 each for Hermleigh.

Amy Anderson's nine-point effort led the Lady Cards Friday.

Michi Atkins put in 23 for Loraine to lead all scorers in the girls' contest. Hermleigh falls to 1-3 in girls' play.

Boys	
HERMLEIGH (64)	Breitweiser 15, Velasco 13, Romero 13, Hermsillo 10, Lambaren 10, Blair 3
LORAIN (57)	Lopez 18, Mitchell 10, Phillips 9, Alvarez 8, Lee 5, Madrid 5, Shy 2

Hermleigh	19	11	12	22	-64
Loraine	15	17	13	12	-57

Girls	
HERMLEIGH (28)	A. Anderson 9, Beeks 6, Herl 5, Payne 4, L. Anderson 4
LORAIN (53)	Atkins 23, Lamb 14, Lopez 8, Vasquez 4, K. Lamb 2, Banks 2

Hermleigh	6	10	4	8	-28
Loraine	9	12	16	16	-53

## SHS basketball

Concho River Classic at San Angelo	
GIRLS	
Thursday games	
Game 1	Wylie 47, Lake View 26
Game 2	Central JV 51, Snyder 38
Game 3	Lamesa 69, Odessa 31
Game 4	Ellison 62, El Paso Irvin 47
Game 5	Wall 83, Uvalde 21
Game 6	Estacado 73, Ysleta Riverside 30
Game 7	Wylie 47, Ysleta High 16
Game 8	Central 72, Snyder 37
Friday games	
Game 9	Lamesa 58, Wall 39
Game 10	Ellison 60, Estacado 49
Game 11	Central JV, 45, Lake View 27
Game 12	Ysleta 39, Snyder 28
Game 13	Odessa 63, Uvalde 23
Game 14	El Paso Riverside 34, El Paso Irvin 30
Game 15	Lamesa 60, Wylie 39
Game 16	San Angelo Central 49, Ellison 44
Saturday games	
Game 17	Central JV vs. Odessa at 10 a.m.
Game 18	Ysleta vs. El Paso Riverside at 10 a.m.
Game 19	Wall vs. Estacado at 11:30 a.m.
Game 20	San Angelo Lake View vs. Uvalde at 11:30 a.m.
Game 21	Snyder vs. El Paso Irvin at 1 p.m.
Game 22	Wylie vs. Ellison at 1 p.m.
Game 23	Third Place; Game 17 Winner vs. Game 18 Winner at 2:30 p.m.
Game 24	Championship; Lamesa vs. San Angelo Central at 4 p.m.

Central Division				
Chicago	15	2	882	—
Cleveland	10	6	625	4%
Atlanta	10	8	556	5%
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LA Lakers	12	6	667	—
Portland	12	7	632	3%
Seattle	10	7	588	1%
Phoenix	11	9	550	2%
LA Clippers	9	10	474	3%
Sacramento	6	11	353	5%

Thursday's Games	
Cleveland 110, Detroit 101	
New Jersey 109, Milwaukee 101	
Atlanta 109, Houston 97	
Golden State 117, Dallas 107	

Friday's Games	
Boston 103, New York 92	
LA Lakers 98, New Jersey 89	
Philadelphia 105, Portland 102, OT	
Detroit 105, Washington 94	
Phoenix 122, Orlando 105	
Indiana 126, Milwaukee 106	
Utah 93, San Antonio 92	
Chicago 114, Charlotte 96	
LA Clippers 102, Denver 100, OT	
Seattle 96, Minnesota 94	

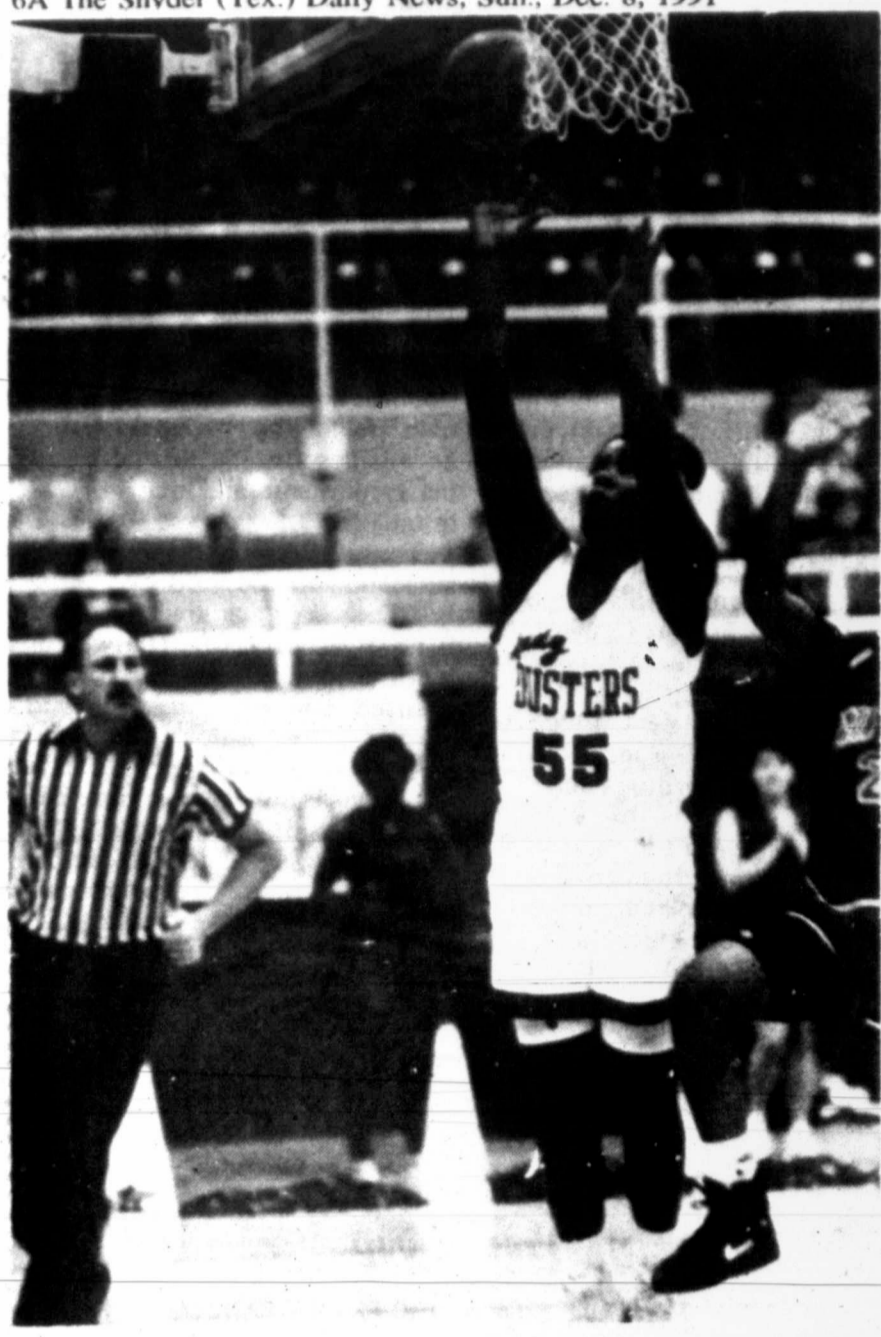
Saturday's Games	
Chicago at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.	
Charlotte at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.	
Phoenix at Miami, 7:30 p.m.	
New York at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.	
Washington at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.	
Portland at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.	
Utah at Houston, 8:30 p.m.	
Dallas at Seattle, 10 p.m.	
Minnesota at LA Clippers, 10:30 p.m.	
Sacramento at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.	

Denver City Invitational at Denver City	
BOYS	
Thursday games	
Game 1	Big Spring 52, Seagraves 45
Game 2	Snyder 84, Hereford 47
Game 3	Frenship 74, Littlefield 55
Game 4	Denver City 62, Frenship 60 (OT)
Friday games	
Game 4	Hereford 69, Seagraves 68
Game 5	Snyder 64, Big Spring 48
Game 6	Denver City 62, Frenship 60 (OT)
Saturday games	
Game 7	Hereford vs. Littlefield at 5 p.m.
Game 8	Third Place; Big Spring vs. Frenship at 6:30 p.m.
Game 9	Championship; Snyder vs. Denver City at 8 p.m.

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Saturday's Games	
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**BANK SHOT** — Merry Brown of Western Texas College puts in a two-pointer off the glass in action Thursday night at Scurry County Coliseum. The WTC Lady Dusters fell to nationally ranked Howard College, 80-70. The Dusters and the Western Texas men's team, the Westerners, were to both close out the '91 portion of the current basketball season at Odessa College Saturday. (SDN Staff Photo)

## NBA roundup...

# Robinson's 31 not enough for Spurs

by The Associated Press  
When the Spurs are undermanned, they call on the Admiral. David Robinson's performance was admirable. It just wasn't enough.

Blue Edwards made a 15-foot bank shot with 4.7 seconds left as the Utah Jazz handed San Antonio its first home loss of the season. That negated a wonderful game for Robinson, who had 31 points, 17 rebounds seven assists and six blocked shots for the Spurs, now 8-1 at home.

San Antonio was without forward Antoine Carr, out with an ankle sprain. Terry Cummings also is sidelined due to a fractured rib. Guard Red Strickland is injured.

"Because we have enough talent, we should be winning these ballgames," Robinson said. "We can't keep making stupid mistakes in key parts of ball games."

Utah trailed 92-89 when Karl

Malone hit two free throws with 1:07 to play. After both teams missed shots, John Stockton forced a jump ball with Willie Anderson with 10.9 seconds to go. The ball wound up in the hands of Edwards, who had missed all of his five shots from the field. Edwards drove the length of the court and his off-balance jumper gave Utah a one-point lead.

"Blue made a great shot," Stockton said. "With the effort we've been putting forth lately, I think we deserve the win."

"Blue was comfortable coming down with it and ended up hitting a good shot," Utah coach Jerry Sloan said. "You've got to have a little luck in this league sometimes."

"We can't blame the loss on that one play," Anderson said of the jump. "I thought it was a bad toss and Stockton threw his body into me."

Karl Malone led Utah with 31

points, while Jeff Malone scored 24 and Stockton added 18.

In other games, it was Philadelphia 105, Portland 102 in overtime; Chicago 114, Charlotte 96; Boston 103, New York 92; the Los Angeles Lakers 98, New Jersey 89; Indiana 126, Milwaukee 106; the Los Angeles Clippers 102, Denver 100 in overtime; Phoenix 122, Orlando 105; Detroit 105, Washington 94; and Seattle 96, Minnesota 94.

**76ers 105, Trial Blazers 102, OT**  
At Philadelphia, Johnny Dawkins hit a 3-point shot at the overtime buzzer, snapping the 76ers' seven-game losing streak. Portland's Clyde Drexler had tied the score at 102 on a 3-pointer with 5 seconds on the clock.

**Bulls 114, Hornets 96**  
At Chicago, Michael Jordan scored 19 points and also had 11 rebounds and 10 assists. The Bulls put the game away in the second

quarter and led 56-28 at halftime. The Bulls outscored Charlotte 17-3 to start the second quarter. The Hornets went until 4:52 of the quarter before Kendall Gill hit a 10-foot jumper for their first basket of the period.

The loss kept the Hornets winless in 11 road games this season. **Celtics 103, Knicks 92**  
At Boston, the Celtics cracked New York's defense in a 35-point fourth period, extending its regular-season winning streak against the Knicks at Boston Garden to 21 games. Larry Bird scored 31 points.

**Lakers 98, Nets 89**  
The Lakers ended their seven-game eastern swing with a 4-3 record. Sam Perkins scored 18 of his 22 points in the second half and allowed no field goals in a six-minute span of the fourth quarter. Sam Bowie scored 18 points and Drazen Petrovic 16 for the Nets.

## Hermleigh boosters set tournament

An Outsiders Basketball Tournament has been scheduled for Jan. 17 and 18 by The Hermleigh Booster Club. Entry fee is \$100 per team and is due by January 10. T-shirts will be awarded the top three teams.

All games in the double-elimination tournament will be played at Hermleigh High School.

To register, call Chip Roemisch at 573-4016 or 863-2451. Mail entries should be sent to Roemisch at Rt. 1 Box 211 C, Hermleigh, 79526.

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## Schoolboy grid playoffs...

# Albany grabs comeback win

by The Associated Press  
It took lots of luck and the oldest play in the book for the Albany Lions to move within two games of a state championship.  
The Lions, behind 24-21 and facing a fourth-and-18 from their

own 45 late in Friday night's Class 2A quarterfinal against Wellington, resorted to the hook-and-ladder play.  
Albany's Clint Chapman took the fourth-down snap and passed to Bobby Smith, who pitched to a trailing Johnnie Hudman. Hudman raced untouched into the end

zone, lifting the Lions to a 28-24 victory.  
"We practice that (play) every day," said Albany coach Denney Faith, who said the Lions used the play once early in the season. "We just had to come up with it in the right spot and it just happened to be there. We were real fortunate."  
The victory moved Albany (14-0) into the state semifinals against Farmersville (14-0), a 28-21 winner over Mart Wellington finished its best season ever at 13-1.

In the other 2A games, Grape-land used Fred Lewis' 163 yards and two touchdowns in a 34-13 victory over Elkhart, while No. 1 Schulenburg's Casey Taber carried for 142 yards and a pair of scores in a 27-13 victory over Yorktown.

Class A Memphis used a dominating defense and Brian Brown's 154 yards rushing to beat Rankin 15-3.  
The Cyclones will play in the semifinals against No. 2 Rotan, which thumped No. 1 Valley Mills 33-8.

by The Associated Press  
Here are this week's results and pairings for the Texas high school football playoffs:

**CLASS 5A (Division I) SEMIFINALS**  
San Angelo (10-2-1) vs. Killeen (10-2), 4 p.m. Saturday, San Angelo.  
Fort Bend Dallas (12-0) vs. Converse Judson (11-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Austin.

**CLASS 5A (Division II) QUARTERFINALS**  
Midland Lee (12-1) vs. Odessa Permian (13-0), 2 p.m. Saturday, Jones Stadium, Lubbock.  
Waco (12-0-1) vs. Dallas Carter (12-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.  
Aldine (10-1-1) vs. Fort Bend Willowridge (11-1-1), 5:30 p.m. Saturday, AstroDome, Houston.  
SA Marshall 42, SA Madison 0

**CLASS 4A QUARTERFINALS**  
Pampa (11-2) vs. Sweetwater (11-1), 8 p.m. Saturday, Jones Stadium, Lubbock.  
Carthage 21, Waxahachie 10.  
A&M Consolidated (11-2) vs. Chapel Hill (10-1-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, SFA Stadium, Nacogdoches.  
Austin Westlake 25, CC Calallen 20

**CLASS 3A QUARTERFINALS**  
Burnet 14, Marble Falls 14 (Burnet advances on penetrations, 3-2).  
Southlake Carroll (13-0) vs. Forney (13-0), 8 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving.  
Groesbeck (11-2) vs. Fairfield (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Waco Midway.  
Edna 21, Sinton 6

**CLASS 2A QUARTERFINALS**  
Albany 28, Wellington 24  
Farmersville 28, Mart 21  
Grapeland 34, Elkhart 13  
Schulenburg 27, Yorktown 13

**CLASS A QUARTERFINALS**  
Memphis 15, Rankin 3  
Rotan 33, Valley Mills 8  
Oakwood 28, Evadale 0  
Runge 32, Bartlett 0

**SIX-MAN SEMIFINALS**  
Fort Hancock 58, Sands 40  
Christoval (11-2) vs. Zephyr (11-2), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Coleman.  
Cincinnati at Miami, 9 p.m.

## NFL glance

By The Associated Press  
All Times EST  
AMERICAN CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Buffalo	11	2	0	.846	379	267
N.Y. Jets	7	6	0	.538	268	233
Miami	7	6	0	.538	256	275
New England	4	9	0	.308	175	256
Indianapolis	2	12	0	.077	116	306

Central

Houston	9	4	0	.692	318	207
Philadelphia	6	7	0	.462	262	247
Pittsburgh	5	8	0	.385	252	293
Cincinnati	2	11	0	.154	211	374

West

LA Raiders	9	4	0	.692	250	213
Denver	9	4	0	.692	246	195
Kansas City	8	5	0	.615	261	186
Seattle	6	7	0	.462	218	202
San Diego	3	10	0	.231	205	275

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

Team	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
x-Washington	12	1	0	.923	409	169
Philadelphia	8	5	0	.615	229	183
Dallas	8	5	0	.615	263	256
N.Y. Giants	7	6	0	.538	226	224
Phoenix	4	9	0	.308	160	273

Central

Chicago	9	4	0	.692	231	204
Detroit	9	4	0	.692	267	244
Minnesota	6	7	0	.462	248	241
Green Bay	3	10	0	.231	216	258
Tampa Bay	2	11	0	.154	158	309

West

New Orleans	9	4	0	.692	273	185
Atlanta	8	5	0	.615	277	280
San Francisco	7	6	0	.538	289	189
LA Rams	3	10	0	.231	197	316

Sunday, Dec. 8

Denver at Cleveland, 1 p.m.  
Green Bay at Chicago, 1 p.m.  
Indianapolis at New England, 1 p.m.  
New Orleans at Dallas, 1 p.m.  
Philadelphia at New York Giants, 1 p.m.  
Pittsburgh at Houston, 1 p.m.  
San Diego at Kansas City, 1 p.m.  
Atlanta at Los Angeles Rams, 4 p.m.  
Buffalo at Los Angeles Raiders, 4 p.m.  
New York Jets at Detroit, 4 p.m.  
San Francisco at Seattle, 4 p.m.  
Washington at Phoenix, 4 p.m.  
Minnesota at Tampa Bay, 8 p.m.

But Albany still needed a

funbale by the Skyrockets' Clifton Burns to set up the eventual winning play, which Wellington coach James Williams said caught his team off guard.  
"Everybody probably has that play in their offense," he said. "It caught us by surprise. When it comes down to a situation like that, we should have had somebody there, but we didn't. We never should have been in that situation. We had it won."  
In the other 2A games, Grape-land used Fred Lewis' 163 yards and two touchdowns in a 34-13 victory over Elkhart, while No. 1 Schulenburg's Casey Taber carried for 142 yards and a pair of scores in a 27-13 victory over Yorktown.

Leading 24-14 with 3:38 remaining, Wellington muffed a punt and Albany took over at the Skyrockets' 6. Chapman ran around right end to score on the next play, bringing the Lions within 24-21.

## Bowling News

**JACK AND JILL 12-3-91**

Team	W	L
Outlaws	34%	17%
Club 250	33	19
Timely Finance	31	21
Sonic	31	21
Mathies Const	30	20
Misfits	29	23
Better-n-Nuttin	27%	24%
Garcia Tire	26%	25%
Snyder Paint-Body	26	26
Maico Tools	26	26
Silver Bullet	25	23
Just One Pin	23	29
Champions	21%	30%
Hillside Mem Gdn	21	31
Stuggles	16	32
Lucky 7	17	25

High Series: Woody Taylor 576, Vicky Renshaw 563. High game: Woody Taylor 232; Vicky Renshaw 202. High handicap series: Charlie Teague 650; Billie Jackson 595. High handicap game: Charlie Teague 245; Billie Jackson 214.

200-500: Charlie Teague 213, 554; Woody Taylor 232, 576; Vicky Renshaw 202, 563; Billie Jackson 523.

Converted splits: Sophie West 2-7; Randy Somerhalder 3-5-10; Bernie Sealy 6-7-10; Frank Garcia 5-7-9; Helen Kellner 4-5-7, 2-7; Edwin Jackson 3-6-7; Bruce Beall 2-7-8; Melba Surratt 5-7; Jimmy Fletcher 3-10; Johnny Powell 3-10; Teresa Loper 5-6-10; Edwin Jackson 3-10; Bruce Beall 2-7.

**COMMERCIAL 12-3-91**

Team	W	L
Key Kennels	148	112
WTP Energy	141	119
Pro Parts	141	119
Stephens Off Sup	134	126
City of Rotan	133	127
Wilson Mtrs	125	135
Bar-H-Bar	127	133
Reef Chemical	91	169

High Series: Darrell Grant 573. High game: Mike McLeod 214. High handicap series: Roger Pavlik 641. High handicap game: Red Bennett 224.

Splits converted: Ewell Mackey 3-10; Butch Giddens 4-5-7; Doyle Graham 2-10, 9-10; Rick Mammolite 2-7; Charlie Collins 2-7; Don Johnson 2-7-8; Frank McCravy 5-7; Russell Lloyd 5-7; Tommy Early 3-5-10; Strick Posey 4-5-7; Tommy Pherrigo 2-7; Darrell Grant 3-10, 2-10.

**KOFFEE LEAGUE 12-3-91**

Team	W	L
SOS	40%	15%
Patterson's Used Cars	35	21
Gifts by Jane	33	23
IF&C	30%	25%
House of Treasures	29%	26%
Everybody's	22%	33%
R.D.'s Wild	22	34
Spanish Inn	16	40

High Series: Bernie Sealy 508. High game: Jenny Rainwater 190. High handicap series: Sophie West 692. High handicap game: Sylvia Fletcher 238.

200-500: Vicky Renshaw 502; Bernie Sealy 508.

Splits converted: Melba Surratt 9-10; Jenny Rainwater 3-10; Lynn Wormeringer 5-10; Helen Kellner 2-7; Sandra Clawson 3-6-7-10; Darlean Rankin 3-10; Alma Posey 3-10; Emma Brazier 3-10; Kathy Jones 3-10.

**HIS & HER 12-2-91**

Team	W	L
CFAS	33	19
Nail Automation	30%	21%
Siewart Ins.	28%	23%
Cogdell's Best	25%	26%
K&M Pumping Svc	24%	27%
AAA Coffee	24	28
B-Line Serv	24	28
Snyder EMS	18	34

High Series: David Lee 575; Billie Jackson 565. High game: Jack Almquist 210; Billie Jackson 202. High handicap series: Jack Almquist 680; Delana Grant 617. High handicap game: Steve James 239; Angela Elledge 251.

Splits converted: Kathy Kellner 2-7-8; Naomi Almquist 2-7; David Peterson 5-10; David Lee 3-10; Billie Jackson 2-7.

**WISHBALL 12-5-91**

Team	W	L
A and W	88%	65%
Johnson Exxon	80%	73%
Snyder Lanes	79	75
Melco	78	76
Snyder Golf	77	77
Wal-Mart	77	77
Lefites	73	81
Ridge Riders	63	91

High Series: David Lyle 564. High game: Dan Hanak 196. High handicap series: Jayson Arnette 624. High handicap game: D. Murry 228.

Splits converted: Bill Miller 3-10; Ewell Mackey 3-6-7-9-10; P. Herridge 2-7; Buddy Adams 2-7; David Carrol 1-6; Mike McLeod 3-10; Bo Lowrance 5-10; Steve Olson 3-6-7; Wayne Monroney 2-7.

## Cowboys WR on pace to set Dallas records

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Michael Irvin, admittedly, didn't get it all from the receiving gods.  
The NFC's leading receiver admits he is somewhat slow-footed. "That's the way the gods work," Irvin said. "They give everybody a little something. He doesn't give everybody speed, hands, size and heart. Of the four, I'll take heart. You can work on everything else but you've got to have the desire."  
Irvin currently leads the NFL in receiving yards with 1,161 and he's ranked No. 1 in the NFC in receptions with 73.  
On Sunday, he'll be going against the second toughest defense in the NFL, the New Orleans Saints.  
"They're tough," he said. "That's why I have to be tough."  
Irvin has been hot in the last two weeks, catching 17 passes for 287 yards and two touchdowns against Washington and Pittsburgh. He caught nine passes against Washington's All-Pro cornerback, Darrell Green.  
Irvin is on pace to catch 89 passes for 1,428 yards. He needs just four catches to break Herschel Walker's single-season reception record of 76. If Irvin gets 72 receiving yards this week against New Orleans, he will break Bob Hayes' single-season yardage mark of 1,232 in the same number of games (14) that Hayes set the mark in 1966.  
"It's incredible to think I might break his club record," Irvin said.  
Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson, who had Irvin at the University of Miami, said Irvin looks better than he has ever seen him. "He worked hard in training camp and now it's paying off," Johnson said. "He's doing it all."  
Irvin said a combination of work ethic and the new offensive by Norv Turner has given him new life.  
"The offense is perfect for me," Irvin said. "You get a chance to catch the ball on the run. We're still adapting to the new offense. I think we can get even better."



TROPHY KILL — Brandon Hackfeld, 12-year-old son of Keith and Jackie Hackfeld of Snyder, shot this nine-point buck on a Thanksgiving morning hunting trip to the Looney Ranch south of Loraine. (Contributed Photo)

## SDN sports week

### Monday, Dec. 9

**Basketball**  
Snyder freshmen girls at Roscoe at 6:30 p.m.  
Snyder freshmen boys at Sweetwater. B game at 5 p.m. A game at 6:15 p.m.  
Hermleigh Junior High at Trent at 6 p.m.  
Ira Junior High at Roby. Games at 4 p.m. and 6 p.m.

### Tuesday, Dec. 10

**Basketball**  
Snyder Lady Tigers host Merkel. JV at 5 p.m. at High School. Varsity at 6:30 p.m. at Scurry County Coliseum.  
Snyder Tigers host Greenwood. Varsity at 8 p.m. JV at 5 p.m. Both games at Scurry County Coliseum.  
Ira at Grady at 6:30 p.m.  
Hermleigh at ACHS at 6 p.m.

### Thursday, Dec. 12

**Basketball**  
Snyder Lady Tigers (freshmen, JV and Varsity) at Greenwood Tournament.  
Hermleigh at Robert Lee Tournament.  
Ira at Robert Lee Tournament.  
Snyder eighth grade boys at Lamesa at 6:15 p.m.  
Snyder seventh grade boys at Lamesa at 6:15 p.m.

### Friday, Dec. 13

**Basketball**  
Snyder Tigers vs. El Paso Bel-Air at Chaparral Center in Midland. Tip-off at 6:30 p.m.  
Snyder Lady Tigers (freshmen, JV and varsity) at Greenwood Tournament.  
Ira at Robert Lee Tournament.  
Hermleigh at Robert Lee Tournament.

### Saturday, Dec. 14

**Basketball**  
Snyder Lady Tigers (freshmen, JV and varsity) at Greenwood Tournament.  
Ira at Robert Lee Tournament.  
Hermleigh at Robert Lee Tournament.  
Snyder freshmen boys at Andrews at 4:30 p.m.

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**RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEES** — These employees of Cogdell Memorial Hospital received employee of the month recognition and certificates at the annual awards dinner held at St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church annex. From left, bottom row, are Mamie Lou Eubank, Bertha Deere, Tony Hayley, Nancy Messenger and Denise Withers, also recipient of the employee of the year award. Top row, Bob Cole, Wanda McAnelly, Pat Vineyard and Becky Craig. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Soviets renege on deal

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. Larry Pressler, R-S.D., said Friday that Cuban President Fidel Castro told him that Cuban fuel shortages are even worse than expected because Soviet oil deliveries only amount to a third of what Moscow promised.

In an interview, Pressler said that Castro, during their five-hour encounter last Sunday in Havana, seemed to have written off the Soviets after almost three decades of unusually close ties.

According to Pressler, Castro said Soviet oil exports to Cuba totaled 13 million tons in 1989 and were to have dropped to 10 million tons for both 1990 and 1991 — but Cuba received only 6 million tons last year and this year's deliveries probably won't exceed 3 million.

Clad in military fatigues during a sumptuous dinner at Revolutionary Palace, Castro at times shook his head in dismay when contemplating how far his relations with Moscow had fallen, Pressler said.

At one point, Castro found a silver lining in the disintegration of his former ally. When Pressler asked him how Cuba handles its huge foreign debt, the Cuban leader "literally spit the food out of his mouth and said 'The guys we owe it to (the Soviets) are going out of business.'"

According to some Soviet estimates, Cuba's debt to the Kremlin is equivalent to about \$25 billion.

To counter fuel shortages, Cuba has undergone a crash energy-saving program, one feature of which is a switch to bicycles from buses and cars. Pressler said he was startled by the sight of so many bicycles on Havana's streets.

"That is something visually that is very striking," he said.

Pressler spent four days in Cuba as part of a tour of the Caribbean that ended Thursday night. During his Dec. 1 meeting with Castro, Pressler described him as an intimidating presence, with aides laughing only if Castro laughed first.

He nonetheless found Castro to be a "very charming host," even though the Cuban leader has a habit of lecturing listeners instead of talking with them.

## New find intrigues scientists

WACO, Texas (AP) — Excavators last year were ready to close a site in Central Texas where the bones of prehistoric elephants had been found in recent years.

The scientists from Baylor University thought their students and local volunteers had already dis-

covered all they could about a nursery herd of female and young mammoths that perished about 28,000 years ago in some natural disaster near the ancient Bosque River.

But more pieces of one of McLennan County's oldest puz-

zles have been discovered.

Three more definite skeletons have been found since the bones of 15 mammoths were removed, and more sites seem to exist deeper into the bank of the gulch where crews have been excavating on and off for more than a decade.

Calvin Smith, director of the museum studies program at Baylor University and of the Strecker Museum, said indications show there are at least two more mammoths to be dug up.

Smith said elaborate tests to make certain that the new animals are from the same disaster haven't been completed. Although the newest discoveries are at a slightly higher level than the earlier finds, Smith said he is almost sure they belong to the same group.

"They're too close together. There's too much evidence of some of them almost being able to get partly out of this disaster," he said. Smith said the higher level may show that the latest finds were closer to escape than their fellow creatures farther back.

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## Astro-graphs By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Dec. 7, 1991

You're likely to make a major change in direction in the year ahead that will turn out to be extremely worthwhile. Be patient, because your new course may not be evident to you immediately.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You're likely to be lucky today — if you don't attempt to do things in a severely structured fashion. Leave room for friendly influences to operate. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Your hopes and expectations have good chances of being fulfilled at this time, provided they're based upon practicality and not wishful thinking.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** You're now in a very fortuitous achievement cycle, and what you set your mind to can be done. The secret to your success lies in your ability to believe in yourself.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Something for which you've been hoping might be denied you at this time, but it could turn out to be a blessing in disguise, although you may not realize this until later.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Ideas you're presently espousing are winning you the respect of your contemporaries, although this might not be totally apparent to you yet.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Any agreements you negotiate at this time have good probabilities for producing mutual benefits for all parties involved, provided they're predicated upon fairness.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Your most substantial gains both today and tomorrow are likely to come through joint ventures. These endeavors have foundations upon which success can be built.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Try to let your heart rule your head in decision-making today. Usually, this is an unwise course to follow, but conditions are different at the moment.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** This can be an extremely productive day for you, provided you devote your energy to things you call labors of love. Your accomplishments could be outstanding.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Someone who has never done so previously might offer you a small gift or some type of special consideration today. Don't be reluctant to accept, because this individual has no ulterior motives.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Regarding an endeavor you've been working on, the payoff is much closer than you may realize. The returns should approximate those for which you've been hoping.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** You'll have more direct control today and tomorrow over conditions that affect you. Start arranging things to comply with your timetable instead of the agenda of others.



Your Birthday

Dec. 8, 1991

Those lucky breaks you've been hoping for could be coming your way in the year ahead. Don't despair; Lady Luck will start trying to make up for lost time.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Many of your contemporaries might treat today as a time for fun and games, but if you are materially motivated, there's a strong possibility you'll make or save the money you desire. Sagittarius, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for Sagittarius' Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O.

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**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** This is a very favorable day for you where you should be able to accomplish your expectations. Friends who'll be looking to you for leadership and guidance won't be disappointed, either.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Give credence to your hunches today because they could prove to be extremely helpful, especially where your material interests are concerned.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Something of significance might develop for you today through the auspices of a close friend. It could sound too good to be true, but with this individual's assistance, it may happen.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Today, tackle your large projects or weighty issues that were a bit too challenging for you earlier in the week. Conditions have shifted, and difficult assignments should be easy.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Don't neglect your immediate responsibilities, but, as of today, start planning a bit further into the future. What you conceive now can be manifested sooner than you think.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** Some unexpected changes could develop for you today that will be precipitated by influences beyond your control. However, they could be beneficial and profitable.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** Contracts, either written or verbal, should work out well for everyone involved today. If it looks like you can make a good deal, don't be afraid to commit yourself.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** You're likely to be much luckier today dealing with tangibles than dealing with intangibles. Focus on developments that can add to your material resources.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** A contact you may make socially today could prove to be quite fortunate in many ways, even though you might not immediately recognize the worth of this relationship.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** If there is an important matter you've been wanting to finalize, this is a good day to do it. You could be quite lucky where end results are concerned.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Your imagination is likely to be in high gear today; you won't be spinning your wheels when it comes to ideas. Don't be afraid to share your thoughts with potential supporters.

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## Arlington officials pitch regional science museum

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Texas city is trying to get the Smithsonian Institution to abandon its historical reluctance to branch out beyond Washington in a bid to establish a science museum in the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

Armed with a 15-minute presentation, Arlington civic and business leaders met Friday with Smithsonian Secretary Robert McCormick Adams in a meeting arranged by Rep. Martin Frost. Frost, D-Dallas, is a member of the House subcommittee that oversees the 145-year-old Smithsonian organization.

"They didn't discuss anything terribly specific and we expect to continue having a conversation," Smithsonian spokeswoman Madeleine Jacobs said after the meeting.

"There was no commitment of any kind."

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**LONGTIME EMPLOYEES** — Steven Camp, left, and Carl Burleson received 15-year service awards at the Cogdell Memorial Hospital's annual holiday dinner held at the St. Elizabeth Catholic Church annex Tuesday evening. (SDN Staff Photo)



**SERVICE AWARDS** — Receiving 10-year service awards at the annual Cogdell Memorial Hospital's holiday awards dinner Tuesday were, from left, Wanda McAnelly, Brenda Meurer, Becky Craig, Jerri Riley, Lois Skaggs, Sue Phipps, Mamie Lou Eubank and Chris Bane. (SDN Staff Photo)

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## Cicippio cheered by hometown supporters

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (AP) — Friday was "Joseph Cicippio Day," officially and by universal sentiment in a hometown salute that drew hundreds of well-wishers to see the ex-hostage and serenade him with "God Bless America."

"It's been a long time since I've been back here," Cicippio told the cheering crowd gathered on his brother's front lawn in this Philadelphia suburb. "But nothing has changed. ... There is no better place in the world."

The 61-year-old Cicippio was abducted by pro-Iranian Shiite Muslims on Sept. 12, 1986, as he walked to his job as acting comptroller at the American University in Beirut. It was the day before his birthday.

On Monday, he was set free and he returned home Thursday night. Some schoolchildren presented the former hostage with a cardboard cake crowned with five yellow candles and led the crowd in singing "Happy Birthday."

It was, said Cicippio, "the most wonderful homecoming that anyone could come home to." Mayor William DeAngelis proclaimed Friday "Joseph Cicippio Day."

Seated beside his wife, Elham, and surrounded by his five brothers and his six surviving children, Cicippio smiled throughout the morning celebration.

On his hands he wore special gloves designed for victims of frostbite, an injury suffered while he was held hostage.

Cicippio told the crowd how happy he was to be free while also touching on the years he spent in chains and shifted 20 times from one secret place to another, taken each time in the trunk of a car.

"I did not want to be the last American to leave the AUB campus," he said. "That reason, it cost me five years."

He didn't dwell on his 1,908 days of imprisonment and when the public celebration ended, Cicippio waved his arms and led the children in singing "God Bless America."

Later in the afternoon, Cicippio received a telephone call from President Bush.

Cicippio said he plans to stay with his brother Tom through the end of the year while planning his next step.

In Batavia, N.Y., where ex-hostage Terry Anderson was eagerly awaited at his boyhood stomping grounds, homecoming plans were as indefinite as his plans to go there.

Anderson, 44, was freed Wednesday after nearly seven years of captivity. The chief Middle East correspondent for The Associated Press was abducted in March 1985. His release made him the last American hostage to get out.

At a news conference Wednesday in Wiesbaden, Germany, Anderson thanked his Batavia supporters and said he looked forward to returning to the area.

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## Pyramid-builders' bakery shows how bread was made

GIZA PLATEAU, Egypt (AP) — Archaeologists have unearthed Egypt's oldest bakery, where bakers laboring in smoke-filled rooms turned out thousands of loaves every day for hungry pyramid-builders.

"We're talking colossal baking here, easily enough to feed 30,000 people a day," said Egyptologist Mark Lehner of the University of Chicago's Oriental Institute.

The well-preserved bakery, with a hearth, dough vats and bread pots, dates from Giza Plateau's pyramid-building days, which began with the fourth dynasty in 2575 B.C. Experts say it's the oldest bakery found in Egypt, perhaps in the world.

To ancient Egyptians, king or commoner, bread was an everyday staple, taken with a bit of onion or garlic and a swig of beer. Money didn't exist, and bread was doled out as part-payment to those who inched massive stones into the towering pyramids that still evoke awe after 4,600 years.

Records from the period describe at least 14 kinds of bread.

So far the team of American and Egyptian Egyptologists, working 1 1/2 miles from the Sphinx, has found three kinds of bread molds: small and large bell-shaped and flat trays. The largest earthenware molds weigh 22 pounds.

The dig began in October, financed by businessmen David Koch of New York and Bruce Ludwig of Los Angeles. Diggers found the bakery in November. After the season's work ends this month, team members plan to study the art of bread-making using ingredients available then.

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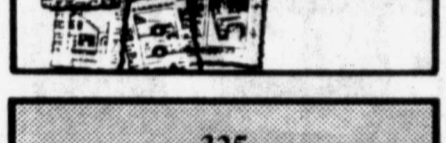
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# Dr. Gott, By Peter Gott, M.D.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I have an allergy to sugar, which makes for real problems in picking food I can safely eat. Please advise.

**DEAR READER:** Despite non-scientific opinions to the contrary, food allergies are not common, although they can produce serious difficulties in people who have them. Experts estimate that about 1 percent of adults have food allergies, which can vary from mild to severe.

Reactions to a specific food do not necessarily represent an allergy to it. For example, many people experience indigestion and gas from eating onions; these symptoms are due to an intolerance to onions, not to an allergy. Similarly, people often confuse an inability to digest lactose (milk sugar) with milk allergy, a far less common affliction.

Symptoms of true food allergies are enormously diverse, ranging from

harmless itching to life-threatening cardiovascular collapse. Further, the same food may cause dissimilar reactions from one patient to another.

However, once a person reacts to a particular food, he is likely to display identical symptoms during subsequent exposure. For instance, an allergy to shrimp typically causes hives; however, in some patients, it causes diarrhea or bladder spasm. A person with shrimp allergy will react

in a predictably individual way: Having once had bladder spasm, he will repeatedly experience that symptom instead of new ones.

Swelling (angioedema) of the mouth, ears, genitalia, hands or feet is a common manifestation of food allergy. If the swelling happens to affect the glottis, an opening high in the throat, the patient may strangle unless given emergency medical treatment.

Allergic swelling in the lungs causes asthma, a potentially fatal disorder if not treated.

Exercise-induced anaphylaxis is one of the most dangerous allergic reactions. Such patients suddenly develop hives and shock if they exercise within two hours after eating. The cause of this unusual emergency is unknown, but food such as nuts or celery can aggravate it.

In the main, most food-allergy sufferers develop nausea, vomiting, (or) hives sensations in the mouth directly after eating the offending food. Treatment with antihistamines (in pills or injections) or epinephrine (Adrenalin, by injection) will usually relieve symptoms promptly. However, not all food allergies are this easy to diagnose; skin-and blood-testing may be necessary.

Also, some people incorrectly assume they have allergies. For example, a person may claim an allergy to milk or eggs but can eat cake or custard, which contain these products, proving that no allergy exists. No reputable scientific study has shown sugar sensitivity in humans. This is not surprising because the major food allergens are glycoproteins with high molecular weights, much more complex than simple sugar. True, sugar may make people sleepy, as caffeine can cause jitteriness, but this is not an allergy. Sugar does not lead to hyperactive behavior in children.

In adults, the foods most often associated with allergies are nuts, milk, eggs, shellfish and sesame seeds. In children, the most common culprits are eggs, peanuts, milk, fish, soy bean products and wheat.

The first "test" in establishing a possible food allergy is avoidance of the suspected edible. Should symptoms (such as hives and diarrhea) disappear, the food is carefully reintroduced into the diet after about two weeks. If symptoms recur, a food allergy is likely; if they don't, it's implausible.

## Council gets preview

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port educational materials, McGruff crime dog equipment and audio and visual equipment. It could also be used for surveillance and patrol work, although it will not resemble other patrol cars currently used by the department.

In addition, the council viewed bids for a vehicle to be used by the chief of police. After three years, the vehicle will be passed on to the CID lieutenant.

Also discussed was a suburban for the fire chief and two half-ton pickups for use in the street and water distribution departments.

Funds to purchase all of the vehicles are already included in the budget.

Six companies submitted bids to purchase used water meters for the city. These ranged from under \$450 to almost \$2,200.

Council members also learned that a community theatre group has requested to appear at Tuesday's meeting to ask for \$25,000 in hotel-motel tax funds for renovation of the old Ritz Theater. The group is currently filing applications to become a non-profit corporation and will have the theater donated to the corporation.

Other items on Tuesday's agenda which were mentioned but not discussed Friday were a resolution to support the passage of a sales and use tax, approval of an application to the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas for the holding of securities, votes for the Scurry County Appraisal District Board, and Economic Corporation by-laws.

Also, Scurry County Tax Assessor/Collector Rona Sikes, a Democrat, joined two other incumbents seeking re-election last week. Republican 132nd District Judge Court Gene Dulaney and Democratic Precinct 3 Commissioner C.D. Gray Jr. also seek new terms.

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## Police file charges of aggravated assault

Snyder police filed two reports of aggravated assault and made nine unrelated arrests during a 24-hour period ending early Saturday morning.

Officers received a call from an unknown female at 2:45 a.m. Saturday in reference to several subjects fighting at 3400 Ave. M. The altercation sent two local men, 32-year-old Tony Cobb of 3211 Ave. K, and 33-year-old Charles Wayne Cobb of 3207 Ave. K, to Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room, where they were treated and released.

Police sent a teletype to Post and Lubbock requesting an attempt to locate on three to five large GM type vehicles occupied by black male subjects, possibly involved in the assault.

Later Saturday morning, police said they had not yet determined what prompted the altercation or how many subjects were involved. No arrests had been made as of Saturday morning. An investigation will continue.

Police made the following arrests Friday and early Saturday:

—A 48-year-old male for driving while license suspended at 12:53 p.m. Friday in the 1700 block of College Ave.

—A 19-year-old male for Class C theft, shoplifting, at 3:59 p.m. Friday at Wal-Mart.

—A 19-year-old male for driving while intoxicated and a 22-year-old male and a 27-year-old male for public intoxication at 11:28 p.m. Friday in the 4100 block of College Ave.

—A 19-year-old male for public intoxication at 11:44 p.m. Friday in the 2100 block of Gilmore.

—A 28-year-old female for disorderly conduct, language, at 1:28 a.m. Saturday in the Plaza Truck Stop parking lot.

—Two males, ages 21 and 27, for disorderly conduct, language, at 1:46 a.m. Saturday in the 100

## Happening

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Admission to all Christmas Happening activities is free. For those who enjoy browsing, the museum's Country Store will be open throughout the afternoon with a wide selection of gifts, including books for all ages, Christmas cards and gift wrap.

"We always look forward to the Christmas Happening," Shirley Leftwich, museum director, said. "It offers a special family event in Snyder and this is our gift to the community."

The Faculty Art Show will be going on during museum hours Sunday. In addition, a pottery sale will be conducted until 4 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building.

Open house at the Cornelius-Dodson House and Dermott School will be observed from 4 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Sunday. There is no admission charge and the public is invited to see the holiday decorations and enjoy refreshments.

## Police work three wrecks

Local police worked two traffic accidents Friday and one early Saturday morning.

Involved in a 3:18 p.m. Friday accident in the Furr's parking lot were a 1977 Chevrolet driven by Bernard Lee McKinley of 3304 Ave. U and a 1983 Ford driven by Billy Wayne Dodson of Rt. 2, Box 78. No wrecker or ambulance was needed.

At 5:17 p.m., officers worked an accident in which a 1990 Ford driven by Ruby Lee Small of Lorraine struck a building at 3405 College Ave. owned by Jim Rosson.

The vehicle was towed from the scene. No ambulance was needed.

Police investigated another one-vehicle accident at 12:05 a.m. Saturday along Farm Rd. 1673 in which a 1979 Ford struck a concrete culvert owned by the Texas Highway Department. The driver of the vehicle had left the scene and the owner was unknown as of Saturday morning. Police had the vehicle towed.

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## Ex-CIA official pleads innocent

WASHINGTON (AP) — Retired CIA official Duane R. Claridge pleaded innocent Friday to seven felony counts of lying in the Iran-Contra scandal.

Claridge was charged on Nov. 26 with five counts of perjury and two counts of false statements for allegedly covering up his knowledge of a Nov. 25, 1985, shipment of Hawk missiles to Iran.

U.S. District Judge Aubrey Robinson set the next court date in the case for Jan. 6 and allowed Claridge to remain free on personal recognizance.

The maximum penalty on each count is five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

Claridge, former chief of the CIA's European Division, is accused of lying to Congress and the Tower Review Board in 1986 and 1987, when he said he did not know at the time of the shipment that the cargo was a load of Hawk

missiles. The Hawk shipment became the most controversial of the Iran-Contra arms deals when the scandal erupted in late 1986. The CIA's role in the shipment was retroactively authorized two weeks after the missiles were flown to Iran.

Independent counsel Lawrence E. Walsh's office announced that Walsh will spend the bulk of his time from this point working on his final report in the Iran-Contra case.

Walsh's office announced that one of the office's prosecutors, Craig A. Gillen, was being named deputy independent counsel and would direct the continuing investigation and trial work.

Gillen and Walsh spokeswoman Mary Belcher declined to say whether the investigation was close to an end.

## Faltering peace talks revealing strain

By Ruth Sinai  
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — The false start of this week's Middle East peace talks is as much — if not more — about festering mistrust between Israel and the United States as about the dispute between Israel and the Arabs.

Israel, courting sure escalation in tensions with Washington, was blunt about refusing the U.S. invitation to start talks with the Arabs here on Dec. 4.

The Israeli decision to start talks instead on Dec. 9 "shows clearly that Israel acts according to its own wishes," said Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir.

"We are not someone who can be summoned," added his chief overseas spokesman, Benjamin Netanyahu.

The United States, for its part, is uncertain about Israeli intentions and frustrated by what it feels is a stonewalling, ambiguous approach to peacemaking.

"We can't want these talks more than the parties themselves," is a familiar litaney heard from State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler.

"The bottom line is, we aren't sure to this day whether Shamir really wants peace and, more importantly, is willing to take some painful steps to achieve it," said one U.S. official familiar with the administration's attempts to get peace talks going.

The rift between the two countries, the closest of allies for a quarter century, was generated by the crumbling of Soviet power.

For years, the Mideast balance was clear: the United States bolstered Israel against the Arabs, who were backed by the Soviet Union. All that changed when the Soviets bowed off the international stage.

When the Arabs got in trouble last year — with Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and its threat to Saudi Arabia — they turned to the United States. With Arabs and Americans shoulder to shoulder against Iraq, Israel for the first time faced the

reality of its reduced strategic importance to the United States.

### AP analysis

And with that came doubts about the bedrock of the U.S.-Israeli relationship: the U.S. commitment to Israel's security.

The Bush administration, emboldened by the victorious cooperation with the Arabs and the free field left by the Soviets, decided conditions were ripe for pressure on both sides to resolve their 43-year dispute.

"The schoolmaster of state now carries a much bigger stick," said Martin Indyk, director of the Washington Institute for Near East Policy. "Therefore, he needs to walk more softly," he added.

Rather than imposing the Dec. 4 date on the parties, he suggested, Secretary of State James Baker should have waited patiently for Israel and the Arabs to fix a date in direct talks.

Israel feels the imposed date is a harbinger of U.S. plans to force Israel to return lands captured from the Arabs in the 1967 Mideast war.

But unless the Israelis are assured of U.S. willingness to guarantee a peace agreement with the

Arabs, who far outnumber Israelis, they won't agree to concessions, argued Indyk, whose think tank gauges Israeli attitudes.

Baker and President Bush, on the other hand, insist repeatedly that they are committed to Israel's defense — as evidenced by the \$3 billion in aid given each year by the United States.

But, they say, Israel is too fearful of its neighbors to go to the negotiating table of its own accord.

To apply pressure, the Bush administration delayed until next month its consideration of an Israeli request for \$10 billion in desperately needed loan guarantees to resettle hundreds of thousands of Soviet Jewish emigres.

It also sent letters to Israel and the Arabs suggesting substantive approaches to the upcoming talks — something Israel construed as unwarranted interference.

Baker's recent letters reflected U.S. frustration with the procedural bickering between the sides which has been going on throughout eight months of his shuttle diplomacy to the region and preventing any talk of substance.

"I have said many times that we

would like to see this procedural wrangling be set aside and to get on ... with the serious business that everybody came to town for..." said Tutwiler.

The Arabs, on the other hand, are seeking more U.S. intervention rather than less.

Unless the United States plays an active role, said Palestinian spokeswoman Hanan Ashrawi, "Israel is constantly going to impose its will and is going to create facts that will render the whole process irrelevant and meaningless."

#### The birth of the boycott

The word boycott, which means to combine against in a policy of non-intercourse for economic or political reasons, is an eponym, named after Charles C. Boycott, an English land agent in County Mayo, Ireland, who was ostracized in 1880 for refusing to reduce rents.

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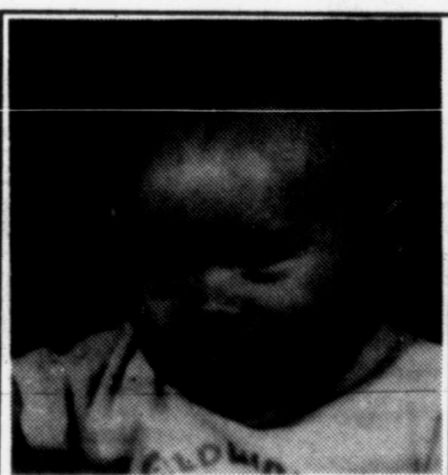
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### "BIBLE PREACHING"

By Homer Anderson



In a recent poll of over 7,000 preachers, over 80% of priests and ministers from three major American denominations rejected a literal interpretation of the Bible when asked if they believed the Bible is the inspired word of God.

The apostles and preachers in the first century taught the Bible as God's inspired word. Paul proclaimed, "All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work" (2 Timothy 3:16-17, NASB). When the Ethiopian treasurer was reading from Isaiah, chapter 53, Luke records, "...And beginning from this Scripture he preached Jesus to him" (Acts 8:35).

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**ACADEMIC CHALLENGE TEAM** — These four Hermleigh High School students will represent their school in the Academic Challenge. They will meet Gustine in the first round on Monday. From left are, Renee Matthews and Rebecca, both seniors; and Chris Lambaren and Melinda Estrada, both sophomores. Academic Challenge features 29 schools from the Big Country. Sponsors include Coca Cola, 7-Up, and KTXS-TV in Abilene which also airs the program each Sunday at 5:30 p.m. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Senate committee demands action about abuse charges

AUSTIN (AP) — The head of a Senate panel investigating alleged abuses at psychiatric hospitals said state regulators should move to improve their oversight by Christmas, adding that the hospitals themselves now seem willing to help.

Sen. Mike Moncrief, D-Fort Worth, described as "frightening" reports from parents of attempts to coerce them into admitting their children to some hospitals.

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales says he has widened his investigation of ties between public school districts and private psychiatric hospitals.

"I don't know of a more vulnerable target for some of these psychiatric institutions" than young people, Moncrief said.

At a hearing, Moncrief directed agencies to make changes to improve regulation by Christmas. The staff of the Senate Interim Committee on Health and Human Services has suggested that agencies take a team approach to regulation, address problem areas and make sure patients know their

rights. In stressing the need for swift action to Georgia Flint, acting insurance commissioner, Moncrief said, "Let's stretch your rules, regulations... and ability to step on necks to the limit."

Moncrief said that the committee had received testimony of people being institutionalized against their will and being prescribed "massive doses of medication."

In some cases, he said, the amounts prescribed would have been lethal and were not received by the patient — but they were

paid by insurers.

Earlier, Moncrief said, "I think there is a can-do attitude that's being exhibited today" by state agencies.

Not all recommended changes could be made by Christmas, the senator said, but all possible ones should be even if it requires emergency agency board meetings. For example, state mental health officials on Wednesday adopted emergency investigation rules to enhance oversight of the hospitals.

Laws also will have to be changed to protect people, he said.

## Two Texas names surface for 2 top government posts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The wife of a Texas senator and a Houston energy executive are among those being mentioned on the short list of candidates to fill two vacancies in President Bush's cabinet.

Wendy Lee Gramm and Kenneth Lay are contenders to replace outgoing Transportation Secretary Samuel Skinner and Commerce Secretary Robert Mosbacher, said administration and congressional sources who spoke on condition of anonymity Friday.

Mrs. Gramm, the wife of Republican Sen. Phil Gramm and the head of the Commodity Futures Trading Commission, is among those in line to replace Skinner, who was tapped Thursday by Bush to become White House chief of staff.

Lay, the chairman and chief executive officer of Enron Corp., is a contender to replace Mosbacher, a fellow Texan who is leaving to become general chairman of Bush's re-election campaign.

Mrs. Gramm, who was in Hawaii with her husband for the 50th anniversary commemoration of Pearl Harbor, had no comment Friday on her possible appointment and referred questions to the White House.

"I would be very pleased if the president selected Wendy Gramm," said Rep. Greg Laughlin, D-West Columbia, a member of the House transportation committee.

A labor economist with a doctorate in economics, Mrs. Gramm was mentioned last year as a candidate for a Federal Reserve board

vacancy.

A former Texas A&M economics professor, she was appointed to the CFTC in 1988. She previously served as administrator for information in the Office of Management and Budget.

Laughlin said Mrs. Gramm's lack of a transportation background is not a hindrance.

"I think she's fully capable of learning the transportation issues.

She was a college professor and generally they are quick learners," he said Friday.

Having a Texan as the nation's top transportation official would be a boon to the state, Laughlin said.

"We just lost a Texan out of the Cabinet when Secretary Mosbacher left," he said. "I think it would be important to have another Texan back in the Cabinet."

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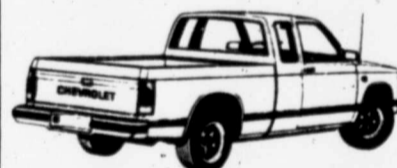
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# Scurry County Folks By Shirley A. Gorman

If Clifford and Vivian Cochran had arrived in Snyder during daylight hours in 1949, they might not still be living here today.

Flashback: during the height of the oil boom, Snyder was dirty looking and crowded with oil field workers who slept in their cars parked in ditches and stood for an hour or more just to get a meal at the city's lone cafe.

Present day: Forty-two years later finds the Cochrans more than happy that they chose to make their home in Snyder. "We fell in love with the people and the town. We got to see it change from a dirty town into a clean, wholesome place to raise a family," she said.

In the beginning though, the Cochrans had to stay in Colorado City because Snyder had no vacancies. Since her husband was then in the construction business, Vivian said they came to Snyder because a market for new homes had been created by people who poured into the city looking for a slice of the then newly discovered oil patch. His company was named C.B. & L. Construction.

In addition to homes for sale, Cochran was also building a home for his family. For several months while their home was slowly taking shape, they continued to live in Colorado City.

Mealtimes proved a problem for the Cochrans who had no way to cook and had to stand in line for an hour or more or settle for sandwiches, Vivian explained. The cafe was then located on the east side of the square.

She said her husband's first construction headquarters was located on the Lamesa Highway where Trailertopia stands today.

Following the boom, Vivian said Clifford started building nurs-

ing homes throughout the state. She often kept books for him.

In those early days in Snyder, Vivian not only had a small daughter to care for, but was later joined by her three sisters who were living in East Texas.

Vivian has always had a large family to take care of. A teenage bride, she had married her childhood sweetheart. Her mother died shortly thereafter so she and her new husband took on the task of raising her sisters as well. They were 5, 3 and 18 months at the time. She also had two brothers who lived with them for a while.

Looking back, Vivian recalls that period of her life as a time "when we all grew up together." Two sisters still live in Snyder, including Janet Hall and Purnie Dempsey. A daughter, Marie Thomas, lives in the Hermleigh area and a son, Mike Cochran, lives in Snyder.

Mike was quite a surprise Vivian said because he was born 24 years after his sister. Vivian was 19 when her daughter was born so she said she was more of a sister to her daughter and her own sisters than a mother.

But by the time Mike was born, Vivian said she could be more like a mother to him than she had been to Marie. "He has kept us young," Vivian said, adding, "Mike started and finished school in Snyder."

Raising a son was quite a change Vivian said, especially since he and his sister did not have the same type of personalities. Marie was quiet and reserved while Mike was more rambunctious. She said he was more outgoing and always wanted to go places and do things, while his sister preferred to stay at home.

She also has two grandsons, one 34 and another, 7. She babysits the younger one frequently, referring to him as a "live wire."

Being a teenage bride with several children to raise was no easy task, but Vivian did the best job she could. Along the way she often received help through the home extension clubs where she has been a member for the past 50 years.



**CHRISTMAS CRAFTS** — Vivian Cochran, a Snyder resident for the past 42 years, likes to work on Christmas dollies in her spare time. She has been a member of home extension clubs for the past 50 years. (SDN Staff Photo)

Five decades ago, home extension clubs were geared toward helping the wife and mother be a good homemaker. Clubs in those days took turns meeting in different members' homes.

Besides construction work, Vivian and her husband was also involved in other businesses. At one time, he had the Cochran Furniture Store which was located on 25th St. where Beneficial Finance used to be.

He also operated the Star Laundry, a coin-operated business, on 26th St., where Nathalie's was first located. He also had two in Lamesa and one in Colorado City. After about five years or so, he sold the laundries.

"They taught us how to survive," Vivian said. "We were taught everything from making mattresses to recycling everything we had until it was completely worn out."

She said they also learned how to make meals from "scratch" and to manage their homes.

She joined her first home extension club in Lamar County near Paris, Tex., where she was born and reared. Later she joined some in Scurry County.

Since Vivian had married during the Depression, she said times were tough and they learned how to do handwork and often exchanged favorite recipes. As the years rolled by, things changed for the better and homemakers began to enjoy the fruits of progress.

Having lived through the Depression, Vivian said she has nothing but praise for "any kind of progress."

More than a decade ago though, things began to change even more as computers became ever more popular. Home extension members then began to learn how to use computers to organize their households. In the long run, she said it actually saves space.

When asked what has kept her a member for more than 50 years, Vivian cited two main reasons: (1) love of the fellowship, and (2) learning new things.

She has also been a member of the American Business Women's (See **FOLKS** On Page 2B)

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## Scurry County Folks

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Association (ABWA) for the past 15 years. In addition, she also helped organized the Deep Creek Chapter.

Growing up in Lamar County found Vivian living in company homes as her father then worked for Gulf Oil. The oldest child, she said their father often had to be gone for various periods of time as his job dictated.

After about 10 or so years of camp life, she said they built their own home. In addition, her father also helped construct homes.

Vivian likes to fish, camp out, and to travel. She said she "can't get away often enough" and that isn't always easy these days because her husband, who traveled a lot while he built nursing homes, now likes to "stay put."

A family reunion is planned this summer though.

Vivian also likes to do volunteer work and two days of each week she spends helping children learn to read.

## Weatherman extends contract to 1995

NEW YORK (AP) — Weatherman Willard Scott, who gives birthday greetings to 100-year-olds and also is known for on-again-off-again use of a toupee, has agreed to stay with the "Today" show at least through 1995.

NBC announced Wednesday that Scott has signed a new three-year deal with the morning news show. Earlier in the week NBC announced "Today" show host Brant Gumbel had signed a similar contract.

Terms of the contract were not released.

Gumbel and Scott engaged in a public feud two years ago after Gumbel complained in an internal memo — later leaked — that the portly weatherman "holds the show hostage to his assortment of whims, wishes, birthdays and bad taste."

Scott's morning weather reports are often peppered with bad jokes, quips about his bald head and birthday greetings to centenarians. He once dressed up as Carmen Miranda.

## Community Calendar

### MONDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club board of directors; MAWC; all members urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Le Leche League; conference room of Senior Center; children welcome; information call 573-7844; 10 a.m.

Free blood pressure clinic; Fluvanna Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

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

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

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

White Buffalo Stamp Club; TU Reddy Room; 7:30 p.m.

Overeaters Anonymous; Morning Side Baptist Church fellowship hall; 7:30 p.m. Call JoAnn at 573-9839 for information.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-9924 or 863-2349.

### TUESDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Ira Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Atheneum Study Club; High Tea at the Dodson House; 4:15 p.m.

Weight Watchers; First Assembly of God; 5:30 p.m.

Parenting Support Group; 2513 College Ave.; for more information, call Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse at 573-1141.

Beta Delta Phi; 7 p.m.

Sport Card Swap Club; Willow Park Inn, for information call 573-1961; 7 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Canyon Gun Club; 3201 Ave. U; 7:30 p.m.

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-9924, 573-5867.

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### WEDNESDAY

Altruistic Daughters luncheon; MAWC; program, Blanche Chisum; 11:15 a.m.

Christian Women's Club "Gingerbread House" Luncheon; Snyder Country Club; 12 noon-2 p.m.; reservations-cancellations by 5 p.m.

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Free blood pressure clinic; Hermleigh Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

### THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club, W. 37th St.; 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Noah Project Advisory committee; doctors' lounge of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 12 noon.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary annual Christmas Tea; board room; 1-3:30 p.m.

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.

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 7 p.m.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; VFW; 6:30-8 p.m.

Scurry County Sheriffs Posse; Posse Clubhouse; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-9924 or 573-5867.

### FRIDAY

Storytime for 4 and 5 year olds; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; For more information call 573-2101 or 573-3657 or 573-3956; 8 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-5524 days, 573-2101 nights; 8 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9924. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

### SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; Snyder Savings and Loan Community Room; 27th & College; 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Alateen Step Study Group; Park Club at Winston Park; For 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; for information call 573-8626 or 573-2349; 10 a.m.

10 a.m. For more information, call 863-2348, 573-8110 or 573-6820.

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

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

Delta Kappa Gamma; MAWC; 4 p.m.



"HYMN AND GOSPEL" PROGRAM — The First Presbyterian Church of Colorado City was the site for a recital by Vivace Jr. Music Club, members of Bethel Studio of Music, on Nov. 17. Hostesses for the reception at the Heritage House were, from left, bottom row, Angela Riggs, Amber Kelley, Jennifer Petty and Johnnie Riggs; top row, Nicki Riggs, Andrea Helm, Stephanie Hoyle and Carrie Perkins. Others participating were

Mrs. Robert Sayger, Ellen Strayhorn, Stormy Clark, Ruth Ann Riddel, Bailey Stoker, Casey Blackard, Cheryl Reed, Whitney Rogers, Robert O'Conner, Starling Shields, Mrs. Nathan Hoyle, Brett Gibson, Paul O'Conner, Laura Hamby, Shane Kelley, Karomy Drum, Jason Warren, Ellen Strayhorn, Brandi Murphree, Shelly Jones and Blanden Chisum. (SDN Staff Photo)

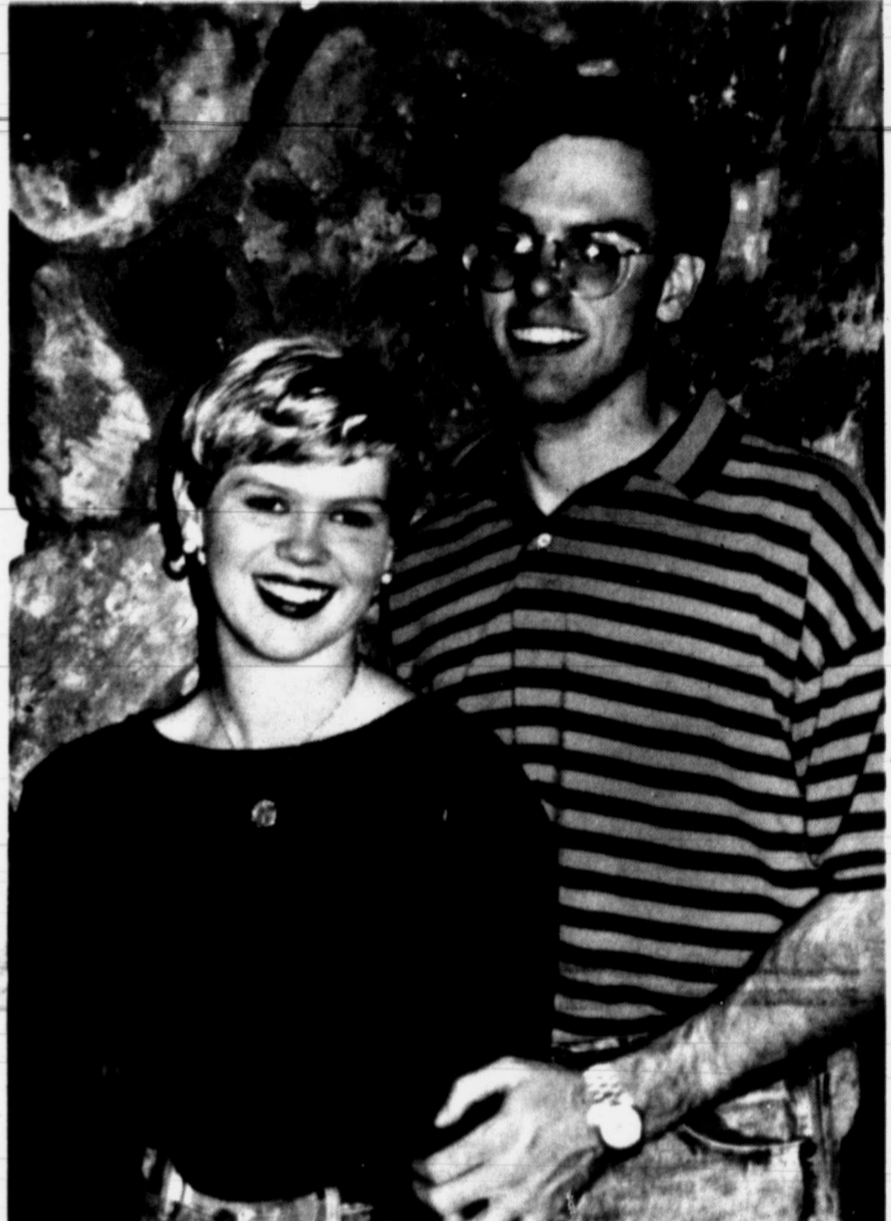
## Xi Alpha Alpha Theta plans seasonal project

Jacalyn Lowrance, service chairman for Xi Alpha Alpha Theta, announced a family had been selected to receive assistance from the sorority during the Christmas season. Plans were set in motion for this year's project.

Mickey Baird, social chairman, reminded members of the holiday social set for Dec. 6 in the home of Larry and Barbara Bills.

President Brenda Hedges conducted the business session following a program, "Music at Christmas," by Betty Watts, assisted by her guest, Glenda Hollingsworth. Mrs. Hedges also led members in Christmas songs, accompanied by Mrs. Watts. In conclusion, Mrs. Hollingsworth presented a reading, "Holding On To Christmas," by Scott Walker from "Daily Guidepost, 91," and singing "Oh Holy Night" and "Merry Christmas with Love."

Hostesses were Mrs. Lowrance and Patricia Warren. Sue Sewell and Betsy Griffin will be hostesses for the Jan. 7 meeting.



JANUARY WEDDING SET — Kenny and Sandi Miller announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Amy, to Mike Cline. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Cline and Ms. Gaynel Cline, all of Snyder. The couple plans to marry Jan. 3 at 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church. (Contributed Photo)

## Black Hills resort

DEADWOOD, S.D. (AP) — Kevin Costner and his brother Dan are gambling there is enough support for a casino even bigger than the one they opened here last summer.

Dan Costner said Tuesday he and his movie star brother have bought 85 acres on the north end of this Black Hills town and hope to build a casino, resort and convention center.

But he said the project probably wouldn't get off the ground without strong community support. He said it was a battle for the brothers and their partners to get the Midnight Star casino, which opened in July, approved by local officials.

"This is a slightly bigger project, and I'm just not too interested in jumping through a lot of hoops," he said.

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## Scurry County Library News and Views

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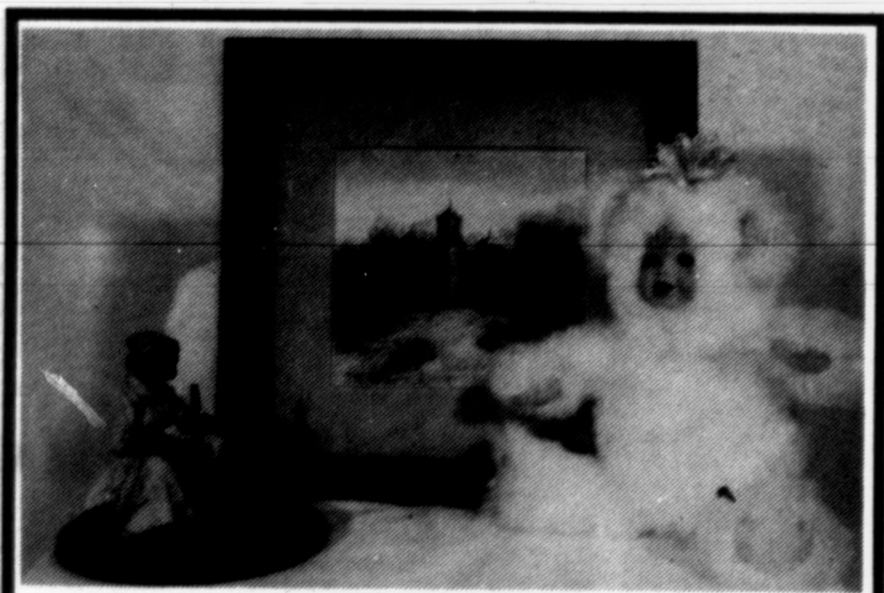
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**LUNCHEON SET** — The Christian Women's Club's annual "Gingerbread House" luncheon is set for Wednesday for 12-2 p.m. at the Snyder Country Club. The special feature will be Bette League Designs. Music will be presented by a handbell choir and the speaker will be Wanda Hall. Reservations and cancellations are neces-

sary by noon Tuesday by calling Doris at 573-3996 or Gaylan at 573-7125. Making gingerbread houses to be sold at the luncheon are, from left, Connie Pritchard, Dale Neves, Katie Neves, Mary Jacobi, Gaylan Mason and Curtis Mason. (SDN Staff Photo)

## Couple will observe 50th anniversary

Lewie and Gene Thomas will be honored with a reception on Dec. 14, 2-4 p.m. in the garden room of First Baptist Church in observance of their golden wedding anniversary.

Hosting the event will be their sons and their families, Leslie and Jan Thomas of Snyder; Glenn and Linda Thomas of Abilene; and John and Janey Thomas of Snyder.

Mr. Thomas was born April 22, 1920, in Eastland. Mrs. Thomas, the former Gene Penix, was born on June 7, 1922, in Mingus. They met in Lueders and were married on Dec. 20, 1941, in Anson. They have lived in Snyder since 1954.

Lewie is retired from Monsanto and Gene is a retired beautician. They are members of the First Baptist Church. The couple has five grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and two step-great-grandchildren.

The family requests only the gift of the presence of friends and relatives to celebrate this occasion.



LEWIE AND GENE THOMAS

## Bridge By Phillip Alder

NORTH 12-7-91			
♦ J 10 7 5			
♥ 7			
♦ J 7 6			
♦ K J 7 5 3			
WEST	EAST		
♦ 6 4 3	♦ A K 2		
♥ 5 4 2	♥ Q 6 3		
♦ A 9 2	♦ 10 8 5 4		
♦ Q 10 8 6	♦ A 9 2		
SOUTH			
♦ Q 9 8			
♥ A K J 10 9 8			
♦ K Q 3			
♦ 4			
Vulnerable: Neither			
Dealer: South			
South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1♦	Pass
3♥	Pass	Pass	Pass
Opening lead: ♦ 6			

usually done in the hope of effecting a trump promotion, but there are other possibilities.

South had an awkward rebid over one spade. Three hearts was the logical choice, but, when North passed, South had a few nervous moments while awaiting the appearance of the dummy, wondering if a spade contract would be better.

West led the club six, East capturing dummy's jack with his ace. Now it became a battle to keep the declarer out of the dummy so that he couldn't pick up the trump queen.

East switched to the diamond eight, the high card denying an honor in the suit. Declarer played the king, but West, trusting his partner's card, ducked to stop the diamond jack from becoming a dummy entry.

Declarer continued with the diamond queen, West ducking once more, and another diamond. West won with the ace and then switched to a spade. East won with the king and declarer unlocked his queen. Next came the spade ace.

The defenders had collected their four side-suit tricks. Following the guideline given above, East found the killing lead of the diamond 10. True, East was hoping for a trump promotion, but the lead had another effect. If declarer discarded his spade and ruffed in the dummy, he couldn't capture East's trump queen. He therefore ruffed in hand, but West then discarded his last spade. Now dummy's spade jack was no longer an entry.

## The 13th card can be lucky

By Phillip Alder

When the defenders have taken all their tricks in the side-suits, it's often an astute strategy to lead the 13th card of a suit.

This isn't a revolutionary idea. It is

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**ANNOUNCE MARRIAGE** — Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Owens of Snyder announce the marriage of their daughter, Brenda, to Allen Kuss, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Kuss of Hermleigh. The couple was married Oct. 19 at the First Presbyterian Church and are at home in Hermleigh. (Photo By Karen Wadleigh)

## Judds end career as country duo

**MURFREESBORO, Tenn.** (AP) — The Judds wrapped up an eight-year career as one of country music's most popular acts with an emotion-packed farewell performance before 10,000 fans.

The mother-daughter duo is breaking up the act because mother Naomi Judd has hepatitis. Daughter Wynonna, 27, plans a solo career.

Among those in the audience at Middle Tennessee State University for Wednesday's show were country stars Emmylou Harris, Reba McEntire, Kathy Mattea, Larry Gatlin and Brenda Lee.

"I think Wynonna and I love country music more right this minute than the day we discovered it because you have allowed us for the last eight years to heal our relationship and become best friends,

and you quite possibly may have saved my life," Naomi Judd told the audience.

The show was the last one on the group's 118-city farewell tour.

The Judds have won four Grammys, sold 10 million records and were named either best duo or best vocal group by the Country Music Association the past seven years.

## Ira ISD School Menu

**MONDAY**  
Pig in a Blanket  
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**TUESDAY**  
Manager's Choice

**WEDNESDAY**  
Fried Chicken  
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Cream Potatoes  
Green Beans  
Peaches  
Rolls

**THURSDAY**  
Fiesta Bowl  
Refried Beans  
Salad (Vegetable)  
Brownies  
Choice of Milk

**FRIDAY**  
Meat Loaf  
Scalloped Potatoes  
Black-Eyed Peas  
Biscuits  
Prune Cake  
Choice of Milk

## Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

**FRIDAY**

Jane Hinton directed four tables.  
1. Lucille Joyce, Monte West.  
2. Margaret Birdwell, Dorothy Hudson.

3. Polly Ballard, Tizzy Hall.

**SUNDAY**  
Jane Hinton directed four tables.  
1. TIE: Polly Ballard, Monte West and Frances, Malven Stevenson.

2. TIE: Margaret Birdwell, Bessie Collins and Tizzy Hall, Barbara Yorgesen.

**TUESDAY**  
George Stewart directed three tables.

1. Ann Davis, George Stewart.  
2. Louise Thompson, Frances Stevenson.

3. Jane Hinton, Barbara Yorgesen.

## Abdul has own star

**LOS ANGELES (AP)** — Paula Abdul, who says she walked across the stars of famous people as a kid growing up in Los Angeles, now has one of her own.

"This is a dream come true," the pop singer said as her star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame was unveiled Wednesday.

Abdul's hit albums include "Forever Your Girl" and "Spellbound."

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# 'Nice guy' bridge pro changes at the table

CANYON, Texas (AP) — When he's not competing, professional bridge player Mark Lair is considered "a good Christian" and noted for his honesty and up-standing morals, his peers say.

"But at the bridge table, he's full of larceny and deceit, always trying to outwit his opponents to take advantage of the slightest hint of weakness," says Mike Passell, who has been Lair's steady bridge partner for almost 20 years.

Lair, 44, of Canyon, won more events last year than any other player in the American Contract Bridge League in winning the Barry Crane-500 award, which goes to the player who has won the most masterpoints in a year.

"Mark Lair is a real gem in the bridge world. He has an easygoing manner away from the table, but his obvious intensity at the table is one of his major attributes," Passell said.

In the two decades that Lair has been playing bridge professionally, he's won an estimated 400 championships in regional tournaments across the United States and a dozen or more championships in national tournaments.

When the opponents have the balance of strength, Lair frequently is in the bidding auction, making aggressive bids or over-calls, hoping to keep the opponents off-balance.

His colleagues say he is intense, imaginative and aware, trying to squeeze everything possible out of the play and out of the bidding, hating to lose.

Lair and Passell, who lives in Dallas, won two team events at the fall ACBL nationals in Indianapolis in November, although they failed to win the prized Reisinger Board-a-Match national team championship that also barely eluded them last year.

Playing with them were three other of the nation's top bridge professionals: Paul Soloway of Mill Creek, Wash., Bobby Goldman of Dallas and Eddie Wold of Houston. In last year's ACBL matchpoint race, Lair was first, Soloway third, Passell fifth, Wold sixth and Goldman seventh.

There's a regional bridge tournament somewhere across the United States almost every week, but the ACBL has three 10-day national tournaments each year that attract virtually all of the nation's top players, as well as some international stars.

It's at the nationals that the competition and the will to win are the fiercest.

"I feel incredible adrenaline when the national team championships start narrowing down to the finals," Lair said.

"The most difficult feat in high-level competition is breaking another top pair's momentum and turning a match around with your own partnership poise and performance," Lair said.

"There is an element of luck, but both teams do hold the same cards at each table. You make a lot of your own luck by choosing the right situations to be aggressive or conservative. At the highest level, you get punished for your mistakes."

Lair was playing rubber bridge for money in Oklahoma City when he met Passell about 1972.

"Mike really helped me. He was already on the tournament trail, and I wasn't," Lair said. "I got acquainted with some of his peers, and he played with me some. He thought I had considerable bridge talent, and one thing led to another."

Over the years, Lair said, "Mike and I through our enduring partnership and friendship have learned how to handle adversity much stronger than we did in our early years. We don't let bad results get us into ego battles at the table. We're good friends at the card table, very supportive of each other, and that's important in a good partnership."

In Lair's successful drive for ACBL's top masterpoint ranking in 1990, he played "95 percent of the time" with players of lesser ability who paid him several hundred dollars for two 3 1/2-hour sessions of play.

It's the equivalent of a local golfer getting to play in a tournament with Jack Nicklaus and getting in-

struction along the way.

"He has a way of getting the most out of me," said Mrs. James Stickney of McComb, Miss., who has been playing with Lair for "about 20 years." They've won numerous championships across the nation.

"His technique, his card play is the main thing. He just is real good, analyzing what other people

have in their hand. Mark improved my game a lot by teaching me different things, and I pass them along to my favorite partner back home," she said in a telephone interview.

At Indianapolis, Lair had two high finishes with clients, finishing first overall with Mrs. Bobby Marcus of Detroit in one regionally rated pairs event and second

overall with Mrs. Stickney in another.

When play to a hand begins, Lair begins the process of trying to determine the makeup of the unseen hands. Using the clues available through the bidding, the opening lead, and the play, he usually is able to work out the location of the key missing cards.

"I thoroughly enjoy playing

professionally," Lair said.

"I enjoy the challenge of winning with numerous clients with various levels of skill and seeing them go on to get better results in the future, even when they're not playing with me, because they learned a lot of little gadgets and little psychological things that come up at the table that they never thought of before."

# Cougars return to East Texas

HOUSTON (AP) — Cougars are back in East Texas. At least a couple were.

OK, some people claim the big cats never left. But they're wrong. Just as wrong as I was earlier this year when I wrote that cougar sightings in the Piney Woods were the product of overactive imaginations, fueled by regional legends that refused to die.

Truth is, no documented cougar sightings or evidence had surfaced since the turn of the century — not a single one. But that changed this year.

Three cases involving what appear to be wild cougars have surfaced in East Texas this year. Two came from Wood County in the state's northeast corner. The latest, and perhaps the most convincing, showed up in November in Newton County.

The cougars in Wood County were killed in separate incidents, both involving the cats eating domestic animals, a dog and a horse. The one in Newton County was killed by a deer hunter on Nov. 2, opening day of deer season.

That Newton County cougar lends the most credence to claims that cougars — panthers, mountain lions, pumas, whatever name you tag on this largest of North America's wild cats — have, somehow, found their way back into eastern Texas after having been exterminated from the area almost a century ago. And, perhaps more important, the animal could trigger a long-needed push toward rejecting the ignorant, inexcusable, unconditional and embarrassing prosecution of cougars throughout the state.

The Newton County cougar was killed by a Port Arthur hunter who reported shooting the cat on a deer lease approximately 12 miles east of Jasper. The cougar, a male weighing 125 pounds and measuring a bit more than 7 1/2 feet from nose to tail, was taken to a taxidermist in Beaumont, where Texas Parks and Wildlife Department employees from the Jasper branch office inspected it. TPWD folks were looking for any sign that the cougar had been someone's pet and had escaped or had been dumped in the woods by its owner. At least one such pet-gone-feral had been killed in the Piney Woods, a cat shot two years ago in Bowie County. TPWD employees discovered that animal had been declawed, proving it had been someone's pet and not a wild cougar. But the Newton County cat had its claws, bore no tattoos or other markings normally used to identify domesticated cougars.

"From all indications it was an animal living in the wild," said Gary Spencer, wildlife biologist with TPWD's Jasper office.

That animal, combined with the other two East Texas cougar kills, and other factors seem to say cougars are trying to reestablish themselves in the Piney Woods.

"I really believe something's happening," Spencer said. "There's just too much evidence to ignore. We've had a rash of reports in the last couple of years, some legitimate sightings from credible people."

Cougars, it appears, are expanding their range throughout the middle of the North American continent.

For most of the past century, Texas has had a small population of the big cats. Almost all of them have been in south Texas and the Trans-Pecos. But during the past decade, sightings of the animals have increased outside the traditional range, Spencer said. Cougars are showing up in central Texas where the cats haven't been seen in decades.

The cougar population in the

Rocky Mountain states also is increasing and expanding. Those animals are treading into new territory. This year, for example, Nebraska wildlife authorities documented a wild cougar for the first time in more than a century — odds are the animal traveled there from its original home in Colorado or Wyoming.

That far? You bet. Cougars, particularly unattached males looking for mates, can range over several hundred miles. It's very possible a cat could travel from south or central Texas to the Piney Woods in search of a mate.

Any cougar making it to the Piney Woods would find itself in mountain lion heaven. Things are much different today than they were at the turn of the century.

Back when East Texans were exterminating the region's original cougar population, they were doing pretty much the same to the white-tailed deer. Because the cougars depended on those deer

for much of their food, the drop in deer numbers caused a drop in cat numbers. We killed the few remaining cats.

Today, however, the Piney Woods holds a healthy deer population.

"With the deer population as high as it is in the Piney Woods, the food base is certainly there to support cats," Spencer said. "We've got the habitat. They could do well here."

That would be fantastic. Cougars are perhaps the most magnificent four-legged predators to pad this land. Cougars are hunters, brothers and sisters to those of us human omnivores who pursue other animals. But there's a difference. We humans have the privilege of hunting. For cougars, it's their right. And it's their right to live where they can. Any place they exist is richer for their presence. They should be treasured, not tormented.

# Dallas' support of African American arts controversial

DALLAS (AP) — He's pushy, aggressive, annoying. He has a low tolerance level. He's a perfectionist. He's adored and despised, outspoken and sincere. He knows where he came from. He knows where he's going. He knows what it takes to get there.

Just ask Curtis King — founder, president, and lifeline of the Junior Black Academy of Arts and Letters. He'll be happy to discuss himself. In fact, today he's the one throwing the quick-hit analytical

jab. "Does that about cover it?" King asks, eager to oblige in self-appraisal.

He's getting a kick out of this sort of self-dissection because in a few days he'll get to hear what others think of him. Saturday, the JBA will celebrate King's upcoming 40th birthday with a roast and party-till-you-drop bash at the Dallas Convention Center.

He'll sit in the hot seat while an array of political, civic, religious and education dignitaries take tongue-in-cheek potshots at the man affectionately known as King Curtis. Mayor Pro Tem Al Lipscomb will be there. So will KLIF-AM talk show host Bob Ray Sanders, pastors Zan Holmes and S.M. Wright and Peter Johnson of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference.

Actors Roger Mosley ("Magnum P.I."), Hal Williams ("227") and Antonio Fargas ("Starsky and Hutch") will salute him, and singers Jennifer Holliday and Charley Pride will perform. "Curtis is so complex that he's not that easy to roast," says Sanders. "He has his idiosyncrasies, as we all do."

King knows that during the roast even the most-critical stabs will be compliments in disguise.

But, actually, he says he'd rather know how Dallas really feels about him. Indeed, he has been a somewhat controversial figure since 1977, when he founded the JBA, a group with the mission of preserving and promoting contributions of black artists.

He says he has "run City Hall crazy" by badgering officials about what he calls unfair treatment of his organization. He's gotten on the bad side of other arts groups, he says, for receiving what they consider far more than his share of city funding.

Although it's hard to find anyone who will criticize King on the record, he says he has many enemies. There are those who don't like his tactics, his style, or even his hairdo — a flat Afro that, King says, "blacks see as outdated and non-blacks see as symbolism of the radical '60s.'"

Earl Pedford, who has written about the JBA for the Dallas Examiner, says he isn't surprised that criticism of King is relegated to private conversations.

"Curtis strives to promote the well-being of black folk in the arts," Pedford says. "So those who criticize him put themselves in a Catch-22 situation. Those who harbor dislike for him either know him (and don't want to damage the relationship) or don't want to be called racists."

John Paul Batiste, director of the Texas Commission on the Arts, has known King for 20 years.

"He inspires people as well as turns people off," Batiste says. "My own characterization is that he's a kind of rather tenacious glowworm. He walks in a kind of tenacious light against cynicism and naysayers. He has an awful lot of faith — almost rigid faith and belief that arts are the principal

vehicle of strength. Many individuals find that inspiring. He can be extremely persistent and demanding, and some take that as a kind of belligerence."

Some simply call him pushy. "You have to remember that sometimes 'no' means 'no,'" King responds, "but 'no' also means 'maybe' or 'perhaps' or 'I'll think about it.'" He says he uses intuition to make the distinction.

Vivian Johnson, a park board member, says King's style may turn some off, but she appreciates it.

"He's always been unwilling to compromise mediocrity or to sell out the institution," she says.

Like him or not, King certainly is on the short list of blacks who carry weight in the arts in Dallas.

And he has doggedly pursued his goals. This birthday party, for instance, is a gala for Curtis King given by Curtis King because, as the quintessential promotion man, has found a way to help the JBA. Another benefit, more exposure. More money to produce more programs.

"Watching Curtis, you get the feeling that he did this sort of thing in a previous life," says Willis Johnson, disc jockey and program director at KKDA-AM, where King hosts a monthly, two-hour arts show. "He's a flawless, tireless, worker when it comes to the arts in Dallas and Fort Worth. But he makes it look so darn easy."


It's not, says King. And, he adds, certain events have changed his outlook on life over the years. The death of his father in 1986, for instance, made him more family oriented.

"I see my life as a chronological, progressive order," he says.

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# San Antonio-based Hispanic women's group speak out

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Born and reared Catholic, Carmen Villegas was so nervous about testifying before bishops of her church she feared she would forget her English and break into Spanish.

But she prayed. And then she told the bishops how she believed the church had oppressed women. She and other members of Las Hermanas, a San Antonio-based, national organization of Hispanic Catholic women who are challenging and changing the church today, quoted Matthew: "Would one of you hand your child a stone when they ask for a loaf?"

They put a stone before each bishop, telling them, "We have asked for bread and you give us stone. Put these stones on your altars when you celebrate the Eucharist and remember us Hispanic women, struggling for our liberation and the liberation of our people."

The confrontation occurred in 1985 when the women testified on the Bishops' Pastoral Letter on Women. It was not the first or the last time Las Hermanas has challenged church leaders. Villegas and the almost 1,000 other members of the growing organization say that while it is hard to confront the institutional church, as they call the hierarchy, they feel called to raise their voices.

The encounter with the bishops was just one story in the group's 20-year history that members recounted at their most recent national conference. About 200 Hispanic nuns and lay women representing Hermanas chapters nationwide gathered last week in Albuquerque, N.M. to reflect on their history and reaffirm their commitment.

The organization's seed was sown in 1970 when two Mexican-American nuns, Gloria Graciela Gallardo, a Holy Ghost sister from San Antonio, and Gregoria Ortega, a Victory Noll sister from El Paso, wrote other Mexican-American nuns inviting them to discuss mutual concerns.

About 40 responded. They gathered and heard from a young priest, Patrick Flores, who today is archbishop of San Antonio. "His message reflected our sentiments," remembers Teresita Basso, who since has left the convent, but remains an Hermana. She summed up both his message and Las Hermanas' aims: "If you're not working with the Pueblo now, do what you can to get there to be able to minister among the Hispanics."

The group officially organized in 1971. Together with PADRES, a group of Mexican-American priests that also grew from the civil rights and Chicano movements of the 1960s, Las Hermanas sought equal status for members and other Hispanics in the church. Their complaints centered on their feelings of pressure to abandon their language and culture at the seminary and convent doors and not being allowed to work with their Hispanic brothers and sisters in the barrios.

Early on, Las Hermanas conducted critical analyses of church-related issues and called on the hierarchy to make changes. Their studies revealed, among other things, that in 1970 when 27 percent of the nation's Catholics were Hispanic, there were no Hispanic bishops. Today, 20 of the 409 U.S. bishops are Hispanic. Their efforts, Basso said, were seen as too radical by some, but others listened. And change occurred.

With the appointment of Hispanic bishops, PADRES faded away. But Las Hermanas remains. Father Rosendo Urrabazo, director of the Mexican-American Cultural Institute, credits Las Hermanas for helping change the church. The institute was co-founded by Las Hermanas and PADRES to train pastoral workers for ministry in Spanish-speaking communities.

"As prophetic women, they have at times been controversial, but that goes with being a prophet," Urrabazo says. Sister Yolanda Tarango of San Antonio is a national coordinator for the group. She says "prophetic" means reading the signs of the times and proclaiming the truth. Las Hermanas now is dominated by lay women. They have marched with farmworkers, fought sexism in the church and racism in the feminist movement. Leadership training and support for each other are pillars of the organization.

"We're tired of making tamales, washing altar clothes," Villegas said. "We want to be in decision-making positions. This is a powerful moment, women are praying to conscientize the church."

## Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren  
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### Luggage Left-Behind Is Lost For Good if I.D. Is Lacking

**DEAR ABBY:** I work in the Central Baggage Service office for a national airline. I am astonished at the amount of baggage and "lost" articles salvaged every year by the airlines. Every week we receive cameras, eyeglasses, binoculars, expensive pens and pencils, car keys, Bibles, wedding albums, books and every other imaginable article.

It really tears me up to throw away wedding, baby and family reunion pictures after holding them for four weeks — which is our limit. If we can track down the owners, we return whatever they have left behind, but unfortunately, most of the articles have no identification on them.

In addition, we receive hundreds of pieces of "lost" luggage every year. About half of these we cannot return because the airline baggage tag has come off and there is no other way to track down the owner.

If passengers would put several pieces of identification on the bag — as well as on the inside of the bag — we could return it to the owner in a matter of a few hours.

Abby, the airline industry has improved greatly in retrieving lost baggage in the last few years. However, nothing would be lost if all the passengers would label their baggage inside and out — and this includes carry-on luggage and hanging bags, which some travelers have walked off the plane and left behind!

CHICAGO

**DEAR CHICAGO:** Thanks for an important letter. I hope this wakes up a few sleepy travelers.

One of our neighbors told another neighbor she thought we were cheap delivering our Christmas cards that way. What we save in postage we give to the Salvation Army. I see nothing wrong with our means of distribution. The wife says, "Write to Abby and ask her."

So, I'm asking.

CHEAP, OR NOT?

**DEAR CHEAP:** Do you ring the doorbells and hand the Christmas cards to the recipients? Or do you leave the cards in their mailboxes? If you use the mailboxes, unless you affix appropriate postage to each card, you are in violation of the law.

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**DEAR ABBY:** My husband and I have several adopted children. One has many birth defects due to parental drug use. His appearance is startling, but he is the sweetest and most loving of children.

The kindest remarks are always those which praise and encourage. Parents are all too aware of their children's problems. They don't need anyone's pity, and you can be sure they've reviewed every treatment option with their physician.

Offer your congratulations on the birth, or comment positively about the child's lovely eyes or bright smile or even adorable clothes. If there are other children, don't ignore them, or the "disabled" child. And please keep your advice to yourself unless asked, especially if you are not close to the parents.

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**DEAR ABBY:** My nephew — I'll call him Neil — is gay. He came out of the closet to his family a few weeks ago on his 20th birthday. You would never suspect that Neil was gay by looking at him or talking to him, but when his brothers were outside playing baseball, Neil would be in the house drawing pictures of flowers.

Neil's father says that Neil is gay because all the time his mother was pregnant with him she kept praying for a little girl. (She already had four boys and no girls.) Abby, can praying for a little girl have anything to do with having a gay boy?

NEIL'S AUNT

**DEAR AUNT:** According to Dr. Judd Marmor, eminent psychoanalyst and past president of the American Psychiatric Association, there is no scientific evidence that supports the theory that a boy could become homosexual because his mother, while pregnant, prayed for a little girl. It is more likely, however, that Neil was born with a predisposition toward becoming gay, and his mother's strong wish for a girl contributed to his preference for doing "little girl" activities during his childhood years.

Thus, Neil's ultimately becoming gay was a combination of nature and nurture.

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**DEAR ABBY:** This is in response to the letter from the woman whose mother had a painful lump in her breast.

I, too, had a painful lump in my breast for 2 1/2 years. The lump did not show up on my yearly mammograms, and the doctor said, "Don't worry about it — it's just a 'mass' — if it were cancer, it wouldn't

hurt." Well, it became painful to the point where I couldn't even lie on my left side. My doctor then did a needle biopsy, which was not accurate because the needle happened to hit a spot where there were no cancer cells present.

Finally, I was in so much pain, I insisted that the lump be removed. It WAS cancer! I was very fortunate, as it was a slow-growing cancer, and I was able to have a lumpectomy followed by six weeks of radiation treatments, which saved my life.

Don't listen to doctors. Cancer DOES hurt.

DAR BARBAR, COSTA MESA, CALIF.

**DEAR DAR:** Thank you for sharing your experience. However, I wouldn't advise women not to listen to doctors; I would say, "Get a second opinion, and a third opinion — and if you are still in doubt, get a fourth opinion."

Some "masses" (or lumps) are painful — some are not. The most competent doctors follow this rule: "If it doesn't belong there — it should come out."

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## Most accidents are called preventable

AUSTIN (AP) — While Texas hunters have experienced an "alarming" rate of shooting accidents this year, the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department says most could have been prevented.

The department reported Thursday that through November, seven hunters had been killed and 67 injured.

"Everything you see and hear in the woods should be considered a human until there's absolutely no doubt," advised Steve Hall, education administrator for the agency.

"That's before you ever raise a gun. If there's any doubt, raise the binoculars," Hall said.

This year's accidents compare with eight deaths and 53 injuries during 1990 and 12 deaths and 78 injuries in 1989.

All seven of this year's fatalities and 26 of the injuries have occurred during the fall hunting seasons. The bulk of the accidents occurred in East Texas and Central Texas, officials said.

Since dove season opened Sept. 1, the region around Brownwood has seen 12 hunting accidents, including one death. Hunters in the region around Rusk have reported eight accidents, including two deaths.

Most of the accidents could have been prevented, said Terry Erwin, Parks and Wildlife recreation programs coordinator. Among those reported:

— A 5-year-old boy fell while chasing his 4-year-old sister,

shooting and injuring her with a .22-caliber rifle.

— A man mistook his hunting

partner while deer hunting and shot him in the thigh.

— A dog knocked over a loaded

gun while riding in the front of a pickup and it fired, injuring the driver.

## New bill slates \$500 million for rail system

HOUSTON (AP) — In a new transportation bill, Congress has promised a \$500 million contract for federal funding if Houston can decide on a rail system by March 1.

President Bush is expected to sign the bill next week. But whether Houston's Metropolitan Transit Authority actually receives the money still will be subject to the annual appropriations process.

The provision was an unexpected boost to efforts to build a rail system here.

"I think it's very significant that our new start program has been recognized in the reauthorization bill," said Metro board chairman Anthony Hall. "But we clearly have to continue to pursue some consensus in order to get our fair share through the appropriations process."

The provisions for Houston are outlined in a \$151 billion highway and mass transit bill approved by Congress last week. The landmark bill authorizes federal transportation programs for the next six years.

The bill, however, does not negate the congressional mandate that Houston reach a "strong local consensus" about its mass transit goals.

In October, at the urging of Rep. Tom DeLay, R-Sugar Land, Congress put \$177 million in federal rail funds out of reach until the city can unite behind a transit plan, effectively killing a proposed \$1.2 billion monorail.

"Nothing has changed regarding Houston Metro monorail," said a spokesman for DeLay. "The appropriations bill states that no money can be spent on this particular monorail project."

Both candidates in Houston's Saturday mayoral runoff election favor scrapping the current rail proposal, and it is unclear whether consensus can be reached in time for the congressional deadline.

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## Insurance hotline services expanded

The toll-free information hotline operated by the Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) is expanding its services for insurance consumers.

The hotline is staffed by six full-time technicians who handle 10,000 calls per month. The range of information they provide will increase on January 1, 1992, as a result of the new insurance reform law.

Information from the toll-free line can help you make wise decisions when you are shopping for insurance — a product that consumes a sizeable percentage of family budgets.

By calling the hotline number — 1-800-252-3439 — you already can obtain information on:

- The licensing status of a company or agent
- The number of complaints filed against a particular insurance company.
- Advice on how to file a complaint.

Hotline operators also will assist you with general questions or problems about insurance. They may refer questions of a highly technical nature to other staff members with the necessary expertise.

Other information available over the hotline includes types of coverages offered by each licensed insurance company writing insurance in Texas; general information about policyholder

rights; and a list of consumer publications and services available from TDI.

Starting Jan. 1, the hotline will be able to tell you an insurance company's letter-grade financial rating from at least one of the organizations that analyze insurers' claims paying ability. You also will be told how to contact other rating services.

Ratings are expert opinions on insurer financial strength but they are not infallible and should be used with caution. A high rating today cannot guarantee that a company will not encounter financial problems in the future.

The new law also requires the TDI to maintain a written record of all inquiries and complaints received over the hotline. The department is required to set up a system to communicate these complaints to insurance companies, preferably by electronic transmission such as facsimile machines.

Information provided by the toll-free line can help you avoid costly mistakes. Before you hand over an insurance premium, call the company to find if the company and agent are licensed. Unlicensed insurance operations are illegal in Texas and are major forms of insurance fraud. In addition, unlicensed companies are not covered by insurance guaranty funds, which pay the claims of in-

solvent companies.

The complaints history of a company serves as an important barometer of policyholder satisfaction. Furthermore, a sudden rise in complaints may indicate a company is in financial trouble.

Hotline operators also provide information about Medicare supplement insurance, including information on required benefits and on avoiding unnecessary coverage.

When all lines are busy, callers are placed on hold in the order in

which their calls were received. Once a line is free, the next caller is immediately transferred to the next available operator.

Insurance is complex. Understanding it can take time and perseverance. By dialing 1-800-252-3439, you can get help in cutting through the complexities.

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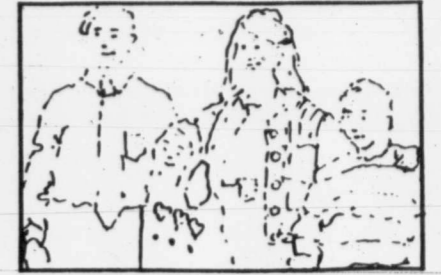
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## Look Back

By JoAnn Nunley

### FIVE YEARS AGO

Chris Garrett, listed as the No. 10 tight-end in state, 6-4, 220-pound tight-end and defensive linebacker for Snyder High School, and Dewayne Murdock, 6-4, 250-pound two-time All-District offensive tackle and All-South Plains, were contacted by several colleges during recruitment.

The "Singing Cowboys," under the direction of Jane Womack, performed at a Senior

Center's annual Christmas gala. They were Terry Bowden, Joe Coronado, Malcolm Crawford, Gene Cutler, Jack Greene Jr., Joe Dan Jones, Ralph Williamson, Bob Womack and Mort Ewing. Also performing were Donna Smith and Murray Anne Ray.

### TEN YEARS AGO

Officers of the sophomore class at SHS were Linda Walker, president; Shannon Briggs, vice president; Diana Molina, secretary; Teka Eicke, reporter, and Ollie Carroll, assistant.

Myrtle Joiner, member of the Snyder Palette Club, won first place in water colors at the

Gaines County Art Association's Annual Art Show.

Jean Sharp was recognized as Munden's employee of the year. She was selected from 140 Texas employees.

### FIFTEEN YEARS AGO

Four delegates from Snyder attended the state convention of Texas Congress of Parents and Teachers. They were Joel Griffin, principal of Stanfield Elementary; Nancy LaRoux, Karen Chapman and Julia Fox. Kathy Key attended as a guest. The convention was held in Fort Worth's Tarrant County Convention Center.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO

A Snyder Trades Day Coon

Meet was held eight miles north of town on the west side of the Clairemont Highway. There were events in junior and senior treeing, coon in the bank, coon in the barrel and drag racing. The public was invited to participate.

### TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO

C.S. "Buck" Cochran was appointed administrator and manager of the new \$250,000 Hillcrest Lodge, a four-wing modern new nursing home located on the Big Spring Highway, providing employment for 40-50 people.

## SDN Week In Review

### MONDAY December 2

District Judge Gene L. Dunaley announced he will seek re-election to a third and final term as judge of the 132nd District Court, serving Scurry and Borden counties.

Department of Public Safety units were working several accidents and calling for highway workers to place sand on ice-covered bridges in the Hermleigh area.

### TUESDAY December 3

Snyder's newly formed "Putting on the Ritz" group elected an interim board and began working on legal matters in its pursuit to get a community theatre formed.

Area rancher Weldon Beck announced he will run for commissioner of Precinct 1 on the Democratic ticket. Scurry County Tax Assessor/Collector Rona Sikes filed as an incumbent Democrat.

Donna Gray, Pearlene Stewart, Travis Bunch and Les Woods were elected to positions on the Snyder Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors.

### WEDNESDAY December 4

HERMLEIGH — Citing possi-

ble state-mandated classroom sizes and a growing district, Hermleigh Schools Superintendent Jerry Church and the Hermleigh school board held a public hearing to get community reaction to a proposed \$2 million school expansion project.

Denise Withers was honored as employee of the year during the annual Cogdell Memorial Hospital Holiday Awards Dinner.

Stanley Allen, Snyder's orthopedic surgeon since 1983, announced he is relocating to Lubbock and will be limiting his practice in Snyder to one day a week.

### FRIDAY December 6

Two Scurry County men, survivors of the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbor, recalled events of the "date which will live in infamy," Dec. 7, 1941.

Four Scurry County men — John Roddy of Snyder, Alton Barfoot of Hermleigh, Guy Turner of Fluvanna and Charles Lebkowsky of Lake Thomas — were to receive Pearl Harbor Commemorative Medals during Saturday ceremonies at Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene.

I tell you, there are times that life is just not fair at all. I mean, it takes a wife twenty years to get her husband trained just right so that he knows better than to say one word about how messy the house is, and what happens? His SON comes along. Yeah. You gotta start all over again.

Here's the way it happens, see. I'm busting my hump here at the computer all day long, trying desperately to finish this new book so that I can find a new agent so that I can make some money, (on account of how I don't get paid for the TV movie, see, until the thing gets made, whenever that is), so I'm broke, and I'm working like the devil's own demon and I manage to write TWO WHOLE CHAPTERS IN ONE day.

Pretty proud of myself. So I jump on my exercise bike and ride the heck out of it for a half hour or so, and then I climb into the shower and sing along with Fleetwood Mac and I'm feelin' pretty good. The kids get off the school bus and my son taps on the bathroom door and I wrap a big ole towel around myself and open the door a crack and he says, "I can see you got a lot of work done today."

And I beam back and say, "Yeah. Two whole chapters." And he gives me that sarcastic look; you know, that fourteen-year-old attitude look and says, "I

was TALKING about the HOUSE."

Can you believe it? So I say, "Look, kid. You're not crippled. You want a clean house, have at it."

And you know what he has the audacity to say? Do you? He says, "How much will you pay me?"

## Country Life

By Deanie Francis Mills

## TV ads: confusing to children?

By the Editors of Consumer Reports

Picture a television commercial that shows toy helicopters flying high above furious combat. Or that features toy wrestlers yelling as they fight. Or that stars a sports idol encouraging viewers to buy his sneakers so they can jump high, high, higher.

You might conclude — as do many children who watch these commercials — that the helicopters actually fly, that the toy wrestlers really talk and that the sport star's sneakers allow the wearer to be a better athlete. But you, like the children, would be wrong.

Every day, kids learn the hard way that what they see on television is not necessarily what they get.

A new television special for kids from Consumer Reports Television shows them how to be wise — not fooled by — television commercials. "Buy Me That Too! A Kid's Survival Guide to TV Advertising" will be shown Dec. 10, 14, 16, 20 and 22 on Home Box Office.

More than \$350 million will be spent this year to advertise children's products on television. When children compared many advertised products with their television commercials, they found that some ads greatly exaggerated the products' characteristics.

How do they mislead kids into thinking that the product is bigger, more fun and easier to use than it really is? By using such advertising "tricks" as the magic of special visual effects, sound effects and product placement in movies, TV, and video games that are really just sneaky ads.

Most kids watch between 30,000 and 40,000 television commercials a year, but often children can't tell the difference between an advertising fantasy and reality. Take, for example, the commer-

cial for the GI Joe Battle Copter. Through the magic of special effects, the helicopter seems to have big people, big propellers, and be engaged in exciting battles. Testers could not get the toy to do the stunts it appeared to do on the television commercial. It took a special effects team to duplicate the action in the ad. They installed small motors to keep the rotors spinning, attached the copters to poles with invisible fishing line — and only then did the GI Joe Battle Copter do what it did in the commercial.

The commercial for the Typhoon II makes this radio-controlled racer appear to fly over land and water. Young testers could not reproduce the action shown in the ad, although they tried over and over again. As one frustrated child says, "We tried it many times and it never worked." And another child agrees, "The commercial makes it look so good you really want to buy it. But it's not good."

The market for radio remote-control vehicles reached \$345 million in sales for 1990. The price of the Typhoon II radio-control toy is \$120 plus battery and recharger, both required, adding another \$30-\$40.

"We are in a day and age when marketers think it is open season on our kids," says Joyce Newman, executive producer of Consumer Reports Television. "Many television commercials and other forms of marketing that target children exaggerate, deceive and mislead, and the Federal Trade Commission can do very little to stop them. It's the kids who suffer the consequences. Who's protecting our most vulnerable consumers?"



## Our Language

By Jeffrey McQuain

The archaic GARTH indicates a small yard or enclosed area. For help with pronouncing the noun GARTH, listen to country singer Garth Brooks.

Q. What's the word that describes something happening every seven years? I've tried looking up SEVEN in dictionaries, but the term isn't there.

A. Look for SEPTENNIAL, with a P instead of a V. (The Latin SEPTEM means "seven," and SEPTEMBER was the seventh month in the ancient Roman calendar.) Use the adjective SEPTENNIAL for either "happening every seven years" or "lasting seven years." You'll probably be feeling an itch to use this word after every sixth year or so.

Anything shaped like a tooth is DENTOID. Make a dent in the adjective DENTOID by pronouncing it

"DEN-toid."

Q. I love to ride horses. Can you tell me where we get the word CANTER from?

A. The British poet Geoffrey Chaucer deserves some credit. In the 14th century, Chaucer wrote "The Canterbury Tales," stories told by pilgrims riding on horseback to Canterbury, England. CANTER, a shortening of CANTERBURY GALLOP, is a smooth pace slower than a gallop, and it is supposedly the riding pace of pilgrims on their way to Canterbury.

Extreme poverty or lack of money is PENURY. Any pronunciation of PENURY other than "PEN-yoo-ree" will be considered poor.

RUMBUSTIOUS, a synonym for RAMBUNCTIOUS, means "lively" or "unruly." The spelling of this British adjective will not be broken if you include BUST in RUMBUSTIOUS.





# Public Records

## New Vehicle Registrations

Johnny Claxton, 1992 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.  
 Barbara Ann Head, 1991 Buick from Howard Gray Motors.  
 Roy A. Baze, 1992 Cadillac from Howard Gray Motors.  
 Cyrus B. and Jenna V. Miller, 1992 Buick from Howard Gray Motors.  
 Frank G. and Samuel E. Becerra, 1992 Chevrolet from Big Country Chevrolet.  
 C. Michael Jordan, 1992 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Chevrolet.

## Marriage Licenses

Michael Raymond Meek and Stacey Renee Logston, both of Snyder.  
 Frank James Bennett and Gloria Jean Roberts, both of Snyder.  
 Jeffrey David Rorie of Arlington and Sherry Renea Goswick of Snyder.  
 Gerald Lynn Rogers and Rachel Mays Mitchell, both of Snyder.  
 Tommy Floyd Hunter and Jayna Leigh Gilbert, both of Snyder.

Allen Frank Kuss of Ira and Brenda Dawn Alexander of Snyder.

Billy James Cantrell of Snyder and Nina Gail Fincher of Ira.

## Filed in District Court

Patricia Anderson vs. Northbrook Property and Casualty Insurance, workers comp.  
 Northbrook Property and Casualty Insurance vs. Patricia Anderson, workers comp.

## Action in District Court

In the marriages of Norma Sue Crowder and Billy W. Crowder; Inez Longoria Rodriguez and Juan Rodriguez Rodriguez; Ricky Larkin Burkman and Donna Sue Burkman; and Christy Lynn Brown and Robert Vernon Brown, divorces granted.

## Warranty Deeds

Lavelle Eicke, et al, to R.J. Rosson, 50 acres in Tracts 41, 42, 45 and 46, Block 1 of J.P. Smith survey.

Bill Bowlin, et ux, to Barrie Bowlin, et ux, Lot 2, Block 4 of Highland addition.

Laura Fanning to Callan Johnson Harding, 271.2077 acres in the northeast one-quarter of Section 643, Block 97 of H&TC survey.

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Brian Page to Callan Johnson Harding, 271.2077 acres in the northeast one-quarter of Section 643, Block 97 of H&TC survey.

Joe G. Lopez, et ux, to Steve Stephens, Lot 9, Block 7 of Parkview addition.

Esperansa Harless to James R. Patterson, the east 75 feet of Lot 3, Block 77 of Grayum and Neslon addition.

Marinan Miller Kalka to Joe W. Sentell, et al, Lots 13 and 14 and the west 15 feet of Lot 15, Block 13 of the Original Town of Snyder.

Kan-Tex Seed Co. Inc. to Jeff Featherston, part of a 147 acre tract in Section 179, Block 3 of H&GN survey.

Don Lewis, et al, to Jimmy K. Spence, et ux, 151.7620 acres in the northeast one-quarter of Section 294, Block 97 of H&TC survey.

Walter D. Durfey, et ux, to Walter D. Durfey, et ux, trustees; Lot 75, Block A, Unit 4; Lot 75, Block B, Units 1-4 Section of Garden of Christ, Scurry County.

Jim G. Thomas, et ux, to Charles D. Hill, et ux, 4.26 acres, Section 22, Block 3 of H&GN survey.

John Henry Hatfield, et ux, to Amber Bell Allen, Lot 6, Block 2 of Morningside subdivision.

President Woodrow Wilson set sail for France in 1918 to attend the Versailles Peace Conference, becoming the first chief executive to travel outside the United States while in office.

# Policy on Gorbachev difficult to follow

By Barry Schweid  
 AP Diplomatic Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — Only five weeks ago President Bush wrapped a reassuring arm around Mikhail S. Gorbachev, called the Soviet leader his friend and said they had enjoyed "a history of very satisfactory negotiations."

Gorbachev, pleased with Bush's warm endorsement, declared as they launched the Mideast peace conference in Madrid: "I'm still the president. Nobody is taking my place."

But on Thursday, at a White House news conference, Bush spoke of the Soviet Union being "in the throes of evolution." Gorbachev, he said, was in the center, committed to reform, "and we are working with him."

And yet, Bush added dispassionately of the situation in the Soviet Union: "It's changing, and

nobody can predict with any degree of accuracy where it's all going."

A lot of history occurred between Bush's two statements, and the president and his senior aides have zigged and zagged trying to decide what to say and do.

ers on the right like to hear.

Gorbachev's government responded with pained surprise, and the administration quickly rolled back. Robert S. Strauss, the U.S. ambassador to Moscow, said the United States would begin moving toward recognition but that it

Moscow and also to Kiev.

Baker will hold talks in the Ukrainian capital and also spend the night there. It is a gesture of friendship that will not be lost on Ukrainians — or on Gorbachev.

Moreover, Baker this week added Minsk, the capital of Byelorussia, to his itinerary. It was another gesture of support for the restive republics.

Bush and Baker have fluctuated from the outset in their appraisal of Gorbachev and his reform efforts.

"Behind the Bush administration's zigzagging are a number of factors.

A mostly conservative group, the president and his advisers come out of a tradition that was deeply suspicious of the Soviet Union. The Cold War is over, but they are having trouble letting go.

As politicians, they want to come down on the winning side, and it's not always clear whether Gorbachev or the republics will triumph.

And they are concerned about keeping a tight lid on nuclear weapons, which Gorbachev has promised to do.

Gorbachev, who stood beside Bush in Madrid, beaming as the American president reaffirmed their ties, must feel more than a little lonely as those ties are loosened and he faces a union falling apart.

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## AP analysis

A week ago, the United States was on a path toward supporting independence for the 12 republics and away from the central government.

A senior Bush adviser stunned Moscow by declaring the administration would move "expeditiously" toward recognizing Ukraine after its independence referendum.

It was the kind of statement vot-

"just won't happen" in a few days.

That neatly put the United States back in the pack with most Western nations, but also contributed to the image of a president and administration having trouble making up their minds about Gorbachev and the Soviet Union.

A few days later, Bush announced he was sending Secretary of State James A. Baker III to

# Letters to Santa reflect hard times

NEW YORK (AP) — Letters to Santa both heartwrenching and hopeful have been pouring into New York City's general post office by the thousands this troubled holiday season.

"I am a very poor woman and I have three kids," wrote one New York mother. "If you will please send us something to eat, clothes to put them in and toys to play with."

In a tradition begun 60 years ago, postal workers in New York set aside letters addressed to Santa and let the public rummage through them and choose letters from needy families or children they can help.

John F. Kelly, general manager of the New York postal division, said the recession could push the number of letters — most of which are actually written by adults — above last year's record of 26,000.

"It's just a guess, but based on the way things look now it's going to be a tough holiday season for a lot of people," Kelly said at a

news conference Monday to kick off the annual Letters to Santa campaign.

Sorted into cardboard boxes wrapped to look like chimneys, the letters — many of them addressed only to Santa USA or North Pole — come from all over the world and range from simple requests for Barbie dolls and other toys, to more difficult requests destined to go unanswered.

"I sometimes hear my mom crying at night because my sister, Star, can't talk and she still gets sick," wrote Christopher of New York. "Me and Ulysses don't want a lot. We just want Star to get better."

Karen, a 7-year-old from Roxbury, Mass., asked Santa to visit her because she's sick.

"I was hoping I would be better this year but I still cannot breathe through my nose so I'm stuck with these stupid machines and taking all this dum medicine," she wrote. "Why can't I be well? Please come see me, Santa. I love you."

Many letters asked for toys — all from kids who insisted they were absolutely, positively good

this year.

None was quite as straightforward as the one from Christina of Massapequa Park, who cut pictures of four expensive toys from the tony FAO Schwarz catalog and told Santa to call the store's 800 number.

Kelly said 60 percent of the letters actually come from adults asking for basic things like socks, gloves, warm coats and even food.

Wilson's disease is characterized by abnormal accumulation of copper in the brain, liver and other organs. It was named after Samuel A. Wilson.

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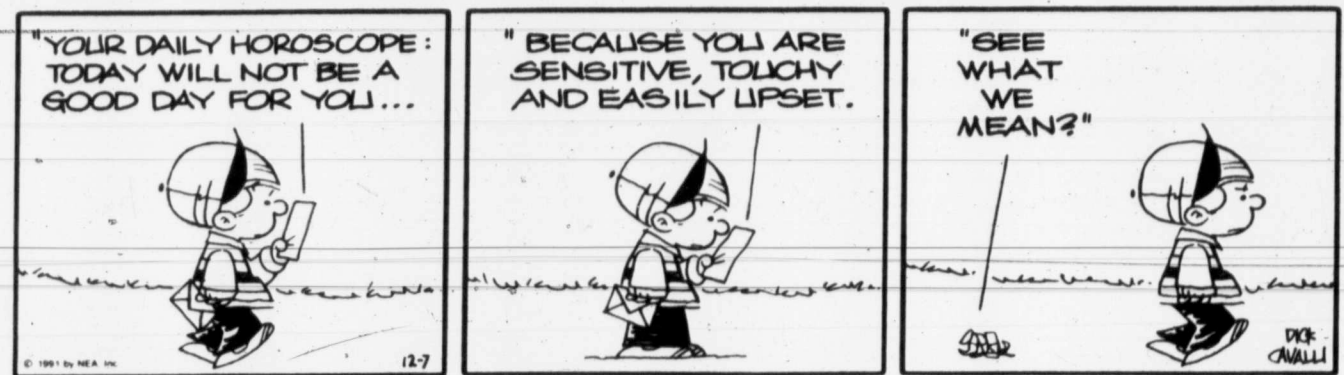
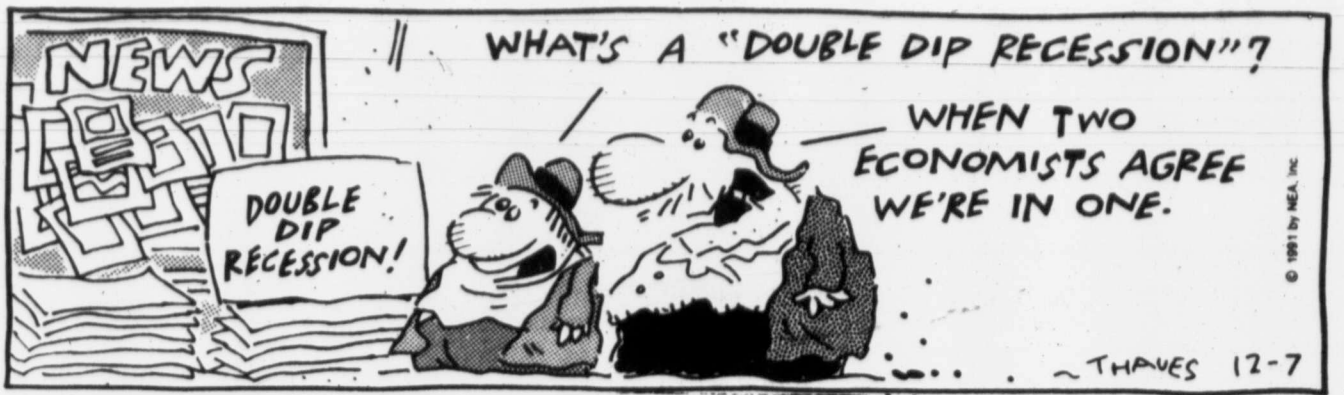
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- Long skirt
- Style of type
- Monkey
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- Gehrig
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# Poll: some see Japanese as economic threat

NEW YORK (AP) — Fifty years after Pearl Harbor, most Americans avow friendliness for the Japanese and little distrust of their former enemy, according to an Associated Press poll. But two of three Americans see Japan as an economic threat.

In a random national sample of 1,006 people, 78 percent say their feelings toward the Japanese people are generally friendly, 11 percent say unfriendly and 11 percent are not sure.

The fact that Japan attacked the U.S. base at Pearl Harbor makes

just 16 percent feel the Japanese are less trustworthy today. More than seven in 10 say the historic aggression does not affect their opinion of the Japanese now. Seven percent say they consider the Japanese more trustworthy in light of what's happened since World War II.

The poll was taken Oct. 16-20 by ICR Survey Research Group of Media, Pa. The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The margin is slightly higher for subgroups, such as age cate-

gories whose responses can be analyzed to show how Americans old enough to have lived through World War II differ from the postwar generation.

The Pearl Harbor attack does not affect the opinion of 83 percent of Americans ages 18-44, compared with 49 percent of those age 55 and older. The older generation is more than twice as likely to consider the Japanese less trustworthy, but also three times as likely to consider the Japanese more trustworthy 50 years after

the sneak attack of Dec. 7, 1941.

The older respondents are not significantly more likely to say they have unfriendly feelings toward the Japanese people, but they are twice as likely to be unsure. So the number reporting a friendly attitude is 10 percentage points lower than the 82 percent among the postwar generation.

More than a third of all respondents who say their attitude toward the Japanese is unfriendly still consider Japan either a close ally or friendly toward the United States.

Three-fifths of the prewar generation, four-fifths of the postwar generation and 72 percent of the adult population consider Japan either a close ally or friendly. Specifically, one in five says Japan is a close ally. Half say Japan is friendly but not a close ally.

Despite all the talk among politicians about unfair Japanese trade policies — only 11 percent of the public considers Japan unfriendly and just 5 percent an enemy of the United States.

Yet 64 percent say Japan's economic power threatens the economic well-being of the United States, compared with 29 percent who disagree and 7 percent who don't know.

Underlying the paradoxical sense that Japan is both friendly and threatening is a confusing mix of emotions. Asked if the word "admiration" describes their attitude toward Japan's economic power, about half say yes, and half say no.

A quarter say "resentment" de-

scribes their attitude, a quarter say "envy" applies and only 14 percent say they would use the word "anger" to describe their attitude.

Polls show a long-range warming trend in American attitudes toward the Japanese people. The 78 percent who said "friendly" in the AP poll is up significantly from 56 percent in a February 1953 Gallup Poll.

But in a CBS News-New York Times poll last year, while 16 percent said their feeling were more friendly than they had been five years earlier, 15 percent said their feelings were less friendly.

The fading of World War II me-

mories could help explain an increase in friendliness, and the concerns about Japan's economic power could help account for a decrease. With the Soviet threat receding and the American economy in a recession, nearly two-thirds in the CBS-Times poll said Japanese investment threatens American economic independence.

The federal legal holiday of Washington's Birthday is the third Monday in February. Some states and some organizations refer to it as Presidents Day, but the formal name has not changed.

## Store chain defers payments

HOUSTON (AP) — For the second time in two months, the Houston-based National Convenience Stores chain has announced that it will defer payment on some of its debts.

The company, which owns and operates all 986 Stop N Go stores, announced Thursday it will not pay \$1.3 million in mortgage debts that were due Dec. 1. NCS is hoping to defer payment on the debt through June 30 — the end of its fiscal year.

Because the company is in default on its mortgages, NCS is prohibited from making any payments on its subordinated debts. As a result, the company said it will not make an \$807,000 interest payment due Dec. 1 on convertible subordinated debentures — debt securities not backed by

collateral.

Unless the default to mortgage lenders is cured by Feb. 15, an interest payment of \$2.5 million also will go unpaid.

"The company continues its previously announced efforts to defer a total of approximately \$6.4 million scheduled for payment on its bank debt within the next 60 days," company President Pete Van Horn said in a prepared statement.

"But we have not yet concluded any agreements with respect to such proposed transactions," he said.

Stung by losses of \$10.5 million during its last fiscal year and another \$3 million during the first three months of this fiscal year, the company is negotiating with its banks to try to cure a \$6 million to

\$10 million cash shortfall it anticipates this winter.

In November, the company stopped payment on its preferred stock dividends and deferred payment on \$3.9 million in bank loans. The company successfully negotiated with its banks to delay payment of the \$3.9 million until Jan. 31.

NCS owns stores in three states — Texas, California and Georgia.

The struggling company has been restructuring itself since 1986, when it owned 1,130 stores in 21 cities. By selling stores in outlying markets like Nashville, Las Vegas, Florida and El Paso, the company has reduced its size to 986 stores in seven cities.

The Houston area has the largest concentration of Stop N Go stores, with 468.

## Aspirin's latest benefit may be that it prevents cancer

BOSTON (AP) — The humble aspirin continues to surprise. Not only does it prevent heart attacks, the nation's No. 1 killer, but it just might stop cancer, too.

A major new study recently released by the American Cancer Society, found that people who take an aspirin every other day cut their risk of colon cancer in half.

Experts warned against making too much of the data, even though the results mesh well with findings from animal experiments. They said aspirin's cancer-preventing powers — if they exist — await proof through more research.

"I think this adds important information, but it's for researchers. It's not for clinicians or the general public," cautioned Dr. Charles Hennekens of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston.

The chief author of the study, the cancer society's Dr. Michael J. Thun, was also cautious. But he said his findings suggest that people could be gaining a double benefit from aspirin.

"If people are, on the advice of their physicians, already taking an aspirin every other day for heart disease, it is also possible that they may be reducing their risk of colon cancer," he said.

Studies have shown that people who take roughly an aspirin tablet every other day cut their risk of heart attacks in half. Regular aspirin has become a way of life for many Americans in middle life and beyond.

The study in today's New England Journal of Medicine suggests that a similar dose appears to have an effect in colon cancer. The dis-

ease kills about 50,000 Americans annually, making it second only to lung cancer.

The study, conducted on 662,424 people, found that men and women who took aspirin at least 16 times a month had a 40 percent lower risk of dying of colon cancer than did non-users.

"It is certainly plausible," commented Dr. Peter Greenwald of the National Cancer Institute.

"This is a well-done study." Aspirin stops heart attacks by preventing blood clots from forming. But exactly how it might prevent death from colon cancer is unclear. Among the theories:

— Aspirin reduces the body's production of substances called prostaglandins, which make cells grow. Prostaglandins might also be involved in tumor growth.

— Aspirin somehow improves the body's natural defenses against colon cancer.

— Aspirin makes colon cancer


bleed, so people seek treatment earlier, when the chance of cure is better.

In another study published earlier this year, doctors from the Sloan Epidemiology Unit at Boston University Medical School examined the effects of non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, largely aspirin. They compared the medicines' use in 1,326 people with colon cancer victims and 4,891 healthy people. Regular users were found to have a 50 percent lower risk of this cancer.

Another study, conducted in Australia, reached a similar conclusion.

However, one done at a California retirement community found just the opposite: Aspirin users had a slightly higher risk of colon cancer.

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