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Ask Us

Q—Are the Jaycees sponsoring a residential lighting contest this year?

A—Yes. Local Jaycees are in the process of working out details for this year's lighting contest with entry information to be released soon.



Local

FFA parents

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

Craft room

The Christmas Craft Room at Grace Lutheran Church will be open from 5-9 p.m. today and on Dec. 17.

Fund set up

A fund has been established at West Texas State Bank for the Roscoe Williams family, whose home burned in a fire Friday evening.

Tots dance

Snyder Jaycees are sponsoring a dance to benefit Toys for Tots. The event will be held from 8:30 p.m. until midnight Saturday at the VFW post. Admission is a new \$5 toy.

Graduation

A reception honoring students receiving GED's will be held at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Student Center at Western Texas College.

Dr. Ed Barkowsky, head of WTC's English department, will be guest speaker.

Hermleigh ISD

Hermleigh ISD board of trustees will hold its December meeting at 5:30 p.m. Wednesday to avoid conflicts with basketball games.

Topics include discussion of a previously held public hearing on building planning, voting on members to the county appraisal district board and an executive session pertaining to superintendent evaluation.

Weather

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low in upper 40s. Southeast wind 5-10 mph. Wednesday, cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers. High near 60. Southeast wind 10-20 mph.

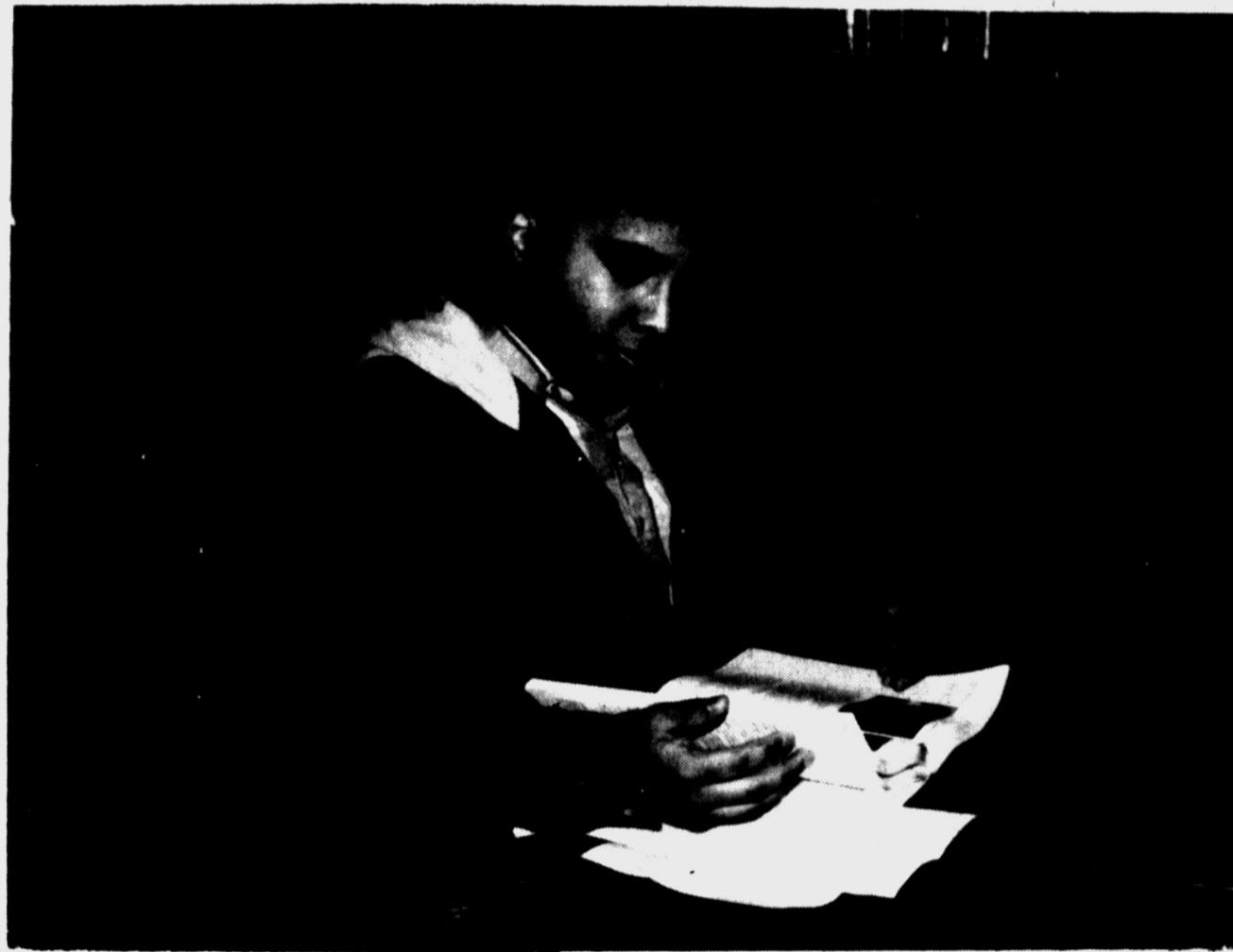
Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 60 degrees; low, 35 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 35 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1991 to date, 24.20 inches.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:41 p.m. Sunrise Wednesday, 7:32 a.m. Of 343 days in 1991, the sun has shone 330 days in Snyder.



TUESDAY

Snyder Daily News



FINAL CRAMMING — Western Texas College student Luis Juarez studies for finals this morning in the WTC library. Local college students are to complete exams Wednesday at WTC's fall semester comes to a close. (SDN Staff Photo)

Gorbachev will not resign, spokesman Grachev claims

MOSCOW (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's spokesman today denied speculation his boss plans to resign because of the formation of a Slavic commonwealth that effectively usurps his powers.

"Today he didn't think about it. As far as yesterday is concerned, you had better ask him," spokesman Andrei Grachev told a news conference.

EDC bylaws, resolution get look as city council welcomes new member

The newest member of the city council will be sworn in and the bylaws of the economic development corporation and a related resolution will be reviewed during tonight's 7:30 meeting of Snyder City Council.

Also on the agenda are considerations of several bids, a request for hotel/motel tax funds, approval of a financial transaction and consideration of votes for Scurry County Appraisal District board of directors.

Newly appointed District 3 councilman Mike Post will be sworn in at the beginning of tonight's meeting. Post replaces Joe Coronado who resigned the seat in October after moving out of the district.

Goodfellows receipts beyond halfway point

Goodfellows donations have reached \$3,500, the group reported today.

The combined Goodfellows and Toys for Tots effort continues this week. The programs are sponsored individually by the Kiwanis Club and Snyder Jaycees.

Goodfellows has set a goal of \$6,500 this year.

"It is our hope that no child will go without a toy and no person will go without food during this time of celebration," said a spokesperson for the clubs.

Local citizens are reminded that they may donate to these programs at any local bank or savings and loan. Fund collection centers have also been set up at Pro Parts, Country Fare Restaurant, Willow Park Inn, Jaramillo's, The Shack, Spanish In, the Texan, and at Central Fire Station and the police department.

The Goodfellows accepts both non-perishable food items and monetary donations. The funds are used to purchase perishable foods.

Anyone wishing to volunteer time for the Toys for Tots project may come to the old Anthony's building on the north side of the square between 7-9 p.m. weekdays.

Grachev, speaking in English, was commenting on a remark by a Gorbachev aide that the Soviet leader might step down in the near future because of the commonwealth just declared by Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia.

Georgy Shakhnazarov, one of Gorbachev's senior political advisers, had said the situation in the Soviet Union "is developing in a such way that it probably won't be necessary to wait long for (Gorbachev's resignation)."

On Monday, Gorbachev appeared to be holding firm, disputing the claim by Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia that they could alone create a new commonwealth of independent states.

The three Slavic republics were the original signers of the 1922 treaty that formed the Soviet Union.

Gorbachev is locked in a bitter struggle with Russian President Boris N. Yeltsin over who has the right and power to decide the fate of the rapidly crumbling Soviet Union.

Russia, Ukraine and Byelorussia declared Sunday that the Soviet Union was dead politically and announced formation of a powerful new "commonwealth of independent states." They invited other Soviet republics to join them and at least one, Armenia, indicated it might.

The Slavic pact makes no mention of a future role for Gorbachev, and rumors of his resignation have swept the Soviet capital ever since. Yeltsin and his top officials have indicated Gorbachev could still have a job, although they acknowledge they are not speaking on behalf of the commonwealth.

"I personally think that President Gorbachev, having considerable political experience and being a person who was irreplaceable at a certain stage of our reforms, can be a constructive participant," Russian State Secretary Gennady Burbulis told a news conference.

Yeltsin canceled all scheduled appointments today to work on details of the Slavic pact at his country home, or dacha, Tass reported.

WTC trustees...

1% salary hike, limited TexPool investments ok'd

Western Texas College board of trustees agreed on a one-percent salary increase for all employees and decided to limit TexPool investments to funds from the Scholarship Foundation by a pair of 5-1 votes Monday.

The board also heard a progress report from Bob Scott, special needs coordinator; discussed possible cutbacks in state funding for the fiscal year 1993; and was updated on the college's effort to sell used golf carts.

Trustees took no action during an executive session to discuss the acquisition of real estate.

In late October, the state comptroller's office determined that community/junior college employees would be included in a 2 percent salary increase authorized

for state employees. However, Dr. Harry Krenek, college president, informed trustees on Monday that the increase does not include employees connected with the operation and maintenance of the physical plant or auxiliary enterprises. He also said that the increase does not actually represent 2 percent of the eligible salaries, but only 2 percent of 65 percent of the eligible salaries. He indicated that distribution of the funds appears to be closer to 1 percent than 2 percent.

Krenek recommended that the board approve taking \$3,000 to \$4,000 from contingency funds to allow all WTC employees to receive a 1 percent increase. Another option included increasing the college contribution to the (see WTC, page 9)

Boy stuck trying Santa-style entry

SAN DIEGO (AP) — With visions of Santa Claus dancing through his head, a 12-year-old boy who locked himself out of his house tried to slide down the chimney and became stuck.

The boy, who wished to remain anonymous for fear of teasing from classmates, was stuck for about two sooty hours Monday until rescue workers plucked him to safety. He was uninjured.

"He figured that if Santa Claus can get in through the chimney, he could too," his mother said. "He was so embarrassed. ... He said he might not go back to school for a week." She spoke to the San Diego Union on condition of anonymity.

The crisis started when the boy came home at 3 p.m. and realized the front door was locked, with his key inside. He clambered up to the roof and slid feet first into the brick chimney.

About 90 minutes later, his mother and his sister came home and heard his voice calling out — but from where?

"At first, I thought he was playing some kind of scary boy's trick," the mother said. "But then my daughter said, 'He's in the chimney!'"

Mom was unable to pull her son out from the roof. Finally, about 5 p.m., firefighters were able to extricate the boy.

Sniper kills four in shooting spree

CALIFORNIA, Mo. (AP) — Authorities searched house today for a sniper believed to have killed three law enforcement officers and a sheriff's wife and wounded another deputy in a rampage that began at his home.

Authorities believe the same man — identified as 42-year-old James R. Johnson, a full-time helicopter technician for the Missouri National Guard and a lifelong area resident — was responsible for all the shootings. The gunman was believed to be armed with a .22-caliber rifle and two pistols.

An officer using a loudspeaker outside the jail warned his colleagues that, "Suspect is a Vietnam veteran. He is experienced in sniper fire. This man is known to have sniper experience."

A Moniteau County sheriff's deputy was shot Monday night

when he went to Johnson's home in Jamestown to respond to a report of a domestic disturbance. He died this morning.

Later Monday night, the wife of a county sheriff was killed while her husband was investigating the shooting of the deputy. Then, early today, a sniper opened fire outside the Moniteau County Jail, killing two more police officers and wounding a third.

Johnson is "not the type of person you'd expect would do this. I always thought him to be a pretty quiet person," said John Kay, the Moniteau County prosecuting attorney.

About 50 officers from various law enforcement agencies were involved in the search for the gunman in this rural town of 3,300 and throughout three central Missouri counties.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If you can keep your head when all about you are losing theirs, you're not much of a Christmas shopper."

Each Christmas, some company offers for sale that special gift for the man who has everything. That normally means he's the guy who experiences Christmas 12 months out of the year — monthly installments.

The mailbox brought one gift suggestion for the hard-to-buy for hubby. Since a major source of conflict between married couples is the position of the toilet seat, the company may have a winner.

An inventor in Arizona offers its device as a solution to an old problem. His invention is an automatic toilet seat lifter controlled by a foot pedal.

The promotional material claims to raise the seat without bending down, automatically return the

seat down and eliminate seat banging.

It sells for \$29.95 and the advertising says, "Unlike a shirt or tie, the seat controller is a gift he will definitely use everyday, forever."

Another new product, not likely found on every discount house shelf, is a Mudder shoe invented by a guy in Oregon. Purpose of the invention is to make it easier to get around on mud or snow.

It was inspired by the great blue heron's foot. The Mudder has hinged "wings" that, when you put your foot down, spread out to four times your boot area. The wings keep you from sinking, and they trap air to prevent the suction that makes it hard to pull your foot out.

Many an old-fashioned West Texas male will likely opt for more traditional gifts — clean underwear, socks without holes, a golf ball or two, a tie without gravy spots and a shirt with all the buttons.

GOODFELLOWS collections	
\$6,500	
\$6,000	
\$5,000	
\$4,000	
\$3,000	
\$2,000	
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Lots promised for State of Union address

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a presidential re-election year, a State of the Union message is always a campaign send-off. But President Bush is making the 1992 edition into something extra, promising steps to turn around the sluggish economy.

That's a lot to deliver in a divided government, with the added tensions of a contest for the White House.

The president and his economic lieutenants are raising expectations that will be hard to match when their tax and budget ideas get to a skeptical, if not hostile, Democratic Congress.

Bush says he'll be asking the Democrats to set aside politics long enough to do what's needed for the economy. They say they're willing to try. But the Republican administration and the Democratic leaders of Congress never have agreed on what's needed and how to pay for it.

Neither side can deliver an-

swers alone, and a stalemate could make economic matters worse by stalling or stopping the action the

AP Analysis

president is advertising in advance.

That action has yet to be defined, although one step will be the capital gains tax cut he's been pushing since the 1988 campaign.

Democratic critics say it's a tax break for the rich. They say tax fairness demands a cut for the middle class, offset by an increase on the wealthy. Bush insists that cutting the tax on capital gains tax — the profits on sales of investments — would help create jobs and benefit everyone.

"Three years later, we're still waiting for Congress to lay aside the politics and pick up the challenge ...," he said.

"Next month, in my State of Union message, I'll challenge Congress to work with me at long last to get the job done," Bush said, "to take action to get this economy moving again ..."

That last phrase is a theme in his speeches these days — he was talking economics in Chicago today — and it steadily increases the stakes for the Jan. 28 speech in which Bush will tell Congress and the nation what he wants done.

He said it will be an action plan. His budget director, Richard Darman, said that means prompt action in Congress. "Obviously, with people hurting, we've got to get the economy moving, and the sooner the better," Darman said in an NBC television interview.

But Darman said there was too much bickering and partisanship for immediate action on an economic plan before Congress recessed on Thanksgiving eve, though Democratic leaders said they'd stay if the president wanted

to send them a tax plan then.

After a holiday cooling-off period, Darman said, there may be enough room for compromise to speed action on an economic growth package.

Bush said his message also will propose a comprehensive program for health insurance and health care, without increasing taxes and without "socializing our medical treatment ..."

Even though details of the plan won't be presented until late January, Darman said bargaining with the Democrats on elements of the administration program should start early in the month.

"We believe in consultations," press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Monday. "We'll be working very closely with the leadership and others."

Bush says he'll extend his hand in cooperation on economic measures.

But the fist is always there, too.

Feds uncover alleged tax fraud ring

HOUSTON (AP) — Federal authorities say a relatively new practice that allows Americans to convert their income tax refunds into quick bank loans was used by a fraud ring to bilk the government out of \$1.7 million.

Eighteen people were in custody and six others were being

sought in the breakup of the ring, officials said Monday.

Some 750 refunds illegally were filed using the new Internal Revenue Service method of electronic filing where preparers file returns by computer.

"Often times when these are done, the person who is filing the return gets an immediate acceptance by the IRS and if there's a refund he can take that acceptance to get a loan," U.S. Attorney Ronald Woods said.

Authorities said the participants filed false income and deduction

reports in the tax returns to get refunds of about \$3,000, then applied for so-called refund anticipation loans. Armed with the IRS authorization, financial institutions granted the loans. The banks suffered no losses, since they were reimbursed by the government.

"The government is the one that loses," Arturo Jacobs, district director of the IRS, said.

Eighteen of the 24 people named in a 53-count indictment were Nigerian nationals. At least one of those still being sought was believed to have fled the country.

Conviction on the conspiracy charges carries a maximum penalty of up to 10 years in prison and \$250,000 in fines. Woods said he hoped the IRS losses would be recouped in the fines.

Officials said participants in the ring duped people into believing they could receive awards for filing or could be guaranteed a refund. Many of those awards then were signed over to a single address. The operation was run out of two Houston-based businesses, one of them known as Tax Sense.

"The defendants then split the loan proceeds with unwitting recruits," Jacobs said. "The split usually was a disproportionate split, with the person recruited usually getting a much less portion."

Authorities were tipped when similarities popped up in numerous returns.

Officials said the typical return was filed by someone claiming to be a self-employed transportation industry worker with multiple dependents who claimed credit for buying up to 30,000 gallons of fuel. They also claimed an earned income credit near the legal maximum.

But names used on the forms were of unemployed people living in poor neighborhoods, students at Prairie View A&M or Texas Southern universities or Nigerian

nationals. Many of the returns asked that the refund be sent to the same address, a coincidence that federal authorities could not consider accidental.

Many of the refunds were just under \$3,000, the maximum amount that could be claimed under the refund anticipation loan program.

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Dec. 10, 1991

Today is the 344th day of 1991 and the 79th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1869, the territory of Wyoming granted women the right to vote, becoming the first U.S. possession to do so.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Thomas Galaudet (1787-1851), educator; Emily Dickinson (1830-1866), poet; Melvil Dewey (1851-1931), librarian; Dorothy Lamour (1914-), actress, is 77; Susan Dey (1952-), actress, is 39.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1958, light heavyweight champion Archie Moore was floored three times in the first round by challenger Yvon Durrelle but rallied to knock Durrelle out in the 11th round and retain his title.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Parting is all we know of heaven / And all we know of hell." — Emily Dickinson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1949, Las Vegas, Nev., set its record lowest pressure (reduced to sea level) of 29.17 inches.


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TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Dec. 5) and first quarter (Dec. 14).

TODAY'S BARB BY PHIL PASTORET
You can tell Christmas is almost upon us. Stuff for Valentine's Day is showing up in the stores.
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Dear Abby

Mom Without Passport Can't Get to Her Dying Son in Time

By Abigail Van Buren
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DEAR ABBY: My only son recently died due to complications from a heatstroke he suffered while serving in the U.S. Marine Corps in Okinawa. Upon notifying us that he was in serious condition, the military requested that my daughter-in-law, Billie, and I travel to his bedside in Okinawa.

Billie was able to leave immediately, traveling with military orders and her dependent military ID in lieu of a passport. I, however, having no connection with the military, had to get a passport in a hurry.

The State Department was marvelous. A passport can take up to six weeks to receive, and there are only three cities where one can be obtained in one day — New Orleans, Los Angeles and Houston.

I flew to Houston on Father's Day Sunday, received my passport, and left for Okinawa the next morning. Upon arrival after this long journey, I found my son had died just six hours earlier.

Abby, my point is this: If I had already possessed a passport, I could have accompanied my 18-year-old daughter-in-law and been there in time at least to have said goodbye to my son. I would like to encourage all parents who have children in the military to get a passport now. I hope they'll never have to use it except for pleasure — but if a loved one is injured overseas, they won't have to waste precious time, as I did.

LINDA NICKELL,
OKLAHOMA CITY

DEAR LINDA: My sincere sympathy to you, Billie and your family. The point you make is an excellent one, and well worth sharing with parents of all military personnel.

Actually, I checked with the U.S. Passport Agency in Washington and was told there are 13 passport offices nationwide capable of issuing a passport for "life and death" emergencies on weekends and holidays. A duty officer is available to make that judgment during non-working hours in Boston, Chicago, Honolulu, Houston, Los Angeles, Miami, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle, Stamford, Conn., and Washington, D.C.

Thank you for wanting to spare others the anxiety you experienced.

DEAR ABBY: I've never written to you, but a recent letter in your column has motivated me to share my experience with tattoos. Some parents were concerned that their bright, responsible daughter had "betrayed" her decent parents' beliefs and values by getting a tattoo.

I, too, was a popular, bright high school student. I was class valedictorian, president of the National Honor Society and a National Merit Scholar. I had my choice of colleges and scholarships, and initially chose a small, church-affiliated college. I later transferred to a large state university where I graduated with a 4.0 grade-point average and was elected to Phi Beta Kappa.

After leaving graduate school, I worked as a volunteer teacher for Vista (the domestic branch of the Peace Corps), then I became a federal law enforcement agent and have been in that career for the last 16 years. I am married and have three wonderful children and am active in my church.

And guess what? When I was 24, I got a tattoo! A rather small one in a relatively private place. I think tattoos are fascinating and would have another one were I not concerned about contracting hepatitis or some other disease from a dirty needle.

I have had that tattoo for 15 years and do not regret it or suffer any embarrassment because of it. I got it for myself, not for public display — although those who see it may get a clue to the "inner me" not normally revealed to the casual acquaintance. Thanks for being an open forum, Abby.

TERRY FREEDY IN GEORGIA

To get Abby's booklet "How to Write Letters for All Occasions," send a long-business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Letter Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Astro-graphs By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Dec. 10, 1991

You may establish an extremely valuable alliance in the year ahead with someone who is older than you in both age and experience. This individual might show you shortcuts to success. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You might receive some good news that will elevate your hopes and expectations today. It could enable you to do something for which you previously had to rely on others. 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) If you're going to listen to anyone's advice today on how to make or save money, pay heed to your own perceptions rather than the tips of outsiders. **AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) Success in your endeavors is likely today; you'll innately understand something that may not be obvious to your peers: Peo-

ple, not things, are what count. **PISCES** (Feb. 20-March 20) Your sense of timing is quite good today, and this could prove to be an enormous asset. You'll know when and how to play your trump cards properly. **ARIES** (March 21-April 19) Carefully evaluate information you receive from a trusted friend today. It has hidden ramifications which require thoughtful analysis in order to be understood. **TAURUS** (April 20-May 20) You might have to deal with some challenging developments today, but don't let this intimidate you. This is one of those times when you're apt to perform better when you feel a bit of pressure. **GEMINI** (May 21-June 20) Ideas authored by your mate might be superior to yours today. Keep an open mind, therefore, when your partner offers a suggestion. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22) Profit shouldn't be considered a dirty word today. Being materially motivated will substantially enhance your effectiveness and productivity. **LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) You're a good listener today, and this might work to your advantage. You could piece together two separate bits of information that, collectively, will prove beneficial. **Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A situation that has been hanging fire can be successfully concluded at this time — if you're bold enough to press for a close. Don't let your fears impede your progress. **LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) An endeavor you are presently involved in with several others can be reorganized today to upgrade the operation. You can engineer the realignment better than they can. **SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You could be more fortunate than usual today in your commercial or financial affairs, especially if you're selling or promoting something original.



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FESTIVE DECORATIONS — County Extension Agent Kathryn Roberts, presented the program on "Holiday Decorations" at the December meeting of Snyder Garden Club. The event was held at Billie Jean Sterling's home. Other hostesses were Maribeth Vestal, Laverne Hood and Lanette Patterson. (SDN Staff Photo)

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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DELTA KAPPA GAMMA — Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma members presenting a program were Mary Beth Vestal, Jean Bough, Elizabeth Conger, Gerri Parker and Phil Kelly. (SDN Staff Photo)

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.
 Athenium 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.
 Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-8626.

WEDNESDAY

Altrurian Daughters luncheon; MAWC; program, Blanche Chisum; 11:15 a.m.
 Christian Women's Club "Gingerbread House" Luncheon; Snyder County Club; 12 noon-2 p.m.; reservations-cancellations by 5 p.m. Tuesday by calling 573-7125 or 573-3996; free nursery provided by reservation.
 Free blood pressure clinic; Hermligh 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.

Women's title won by U.S.

By Phillip Alder

The USA-2 team won the Women's World Team Championship for the NEC Venice Cup. The team members were Nell Cahn, Stasha Cohen, Lynn Deas, Sharon Osberg, Nancy Passell and Sue Picus. It was the third consecutive Venice Cup victory for Lynn Deas. In the final, USA-2 beat Austria by 358 to 258 international matchpoints (IMPs).

The swings gained on part-score hands can add up substantially over a long match. USA-2, for example, gained five IMPs on today's deal from the final. If you wish to test yourself, cover the East-West cards in the diagram. West leads a low heart. East wins with the king, cashes the ace and leads a third round to West's queen. Now comes the club four. How do you continue?

The Austrians use a canape system, in which they bid a four-card major before a longer minor.

The Austrian declarer, after a similar start to the play, led a spade to dummy's queen. No doubt she thought she was unlucky that East held the singleton ace, but now she had three spade losers: one down.

Stasha Cohen realized from the bidding that East was almost certain to have the spade ace. Also East had shown length in two suits, so there was a danger she would be short in spades. Cohen won the fourth trick with dummy's club king and led the spade four. When the spade ace fell on stony ground, Cohen had only two trump losers: contract made.

This deal was played in both finals. Cohen was the only declarer of three to make two spades.

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Game day set

The regular Martha Ann Woman's Club's game day has been rescheduled. The luncheon, beginning at 11:30 a.m. on Monday, Dec. 16, will be followed by games of choice.

This event is sponsored by the board of directors of MAWC and they ask that reservations be made by Friday.

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Children's needs discussed at DKG meeting

Martha Ann Woman's Club was the site for the recent meeting of Delta Kappa Gamma with Helen Mock presiding.

"Respecting Children In Our Care," was the program presented by Elizabeth Conger, Jean Bough, Phil Kelley and Mary Beth Vestal. They commented on examples of problems in children's lives, and ways teachers might help them in problem areas.

A report was given on recent legislation, concerning children, at the state and federal level.

The chapter renewed their project, providing children's books to the parents of newborns at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

New members will be initiated at the Dec. 15 meeting.

The "ZIP" in postal ZIP codes stands for Zone Improvement Program.



BRIDE FETED — Mrs. Thomas Hicks, nee Jeanann Wright, was honored at a bridal shower Thursday evening in the parlor of First United Methodist Church. The couple was married Dec. 7 at the church. Standing with the bride is her mother, Jean Wright. (SDN Staff Photo)

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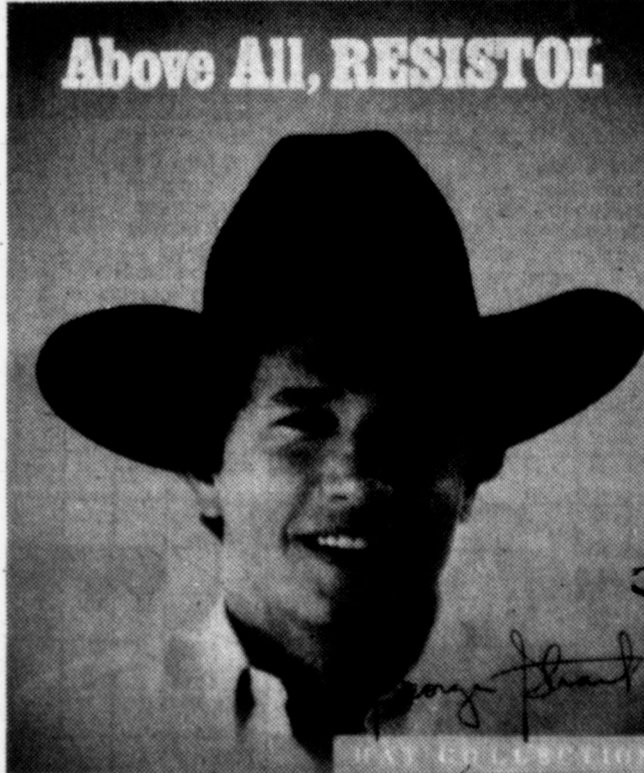
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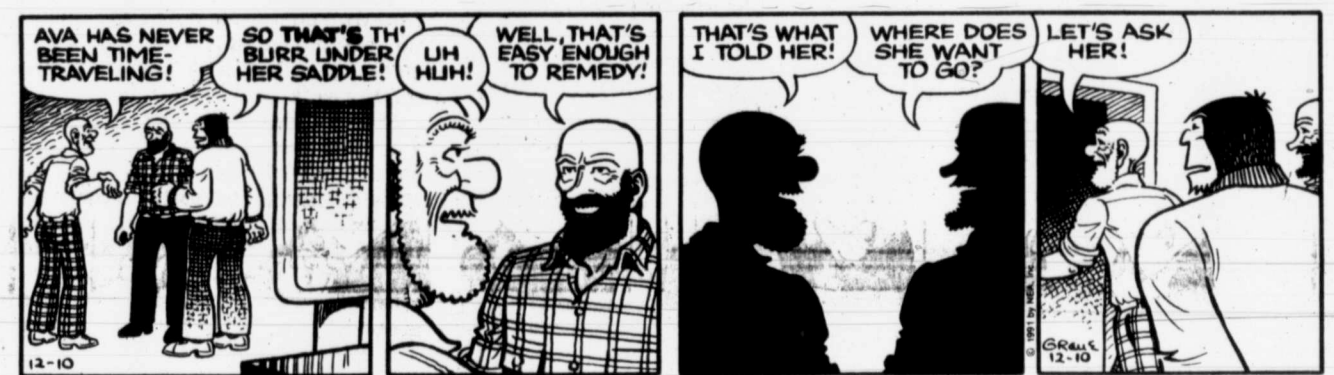
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- 14 Mangle
- 15 Food fish
- 16 Head covering
- 17 Toward shelter
- 18 Here (Fr.)
- 20 Astonish
- 23 Unbroken
- 26 Certainly
- 30 Piece of money
- 31 Arrivederci
- 33 Man's title
- 34 Comedian — Philips
- 35 Order of whales
- 36 Fruit center
- 37 Spanish Mrs.

- 39 Dined
- 41 Poetic fiction
- 43 Cheer
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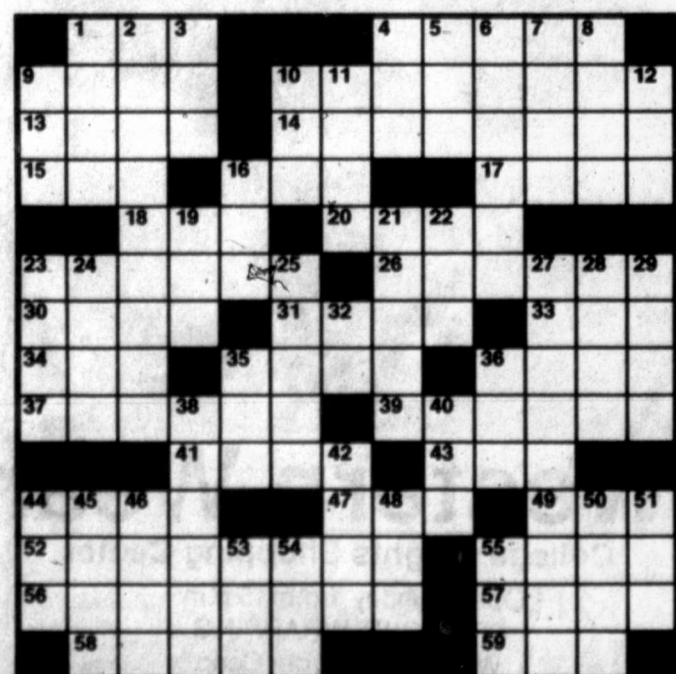
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- 9 New Deal program
- 10 Actress — Thurman
- 11 Sets
- 12 Exclamation of surprise
- 16 What drink — ers say
- 19 Food container
- 21 Occasions
- 22 Actress — Merkel
- 23 Applies frosting to
- 24 Seaport in Alaska
- 25 Take care of
- 27 Tube to stomach
- 28 Ireland
- 29 A Scott
- 32 Ear (pref.)
- 35 Call out
- 36 Acct.
- 38 Breakfast food
- 40 Yorkshire river
- 42 Cultivates
- 44 Summa — laude
- 45 Wallace and Whitney
- 46 — of thumb
- 48 Insecticide
- 50 — well that ends well
- 51 Sicken
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Tiger cagers host games at coliseum

The Snyder Tigers, after a championship appearance at the Denver City Invitational Basketball Tournament, return home today to host Midland Greenwood at Scurry County Coliseum.

In other games of local interest today, Snyder's girls host Merkel, beginning at 5 p.m. at Scurry County Coliseum, Hermleigh is at Abilene Christian High School at 6 p.m., and Ira travels to Grady for a 6:30 p.m. meeting.

Snyder's boys cut through the field of the Denver City tournament last weekend, posting an 84-47 win over Hereford, and a 64-48 victory over Big Spring before knocking off tourney host Denver City, 78-66, in the event final.

Eric West and Hayward Clay, both seniors, scored 19 points each to lead the Tigers in the championship game.

Snyder's Lady Tigers were eliminated from the Concho River Classic in San Angelo in two games, falling to San Angelo Central's JV, 38-27, then losing to El Paso Ysleta, 58-39.

The SHS boys boast a 6-1 record while the girls are winless in seven tries for the season.

Ira's boys, who finished third in the Trent Jungle Classic over the weekend, carry a 5-1 mark into today's battle with Grady. The Ira girls have yet to win with six games under their belts.

Hermleigh captured fourth place at the Highland Tournament over the weekend. They take their 1-5 slate against Abilene Christian today while the 3-3 Lady Cards, winners of Highland's consolation bracket, face the 1-5 ACHS girls.

Action begins today at 5 p.m. when the Lady Tiger JV takes on Merkel at the coliseum followed at 6:30 p.m. by the SHS girls varsity versus the Lady Badgers.

The Tigers tip-off against Greenwood at 8 p.m. at the county coliseum. The boys' JV game against Greenwood has been rescheduled from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. and will be played at the high school gym.

Keep playoff hopes alive...

Dolphins trounce Cincinnati

MIAMI (AP) — The closer the Miami Dolphins get to the playoffs, the better they seem to play.

Miami posted its highest point total since 1988 to beat the Cincinnati Bengals 37-13 Monday night. Dan Marino threw three touchdown passes and the Dolphins pulled away by scoring the game's final 17 points in the fourth quarter.

With their fifth win in the past six games, the Dolphins improved to 8-6. They'll clinch an AFC wild-card playoff berth Sunday if they win at San Diego and the New York Jets (7-7) lose to New England.

Otherwise, Miami's regular-season finale against the Jets on Dec. 22 will determine which team makes the playoffs.

"We know where we are and what we have to get done," coach Don Shula said.

Miami has taken advantage of weak opposition — Cincinnati and Tampa Bay — to win its past two games by a combined 70-27.

"We're on the right path," said running back Mark Higgs, who gained 88 yards against the Bengals in 21 carries.

Cincinnati fell to 2-12, tying the team record for losses set in 1978 and 1979.

"Right now we're just trying to hold it together," quarterback Boomer Eason said.

Marino threw for 281 yards, including scoring passes of 43 yards to Mark Duper and 18 and 16 yards to Mark Clayton. Marino reached 20 TDs for an NFL-record ninth season and also moved into fifth place on the league's career yardage list.

"It's nice to have individual statistics, but the key thing is that we're doing it while playing winning football," Marino said.

Duper caught seven passes for

134 yards.

"The offensive line played good, the backs ran well, the receivers caught the ball," Duper said. "All the parts worked."

"It's Monday night, prime time. What do you expect? It's supposed to work."

The Bengals closed to 20-13 early in the fourth quarter on a 1-yard run by Ickey Woods, but Miami scored two touchdowns 87 seconds apart to clinch the win.

"I was very pleased with the way this one went," Shula said, "because when we had to have it in the fourth quarter and Cincinnati looked like they were back into the game and playing well, we came up with the plays."

After Woods' touchdown, Miami mounted a 65-yard drive capped by Higgs' 3-yard scoring run. Two plays later, the Dolphins' Louis Oliver recovered a fumble by Harold Green at the Cincinnati 17-yard line, and on

second down, Marino combined with Clayton for their second TD of the night and a 34-13 lead with 8:29 left.

"I'm sorry the score is going to look more lopsided than the ballgame," Cincinnati coach Sam Wyche said. "It was a pretty darn good game for the first three quarters."

In the fourth period, Miami played with an intensity that was most evident when tempers flared on a kickoff. A block by Cincinnati's Alex Gordon left kicker Pete Stoyanovich shaken up, and when the Bengals acted amused about the injury, Dolphins linebacker Bryan Cox headed for their bench and appeared ready to take on the entire team.

"He's pretty tough to tie down," Shula said, "and we're not making much of an effort to tie him down."

Order was restored without any punches being thrown.

NFL glance

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
x-Buffalo	12	2	0	857	409	294
Miami	8	6	0	571	293	288
N.Y. Jets	7	7	0	500	288	267
New England	5	9	0	357	198	273
Indianapolis	1	13	0	071	133	329

Central

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
x-Houston	10	4	0	714	349	213
Cleveland	6	8	0	429	269	264
Pittsburgh	5	9	0	357	258	324
Cincinnati	2	12	0	143	224	411

West

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
y-Denver	10	4	0	714	263	202
y-Kansas City	9	5	0	643	281	203
y-LA Raiders	9	5	0	643	277	243
Seattle	6	8	0	429	240	226
San Diego	3	11	0	214	222	295

NATIONAL CONFERENCE
East

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
x-Washington	13	1	0	929	429	183
Philadelphia	9	5	0	643	248	197
Dallas	9	5	0	643	286	270
N.Y. Giants	7	7	0	500	240	243
Phoenix	4	10	0	286	174	293

Central

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Chicago	10	4	0	714	258	217
Detroit	10	4	0	714	301	264
Minnesota	7	7	0	500	274	265
Green Bay	7	11	0	214	229	285
Tampa Bay	2	12	0	143	182	335

West

W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA	
Atlanta	9	5	0	643	308	294
New Orleans	9	5	0	643	287	208
San Francisco	8	6	0	571	313	211
LA Rams	3	11	0	214	211	347

x-clinched division.
y-clinched playoff berth.
Sunday's Games

Denver 17, Cleveland 7
Chicago 27, Green Bay 13
New England 23, Indianapolis 17, OT
Dallas 23, New Orleans 14
Philadelphia 19, New York Giants 14
Houston 31, Pittsburgh 6
Kansas City 20, San Diego 17, OT
Atlanta 31, Los Angeles Rams 14
Buffalo 30, Los Angeles Raiders 27, OT
Detroit 34, New York Jets 20
San Francisco 24, Seattle 22
Washington 20, Phoenix 14
Minnesota 26, Tampa Bay 24
Monday's Game

Miami 37, Cincinnati 13
Saturday, Dec. 14

Tampa Bay at Chicago, 12:30 p.m.
Kansas City at San Francisco, 4 p.m.
Sunday, Dec. 15

Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Dallas at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Seattle at Atlanta, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Houston at Cleveland, 1 p.m.
Los Angeles Rams at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
New England at New York Jets, 1 p.m.
New York Giants at Washington, 4 p.m.
Miami at San Diego, 4 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 4 p.m.
Buffalo at Indianapolis, 8 p.m.
Monday, Dec. 16

Los Angeles Raiders at New Orleans, 9 p.m.

SDN Sports

Workday planned for Ira diamond

IRA — Workdays for improvements to the baseball field at Ira will be held Wednesday at 4:30 p.m. and Saturday at 1 p.m.

The Bulldogs will begin a Class A high school baseball program in the spring of 1992.

RB Smith gets clean bill for Eagles

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Emmitt Smith's sore knee gave the Dallas Cowboys a scare but he's expected to be at full speed for Sunday's game in Philadelphia.

Smith sprained his right knee on the clinching, fourth-quarter touchdown drive in Sunday's 23-14 victory over the New Orleans Saints. He was helped off the field but later walked without aid in the locker room.

Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson said Monday "Emmitt is much better. We even canceled an examination we had planned. He's had a little sore knee the last three weeks. It's no worse."

Smith, who rushed 27 times for 112 yards to become the first runner to gain over 100 yards against New Orleans this year, had problems with the knee when he played for the University of Florida.

Cambridge loses year of eligibility

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — University of Texas forward Dexter Cambridge will have to lose an entire season of eligibility because of a rules violation that affected his amateur status, the NCAA has ruled.

The senior player, who was the team's leader in scoring and rebounding, will not play again for the Longhorns unless he either wins his appeal to the NCAA Eligibility Committee or is successful with a lawsuit he filed last month against the university, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

Texas complied with NCAA orders by suspending Cambridge on Nov. 20.

The player declined comment Monday on the ruling, but his attorney, Phil Maxwell, told the newspaper that he was "surprised that there is such a drastic result from this."

Steelers' Brister refuses to mop up

PITTSBURGH (AP) — Right now, Bubby Brister is making nearly a million dollars not to play quarterback for the Pittsburgh Steelers. And unless Neil O'Donnell gets hurt, Brister apparently hopes it stays that way.

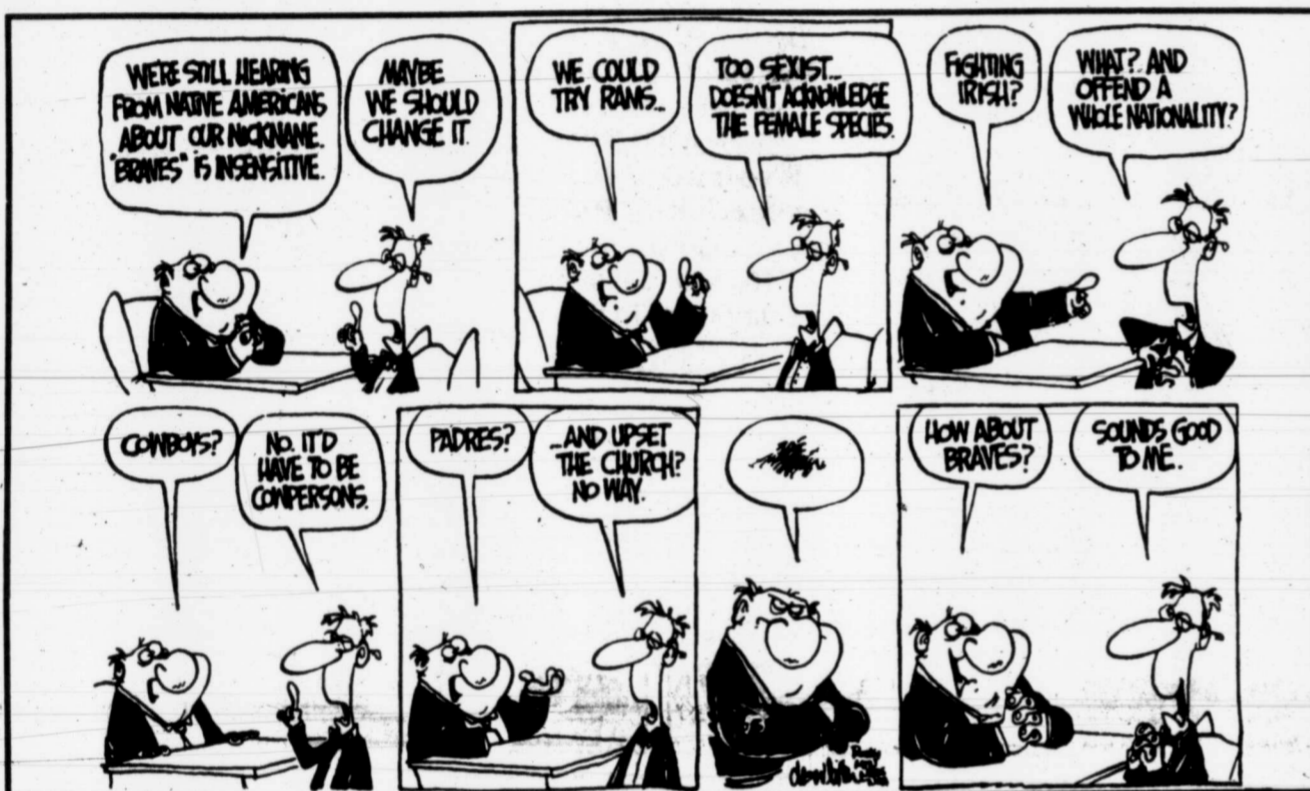
Brister, increasingly frustrated with his mid-season benching, refused to play in the fourth quarter of the Steelers' 31-6 loss Sunday in Houston. After declining offensive coordinator Joe Walton's invitation to warm up with six minutes left, Brister said, "I'm no... relief quarterback."

Brister said Walton decided to use him only after the oft-criticized offensive coordinator argued on the sidelines with starter Neil O'Donnell.

Brister, who hasn't played since tearing a knee ligament Oct. 14, didn't take kindly to the suggestion, saying, "I'm no mop-up man."

Steelers coach Chuck Noll said Monday he won't fine Brister for his remarks, but plans to talk to him about his displaying "not a winning attitude."

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Owners ignore Vincent's plea

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. (AP) — All the top baseball officials were in attendance to hear commissioner Fay Vincent's lecture on the game's fiscal future. There is no indication anyone listened.

NBA glance

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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Boston	13	6	684	—
New York	11	6	647	1
Philadelphia	9	10	474	4
Miami	8	10	444	4 1/2
Orlando	6	11	353	6
Washington	6	14	300	7 1/2
New Jersey	5	13	278	7 1/2

Central Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Chicago	15	3	833	—
Cleveland	11	6	647	3 1/2
Atlanta	10	9	526	5 1/2
Detroit	9	11	450	7
Milwaukee	9	11	450	7
Indiana	8	13	381	8 1/2
Charlotte	6	15	286	10 1/2

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Utah	12	8	600	—
San Antonio	10	7	588	1/2
Houston	9	8	529	1 1/2
Denver	8	10	444	3
Dallas	7	12	368	4 1/2
Minnesota	3	13	188	7

Pacific Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Golden State	12	5	706	—
LA Lakers	13	6	684	—
Portland	13	7	650	1/2
Seattle	11	7	611	1 1/2
Phoenix	12	9	571	2
LA Clippers	10	10	500	3 1/2
Sacramento	6	12	333	6 1/2

Monday's Game

Boston 132, Denver 94
Tuesday's Games

Milwaukee at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Indiana, 7:30 p.m.
New York at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Miami at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Orlando at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
Detroit at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 10 p.m.
LA Clippers at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
LA Lakers at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

though. In the annual state-of-the-game speech, Vincent told the clubs that spending was reaching the danger point.

"The present salary situation is out of hand, and small-market franchises cannot compete in this environment," Vincent said.

Shortly after Vincent's speech, however, the Chicago Cubs gave reliever Paul Assenmacher a three-year deal for \$7.5 million and the Kansas City Royals reached an agreement with free agent first baseman Wally Joyner for \$4.2 million.

"The result of arbitration, to the dismay of the small-market clubs, is it imposes large-market financial judgments on all the other clubs," Vincent said. "And the trickle-down effect as free agent signings seep into the salary arbitration process is like pitching to Maris and Mantle back-to-back: if one doesn't get you, the other will."

The best remaining free agents include Danny Tartabull, Frank Viola, Jack Morris, Ois Nixon and Mike LaValliere. Tartabull may receive close to \$5 million a season and Viola is looking for more than \$4 million a year.

Tartabull may be headed for the Chicago White Sox and San Diego is also interested. Nixon, suspended 60 days in September for drug abuse, may be close to signing with the California Angels.

Some of the other big names that were part of trade discussions included Mike Greenwell of Boston, Kal Daniels of Los Angeles, Barry Bonds of Pittsburgh, Roberto Kelly of the New York Yankees and Dan Plesac of Milwaukee. Texas, which is willing to

deal Julio Franco, also expressed some interest in San Francisco outfielder Kevin Mitchell.

In the category of "a really juicy rumor," the Yankees apparently brought up the name of Jose Canseco in trade talks with Oakland. But it's very unlikely the Yankees could come up with enough players to satisfy the A's.

Vincent warned the owners that the next national TV contract might pay each club \$5 million less per season. But for now, the money is there and the teams continue to spend. The average salary in baseball in 1992 will be about \$1 million.

The Angels had offered Joyner a four-year deal for \$15.75 million, but there were problems with payout clauses and the deal started to fall apart about a week ago.

"It's the toughest decision I've ever made," an emotional Joyner said.

Snyder girls nab victories

Snyder swept Big Spring in eighth grade girls' basketball games Monday night, winning the A game, 25-24, and the B game 16-2.

Lindsey Griffin paced Snyder A with six points followed by Mendy Winter's five, four each from Mandy Baker and Sterling Cave and two apiece by Veana Clay, Jami Brown and Jodi White.

Most Valuable Player Danisha Ollison's eight points were tops for the B squad while Adrienne Bailey added four and Paige Bell and Trisha Cunningham hit a bucket each.

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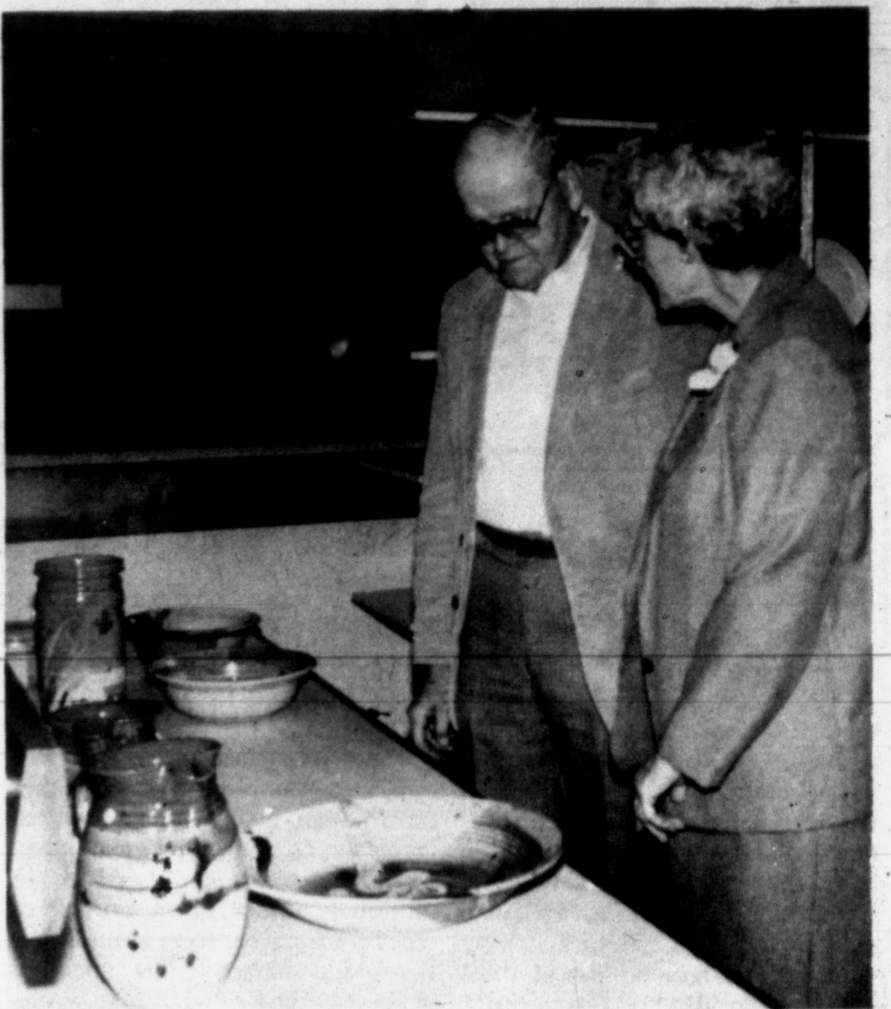
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"HAPPENING" ATTRACTION — Bud and Ima Dee England are enjoying the pottery display at the Christmas Happening held Sunday at Western Texas College. Paintings, drawings, furniture, quilts and glass works will be on display in the Fine Arts Theatre Gallery until Wednesday. (SDN Staff Photo)



VINTAGE TOYS — Toys of old, loaned by several people in Scurry County, were displayed around a Christmas tree in the decorated Cornelius-Dodson House Saturday. At left, Billie Jean Sterling, a guest, and Lois Bartels, museum docent, observe the decorated tree. The Christmas Open House was sponsored by the Scurry County Historical Commission. (SDN Staff Photo)

Police chief: golf slayings a tragedy

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Police Chief Bill Rathburn called the slayings of four men at a municipal golf course "a major tragedy for the whole city," as the man charged in the deaths remains jailed on \$2 million bond.

Michael Bookman, 18, of Dallas was arrested Monday on four counts of capital murder for the weekend murders at the L.B. Houston Golf Course and Tennis Center, said Police Sgt. Jim Chandler.

Bookman remained in the Lew Sterrett Justice Center today on \$2 million bond, officials said.

A tennis pro shop employee discovered the bodies of Evander Jones Jr., 49; his cousin, Willie Turner, 43; and Ricardo Barron Jr., 27, the assistant golf pro at the course Saturday.

Jones' brother, Marlin Jones, 47, was found outside the shop near the golf cart storage area. Police say he had been shot and run over by a car more than once.

Officials in the medical examiner's office say all the men were shot once and three of the men were beaten.

Fifteen Dallas homicide detectives were involved in the investigation, officials said.

Chief Rathburn said "there is no indication that this is anything but an isolated incident."

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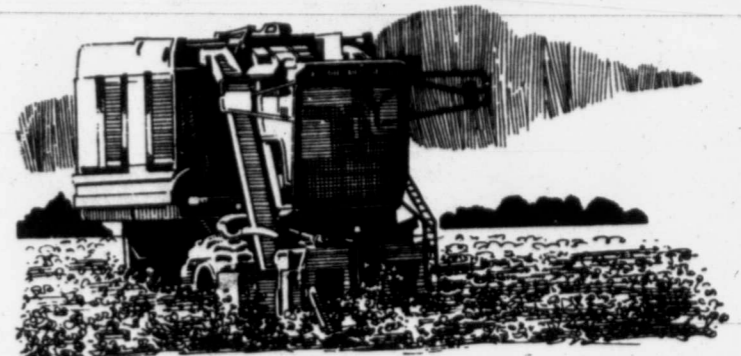
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By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Adolescence, that period when the child is poised on the threshold of adulthood, is important not only to the child, but to society as a whole. The choices and decisions made during adolescence often have long term effects and are sometimes irreversible. To make positive choices, youth not only need knowledge, skills and abilities, but they also need an environment which will allow and encourage them to make positive deci-

sions and choices. Much of the recent concern about young people focused on specific negative outcomes, such as alcohol and substance use, pregnancy or dropping out of school. Although intervention programs can be effective, they sometimes focus too narrowly on specific problems and situations while overlooking the underlying causes of the problems facing young peo-

ple. All too often programs focus on intervening or dealing with the consequences, rather than concentrating on prevention.

Prevention requires a policy agenda that goes beyond solving individual problems. To treat the "cause" rather than the "symptoms," a comprehensive agenda to promote the development of healthy, capable young people is needed.

Choose Christmas trees with care

Forests of Christmas trees are popping up on corner lots everywhere.

Some folks will drive out to a choose-and-cut tree farm for Texas-grown Virginia pines and Afghans. Besides these varieties, retail lots will offer fir and spruce from the North. Some nurseries also will be selling trees with roots intact to plant outside after Christmas.

Whatever the variety, buying the right Christmas tree and keeping it fresh for the holidays requires some thought and planning, said Jim Chandler, forester with the Texas Agricultural Extension Service.

Before making a selection, he said, determine where in the home the tree should go.

"The tree will look smaller at the (choose-and-cut) farm than at the house," Chandler said. "Take the advice of the farm operator and use some type of measuring pole to determine the height of the tree."

Once the tree is home, cut the bottom quarter inch off the trunk. This keeps the trunk from being sealed off with sap and allows the tree to continue drinking water.

Place the tree in a water-holding stand right away. If the tree is not going to be decorated immediately, place it in a bucket of water in a cool space such as a garage, he said.

"The tree needs water at all times," Chandler said. "A normal 6- to 8-foot Christmas tree can drink up to a gallon of water in the

first 24 hours."

"Keep the tree away from heat sources, fireplaces, or television sets, he said. Make sure lights and electrical connections are in good working condition to avoid fires.

Do a freshness test when buying a cut tree from a retail lot, he said. The needles should be resilient.

"Hold a branch about six inches from the tip and pull your hand toward the tip, allowing the branches to slip through your fingers. On a fresh tree, the needles shouldn't fall off in your hand."

Then, lift the tree a couple of inches off the ground and let it drop on the stump ends. Examine the needles that fall.

"There should be a few old brown needles that have died, but if you have a lot of green needles fall from the tree, that's a sign that the tree has dried out," he said.

A good fragrance and a green color also indicate freshness.

Trees that will be planted outside after Christmas should be handled differently. Since they are living plants, they cannot be kept indoors as long as cut trees.



Diversified

By Mike Morrow,
County Extension Agent

LUBBOCK — One of the last chances this year for commercial and non-commercial pesticide applicators to earn necessary continuing education units (CEUs) to comply with state requirements will be offered here Dec. 18.

A one-day training workshop will be conducted from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Texas A&M University Agricultural Research and Extension Center north of the Lubbock airport. The center is on FM 1294 just east of I-27 at the Shallowater exit.

The training has been approved by the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) for five CEUs, said Dr. W. Pat Morrison, entomologist with the Texas Agriculture Extension Service. Applicators

are required by the TDA to receive five CEUs a year to retain certification.

Course topics and instructors will include:

- Toxicology of Pesticide Poisoning, Jill Houkos, director of special programs, National Pesticide Telecommunication Network, Lubbock; Pesticide Poisoning in the High Plains, Dr. Jack Hayes, principal investigator, NPTN, Lubbock; Pesticide Laws and Regulations, Ronnie Halffmann and Bill Rogers, pesticide specialists, TDA, Lubbock; Relationships of Soil Mobility and Bio-persistence of Herbicides to Ground Water Interception, Dr. John Abernathy, resident director of research, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, Lubbock; Background Management, Chemophobia, Betty Mendl, vegetation management specialist, Dupont Agricultural Chemicals, Abilene; Calibration for Spray Ground Application, Dr. Brent Bean, Extension Service agronomist, Amarillo; and Calibration for Granular Ground Application, Greg Cronholm, Extension Service entomology agent, Plainview.

The training is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the Scurry County Extension Office at 573-5423.

All information given herein is for educational purposes only. Education programs conducted by the ASCS, SCS and the Texas Agricultural Extension Service serve people of all ages regardless of socioeconomic level, race, color, sex, religion, handicap or national origin.

FFA chapter stock show set Saturday

Snyder Future Farmers of America will hold a chapter stock show Saturday in the Scurry County Coliseum annex building.

The public is encouraged to attend.

Hog judging will begin at 9 a.m. and will be followed by the lamb show. There will be no steer judging as such, but students who have steers to show will be interviewed and tested Friday evening at the high school.

"It's a chance for our kids to get out and learn a little bit about a stock show. We have a lot of new kids and we want to give them — and the animals — some experience," said David Frazier, agricultural science instructor.

Frazier expects some 50 hogs in eight classes and 27 lambs to be entered. Grand and Reserve Champion titles will be awarded as well as premium money.

Bob Hand, SHS agriculture instructor, will conduct Friday's interviews and testing. Jim Judah, assistant professor at Western Texas College, will be the judge for Saturday's hog and lamb show.

"It's not going to be a big show but we'd like to welcome everyone to attend. I know the kids would like to see a good group of people there and it will help prepare them for future shows," said Frazier.

The show is being organized by the newly formed FFA parent organization. A concession stand will be open.

Sweetwater cattle auction market reported

The market was steady on a good run of cattle for the Dec. 4th sale. Stocker and feeder cattle steady to \$2 lower. Bred cows and pairs steady. Packer cows and bulls steady.

- Good to choice, L/W stocker steers, \$1.07 to \$1.12 per pound.
- Good to choice, M/W stocker steers, \$1.02 to \$1.07 per pound.
- Good to choice, feeder steers, \$.75 to \$.82 per pound.
- Short and plainer kind, 6 to 8 lower per pound.
- Good to choice, L/W stocker heifers, \$.90 to \$1.00 per pound.
- Good to choice, M/W stocker heifers, \$.80 to \$.87 per pound.
- Good to choice, feeder heifers, \$.72 to \$.78 per pound.
- Short and plainer kind, 6 to 8 lower per pound.
- Good cow and calf pairs, \$750 to \$930 per pair.
- Older and plainer kind, \$600 to \$700 per pair.
- Good bred cows, \$650 to \$750 per head.
- Older, plainer light bred cows, \$400 to \$600 per head.
- Better kind packer cows, \$.47 to \$.55 per pound.
- Lower yielding packer cows, \$.42 to \$.47 per pound.
- Few old hully cows, \$.38 to \$.42 per pound.
- Better kind packer bulls, \$.62 to \$.67 per pound.
- Lower yielding packer bulls, \$.58 to \$.62 per pound.



ASCS Report

By Joe Hefner
County Executive Director

Congress has approved a \$1.75 billion disaster assistance bill that will provide payments for farmers across Texas who suffered losses in 1990 or 1991, said U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm.

"More than 125,000 Texas agriculture producers suffered losses from flooding, freezes and drought," Gramm noted. "They will be able to file for claims under this legislation, which will be administered at the local level by the Texas Agricultural Stabilization and Conservation Services, ASCS."

According to Jerry Harris, chairman of the Texas State ASC Committee, Texas cotton farmers were among the hardest hit by the weather related disasters of 1990

and 1991. Harris noted that in excess of 40,000 cotton producers suffered damage valued at more than \$326 million in 1991 alone. In addition, producers of wheat, grain sorghum, corn and hay had extensive losses. These estimates are based on provisions of the 1989 disaster program and new regulations are not yet available.

Gramm noted that part of the funding, \$995 million, will be available for payments on either of the two years, at the producer's option. An additional \$755 million is also available, subject to a budget request by President Bush.

More information on the 1990 and 1991 Disaster Aid Program will be released at a later date.



SCS Notes

By Terry Hefner,
District Conservationist

At this time of year, the greatest out-of-pocket expense ranchers face is supplemental feeding of the cow herd. Since dollars are spent, they should go for supplements that are efficient in meeting the nutrient needs of the animals while getting maximum utilization of available grass or hay.

Most of the roughage for wintering cow herds in West Texas comes from dry, weathered grass. The total nutrients available to the cow grazing forage such as tobosa grass are found by multiplying the pounds of forage consumed by the concentration of the nutrients in the forage. Luckily, researchers have weighed and figured forages into charts and tables found in books such as Morrison's "Feeds and Feeding." By using these charts, you can determine what nutrients are needed by a given weight animal and what nutrients are provided by any forage. The most frequent nutrient deficiencies in West Texas are protein, energy, phosphorus and vitamin A.

The green picklings that filaree and rye provide offer a source of digestible protein that helps reduce supplementation and is not thought of as roughage. Many

ranchers in the Upper Colorado Soil & Water Conservation District are fortunate to be able to use wheat or oat fields as a winter supplement to cow herds. Because these are high quality forages, full-time grazing by beef cattle results in considerable waste of valuable nutrients. A dry cow staying on a small grain pasture full-time consumes up to 10 times her requirement in protein. Restricting grazing of small grain pastures to a few days each week offers more efficient use of nutrients available.

Bloat is sometimes a problem when cattle graze high quality wheat pastures. Products such as Poloxylene or Bloat Guard are effective in reducing or controlling bloat. If cattle do not have some free access to native range grasses, feeding hay has some value in reducing the chance of bloat in wheat pasture.

Mineral supplement for cattle grazing wheat pastures should emphasize magnesium and possibly calcium since these minerals are low in wheat pastures. Researchers feel that magnesium and/or calcium deficiencies or imbalances may play an indirect role in the cause and/or severity of bloat.

Justice Department keeps close eye on beef trends

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Justice Department says it is keeping a close eye on beef pricing trends after lawmakers sought an antitrust investigation of the retail markup on wholesale meat.

Sens. Bob Kerrey and James Exon, D-Nebr., said the retail markup — or the wholesale-to-retail price spread — on beef has begun to tumble since they asked the Justice Department to review the issue in August.

The senators cited Agriculture Department figures that indicate the markup peaked at a record level of \$1.132 per pound in August before falling to \$1.093 in September and \$1.027 in October.

"The recent movement is encouraging, but the August peak capped 10 months of record monthly retail margins," Kerrey said. "Even the lower margin for October was still more than 20 cents per pound higher than the average margin reported by USDA for all of 1988 through 1990."

Kerrey said he would have to see still narrower margins over the next several months before determining that retail markups on beef have returned to normal levels.

"It's interesting that the wholesale-to-retail price spread began to shrink after our inquiry," Exon said. "While a scientific correlation may be difficult to prove, it reinforces our view that the wholesale-to-retail price spread warrants close scrutiny."

In a letter to the senators, Assistant Attorney General W. Lee Rawls said that except for 1991, constant-dollar wholesale-to-retail price spreads for beef have not generally increased during the past decade.

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Mayor: community stunned by slayings

AUSTIN (AP) — Mayor Bruce Todd says Austin residents are stunned by the slayings of four teen-age girls who were gunned down in a yogurt store that then was set ablaze.

Todd said Monday he had phoned the victims families to offer sympathy and support.

"I've called all of them... to offer the solace of the entire city," Todd said. "Let me express what I think is community outrage that such a senseless act would take place. There is just a

great deal of shock that this sort of thing could take place."

The mayor said police were

"working around the clock and will continue to" until the crime is solved.

WTC trustees convene

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supplemental annuity plan from 3 percent to 4 percent.

Clouding the issue somewhat, is a notice to state agencies, including WTC, to expect a 5 percent to 6.5 percent reduction in state funds for the fiscal year 1993. Gay Hickman, vice president for business and finance, noted that this could amount to between

\$101,000 and \$132,000 in lost income to the college.

"I think we should approve a 1 percent increase across the board with the fair understanding that we may have to take it back in a year or two," said Trustee Bill Wilson Jr. "All of these people work for us, and if any are going to get an increase, all of them should. That's the way I feel."

Trustee Carl Williams, however, said that the board should "pass it on through like the state sent it."

The board voted 5-1 to give all employees a 1 percent increase, with Williams casting the lone "nay" vote.

Trustees also voted 5-1 to invest Scholarship Foundation funds with TexPool.

R.C. Patton cast the "nay" vote, contending, "I hate to see us taking business out of town. If you need any help from anybody, the first place you go is the banks. They've been very good to us."

Trustee John Fagin noted, "The scholarships are set up to benefit the students and this is one way we get more (funds) for the students. I'm not advocating taking the whole amount (of investment funds) out, or anything like that."

"The funds the banks get are so restricted that it is very difficult for them to make any kind of return," said Wilson. "I don't think the Walls of Jericho are going to fall down (if WTC were to invest with TexPool) but I don't think they are enthused about it."

Trustees agreed to invest only the scholarship funds — approximately \$500,000 — with TexPool. Those funds roughly amount to one-sixth of WTC's investments. It was noted that as of Dec. 5, TexPool was paying 5.132 percent as opposed to 4.129 percent through local financial institutions.

Special Needs Coordinator Bob Scott updated trustees on his program at WTC, noting, "At first we thought if we could serve 15 or 20 students during the first semester we'd be off to a good start. To date, we've had 91 apply and served 46."

The program helps those with special needs, including those who are financially, physically or mentally handicapped. Funding is through a Carl Perkins grant. The program also coordinates services from other agencies such as the Texas Employment Commission, Texas Rehabilitation Commission and others.

Trustees also approved past minutes and the November financial report.

Present were Wilson, Fagin, Patton, Williams, John Gayle and Robert Hargrove. Howard Sterling was absent.

Markets Middy Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	Change
AMR Corp	59 1/8	58 5/8	58 5/8	-1/8
AlliedSignal	38 3/4	38 3/8	38 3/8	-5/8
ALLTEL Cp	36 3/4	35 3/4	36 3/4	+7/8
AmStar s	27 5/8	27 1/4	27 3/8	-
Amer T&T	37 1/4	36 7/8	37 1/4	+1/8
Americitech	62 1/8	61 3/8	61 3/8	-5/8
Amoco	46 3/4	46	46 1/8	-1/8
AndarkPir	24 3/8	23 1/4	23 5/8	-1
Arka	13 7/8	13 1/2	13 1/2	-1/4
ArmaColn	4 1/4	4	4	-1/8
AttRichfd	100 3/8	99 3/8	99 1/2	-3/8
BakerHugh	19 3/8	18 3/4	18 3/4	-5/8
BancTexas	11-32	11-32	11-32	-
BellAtl	46 3/8	45 5/8	46 1/8	+3/8
BellSouth	47 3/4	47 1/4	47 1/4	-
Beth Steel	12 1/2	12 1/4	12 1/4	-1/8
Borden	30 3/8	30	30 1/4	+1/4
Caterpillr	39 7/8	39 3/8	39 3/8	-1/4
CenTel	29 3/4	29 1/2	29 1/2	-1/8
CentSo West	52	51 5/8	51 3/4	-1/4
Chevron	64 7/8	63 1/2	63 1/2	-1 1/4
Chrysler	11 1/8	10 3/4	10 3/4	-3/8
Coastal	25 3/8	25 1/8	25 1/8	-3/8
CocaCola	72 7/8	72	72 1/8	-1/4
ColgateP s	43 1/2	43 1/8	43 1/8	-1/4
ComMet	18	17 3/4	17 3/4	+1/8
CyprusMn	19 7/8	19 3/4	19 3/4	-1/4
DalSemi	7 1/2	7 3/8	7 1/2	-1/8
DellAirl	59 3/8	58 5/8	58 5/8	-3/8
DigitalE	56 7/8	55	55	-1 1/8
Dillard	132 1/4	130 1/4	130 1/4	-3/4
DowChem	49	48 1/4	48 1/4	-1/2
DresserInd	17 5/8	17 3/8	17 1/2	-1/4
duPont	45 1/2	45	45	-1/2
EstKodak	46 1/2	46 1/8	46 1/8	-1/8
Eljerd	7	6 3/4	7	+1/8
Enserch	14 1/4	13 7/8	13 7/8	-3/8
Exxon	56 1/2	56	56 1/4	+1/8
FtClayBep	3/4	5/8	3/4	-1/16
FlowerInd	14 1/4	14 1/4	14 1/4	-
FordMotor	23 7/8	23 1/2	23 1/4	-1/4
GTE Cp	32 3/8	32	32 1/4	+1/8
GenDynam	51 1/8	50 7/8	50 7/8	-1/4
GenElec	65 3/4	64 5/8	65 1/4	+3/8
GenMil	68 3/4	67 1/2	67 1/2	-1
GenMotors	28	27 5/8	27 3/4	-1/4
GenMtrE s	52 1/4	51 1/2	51 1/2	-3/8
GalPacif	48 1/4	47 1/2	47 5/8	-5/8
GlobMar	25 1/8	25 1/2	25 1/8	-1/8
Goodrich	38 1/8	37 7/8	37 7/8	-1/8
Goodyear	48 1/2	47 7/8	47 7/8	-3/8
GratiPac	27 1/4	27	27 1/8	-1/8
Gulf StaUt	9 3/4	9 1/2	9 5/8	-1/8
Haliburtn	30 1/4	29 7/8	30	+1/8
Hanson	17 3/4	17 5/8	17 5/8	-1/8
HouInd	42 1/8	41 7/8	42	-1/8
IBM	85 7/8	83 1/2	83 1/4	-13/8
IBM	63 5/8	63 1/8	63 1/8	-1/8
Int'lPaper	102 1/8	101 1/8	101 3/8	+3/8
JohnsJhn	40 1/2	39 7/8	40 1/4	-3/4
K mart	18 1/2	18 3/8	18 3/8	-
LatAm Cp	1	7/8	7/8	-1/16
Lincoln Ind	86 3/8	86 1/8	86 1/8	-1/8
vtLoneStar	33 1/4	35 3/8	35 3/8	-
Lowes	26 3/4	26 1/4	26 1/4	-1/4
Lubys	15 3/4	15 1/2	15 5/8	-1/8
Maxus	7 1/8	6 5/8	6 5/8	-1/2
MayDst	49 3/4	49	49	-1 1/8
Medtrn s	78 3/4	78	78 1/2	-1/2
Mobil	64 1/8	63 1/4	63 1/4	-3/4
Monsan	58 3/4	58 1/2	58 1/2	-1/4
Motorola	58 5/8	58 1/8	58 1/4	+1/8
NCNB Cp	36	35 5/8	35 3/4	-1/4
Navistar	25 1/8	25 1/2	25 1/2	-
Nynex	75 1/2	74 7/8	75	-1/2
OryxEngy	25	24 3/8	24 3/8	-1/2
PacTelesis	41 3/8	40 3/4	40 7/8	-1/4
PaahEcp	16 1/4	16	16	-1/4
PenneyJC	51 1/4	50 3/4	50 3/4	-3/4
PeppBoys	17 1/4	16 7/8	17	-1/4
Phelps Dod	62 1/8	61 5/8	61 7/8	-7/8
PhilInt	22 3/4	22 1/2	22 1/2	-1/2
Polard s	26 5/8	26	26	-3/2
Primerca	32 3/4	32 3/8	32 3/8	-3/8
ProctGamb	82 7/8	82	82	-3/8
PuS NwMx	9 1/8	9	9	-1/8
SFEPC	11	10 3/4	10 3/4	-3/8
SaraL	50	49 1/2	49 1/2	-1/2
SearsRoeb	33 5/8	33 1/4	33 3/8	-1/4
Shrin s	22 5/8	21 7/8	22 1/2	+1/2
SmithBcm	73 1/2	73 3/8	73 3/8	-1/8
SmithBch eq n	65 3/4	65 1/2	65 1/2	-1/4
Southern Co	32 3/8	32	32 1/4	+1/8
SwatAirl	29 7/8	29 1/4	29 7/8	+3/8
SwatBell	58 1/4	57 3/4	58	+1/8
SterlingChm	41 1/4	41 1/4	41 1/4	-
SunCo	26 1/2	26	26 1/4	+1/4
TNP Ent	18	17 7/8	17 7/8	-1/8

Obituaries

H.A. Moore

1914-1991

COLORADO CITY — Services were to be held at 2 p.m. today in the chapel of Kiker-Seale Funeral Home for H.A. "Shorty" Moore, 77, of Colorado City. Burial was to follow at the Colorado City Cemetery. Officiating were Dr. Ted Spear and the Rev. Aeron Oden.

Mr. Moore died Sunday at the Mitchell County Hospital.

Born Dec. 4, 1914, in Nolan County, he had lived near China Grove. He married Dorothy Elizabeth Buckner on April 24, 1939, in Colorado City. A lifetime resident of Mitchell County, he owned and operated Moore Feed and Seed for 27 years. Mr. Moore was a member of the First Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife of the home; one daughter, Fern Culbertson of Colorado City; three sisters, Faye Moore of Midland, Nora Vieregge of Big Spring and Martha Oden of Sweetwater; one brother, Therman Moore; two grandsons, Terry Culbertson of Red Oak and Kerry Culbertson of Andrews; and four great-grandchildren.

Alma Overman

1899-1991

HALE CENTER — Funeral services are set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First United Methodist Church for Alma Overman, 92, who died Monday in Hi-Plains Nursing Home. Officiating will be Rev. John Erwin who will be assisted by a grandson, Dr. Tommy Overman of Dallas.

Burial will follow in the Abernathy Cemetery with Rev. Jim Teeter of Petersburg officiating.

She was the mother of Fred Overman of Snyder.

Born in Mills County on July 16, 1899, Mrs. Overman lived in Runnels County, New Home and Whiteface before moving to Hale Center in 1949. She was a homemaker and a member of the Methodist Church.

She married Henry Overman on Aug. 26, 1918, in Runnels County, and he died in 1950. A son, C.W. Overman, also preceded her in death on Aug. 2, 1969 and a great-grandson on June 12, 1981.

Survivors include four other sons, Arque Overman of Paul, Idaho, Troy Overman of Lubbock, James Overman of Granbury and Billy Overman of Fort Collins, Colo.; a daughter, Lorene Davis of Petersburg; 19 grandchildren; 34 great-grandchildren; and six great-great-grandchildren.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Martha Jones, 410 31st; Harold Rambo, Comanche; Francisco Torres, Rt. 2 Box 88; Nathalie Kelley, 3726 Sunset; William Haney, 3758 Ave. V; Wayne Dodson, 4506 Houston; Charles Wellborn, 2805 El Paso.

DISMISSALS: Mary Ortega and baby, Martha Jones.

Census: 49 (Med.-10, Long-Term Care-32, CCU-2, OB-2, Nursery-3).

Police note felony theft, one arrest

Snyder police made one arrest, took a report of felony theft and worked three traffic accidents Monday.

Officers filed a report for felony theft Monday after Steve Stephens of 2604 48th St. notified the department that he had returned home and discovered several items missing from his residence. Among the items reported stolen were a video cassette recorder and some jewelry.

Officers arrested a 53-year-old male for driving while intoxicated at 10:06 p.m. in the 1200 block of Ave. R. The subject was transported to the county jail.

At 7:25 a.m., officers worked the first of three traffic accidents. Involved in the mishap at 800 24th St. were a 1973 Ford pickup driven by Marcelino Sanchez of 2305 Ave. H and a 1986 Nissan pickup driven by Tracy Dennis of 208 23rd St. Both units were towed. The drivers refused medical treatment.

At 7:48 a.m., police worked another two-vehicle accident in the 1000 block of the Old Lubbock Hwy. Involved were a 1978 Dodge driven by Jeremy McGee of 2711 Ave. R and a 1988 Chevrolet driven by LuCynde Lynn of Justiceburg. Two victims, Lynn, 20, and Scott McGhee, 16, were taken to Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room where they were treated and released.

The Chevrolet was towed.

At 10:51 a.m., officers worked another wreck along Old Lubbock Hwy, this time in the 200 block. Involved were a 1981 GMC pickup driven by Ernest Shiflett of 2111 Merrill and a 1991 Chevrolet pickup driven by Bobby Forbes of Rt. 2 Hermleigh. The Chevrolet was towed. No ambulance was needed.

In one other report, a man came to the police department to file Class C assault charges against another man. The charges stem from an altercation between the two which occurred over the weekend. Both men have now filed assault charges against each other.

Hermleigh Methodists schedule open house

Hermleigh United Methodist Church will host its traditional Christmas open house from 3-6 p.m. Wednesday at the church.

Recent remodeling projects completed at the church include adding insulation and metal siding, enlarging the vestibule, new carpet, furniture and stain glass windows. The old bell tower has also been replaced and the entrance has a larger porch complete with easy access ramp.

Refreshments will be served in the fellowship room.

The public is invited.

Colorado City to present play

COLORADO CITY — Christmas arrives at the historic opera house in Colorado City in the form of a murder mystery. "Design for Murder" will be presented at 8 p.m. on Dec. 12, 13, 14 and 19, 20, 21.

Tickets are \$5 each and the box office will be open daily at 1 p.m. through Dec. 21. Call 915-728-3491 for information or reservations.

The play which first starred Tallulah Bankhead is the story of Celia Granger, her son, David, and her efforts to maintain the gracious traditions attached to her family and home, a magnificent old mansion on the cliffs above the Hudson River.

Besides being a murder mystery, "Design for Murder" also has moments of comedy and romance.

Public hearing set by Hermleigh ISD

Hermleigh Independent School District will conduct a public hearing on Wednesday at 5 p.m. in the high school to present results of the 1990-91 Academic Excellence Indicator System.

The statistical report, prepared by the Texas Education Agency, is required by state law and presents demographic and student performance data at the district and campus levels. Parents and community citizens are invited to attend.

The Academic Excellence Indicators include student performance on the Texas Assessment of Academic Skills (TAAS), Texas Academic Skills Program (TASP), average daily attendance and drop-out rates, graduation rates, percent of students in advanced courses, and percent of seniors expected to graduate with the "advanced" or "advanced with honors" seal affixed to the transcript.

Council

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are members of the Putting on the Ritz Community Theatre group to request some \$25,000 from the hotel/motel tax fund. If approved, the funds would go to renovate the exterior of the old Ritz theater on the square. Total renovation of the theater has been estimated at \$100,000.

The council will consider its 335 votes for a board member to Scurry County Appraisal District. In November, the council nominated Ross Carroll Jr. to the board. It takes 1,000 votes to elect a board member.

Scheduled for consideration is approval of an application to the Federal Reserve Bank for the holding of securities in joint safekeeping.

Also on the agenda are the consideration of several bids, to include a new phone system for the police and fire departments; vehicles for the police chief and fire chief; a utility vehicle for use at the police department; two city pickups and bids for the sale of the city's used water meters.

Births

Nathalie and Joseph Kelley of 3726 Sunset announce the birth of their baby boy born at 6:09 p.m. on Dec. 9 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed nine pounds and one ounce.

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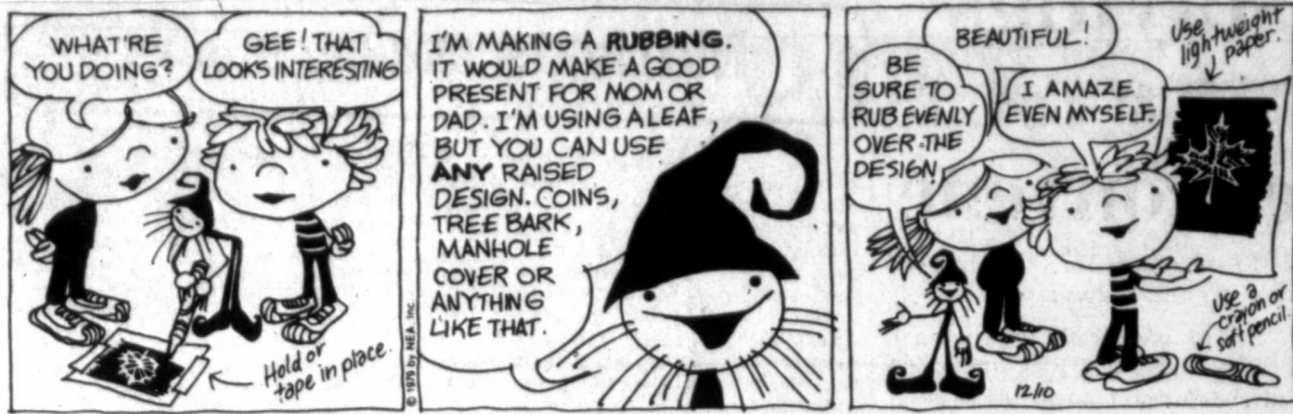
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New Mexico detectives see similarities in Texas slayings

LAS CRUCES, N.M. (AP) — Police said Monday they are looking into the Austin, Texas slayings of four teen-age girls in a yogurt shop for possible connections to

the 1990 Las Cruces bowling alley massacre that left four dead.

Capt. Fred Rubio said a detective from the Las Cruces Police Department told Texas officials on Monday about last year's slayings in New Mexico.

Four teen-age girls, ranging in age from 13 to 17, were shot twice in the back of the head. They were discovered shortly after midnight Friday by firefighters putting out a blaze at the yogurt shop where two of the girls worked.

The victims were Jennifer Harbison, 17; her sister, Sarah Harbison, 15; Eliza Thomas, 17, and Amy Ayers, 13, authorities said. Two of the girls worked at the shop.

The case has striking similarities to the Feb. 10, 1990, Las Cruces shootings that remain

unsolved. In the New Mexico slayings, two men robbed Las Cruces Bowl of \$5,000 and shot all the witnesses in the back of the head. The robbers set a blaze to cover up the crime, but one of the victims was able to call for help.

The victims in that shooting were Paula Holguin, 6, her sister Valerie Teran, 2, and Amy Houser, 13. Steve Teran, 26, Valerie's father and Paula's stepfather also was killed. The wounded were Ida Holguin, the bowling alley's owner Stephanie Senac and her daughter Melissa Senac.

Rubio said the Las Cruces Police Department has not gone over the cases in detail with the Austin police.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: I suffer from chest pain, tightness, difficulty breathing and tire easily after hard or sustained effort. Most of the discomfort comes after stressful events or long bouts of driving. My heart muscle is working at 60 percent capacity. Will cardiomyopathy be judged as a reason for total disability in two years, since I'm presently on disability and would be hard pressed to re-enter the work force at 53?

DEAR READER: I cannot comment on your disability because I don't know the nature of your heart disorder. Cardiomyopathy simply means that your heart muscle is irreparably diseased; this could be due to many conditions, the most common ones being arteriosclerosis, hypertension and excessive alcohol ingestion.

Your chest pain, which may be angina, suggests that your coronary arteries are blocked; this reduces blood flow (and oxygen) to the cardiac muscle, which — over time — will progressively malfunction. Such a condition is treatable (with medicine) — or can be stabilized (with by-pass surgery).

Therefore, your future need not look so grim. After examining and testing you, a cardiologist could probably prescribe drugs (such as nitroglycerine or digitalis) that would improve the quality of your life. Also, as I mentioned, surgery (to restore circulation to the heart muscle) may be an option.

Your primary goal should be to prevent further cardiac damage before the situation deteriorates to the point where treatment is ineffective. Rather than being concerned about your ever working again, I am more interested in whether your heart disease can be controlled, thereby improving your degree of independence. In other words, accentuate the positive. See a cardiologist.

Because hypertension is a common cause of cardiomyopathy, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Hypertension." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

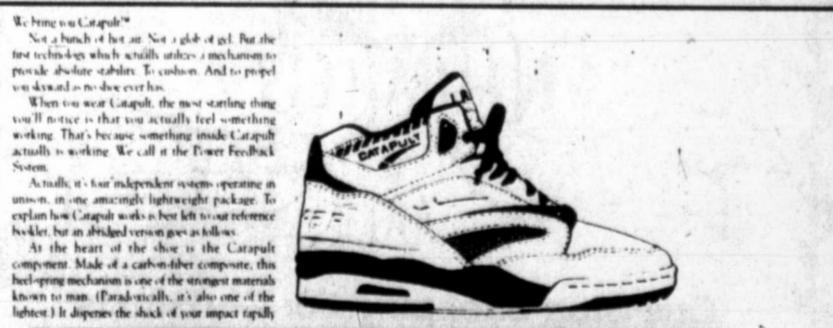
DEAR DR. GOTT: I've been diagnosed with a skin condition known as lichen sclerosis for which I get at least three to five shots in the area every visit. Can you provide any information on this condition?

DEAR READER: Lichen sclerosis is a common, chronic skin disorder of unknown cause, marked by white, flat pimples with a red outer ring and black, hard plugs; the lesions tend to merge into large, pale patches of thin, itching skin that often appear on the external genitalia of men and women.

The affliction is not dangerous, but it is bothersome because of itching and inflammation. Cortisone injections may lessen symptoms but are not curative.

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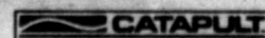


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Preventive medicine given after another child stricken

HOUSTON (AP) — City health department employees administered preventive medicine to classmates and instructors at a day-care center after a 22-month-old girl became the sixth person in the Houston area to develop meningococcal meningitis in the past three weeks.

The toddler was in good condition at Ben Taub Hospital Monday after being admitted Saturday, officials said.

Officials administered a preventive medicine called rifampin to the girl's 73 classmates and instructors on Monday.

Dr. Rose Bell, the Houston Health and Human Services Department chief epidemiologist, said situations involving meningococcal meningitis in day-care centers are serious because children there are at greater risk of spreading the bacteria.

Most children who are infected with the meningococcal bacteria do not develop meningitis, but giving them the antibiotic will eradicate the bacteria from their respiratory tract where it resides, Dr. Bell said.

An estimated 15-20 percent of the population carries the meningococcal bacteria at all times. However, only a small fraction of those contract meningitis, health officials say.

Hospital spokesman Roger Widmeyer said the meningitis was confirmed by test results Monday morning.

The center's children range from infants to 10-year-olds. Twenty-nine children are in the meningitis patient's class, officials said.

Children at the center were given a dose of the liquid medicine and additional doses to take home.

County health officials administered rifampin Saturday and vaccinated about 860 students and staff members at Mattie B. Hambrick Junior High School in the Aldine Independent School District where a cluster of three cases and one related case have been identified.

Health officials announced last week that three children at Ham-

brick had contracted meningococcal meningitis. One boy died and another was hospitalized at Hermann Hospital. A girl was hospitalized at Ben Taub Hospital.

Another child developed meningococcal meningitis after spending two days at Thanksgiving with cousins from Hambrick. Neither of the two cousins developed meningitis.

But health officials decided her case was probably related to the

Hambrick outbreak. She attends McDade Elementary in Houston Independent School District, but no preventive treatment was recommended for students there because she had not been to school since her infection, health officials said.

A 16-year-old girl at Sam Rayburn High School in Pasadena remains hospitalized in very serious condition. Health officials said preventive treatment is not indicated at that school.

Man killed after he stopped to give aid

DALLAS (AP) — A man who stopped to help a motorist push his stalled car off of Central Expressway was struck and killed by a hit-and-run driver, police said.

The victim was identified as Andrew Whetsell, 33, of Dallas. Officers said Whetsell stopped to aid Donald Johnson, 20, of Dallas, who was attempting to push his stalled car off the expressway during a strong rain storm Sunday night.

Whetsell had just stepped from his pickup truck, Johnson said, when a fast-moving car struck both Whetsell and his pickup truck. The car did not stop and Johnson was unable to get a good description of it because of the rain.

"It's just a shame that somebody tries to help somebody and gets hurt," Johnson said. "It makes me feel bad because he was coming to help me."

Members of Whetsell's family

said they were not surprised to learn that he was killed while trying to help someone.

"He's a good Samaritan," said Nancy Griffith, 32, Whetsell's sister. "He was helping someone when he died, and that helps. He didn't have to stop in the rain and do that. A lot of other people didn't."

Whetsell suffered a fractured skull and multiple injuries and died at the scene, according to Dallas Police officer D.S. Hernandez.

Hernandez said the heavy rain may have kept the driver from realizing he or she struck a man.

"But when they hit a vehicle, they should have known that they hit a car and stopped," Hernandez said.

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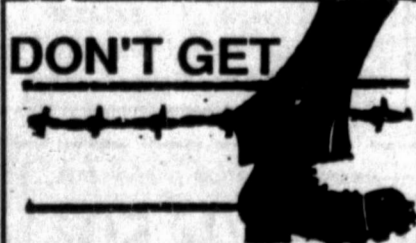
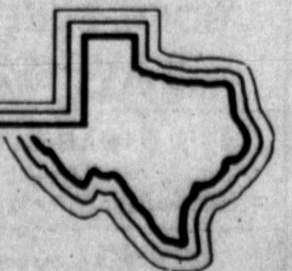


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