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THURSDAY

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Ask Us

Q—How many students are enrolled in each grade level in the Hermleigh school system?

A—According to information from HHS, the per-grade enrollment is K-6, 1st-13, 2nd-18, 3rd-15, 4th-21, 5th-18, 6th-19, 7th-17, 8th-19, 9th-14, 10th-15, 11th-14 and 12th-11, for a total of 200.



6
DAYS UNTIL
CHRISTMAS

Local

Model trains

Snyder Model Train Club will meet at 7 tonight in the Snyder Savings & Loan community room. Visitors are welcome.

Ira PTA

Ira PTA will meet at 7 tonight in the new gym. The fifth and sixth grade classes will present "Best Christmas Pageant Ever."

Clinic news

Scurry County Health Unit clinic will be closed Dec. 24 and 26 and will be open in the morning only on Dec. 31.

Holidays

The Christmas holiday break begins today and Friday for Scurry County public school students.

Ira public schools were to dismiss at 2:30 p.m. today. Students at Hermleigh and Snyder will be dismissed Friday, Hermleigh at 2:30 p.m. and Snyder at 3:40 p.m.

Classes will resume on Thursday, Jan. 2, for Ira and Hermleigh, and on Monday, Jan. 6, for Snyder.

Tots game

The Snyder National Bank Hoopsters and the West Texas State Bank Double Dribblers will square off in a Toys for Tots fundraiser at 7:30 tonight in the high school gym.

Admission is one new or used toy in good condition per person. Toys for youngsters ages 7-12 are especially needed.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 38 degrees, low, 34 degrees, reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 38 degrees, 93 of an inch precipitation, total precipitation for 1991 to date, 26.02 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, cloudy with a 50 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. Low near 40. Southeast wind 10-15 mph. Friday, cloudy with a 40 percent chance of showers or thunderstorms. High in the lower 50s. Southeast to east wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 5:42 p.m. Sunrise Friday, 7:38 a.m. Of 352 days in 1991, the sun has shone 337 days in Snyder.



BABY SEAT PROGRAM — Cogdell nurse Wanda Kenner and officer Larry Arredondo inspect a safety seat which will be used in a new infant seat program. The program will be administered through Snyder Police Department. (SDN Staff Photo)

Local RN teams up with PD to insure infants are 'seated'

An impact at a speed of 15 mph can send an unsecured infant through the windshield of a car. It is a statistic that bothers a local nurse.

"Who drives 15 miles per hour?" asked Wanda Kenner, RN in Cogdell Memorial Hospital's obstetrics department.

"We are seeing a lot of moms taking their babies home without a car seat. I decided I was going to do something about it," said the nurse.

Kenner is teaming up with the Snyder Police Department to offer baby seats to new mothers for a period of up to 30 days, giving those without a little time to obtain a car seat of their own.

Kenner has ordered 15 infant car seats for the program, which

she is funding through private donations. She is able to get seats at a reduced price through the hospital.

Three of the seats have been delivered and are at the police station, where the program will be administered.

"This is a positive thing for the hospital and police department to be involved in," said Police Chief Lammie Lee.

It is a state law that all children under the age of 15 be secured with a safety belt and children under four years of age must ride in a baby seat.

"We don't know what the demand will be, as time goes on, we could need more. This could grow into a big program," said Lee.

He said the PD is drawing up

the forms for the program for participants to complete in order to "check out" a seat for 30 days. He said the seats will be cleaned and inspected for safety after they are returned.

Participants will be referred to the PD through the hospital. Both Kenner and Lee said the program will be underway within the next few weeks.

"Our primary concern is newborns," explained Lee.

Kenner said in researching program possibilities she learned of a similar state program but discovered Snyder would be eligible for only eight seats and because of statewide demand, the program could not begin until August or September.

(see INFANT SEATS, page 10)

Soviet nuclear arms under firm control, Baker assured

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State James A. Baker III said today he received "very, very firm assurances" from Soviet authorities on the control of their 27,000 nuclear weapons during his visit to the collapsing superpower.

Baker arrived from a five-day swing through the Soviet Union for a meeting of foreign ministers of the 16 nation North Atlantic Treaty Organization.

A key concern of the allies has been the fate of the Soviets' nuclear arms during the shift in power from the central govern-

ment in Moscow to the independence seeking republics.

"We received some very, very firm assurance with respect to the matter of nuclear safety and control," Baker told reporters as he entered NATO headquarters. "We've very pleased with our discussions there on those issues."

Baker noted that he met with the presidents of five Soviet republics and said, "There are some remarkable transformations taking place all across the Soviet Union."

He said the allies would be discussing the Soviet developments

during the two-day meeting.

The alliance is concerned about the command and control of the deadly arms and has urged Soviet officials to keep them under a single authority. The weapons are based in four republics — Russia, Ukraine, Byelorussia and Kazakhstan.

Russian President Boris Yeltsin has proposed basing the weapons in the Russian republic. But the president of Kazakhstan, Nursultan Nazarbayev, has said his re-

(see SOVIET, page 10)

BCCI to enter plea of racketeering and forfeit \$550 million

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bank of Credit and Commerce International agreed today to plead guilty to racketeering charges and forfeit \$550 million to reimburse depositors and shore up two U.S. banks it secretly controlled.

The plea agreement was worked out between BCCI and federal prosecutors, New York state prosecutors and court-appointed receivers of the defunct bank in Britain, Luxembourg and the Cayman Islands.

"This represents the largest single criminal forfeiture in U.S. history," Attorney General William P. Barr told a news conference at the Justice Department. "This action successfully resolves all United States charges

against BCCI as an institution (and) forfeits all of BCCI assets in the United States," Barr added. He emphasized that the deal requires all BCCI cooperation in ongoing investigations to speed "the pursuit and prosecution of the individuals involved in the bank's wrongdoing around the world."

"This could take years off the time it would otherwise take to investigate and prosecute individual wrongdoers," Barr said. He said the targets are those responsible for the bank's crimes "as well as those who were using BCCI to further their own illegal activities — including drug and arms traffickers and money launderers."

BCCI, whose international op-

(see BCCI, page 10)

Possible snowfall forecast Saturday

The current cloudy, rainy skies could bring forth some snow by the end of the week, forecasters say.

Weather forecasters are predicting possible snow for West Texas on Saturday, calculating "a good chance" for the Panhandle.

Advisories indicate a chance of snow in the South Plains, Permian Basin and the far area of the state on Saturday. Skies are expected to remain cloudy Sunday, turning fair on Monday.

Saturday's highs are expected in the 30s, warming into the upper 40s to lower 50s Sunday and Monday. Lows are expected in the 20s. Meanwhile, the forecast for the

Scurry County area tonight and Friday is for more rain. Snyder received 93 of an inch in a 24-hour period ending at 7 o'clock this morning. The city's total for the year is 26.02 inches.

There is a 50 percent chance of rain forecast tonight and a 40 percent chance Friday.

Weather reports from the Scurry County area were sketchy. Hivanna reported 75 of an inch while the area north of Snyder reported 1.2 inches.

Reports around Ira varied from 65 near Lake Thomas to 90 in the community. Hermleigh reported 75 and the eastern portion of the county reported 85.

Richards could call for legislative session to mull redistricting

AUSTIN (AP) — In the face of the latest redistricting setback, Gov. Ann Richards said her main concern is making sure the March 10 election primaries for state House and state Senate races are held on time.

Richards said Wednesday that she was considering calling lawmakers into a special session on legislative redistricting following the Texas Supreme Court's rejection of the state Senate plan.

"We are at the point that we are either going to do that (order a special session) or we'll let the courts draw it. Of course we would prefer to have the Legislature draw it," she said.

"It's not something that you do lightly," she said, noting that special sessions can become legislative free-for-alls as lawmakers try to push through pet bills and projects.

In earlier defeats of state redistricting plans, Richards refused to call a special session, saying that it

would be too expensive.

Texas Attorney General Dan Morales, who must defend the redistricting plans, said the only way to satisfy the state Supreme Court and have the primaries on time is to bring lawmakers back into session to approve new district maps.

"We remain persuaded that if indeed we are to salvage the state primary election, a special session of the Legislature is imperative," he said.

On Tuesday, the Texas Supreme Court threw out the Senate redistricting proposal.

The plan had been agreed to by a majority of the Senate and Hispanic plaintiffs who had challenged an earlier Senate plan. It was later approved by State District Judge Mario Ramirez of Edinburg.

But Republicans cried foul, saying the redistricting settlement was a back room deal that wasn't sanctioned by the full Legislature.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The teller on Deep Creek says, "A Christmas buffet dinner is where the guests outnumber the chairs."

Christmas may never be the same, or it may just be the sign of the times.

A local Santa is finding that children know a lot more than they used to. For example, the traditional situation of Santa asking a youngster what he or she wants for Christmas can be tough for Santa.

One little girl appeared indignant over such an innocent inquiry. "Didn't you get the fax I sent you?"

One Snyder woman has found an economical way to satisfy her husband at Christmas. Last year she was rummaging through her hubby's dresser drawers to see what he might need.

She happened on a red sweater that she had given

him the previous year. It still had the tag on it. He had never even tried it on.

The wife wrapped it again, enclosed a fresh card and placed it under the tree. She didn't say a word last Christmas eve when he opened it and gushed, "Just what I needed... and what a great color!"

It's gonna be interesting to see if it will work again this year.

If money is really tight this holiday season, you may want to consider a homemade gift — a fruitcake. Since nobody wants a fruitcake for Christmas, you can always make 'em real small.

A guy in Pittsburgh has developed a handy Christmas gift available through the mail. It's a fruitcake disposal kit.

It's a box, complete with a new address label and sufficient postage to mail the unwanted fruitcake to somebody else.

BCD concludes year \$1,785 under budget

The Board of County Development finished annual business Wednesday, noting the board concluded the year some \$1,785 under budget.

The surplus is what is left over from the board's budget of \$1,115 and will revert back to the county. The board's operating budget for 1992 is \$55,275. A difference in the two budgets is \$800 for meals. Members have decided to pay for their own meals during the board's monthly noon meetings.

Major project of the board this year included contributions to The Best of Texas Steer and Lamb Show, the ATRA National Finals Rodeo, HCC Appreciation Day and the downtown lighting project.

The December meeting saw three board members' terms expire, Pete Hester, Max von Roeder and Eddie Johnson. Scurry County commissioners will consider appointments during their January meeting.

Max von Roeder presided. Present were Hester, Johnson, and Tim Riggan.

Bush visits Texas where he signs new transportation bill

COPPELL, Texas (AP) — Dressed in a windbreaker, President Bush stood at a muddy construction site along State Highway 360 and signed a new transportation bill that he vowed will bring a needed boost to the recession-bound economy.

Bush said the act will pump \$11 billion into the national economy immediately and will support more than 600,000 new and existing jobs this fiscal year, including 41,000 jobs in Texas.

He delivered his address just a few miles north of a General Motors plant where workers were gathering to hear whether they would be laid off, as rumored.

GM said Wednesday that one of its two plants making large, rear-wheel drive cars would be shut down in 1992. It said a decision would be later on whether the Arlington plant or the Willow Run plant outside Ypsilanti, Mich., would get the ax.

Bush conceded that the economy clearly is in trouble and having difficulty emerging from the recession.

"Many families are having a rough go of it," he said.

"This bill will launch the post-Interstate era of America's surface transportation system" that President Eisenhower began 35 years ago, Bush said.

"But really, it is summed up by three words — jobs, jobs, jobs." The president said about 4 million jobs will be created over the bill's six-year life.

"This act will help curb congestion through projects that link highways like State Highway 360 and mass transit like the rapid-light rail system between Dallas, Fort Worth and DFW Airport," he said.

The crowd applauded as Bush signed the bill then toured the construction in a mid-morning stroll.

The bill he signed Wednesday authorizes \$11.5 billion for highways and \$31.5 billion for rapid transit. Included in the bill's \$7 billion for Texas is \$1.3 million for a 11-mile extension of State Highway 360, where the bill-signing ceremony occurred.

The \$30 million project will extend State Highway 360 south to U.S. 287, providing a new connection between DFW Airport and the Super Collider site about 35 miles south of Dallas, near Waxahachie.

After the ceremony, the president departed from his official schedule to take seven highway construction workers to lunch at a hamburger restaurant north of DFW Airport. He sat elbow-to-elbow with the workers in a corner booth as Randy Travis crooned on the juke box and cafe regulars looked on in stunned silence.

"Is the barbecue any good here?" Bush asked waitress *Serena Warwick*.

"Yes sir, best in town," she replied.

He decided on chicken fried steak instead. Unable to decide between mashed potatoes or french fries, he requested both and a helping of corn.

After an hour of lunch talk, a White House aide warned the president of "running into a time problem" if he didn't leave soon.

The president called for the check, which totaled \$48.10, paid it from a roll of twenties in his pocket and left a \$10 tip.

Bush shook hands with restaurant workers before he was whisked to a hotel at DFW Airport to join about 700 members of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials.

Court denies murder appeals

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has affirmed the conviction of a man who was sentenced to death in the 1985 murder of the wife of a San Antonio-area bank president.

According to testimony cited in Wednesday's court opinion, Lesley Lee Gosch and an accomplice concocted a scheme to kidnap and ransom a bank president's wife. It said that Gosch wanted money to flee the country because he was concerned about going to federal prison on a weapons offense.

Gosch gained access to Rebecca Smith Patton's home under the guise of delivering flowers on Sept. 18, 1985, according to testimony. Her husband, Frank Patton, was president of the Castle Hills National Bank.

Patton testified that his wife called him at work on Sept. 18, then gave the telephone to a man who demanded money. Shortly after the extortion call, members of the Castle Hills police department arrived at the bank and told Patton his wife was dead. She had been shot six times in the head.

Among other points, Gosch said in his appeal that the evidence was insufficient to corroborate the accomplice's testimony.

The Court of Criminal Appeals affirmed his conviction in an 8-1 decision.

In a separate case, the court denied an appeal by death row inmate David Ray Harris.

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GOODFELLOWS DONATION — Art Feinsod, left, accepts a pallet of food and a check for \$100 from Furr's manager Duane Mazingo Wednesday on behalf of Snyder's Goodfellows Christmas Food Drive. The Snyder Noon Kiwanis Club is spearheading the Goodfellows drive which will

aid needy families with food and uses cash donations to purchase shoes and eyeglasses for children during the year. The Goodfellows drive has netted \$5,200 dollars toward its 1991 goal of \$6,500, according to Feinsod. (SDN Staff Photo)

Grand Jury decides officers justified in shooting gunman

BELTON, Texas (AP) — Three law officers who exchanged gunfire with mass killer George Hennard were justified in their shooting, a Bell County grand jury has ruled.

All three officers were cleared of any wrongdoing by the panel, which reported Wednesday that each officer's use of deadly force "was justifiable under the laws of the state of Texas."

The grand jury also said in its report that Hennard was the only one in the restaurant who was hit by gunfire from officers Alex Morris, 49, Ken Olsen, 35, and Jody Fore.

Morris and Olsen are members of the Killeen police department's organized crime division. Fore is a Texas Department of Public Safety investigator and instructor assigned to Waco.

Charges against clerk will be dropped soon

HOUSTON (AP) — Charges will be dropped against a convenience store clerk who refused to open her security booth to state liquor agents before police could arrive to check out the men, a prosecutor says.

District Attorney John B. Holmes Jr. said Wednesday he will draw up the dismissal motion himself because he wants court records to show that the Texas Alcoholic Beverage Commission does not wish to pursue the case.

Maria Delacueva, 47, was handcuffed and taken to jail by the agents after police officers arrived and verified the identity of the clerk.

Ms. Delacueva said the store had been robbed before and she feared that the agents, dressed in plain clothes, were robbers when they began pounding on the door and demanding entry.

"There was absolutely, unequivocally, positively, no victim hit by friendly fire, either living or deceased," Bell County District Attorney Arthur "Cappy" Eads said.

Hennard smashed his pickup into a Luby's Cafeteria in Killeen on Oct. 16. Armed with two semi-automatic pistols, he stalked the crowded restaurant fatally wound-

THE WORLD ALMANAC DATE BOOK

Dec. 19, 1991

Today is the 353rd day of 1991 and the 88th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1777, the American Continental Army established camp at Valley Forge, Pa.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Edith Piaf (1915-1963), French singer; Al Kaline (1934-), baseball star; is 57, Cicely Tyson (1933-), actress; is 58, Tim Reid (1944-), actor; is 47, Richard Leakey (1944-), anthropologist; is 47, Robert Urich (1946-), actor; is 45, Kevin McHale (1957-), basketball player; is 34, Alyssa Milano (1972-), actress; is 19.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1984, playing in only his 632nd pro hockey game, 23-year-old Wayne Gretzky of the Edmonton Oilers scored the 1,000th point of his NHL career.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It's probably beneficial to me that I have to prove myself every night. My attitude has always been to prove them wrong. But it gets me mad." — Wayne Gretzky

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1924, with a low temperature of minus-59 degrees, Riverside Ranger Station in Yellowstone National Park, Wyo., set the all-time December record for low temperature in the continental United States.

SOURCE: THE WEATHER CHANNEL - 1991 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Dec. 14) and full moon (Dec. 21).

TODAY'S BARS BY PHIL PASTORET

Be awfully careful during the holiday season. Dropping a gift fruitcake on your foot could have you on crutches till springtime.

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ing 23 people. It was the worst mass shooting in U.S. history.

Minutes after the rampage started, the three officers stormed into the restaurant, exchanging gunfire with Hennard and wounding him three times.

Eads said ballistics tests showed conclusively that the 23 patrons who were killed and the 14 who were wounded in the worst mass shooting in U.S. history were struck by shots fired by Hennard from his Glock 17 and Ruger P89.

The district attorney said three bullets, two fired by Morris and one by Olsen, hit Hennard, who ultimately killed himself with a bullet to the head in a restroom alcove of the restaurant. Shots fired by Fore did not strike Hennard, Eads said.

Hennard was wounded in the left thigh, heel, forearm and chest, according to an autopsy conducted at the Southwest Institute of Forensic Science at Dallas. According to the autopsy report, the bullet that struck him in the chest passed first through his forearm.

Officials had credited the officers with ending Hennard's killing spree, saying that he stopped shooting patrons after they entered the restaurant.

The grand jury spent about an hour reviewing evidence from the shooting, focusing primarily on the DPS ballistics report that found there were about 110 rounds fired during the 15-minute incident, about 80 of them by Hennard.

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AUXILIARY HOSTS TEA — Auxiliary member Joyce Cooper helps her son, Dr. Bid Cooper, at the refreshment table at a recent annual Christmas Tea, hosted by Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. The event was held in the hospital's conference room and everyone associated with health care was invited to attend. (SDN Staff Photo)

Patchwork club has festivity

A Christmas party was held by the Patchwork Squares Extension Homemakers Club in the home of Vivian Cochran on Dec. 9 at 2 p.m.

Dorothy Campbell, president,

conducted a brief business session and members exchanged Christmas decorations and told of their most enjoyable Christmas. Following were refreshments of wassail, pumpkin swirl and assorted Christmastime foods.

Budget consideration turns bride's thoughts toward rentals

NEW YORK (AP) — Something old, something new, something rented ... yes, bridal gowns, too, are for hire.

"Budget is an important consideration for today's bride," says Judith Stone, owner of Island Bridal Gown Rentals in Hicksville, N.Y. "Even if a bride can afford a designer gown, she often questions the expense."

Rentals start at \$100 at Stone's shop, which has more than 500 gowns in sizes 4 to 22, plus hun-

dreds of head-pieces, veils, slips and gloves. The selection includes antique as well as new gowns.

Brides-to-be can also shop resale at places such as Twice Around Wedding Gowns in Denver. Lori Young, co-owner, says she has about 150 designer gowns, half of them never worn. Prices range from \$500 to \$700, compared with \$1,200 to \$2,500 new.

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Bridge
By Phillip Adler

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Bridge in schools is commonplace everywhere except in North America. Perhaps it is time principals were persuaded that playing bridge is excellent mental exercise.

Today's East was Malgorzata Zalewska, playing in the 1991 Polish Schools Team Championship. If you wish to test yourself, cover the West and South cards. Against three no-trump, your partner leads the spade seven. How do you defend after winning trick one?

The contract seems to have nine guaranteed tricks: one heart, six diamonds and two clubs.

Zalewska won trick one with the spade king and led a fiendish diamond at trick two. This destroyed declarer's communication. South rose with the diamond ace, unblocked the club king, played a diamond to dummy's 10 and cashed the club ace, discarding a heart. True, Zalewska should have unblocked the queen — but she is only 13.

Now came a heart. Zalewska put up the ace and cashed the club queen. What could South discard? If the heart king, the defenders would run that suit. If a diamond, East would cash her second spade honor and exit with a red card, leaving declarer with only eight tricks. He would lose a spade at the end.

His only chance was that East had the A-K doubleton of spades. But when South pitched a spade, East led the spade queen. West overtook with the ace and ran the suit for three down.

When asked how she had found this defense, Zalewska replied, "We have been taught to lead up to dummy's weakness." Out of the mouths ...

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HONORED — A bridal shower for Jacy LaRoux, (left) bride-elect of Charles Guynes, was held Dec. 12 at 7 p.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Others standing with the honoree are Belva LaRoux, her mother; Opal Dean of Big Spring, her great-grandmother; Ann LaRoux, her grandmother; Delia Guynes, sister-in-law of the groom, and Chase; Leslie English, niece of the groom, and Ginger; and Pat Guynes, sister-in-law of the groom. (SDN Staff Photo)

Penwomen meet in Fisher County

The Scurry County Penwomen met in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Warren of Fisher County for their Christmas party and covered dish supper.

Members welcomed three guests, Mr. and Mrs. Steve Warren of Snyder and Margaret Browning of Sweetwater.

Bertha Warren compiled a booklet of poems written by Penwomen members and illustrated by Pat J. Porter. She gave each member a booklet.

Schooler-Samukawa began the poetry reading session with "Twas the Night Before Christmas," and "Just Before Christmas," by Eugene Fields. Dorothy Cox read "Lullaby," by Jacquelin Holland.

Reading their own poems were Warren's "Early Visit From Santa;" Sherry Bryant's "The Innocents," and "Thank You For Loving Me;" Garnet Quiett's "Merry Christmas;" Betty Boyd's "As I Remember You;" and Janelle Burk's "A Christmas Greeting," a poem set to music by Barbara Perkins which has been performed at a Christmas prog-

ram by the Snyder High School Choir.

Boyd also read "The Gift of God," by Gladys and Gordon DePree.

Members opened Christmas

gifts and Wayne Warren and Margaret Browning won the door prizes.

Jan. 15, 1992, will be the date for the next meeting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Burk. Visitors are welcome.

Boyd gives program at ABWA

The Scurry Charter Chapter of the American Business Women Association met on Dec. 5 for their Christmas party and business meeting.

Betty Boyd read several poems, including one that had won third place in the Texas Poetry Association, which has over 500 members.

During the business session, president Jesse Scarborough announced the spring convention has been set in April at Lubbock. The most recent project was the concession booth at Saturday's arts and crafts show held at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Leona Wiggins stated in her vocational talk that she enjoys her work as post master at the Ira Post Office. Beginning her work there

in August of 1970, she was made post master in September of 1975.

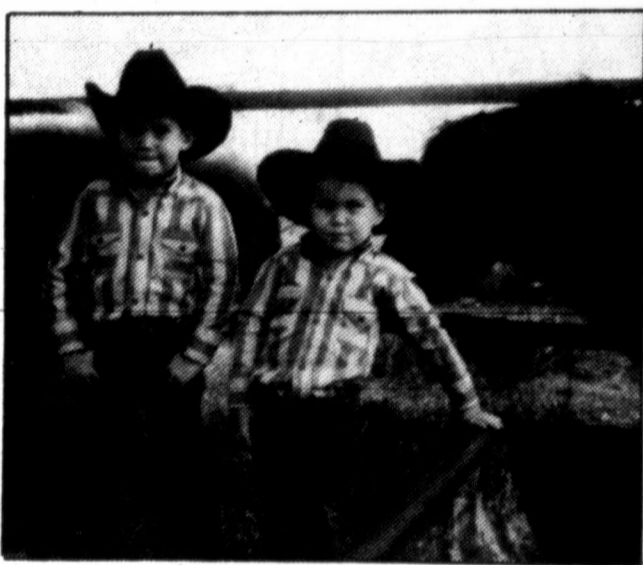
Vern Beasley was introduced as the new program chairman.

At the conclusion of the meal and gift exchange, Ruby Deavers was recognized as the birthday lady for December.

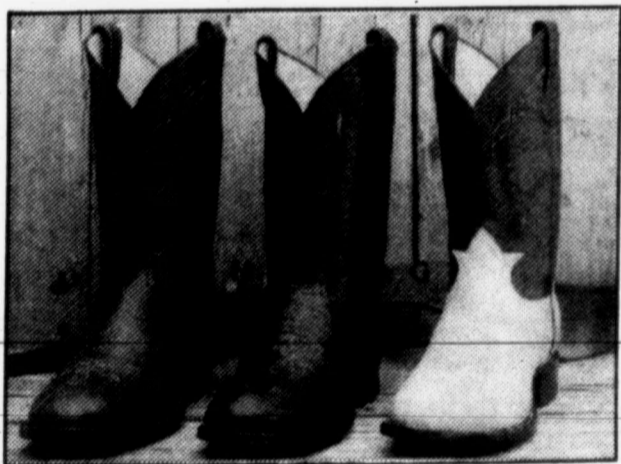
Judy Bynum was hostess to 18 members and one guest, Darla Huddleston. Jo Ann Prince gave the benediction.

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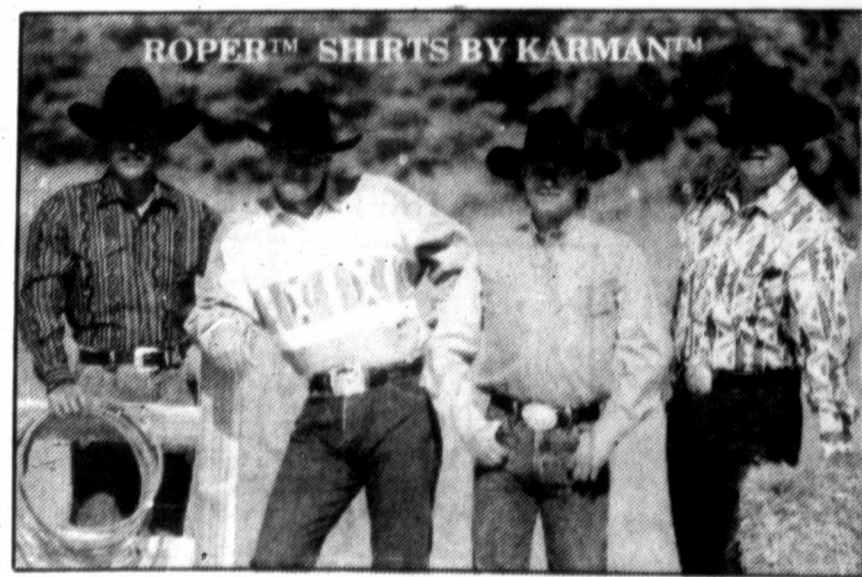
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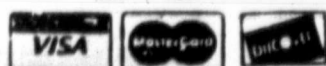
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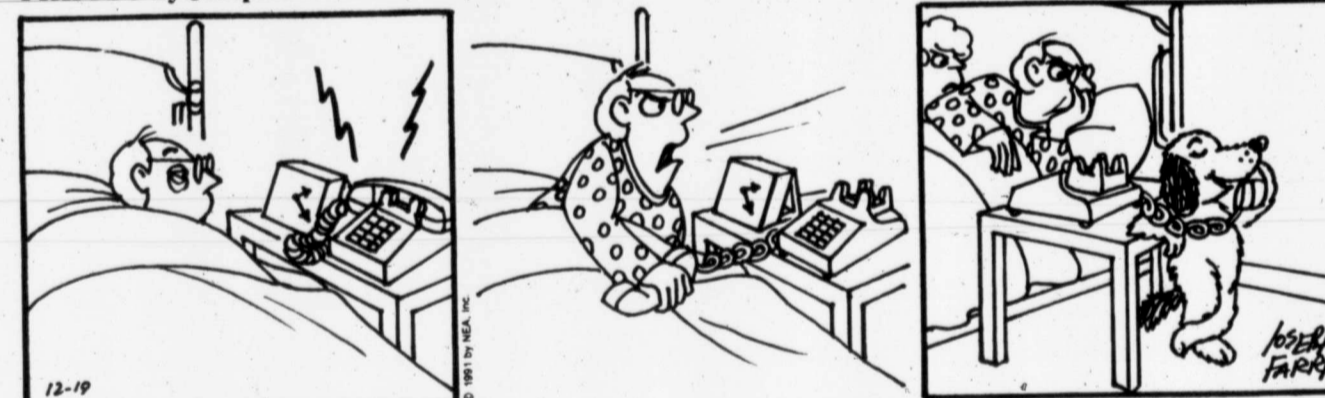
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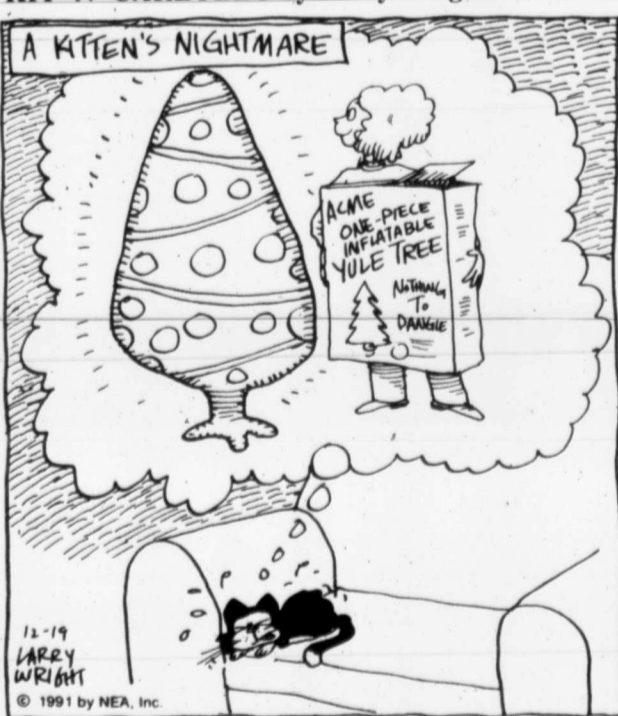
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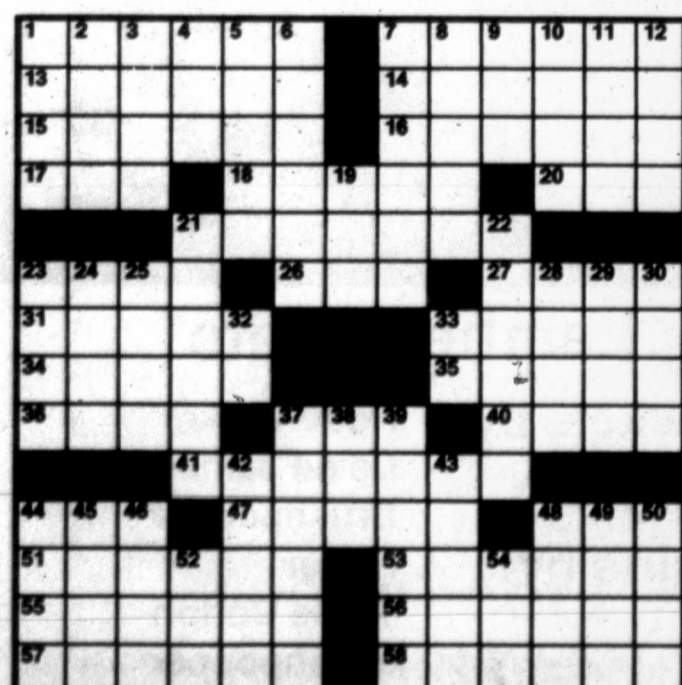
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Perot says GM plan is sound

DALLAS (AP) — Billionaire H. Ross Perot, a one-time director and sometime critic of General Motors Corp., says the automaker's decision to close 21 factories and lay off thousands of workers was an example of the sick economy caused by a government that doesn't understand business.

"The basic problem (for GM) is that people aren't buying cars. The reason that people aren't buying cars is that people don't have any money," Perot said Wednesday.

And people don't have money, he said, because the nation's industrial base had deteriorated, replaced by foreign car and other manufacturers.

GM said Wednesday it will close 21 North American plants over the next four years and slash tens of thousands of jobs. The closings include six vehicle assembly plants, four powertrain plants and 11 component plants.

GM Chairman Robert C. Stempel said the changes were prompted primarily by the economy.

The moves are intended to reverse GM's staggering North American losses, estimated by auto analysts to be between \$5 billion and \$6 billion a year, or about \$15 million a day.

One area of the company that is profitable is Electronic Data Systems Corp., the Dallas-based computer services company GM bought from Perot in 1984 for \$2 billion. Perot became the company's largest shareholder and sat on the board of directors.

But two years later GM paid \$700 million to buy out Perot, who frequently clashed with then-Chairman Roger B. Smith.

Perot did not leave quietly, saying at the time: "I just don't want to be part of an organization that's closing plants, laying people off."

But Wednesday Perot praised Stempel and GM for the cutbacks.

"I'm cheering every step of the way," he said. "They're doing tremendous things right, but nobody is buying cars."

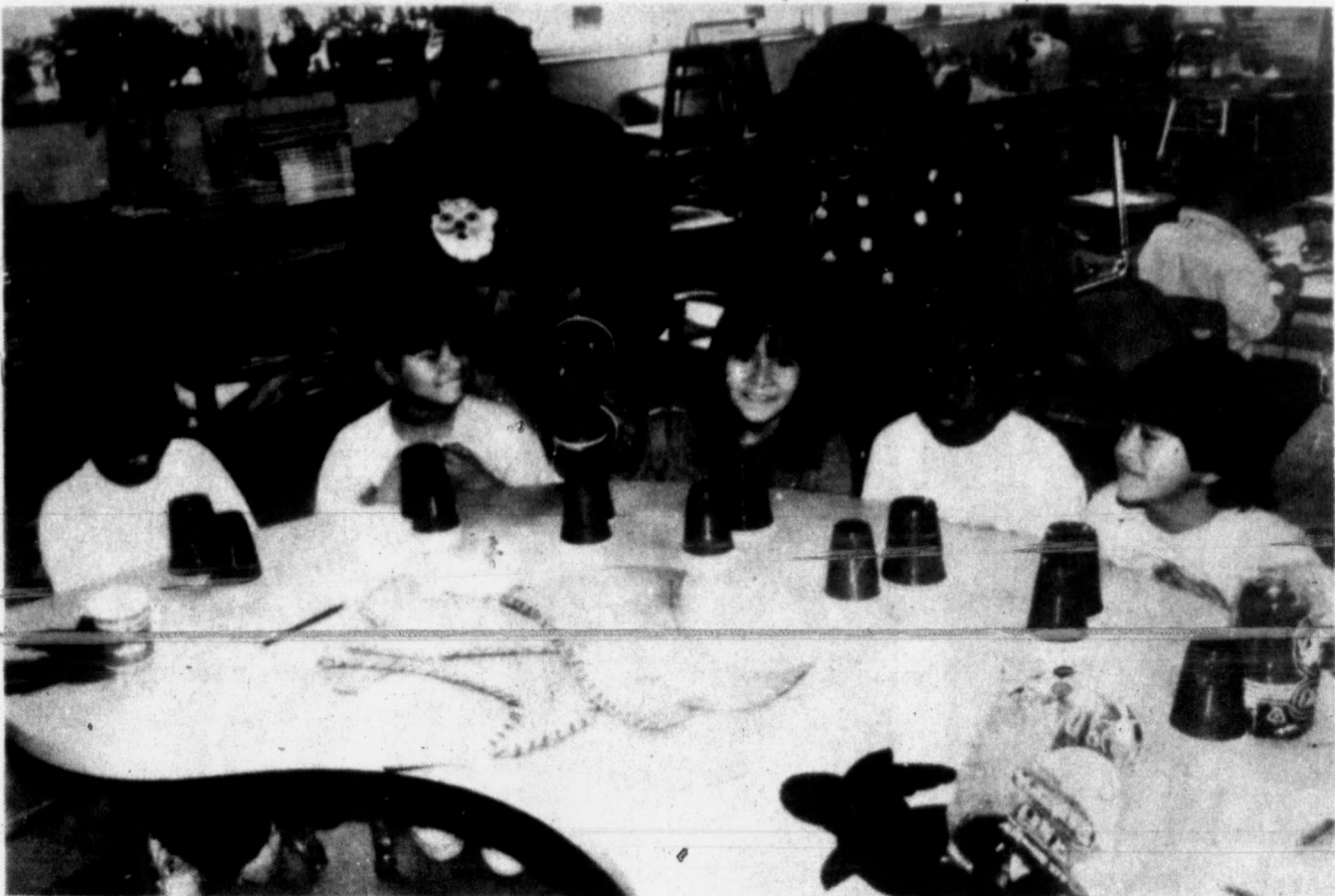
"I know it breaks their hearts to have to do this, but they have no choice," he said. "They are facing reality."

Perot said politicians need to do the same.

"Now, we have, at this point, a government that does not work," Perot said. "Our international competitors that are winning have governments that work closely with industry to make sure they are in a strong competitive position to make sure that the tax base stays in tact, to make sure that people have money to buy things and to make the finest products in the world."

"If you have that formula in place ... our people have the money to go out and buy things like cars and other things."

Perot blamed politicians, including President Bush, who he said do not understand business.



CHRISTMAS PROJECT — Central second graders in Elizabeth Jenkins class, far left, class recently learned how to make reindeer out of paper cups, and Christmas stockings. Sheila Clayton, far right, was the instructor. Students are, from left, Carlos Martinez, Freda Jackson, Stephanie Molina, Artemio Aguilar, and Bradley Spells. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Man in photo may not be missing man after all

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Military officials now doubt that a man shown in a photograph allegedly taken in Southeast Asia is a missing Vietnam War pilot, the pilot's ex-wife says.

Carol Collins, who has been active in efforts to find Donald Carr, said Wednesday that military officials now say the photograph has been discredited.

Carr's plane crashed in Laos in

1971 and he was believed to have been held in a North Vietnamese prisoner-of-war camp.

"I'm sick at heart. The waters get muddier and muddier," Ms. Collins told the San Antonio Express-News.

Collins and other family members had hoped the photograph, smuggled out of Laos last year, might help investigators find the missing pilot alive in Southeast

Asia.

Family members still believe, however, that the middle-aged man is Carr.

Although Ms. Collins learned Wednesday that military officials now doubt that the photo shows Carr, a Pentagon official had told cadets at the U.S. Air Force Academy almost a month ago that government investigators planned to announce the photograph has been discredited.

Taxol used against cancer in small test

WASHINGTON (AP) — Taxol, a drug made from the bark of the Pacific yew tree, was found to halt or slow progression of tumors in more than half of 25 breast cancer patients enrolled in clinical trials at a Houston hospital.

The study, led by Dr. Frankie Ann Holmes of the University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, found that three of 25 patients experienced complete remission of their cancer after treatment with taxol.

Eleven other patients, the study said, had partial remission, while eight showed a minor effect on their disease from the drug.

For one patient, there was no change in the tumors, and for two others the cancers continued to grow.

Patients in the study had experienced a spread of cancer, such as to the bone or liver, after primary treatment for breast cancer. Some had received earlier chemotherapy.

A report on the research, published in the Journal of the Na-

tional Cancer Institute, said that since the initial period of therapy, one patient who had a complete remission has relapsed. For the other two patients, complete remission continues.

"In only two patients did taxol fail to cause any regression or stabilization of tumor," the study said. "Eleven patients continue to respond favorably.... Fourteen patients have experienced disease progression and eight of these have died."

The researchers used drugs to limit some toxic effects of taxol, but there were a number of side effects reported, including muscle and bone aches, a numbness in hands and feet, and a loss of hair that was experienced by most of the patients.

Diarrhea was common, as were an inflammation of the mouth and minor rashes.

The authors of the study said that the number of patients enrolled in the research was limited because taxol is in short supply.

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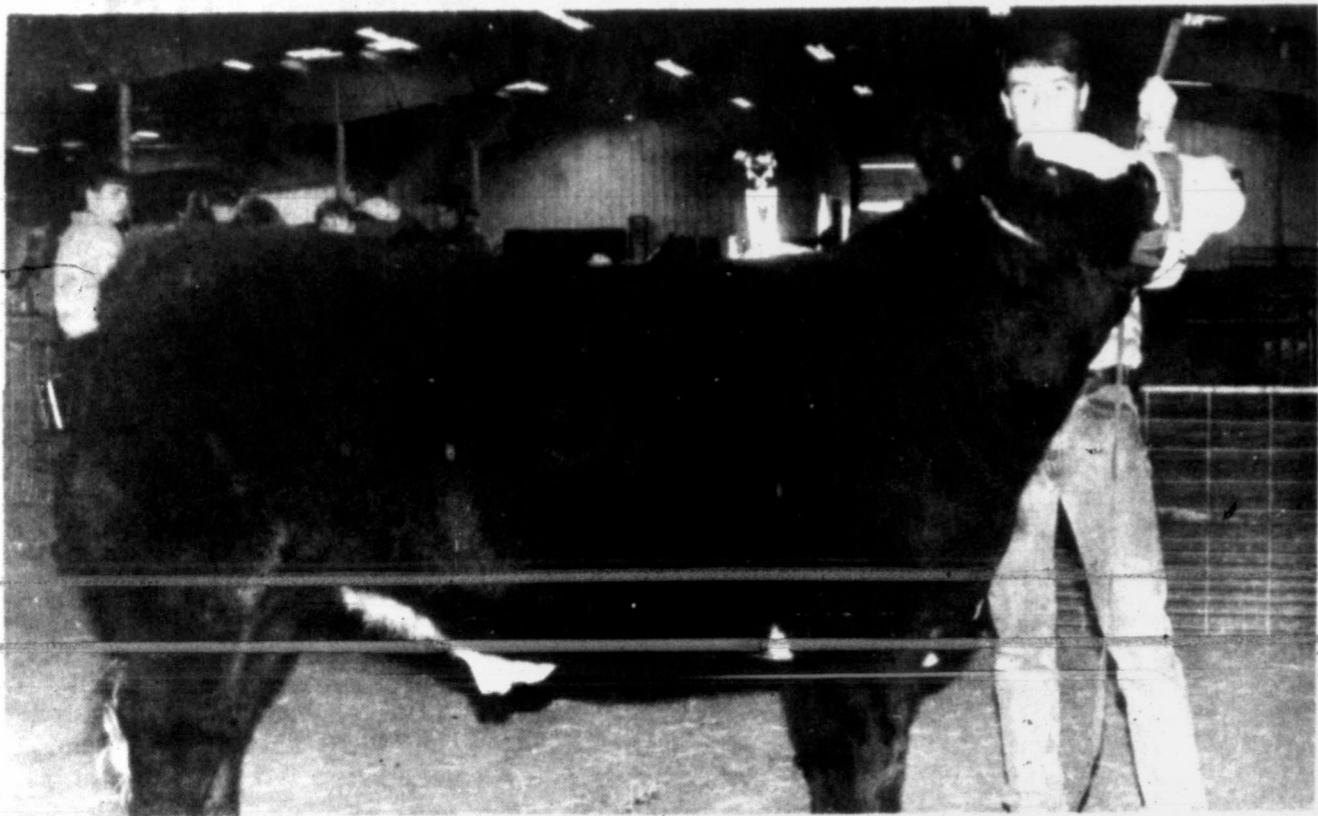
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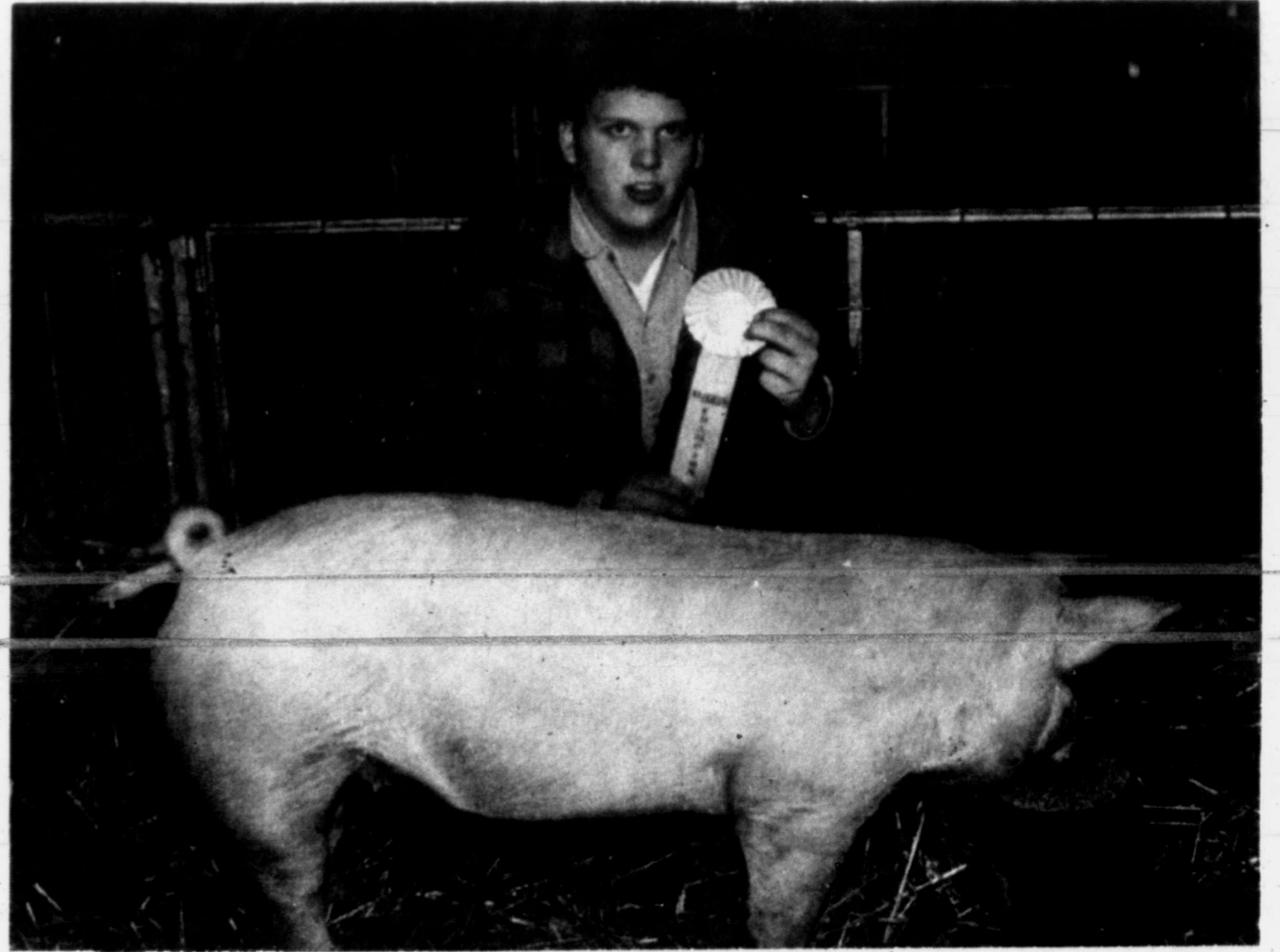
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CHAMPION STEER — Craig Leatherwood during Saturday's Snyder High School's FFA stock show. (SDN Staff Photo)



PRIZE PIG — Duffy Galloway showed the Reserve Grand Champion Hog during last week's Snyder FFA stock show. Galloway's steer also placed first in the commercial steer competition. (SDN Staff Photo)

Arrest of activist, conditions deepen sullen Kuwaiti mood

KUWAIT CITY (AP) — The price of a black-market liter of Scotch made its annual holiday jump this week, from \$105 to \$245. But 10 months after the Persian Gulf war, many feel the New Year will bring little to celebrate. On the positive side, the oil fires and the omnipresent greasy atmosphere they brought are gone. City water may run brown and many phones are combined as party lines, but the utilities are back.

Where wrecked cars and barbed wire once marred the view, Asian sweepers now whisk gum wrappers off new lawns. Stores are crammed with everything from Swedish leather couches to plastic Santas. Shoppers are oozing cash, the government has provided full back pay and forgiven consumer loans.

A man walked into the Behbehani General Motors showroom recently and bought four cars — one for himself, one for his wife, one for weekends and one in case any of the others breaks down. "It's funny how people are just throwing money away," said dealer Yousef Behbehani.

But the consumption does not alleviate a sullen mood pervading Kuwait 10 months after the gulf war.

The government has canceled all official New Year's festivities due to the continued detention of over 1,000 Kuwaitis in Iraq. That spread to the public, which is keeping weddings and other parties low-key.

Crime is up 25 percent. At nightly diwaniyas, discussions in private homes on issues of the day, security and defense are constant topics. Backyard tents have replaced camping trips to the mine-infested desert.

Ultimately there's the unreal-

ized promise of a "new," more democratic Kuwait nourished during the occupation.

Kuwait's ruling emir, Sheik Jaber al-Ahmed al-Sabah set elections for October 1992 and earlier this month the Kuwaiti Democratic Forum was founded as the first open political party.

But women still can't vote and political oppression is far from over.

Seeking to foster democracy in the postwar gulf, the University Graduates Association organized a seminar.

Professor Abdel-Latif al-Mahmoud of Bahrain University made a speech objecting to the lack of democracy, to the government filling its ranks with unqualified princes.

He was arrested at Bahrain airport on Dec. 14 and may face subversion charges and his speech became an instant fax machine best-seller.

But the arrest has Kuwaiti academics worried that the gulf war honeymoon for political prisoners is over.

"We felt after the gulf war things should open up a little bit and people should be able to discuss things. It is obvious that nothing is happening and nobody learned," said Abdullah Tawil, president of the alumni group.

Kuwait's jails are brimming this week ahead of the Dec. 23-25 gulf summit, the first by regional rulers since the war ended.

Roadblocks sprang up Saturday, causing two-hour traffic jams. Hundreds caught without passports or a security I.D. were jailed unless their families could produce the documents.

GM workers worry whether their plant in on the hit list

NEW YORK (AP) — General Motors workers worried about the future of their jobs after the company said it would close 21 plants in the next few years but gave few details about which ones.

"I was hoping to hear something to make me feel more secure, but I absolutely got nothing out of his remarks," Pat Johnson, union chairman at a component plant in O'Fallon, Mo., said Wednesday after GM Chairman Robert C. Stempel addressed workers by closed-circuit television.

Analysts and other business experts said GM's cost-cutting plan appeared to be the right step, but some wondered whether the carmaker went far enough.

The United Auto Workers union blasted the plan.

"Both in the long and the short term, strategies which close plants, reduce employment and curtail capital spending are self-defeating," UAW President Owen Bieber and Vice President Stephen Yokich said in a statement. "They further undermine the already weakened middle-class base of America's consumer-driven economy."

Sen. Donald Riegle, D-Mich., described the GM announcement as a symptom of "an economic Pearl Harbor." He said the \$41 billion U.S. trade deficit with Japan was the biggest reason for the domestic auto industry's troubles.

At GM plants, workers watched Stempel's address and wondered whether they would soon be joining unemployment lines.

"It was the quietest meeting I have ever been in," said John Washington, Local 435 chairman at GM's Wilmington, Del., plant.

At the Arlington, Texas, plant — which GM said had a 50-50 chance of closing — workers were especially concerned.

"We're just holding our breath," said George Grishman, 64, who has worked at the plant seven years. "You just have to look for another job. It reaches down to every nook and cranny in your life."

At GM's Kansas City, Kan., plant, employee Loren Drummond said he suspected GM was keeping the closures quiet to help gain concessions from the union.

"When you have a work force that is looking for a little stability, they will give up a lot," Drummond said. "I think GM is aware

of that and they are using it to their advantage."

An optimistic note came from Jimmy Hyde, treasurer of the UAW local at a plant in Doraville, Ga.

"We consider we're living right now. We haven't been shot yet," Hyde said. "We build the best car in the world, and our gut feeling is we'll still be around."

GM's stock, which has declined about \$7 a share in the last month, closed down 12 1/2 cents at \$27.75 on the New York Stock Exchange.

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Cowboys named to Pro Bowl

Smith, Irvin, Novacek and Aikman voted to NFC roster

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are beginning to get some respect from their peers.

Four Dallas Cowboys offensive players made the Pro Bowl on Wednesday in voting by NFC players.

Quarterback Troy Aikman, who was among the honored quartet, said it's the type of thing that happens to winning teams. Aikman is the first Cowboys quarterback to make the Pro Bowl since Danny White in 1982.

Wide receiver Michael Irvin, tight end Jay Novacek, and running back Emmitt Smith were voted to play in the Feb. 2 Pro Bowl as starters for the NFC while Aikman was voted in as a reserve.

It's the first time since 1985 that more than one Cowboys player has made the team. Smith was the only Dallas representative last year, no Dallas player was named in 1989, and only Herschel Walker made the team in 1988 when he was with the Cowboys.

Irvin is the first Cowboys wide receiver to make the Pro Bowl squad since Tony Hill in 1985. He leads the NFL in receptions with 83 catches and 1,354 receiving yards.

"This is the kind of recognition you get when you start having success," said Aikman, who has missed the last three games with an injured knee. "As you have success the awards start coming in."

Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson said he was happy that the Cowboys, who have clinched a wild card berth for the first time since 1985, were starting to get some national acclaim.

"I told the team that individual awards reflects back on the team," Johnson said. "As you have success you start getting awards. I thought (offensive coordinator) Norv Turner was a big part of our success on offense."

Johnson said he was disappointed that no offensive linemen or defensive players were named.

Pro bowl rosters

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Offense
 Wide receivers: x — Haywood Jeffries, Houston; x — Andre Reed, Buffalo; James Lofton, Buffalo; Mark Clayton, Miami. **Tight ends:** x — Marv Cook, New England; Ethan Horton, Los Angeles Raiders. **Tackles:** x — Anthony Munoz, Cincinnati; x — Bruce Armstrong, New England; Richmond Webb, Miami. **Guards:** x — Mike Munchak, Houston; x — Steve Wisniewski, Los Angeles Raiders; Jim Ritcher, Buffalo. **Centers:** x — Bruce Matthews, Houston; Don Mosebar, Los Angeles Raiders. **Quarterback:** x — Jim Kelly, Buffalo; Warren Moon, Houston; Dan Marino, Miami. **Running backs:** x — Thurman Thomas, Buffalo; x — Christian Okoye, Kansas City; Gaston Green, Denver; Marion Butts, San Diego.

Defense
Defensive ends: x — William Fuller, Houston; x — Greg Townsend, Los Angeles Raiders; Neil Smith, Kansas City. **Interior linemen:** x — Michael Dean Perry, Cleveland; Ray Childress, Houston. **Outside linebackers:** x — Cornelius Bennett, Buffalo; x — Derrick Thomas, Kansas City; Darryl Talley, Buffalo. **Inside linebackers:** x — Al Smith, Houston; x — Junior Seau, San Diego; Karl Mecklenberg, Denver. **Cornerbacks:** x — Kris Dishman, Houston; x — Gill Byrd, San Diego; Rod Woodson, Pittsburgh. **Safeties:** x — Ronnie Lott, Los Angeles Raiders; x — Steve Atwater, Denver; Dennis Smith, Denver.

Specialists
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Offense
 Wide receivers: x — Michael Irvin, Dallas; x — Jerry Rice, San Francisco; Andre Rison, Atlanta; Gary Clark, Washington. **Tight ends:** x — Jay Novacek, Dallas; Steve Jordan, Minnesota. **Tackles:** x — Jim Lachey, Washington; x — Lomas Brown, Detroit; Chris Hinton, Atlanta. **Guards:** x — Randall McDaniel, Minnesota; x — Guy McIntyre, San Francisco; Mark Schlereth, Washington. **Centers:** x — Jay Hijiengberg, Chicago; Bart Oates, New York Giants. **Quarterback:** x — Mark Rypien, Washington; Troy Aikman, Dallas; Chris Miller, Atlanta. **Running backs:** x — Emmitt Smith, Dallas; x — Barry Sanders, Detroit; Earnest Byner, Washington; Neal Anderson, Chicago.

Defense
Defensive ends: x — Reggie White, Philadelphia; x — Clyde Simmons, Philadelphia; Charles Mann, Washington. **Interior linemen:** x — Jerome Brown, Philadelphia; Jerry Ball, Detroit. **Outside linebackers:** x — Pat Swilling, New Orleans; x — Seth Joyner, Philadelphia; Charles Haley, San Francisco. **Inside linebackers:** x — Vaughn Johnson, New Orleans; x — Sam Mills, New Orleans; Mike Singletary, Chicago. **Cornerbacks:** x — Darrell Green, Washington; x — Deion Sanders, Atlanta; Eric Allen, Philadelphia. **Safeties:** x — Tim McDonald, Phoenix; x — Mark Carrier, Chicago; Bennie Blades, Detroit.

Specialists
Punter: Rich Camarillo, Phoenix. **Kicker:** Chip Lohmiller, Washington. **Return specialist:** Mel Gray, Detroit. **Special teams player:** Bennie Thompson, New Orleans.
 x — starter

"Over a period of time we'll get some awards in the other positions," Johnson said.

Dallas plays Atlanta on Sunday and Falcons quarterback Chris Miller said by telephone that he has respect for the Cowboys no-honors defense.

"They don't have any big name players yet but they have some guys who will be all-pro and Pro Bowl in the future," Miller said.

Aikman said he wasn't surprised he made the Pro Bowl for the first time, saying "I felt I had

as good a showing as anybody when I was in there. I feel I've had a good year."

Aikman is expecting to play on Sunday against Atlanta.

"I need to play to test the knee," he said. "I need to play so everybody will feel good about me playing in the playoffs. I'd like to see some action and see how it (the knee) responds."

Aikman, who admitted there's a possibility I might not play at all," said he still didn't have 100 per cent mobility be-

cause of a slight tear in the knee.

"I'm not as mobile as I was," he said. "I'm not 100 per cent. But I can move on it laterally. The doctors say I can't hurt it. There may be a little pain but I can handle that. The plan is for me to get some playing time this week but nobody knows for sure."

Steve Beuerlein, who has won three games as a starter, will start against the Falcons.

"I understand my role on this team," Beuerlein said. "You're not going to hear me complain about Troy playing."

Clay named Honorable Mention...

Bastrop has four all-staters

DALLAS (AP) — The Bastrop Bears, who didn't lose a game but missed the playoffs because of two forfeits for rules violations, placed four players on the first team of The Associated Press Sports Editors' Class 4A All-State team announced Wednesday.

Offensive lineman Jason Mouser, center Clint Pearson, running back Anthony Hubbard and linebacker Bertram Benford, were named to the team chosen by sports writers and editors from throughout the state using statistics from regular-season play.

Bastrop spent much of the season ranked No. 1 in The Associated Press poll, but dropped to third in the final poll and was nudged from the playoffs after forfeiting two crucial district games for using a player ruled academically ineligible.

"I've been watching the playoffs and that's been tough on me," Bastrop coach Les Johnson said. "We had a good football team and we had a chance to go a long way in the playoffs. It's just the kind of thing that makes you sick all over."

Snyder's Hayward Clay, a senior tight end and defensive end, was named Honorable Mention at both positions.

Clay has also been selected a two-way first-team All-District 2-4A and All-South Plains by the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal.

Pampa, which finished the year at 12-2 after a state quarterfinals loss to Sweetwater, had two players on the team.

NBA glance

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 EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	16	7	.696	—
New York	15	7	.682	½
Miami	12	12	.500	4½
Philadelphia	11	12	.478	5
New Jersey	7	16	.304	9
Washington	7	17	.292	9½
Orlando	6	16	.273	9½
Central Division				
Chicago	18	4	.818	—
Cleveland	13	9	.591	5
Atlanta	12	11	.522	6½
Detroit	12	14	.462	8
Milwaukee	11	13	.458	8
Indiana	11	15	.423	9
Charlotte	7	19	.269	13

WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Utah	17	9	.654	—
Houston	12	9	.571	2½
San Antonio	13	10	.565	2½
Denver	10	13	.435	5½
Dallas	10	14	.417	6
Minnesota	3	18	.143	11½
Pacific Division				
LA Lakers	16	7	.696	—
Golten State	15	7	.682	½
Portland	15	9	.625	1½
Phoenix	14	10	.583	2½
LA Clippers	14	12	.538	3½
Seattle	12	11	.522	4
Sacramento	7	15	.318	8½

Wednesday's Games
 Boston 131, Milwaukee 117
 New Jersey 102, Cleveland 93
 Utah 107, Philadelphia 105
 Miami 118, Indiana 112, OT
 Detroit 117, Charlotte 97
 Washington 96, San Antonio 93
 Denver 123, Phoenix 109
 Golden State 104, LA Clippers 100

Thursday's Games
 Milwaukee at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
 LA Lakers at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
 Sacramento at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
 Denver at Seattle, 10 p.m.

Friday's Games
 Utah at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
 Chicago at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
 Miami at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
 Houston at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
 Cleveland at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
 LA Lakers at Detroit, 8 p.m.
 Washington at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
 San Antonio at Phoenix, 9:30 p.m.
 Portland at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.

Alamo Heights' Glenn Winship, who passed for 2,825 yards and 39 touchdowns during the Mules' perfect regular season, was the offensive player of the year.

Alamo Heights coach Gaylard Fenley said Winship has the perfect balance of athletic ability and good values.

"He's got great character. He's the kind of youngster you'd want your son to be," Fenley said. "If he makes mistakes and does things wrong, it doesn't get back to us."

The Class 4A defensive player of the year was Delithro Bell, a 6-foot, 195-pound linebacker for Tyler Chapel Hill. Bell finished the year with 123 tackles and four interceptions.

Chapel Hill defensive coordinator Barry Anderson said Bell's high school career was defined in the first series he played as a sophomore.

"The first series he started he

SHS basketball

Eastland Tournament

Girls
Thursday, Dec. 19
 Game 1 — Albany vs. Cross Plains at 9 a.m.
 Game 2 — Ranger vs. Stephenville JV at noon
 Game 3 — Snyder vs. Millsap at 3 p.m.
 Game 4 — Gorman vs. Eastland at 6 p.m.
Brownfield Tournament

Boys
Thursday, Dec. 12
 Game 1 — Sweetwater vs. Brownfield at 6:30 p.m.
 Game 2 — Snyder vs. Denver City at 8 p.m.

Friday, Dec. 13
 Game 3 — Sweetwater vs. Denver City at 6:30 p.m.
 Game 4 — Snyder vs. Brownfield at 8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 14
 Game 5 — Snyder vs. Sweetwater at 6:30 p.m.
 Game 6 — Brownfield vs. Denver City at 8 p.m.

The offensive linemen were Keith Chiles of Dallas Roosevelt, David Roberts of Austin Westlake, Jason Soules of Sweetwater and Mouser.

The running backs were Michael Martin of Dallas White, Michael Ross of Carrizo Springs and Hubbard. All three ran for at least 1,700 yards during the regular season.

Sulphur Springs place-kicker Mark Sevier, who booted 40 extra points and made seven of 10 field-goal attempts, also was named to the first team.



DRIVING — Snyder junior point guard Deana Ball (in white) slips driving a pair of defenders in an early-season game at Scurry County Coliseum. Ball and the rest of the Lady Tigers will take on Millsap at 3 p.m. today in the opening round of the Eastland Quarterback Club Basketball Tournament. See related story this page. (SDN Staff Photo)

SHS squads travel to b'ball tourneys

Snyder's varsity basketball teams will head in separate directions for tournaments today with the Tigers heading to the Brownfield Classic and the SHS girls traveling to the Eastland Quarterback Club Basketball Tournament.

The Tigers, looking to rebound after two straight losses, will take on Denver City at 8 p.m. today in Brownfield.

Snyder has already played the Mustangs this season, beating them 78-66 in the finals of the Denver City Tournament.

The Tigers' last outing was a 69-65 loss to Slaton Tuesday that saw SHS senior Jeff Wortham score 32 points.

Thursday's other first-round game in the round-robin event is the 6:30 p.m. matchup between host Brownfield and Sweetwater.

On Friday, Snyder plays Brownfield at 8 p.m., immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Sweetwater-Denver City battle.

The Tigers, now 7-3, face defending District 3-4A champion Sweetwater at 6:30 p.m. Saturday to close out their appearance at the tournament.

Snyder's Lady Tigers head east to take on Millsap at 3 p.m. today in Eastland.

Coach Laurie Welch's 1-12 crew is coming off a 75-22 defeat at the hands of Slaton Tuesday.

Leading scorer in the loss was sophomore Annie Ragland, who canned seven.

Albany takes on Cross Plains at 9 a.m. followed by Ranger versus the Stephenville JV at noon, the SHS-Millsap tilt at 3 p.m. and Gorman against host Eastland at 6 p.m. in first-round action.

A win by the Lady Tigers would have them play the winner of the Gorman-Eastland game at 6 p.m. Friday.

A loss would have them playing the loser of the same game, Friday at noon.

Houston dominates AFC Pro Bowl team

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston Oilers veteran Bruce Matthews wasn't concerned about the Pro Bowl when the all-star guard agreed to move to center this season.

But he'll be joining seven teammates in Honolulu in February anyway, making his fourth Pro Bowl appearance and his first at center.

"When I moved to center I never thought about the Pro Bowl," Matthews said Wednesday. "I knew if I played hard, it would take care of itself. It's a tremendous honor to go at two positions because it means I have been consistent."

Matthews and his Oilers teammates will comprise more than a fourth of the AFC starters for the NFL's all-star game Feb. 2. The Oilers have a league-high six starters and two backups headed for the Pro Bowl. Of those, four are veteran Pro Bowlers.

"It's just something special to go over there with someone on your team and have some fun over there," Matthews said.

Offensive lineman Mike Munchak, despite missing several games with a bad knee, was selected by his fellow players and NFL coaches to play in his seventh Pro Bowl in balloting results announced Wednesday. It will be his fifth consecutive appearance.

Only former defensive end Elvin Bethea, whose last selection in 1980 was his eighth, has represented Houston more in Pro Bowl games than Munchak.

Joining Matthews and Munchak in the starting lineup will be cornerback Kris Dishman, defensive end William Fuller, wide receiver Haywood Jeffries and linebacker Al Smith. Backups include quarterback Warren Moon and defensive end Ray Childress.

Moon, who will be at the Pro Bowl for fourth straight year, now holds the NFL season record for completions, with 382. He also leads the league with 4,454 yards passing and is third in the AFC with 23 touchdown passes. He will back up starter Jim Kelly of Buffalo.

"It's always a great honor," Moon said. "It never gets old because you are voted on by your peers. Kelly has had a great year


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S. Africa faces crucial test as historic talks are started

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — South Africa faces its moment of truth Friday as black and white leaders begin talks on replacing apartheid with democracy to end 350 years of racial strife.

The government and the African National Congress, along with a host of lesser political parties, will outline their positions on a new form of government and start work on drawing up a constitution.

If the talks succeed, it will be a historic turning point. If they fail, leaders on both sides warn South Africa could be plunged into chaos and even civil war.

"We're on the eve of the most important moment in our history

and we must not waste it," ANC and communist leader Joe Slovo said on the eve of the Convention for a Democratic South Africa.

The challenge facing the rival parties in talks expected to last months or even years is enormous. But all sides say they must find a peaceful solution because there is no alternative.

"The whole process is irreversible and we have to arrive at a new dispensation," said Dawie de Villiers, who will head the ruling National Party's delegation.

Many South Africans question if one of the world's most racially divided societies can live in peace and equality after centuries of racial conflict and oppression.

Others ask if a nation where

most whites still do not regard blacks as equals can build a workable democracy on a continent where democracy has failed repeatedly.

White and black extremist groups, which are boycotting the talks, oppose a settlement. White right-wingers say they will fight rather than accept any kind of black government.

The talks suffered a symbolic blow when Inkatha leader Mangosuthu Buthelezi said late Wednesday that he was withdrawing because the Zulu king had not been included. The Zulu-dominated party was to decide today whether it would attend the talks.

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THE GREAT EGG DROP — Last Friday, eggs were dropped from the courthouse as part of a class assignment for junior high industrial arts students. Pictured in front are Dana Kohl, teacher, Cameron Pettitt, student, and Glen Holley, parent, who assisted with the opening of the cartons after they hit the ground. Behind Pettitt are Judge Bob Doolittle and Larry Thompson who dropped the cartons from the roof. (SDN Staff Photo)

Eggs dropped from roof of courthouse in experiment

If you drop an egg from the courthouse roof will it break?

Last week junior high industrial arts students in Dana Kohl's class found out for themselves.

Each student was given the task of devising a way to pack and insulate the egg so that it would not break on impact. They were given the option to construct anything they wanted as long as it was no taller, wider or longer than two feet and it could not weigh more than three pounds.

Students packed their eggs in a variety of containers with some using styrofoam chips or cotton as packing. Others rigged parachutes.

The end result was that of 56 eggs dropped last Friday, only 19

were cracked.

Judge Bob Doolittle and Larry Thompson assisted with the project as they dropped the various cartons from the roof of the courthouse.

Glen Holley, a parent, assisted with opening each carton.

Kohl said she gave this assignment to her students because part of their learning process is to solve problems. The previous Monday they had been given the assignment of how to transport something from Point A to Point B without damaging it.

Dear Abby

Fighting Over Piano Lessons Is Not Music to Mom's Ears

By Abigail Van Buren
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DEAR ABBY: Our daughter, "Naomi," who is 8 years old, has been taking piano lessons for three years. In recent months she seems to have lost interest in the piano, and it's a struggle to get her to practice. I usually lose my temper, and she ends up in tears.

I finally gave up trying to force her to practice. My theory is that unless she is motivated by her own desire to learn, it's not worth the hassle — not to mention the money we're wasting on lessons.

My husband disagrees. He thinks we should make Naomi practice no matter how much she hates it. I should also mention that our son, "David," who is now 13, was allowed to quit taking violin lessons three months ago because of his many school obligations, plus making the football team — which his father wholeheartedly approved of.

Naomi is angry. She can't understand why we let her brother quit his music lessons, but we are not allowing her to quit.

What do you think, Abby? If you have a solution my husband will listen to, perhaps we can have some peace in this house.

FIGHTING IN FLORIDA
DEAR FIGHTING: Assuming that David started taking violin lessons when he was 5, he has had eight years of music lessons. In order to treat both children equally, Naomi should take music lessons for another five years. Don't give up so easily. Tell Naomi she may quit when she's 13, if she wants to.

For what it's worth, I have had numerous letters from readers saying they were forced to take music lessons and they hated it at the time, but later on, they were glad they weren't al-

lowed to quit when they begged to.

However, readers have never written to say they regretted getting a musical education — even though they often practiced with tears in their eyes.

DEAR ABBY: Thank you for suggesting that licking envelopes and postage stamps is unsanitary, then recommending a damp sponge instead. Right on.

Many years ago, when I was living in a college dormitory, I noticed that my postage stamps were not sticking to the envelopes no matter how much I licked them. Then I discovered that cockroaches were eating the glue off the stamps! With everyone in the dorm getting cookies from home, it was impossible to rid the dorm of roaches.

Now that I have my own home and am confident that it is free of bugs, I lick without worrying.

JOHN WAYLAND,
WACO, TEXAS

DEAR JOHN: Better keep your tongue in your mouth. I learned the hard way that storing those brown paper grocery sacks is not a good idea. The glue on the sacks attracts not only cockroaches, but mice and rats, too. (Sorry if I spoiled your breakfast.)

People are eating them up! For Abby's favorite recipes, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Cookbooklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Lawmen capture convicted murderer

HUGO, Okla. (AP) — A three-month, multi-state search for convicted killer Michael St. Clair ended early today with his capture at his brother's home near Hugo.

State and federal law officers arrested St. Clair shortly after midnight. He was taken to the

Muskogee City-County-Federal Jail where he was expected to appear before a federal magistrate later in the day.

FBI spokesman Dan Vogel said the arrest was made without incident. St. Clair's brother, Hansel, was taken into custody for harboring a fugitive.

"It's an early Christmas present for us," Vogel said. "We've really put the manpower into this one," he said, referring to all the agencies involved in the search.

"I'm ecstatic that he is back in jail," said Bryan County District Attorney Theresa McGehee. "I'm so thankful that no more people were killed. I'm relieved. As long as he was out there, he was a threat to anything that moved or got in his way."

St. Clair had vowed in a telephone call to a reporter after his escape that he wouldn't go back to jail and said he wanted a new trial with a different judge.

St. Clair, 34, of Durant and Dennis Reese, 31, escaped Sept. 19 from the Bryan County Jail in Durant. At the time, St. Clair was

awaiting transfer to state prison after being convicted on two counts of first-degree murder. Reese was awaiting trial on a murder charge in a strangulation and beating death.

Reese has not been captured.

Vogel said the men are charged in Kentucky in the deaths of an Elizabethtown, Ky., man. They are wanted for questioning about shootings in Tennessee and New Mexico and for questioning about shots fired at a Kentucky-state trooper.

The shootings occurred between Sept. 27 and Oct. 12.

Ms. McGehee said her department's drug task force developed much of the information that allowed for St. Clair's capture.

While no one is sure how long St. Clair has been in the Hugo area, Ms. McGehee said she believed he had been there for perhaps six weeks. "I couldn't begin to prove that to you."

She said it made sense that St. Clair was holed up somewhere

and being supplied with necessities.

She said that after St. Clair's escape, officers tried to logically think what his next steps would be. "We were wrong. We didn't think like him. We got to thinking more like him."

She said that gave them an insight they didn't initially have and ultimately led to his capture.

Hugo is 50 miles east of Durant.

Soviet

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public wouldn't get rid of its nuclear weapons unless Russia does.

On Wednesday, NATO officials said Baker was expected to urge the use of the alliance to help coordinate — and possibly distribute — humanitarian aid to the Soviet people.

"There is a lot of potential in the alliance to use its logistics capacity to be of assistance, to coordinate these humanitarian efforts," said a senior alliance diplomat, demanding anonymity.

After their talks today, the ministers will open on Friday a new security forum with their counterparts from Eastern Europe.

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SANTA VISITS — Santa Claus' annual visit, sponsored by the Parent Club at Northeast Elementary, was made Wednesday. A picture was taken as he visited with each student. Shown with Santa, from left, are Amy Sickler, fourth grade; Jennifer Williamson, second grade; Lida Moore and Brenda Rodriguez, both sixth graders. (Contributed Photo)

Infant seats

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"I felt if we waited until August, it would get shoved aside and forgotten," she said.

"My goal is not to have to use the state program and instead fund the seats through private donations," said Kenner, who herself has funded one of the seats.

She said the program has generated interest. "Everybody I have talked to is excited about it."

Kenner said the OB nurses show a film on infant car safety to mothers of all newborns and always ask parents if they have a car seat. "If they don't have a seat, we document it and inform them of the state law."

Some hospitals have policies of not releasing newborns unless parents have a car seat in which to take the baby home, said Kenner.

She admits her concern is not enforcing the law but instead the reason behind the law, child safety.

"I'm not worried about the law, I'm worried about the baby."

BCCI

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erations were shut down July 5, agreed to forfeit all of its U.S. assets — estimated at \$550 million. Half the money will be placed in an international fund administered by the bank's liquidators to compensate depositors and others victimized by the demise of the bank, officials said.

The rest will be placed in a U.S. government fund to be used to recapitalize two financially troubled U.S. banks in which BCCI now admits it had made substantial secret investments, officials said.

The money will be used to help recapitalize Independence Bank of Encino, Calif..

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)	High	Low	Last	Change
AMR Corp	633/8	621/4	633/8	+1/2
AlliedSignal	363/4	363/8	361/2	-
ALLTEL Cp	361/4	353/4	353/4	-3/8
AMStar s	28	275/8	275/8	-
Amer T&T	381/2	381/8	381/2	+1/4
Ameritech	631/8	627/8	631/8	-
Amoco	477/8	471/2	475/8	-5/8
AndarkPtr	231/8	223/4	23	+1/4
Arka	12	113/4	117/8	-1/8
ArmcInc	41/2	43/8	43/8	-
AllRichfld	1043/8	104	1041/4	-1/8
BakerHugh	19	183/4	183/4	-1/4
BellAtl	48	475/8	48	+1/8
BellSouth	483/4	481/2	485/8	-1/4
Beth Steel	117/8	115/8	113/4	-1/8
Borden	301/8	297/8	30	-1/8
Caterpilr	391/2	391/8	391/4	-1/4
Centel	315/8	313/8	315/8	-1/8
CentSo West	513/4	513/4	513/4	+1/8
Chevron	667/8	661/2	667/8	+1/8
Chrysler	101/8	93/4	10	-
Coastal	253/8	247/8	251/8	-1/8
CocaCola	751/8	745/8	751/8	+1/4
ColgateP s	46	455/8	457/8	-1/8
ComlMetl	19	187/8	19	-
CyprusMn	195/8	191/2	195/8	-1/8
DallSemicn	7	67/8	67/8	-
DeltaAirl	597/8	581/2	591/4	-1/8
DigitalEq	515/8	51	511/4	-1/2
Dillard	1175/8	1133/4	1175/8	-3/4
DowChem	493/4	49	495/8	-3/8
DresserInd	171/4	167/8	171/8	+1/4
duPont	451/4	443/8	451/8	+1/2
EstKodak	453/8	445/8	453/8	-
EjlerInd	61/2	61/8	63/8	+1/8
Emersch	131/8	127/8	13	-1/4
Exxon	583/8	58	583/8	+1/8
FtCityBcp	15-32	13-32	13-32	-1-32
FlowerInd	153/8	151/4	151/4	+1/8
FordMotor	243/4	241/2	243/4	-1/8
GTE Cp	325/8	321/8	325/8	+1/4
GenDynam	533/4	531/4	531/2	-1/2
GenElct	681/4	673/4	681/4	-
GenMill	705/8	701/4	703/8	-1/4
GenMotors	277/8	273/8	273/8	-3/8
GenMotrE s	547/8	541/2	545/8	-3/8
GalPacif	483/4	481/8	485/8	-1/4
GlobMar	21/8	2	2	-1/4
Goodrich	371/4	37	371/8	-
Goodyear	467/8	465/8	467/8	-3/8
GrAtIPac	26	253/4	253/4	-1/2
Gulf StatUt	93/4	91/2	95/8	-1/8
Haltburtn	263/4	261/8	261/2	-3/8
Hanson	18	173/4	18	-1/8
HousInd	42	417/8	417/8	-1/8
IBM	857/8	851/4	851/2	-3/4
IntlPaper	1065/8	1053/4	1065/8	+3/8
JohnsJhn	411/4	403/4	411/8	+
Kroger	183/4	185/8	183/4	-
vJLTV Cp	15-16	7/8	7/8	-
Litton Ind	837/8	837/8	837/8	-3/8
vJLoneStar	33/4	35/8	33/4	-
Lowes	263/8	261/8	261/4	-3/8
Lubys	14	137/8	14	-
Maxus	67/8	65/8	67/8	+1/4
MayDSt	473/8	471/8	471/4	-1/4
Medtrn s	813/4	811/4	813/4	-1
Mobil	66	655/8	657/8	-1/8
Monsan	61	60	603/4	+3/4
Motorola	583/4	581/4	583/4	+3/8
NCNB Cp	363/4	363/8	363/4	+1/4
Navistar	25/8	21/2	21/2	-
Nynex	771/4	763/4	771/4	+1/2
OryxEngy	231/8	223/4	223/4	-1/4
PacTelesis	413/4	411/4	413/4	+1/2
PanHECp	151/2	151/4	151/2	+1/8
PennycJC	49	481/2	485/8	-3/4
PepBoys	171/8	163/4	171/8	+1/4
Phelps Dod	611/2	61	611/4	-3/8
PhillipDod	221/2	22	221/8	-3/8
Polaroid s	251/8	25	25	-3/8
Primerica	333/8	33	33	-3/8
ProctGamb	853/8	845/8	853/8	+3/8
PubS NwMx	91/2	91/4	91/2	-
SFEPC	115/8	113/8	115/8	+1/8
Saral	531/8	521/2	527/8	-1/8
Texton	347/8	345/8	347/8	-
SearsRoeb	341/4	34	341/8	-3/8
Shwin s	251/8	245/8	25	-
SmbHsch	741/4	741/8	741/4	-1/2
SmbHsch eq n	671/8	665/8	67	-1/4
Southern Co	317/8	313/4	313/4	-1/8
SwstAirl	321/8	313/4	317/8	-1/4
SwstBell	60	597/8	60	+1/8
SterlingChm	41/4	41/4	41/4	-
SunCo	27	263/4	27	+1/4
TNP Ent	181/8	181/8	181/8	+1/8
Tandy	251/8	25	25	-1/4
TempInl	437/8	435/8	433/4	-
Tenneco	283/8	28	281/8	-1/8
Texas	571/2	571/8	571/4	+1/8
TexasInd	195/8	195/8	195/8	-1/8
TexasIntl	271/8	265/8	263/4	-1/4
Tex Util	395/8	393/8	393/8	-1/4
Texton	375/8	371/4	373/8	-1/4
USWA	347/8	345/8	347/8	-
USXMar n	221/8	213/4	221/8	+1/8
USX-USS n	245/8	243/8	241/2	-1/4
UnCarbide	195/8	191/4	195/8	+1/4
UnPac s	461/4	457/8	461/4	-1/4
UnitTech	467/8	463/8	463/4	-1/4
Unitel	217/8	211/2	213/4	-1/8
Unocal	221/2	22	221/2	+1/8
WalMt	531/4	523/4	531/4	+1/8
WestgHl	143/4	141/2	145/8	-1/8
Wolwh	237/8	231/2	233/4	-3/8
Xerox Cp	647/8	645/8	643/4	-1/4
ZenithE	63/4	65/8	63/4	-

Obituaries



STEVEN BURNEY

Steven Burney

1951-1991

Services have been set for 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church for Steven Blaine Burney, 40, of Snyder who died Wednesday at Methodist Hospital in Lubbock. Burial will follow in the Hillside Memorial Gardens. The Rev. Don Taylor, pastor of the church, will officiate.

Born May 8, 1951, in Sweetwater, he was reared in Snyder graduating from Snyder High School in 1969. Mr. Burney was also a 1974 graduate of West Texas State University. He was owner and operator of Machine Tech West, located on West 37th St. for seven and one-half years. He married Brenda Shroyer on Feb. 24, 1979, in Snyder.

Survivors include his wife of the home; one daughter, Robin Burney of Midland; one son, Blaine Burney, of the home; his parents, Birdwell and Pat Burney of Midland; grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. R. B. von Roeder of Snyder and Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Ross of Midland.

Pallbearers will be Randy Rushing, Ricky Starnes, Bob Doty, Roy Lee, James Wolf, Bill Hill, Johnnie Powell and Alton Patterson.

Richard Ransom

1923-1991

ODESSA — Services are set for 2 p.m. Friday at the Frank W. Wilson Funeral Directors Chapel for Richard Eugene Ransom, 68, of Odessa. Larry McAden, pastor of Snyder's Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Sunset Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Ransom died Tuesday at Fort Worth.

Born March 14, 1923, and reared in Longview, he married Pat McElyea on Aug. 11, 1968, in Odessa. He moved to Snyder in 1950 and then to Odessa in April of 1991. He was a retired truck driver and had worked for Musslewhite Trucking Co. for 30 years. Ransom was a World War II veteran serving in the U.S. Navy from Feb. 9, 1943, until Dec. 24, 1945. He was a member of the First Baptist Church in Snyder.

Survivors include his wife of the home; two sons, Ricky Ransom and Micheal Ransom, both of Odessa; three brothers, Billy Ransom and Hugh Ransom, both of Longview, and Wayne Ransom of Houston; and one sister, Ruth Etherington of Longview.

Adams completes basic training

Army National Guard Pvt. Granvel E. Adams has completed basic training at Fort Dix in Trenton, N.J.

He is the son of Bill Adams of Route 2, Snyder and Edith L. Jones of St. Joseph, La.

He graduated from Comfort High School in Texas in 1988.

Bates graduates from AF training

Airman 1st Class David P. Bates has graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base.

He is the son of Stephen and Eugenia Bates of Rural Route 3, Snyder.

Bates graduated from New Life Christian Academy in Big Spring in 1988.

Ira trustees

Ira public schools board of trustees will convene in a called meeting at 1 p.m. Friday to consider the resignation of Bo Robinson, trustee.

Clyde South

1909-1991

ROTAN — Services are set for 2 p.m. Saturday at the First Baptist Church for Clyde South, 82, who died Tuesday in a Rotan nursing center. Burial will follow in the Camp Springs Cemetery.

Born in Stamford, Mr. South farmed and ranched in the Hobbs and Camp Springs area for more than 43 years. He was a former member of the Hobbs school board, the Abilene Shriner Club and the Lubbock Scottish Rite Temple.

He was a former Rotan municipal judge and had served as a scoutmaster for 20 years. He was a member of the Baptist church.

His wife, Mary Josephine South, preceded him in death.

Survivors include two sons, Charles South of Oklahoma City and Lewis South of Terrell; two daughters, Joyce Leech of Abilene and Delphine King of Lubbock; two brothers, Pat South of San Francisco and Dewitt South of Arlington; a sister, Mildred Teel of Ponder; 13 grandchildren; and 18 great-grandchildren.

Oscar Garcia

1935-1991

ROTAN — Mass was celebrated at 10 a.m. today in St. Joseph Catholic Church for Oscar Garcia, 56, who died Tuesday in a Fort Worth hospital. Burial was to follow in the Hobbs Cemetery.

Mr. Garcia had lived in Fort Worth for four years and he was employed by Martin Sprockett and Gear Company. Born in the Hobbs community, he attended Hobbs schools and farmed in the Rotan area for a number of years.

Survivors include his wife, Josephine Garcia of Fort Worth; two daughters, Diane Castillo of Breckenridge and Teresa Ramon of Snyder; five sons, Oscar Garcia Jr. of Midland, Rudy Garcia of Odessa, and Louis Garcia, David Garcia and Robert Garcia, all of Fort Worth; four sisters, Olga Escobedo of Haskell, Irma Escobedo of Austin, Hortensia Perales of Rotan and Dora Lopez of Lubbock; two brothers, Roy Garcia and Madaleno Garcia Jr., both of Fort Worth; and nine grandchildren.

Two injured in accident

Two Snyder residents were treated and released from Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room following a traffic accident Wednesday at the intersection of 19th St. and Ave. R.

Thirty-eight-year-old Lynn Maldonado of 1305 24th was treated for a mild contusion to a knee and 12-year-old Norma Maldonado, of the same address, was treated for contusions and abrasions to the forehead and knee.

The 4:31 p.m. accident involved a 1986 Ford pickup driven by Martha Sanchez of 2011 Ave. O and a 1980 Ford driven by Lynn Maldonado.

Snyder police responded to several calls Wednesday, including domestic disputes and motorists needing assistance. No arrests were made.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Angela Martinez, 811 27th; Ruth Roe, Snyder Nursing Center; Sylvester McKnight, Rt. 2 Box 192.

DISMISSALS: Shana May and baby.

Census: 45 (Med-11, Long-Term Care-33, CCU-1).

Town's Christmas tree said stolen

BUDA, Texas (AP) — A holiday whodunit had a cheerless ending when this small town's stolen 8-foot Christmas tree was found — chopped in half.

The tree, lights and all, was taken from the town gazebo last weekend.

Acting on a tip, law officers went to a mobile home where they found the bottom half of a Christmas tree lying in the yard.

It had been cut in half to fit into the home, said Constable Billy Reeves.

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Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: For over a year I've suffered from lightheadedness, shortness of breath, total body weakness, followed by nausea and sometimes tremors. An MRI, CT scan, Holter monitor and blood tests are negative. The diagnosis to date has been autonomic dysfunction with a possibility of migraines.

Since I do not respond to any medication my doctor has prescribed, where do I turn next? With these spells occurring daily, normal life has become a memory.

DEAR READER: Your array of complaints (and normal tests) do not suggest a ready diagnosis, although a malfunction of the autonomic nerve system (nerves not under your conscious control) is certainly a possibility.

In circumstances like this, in which physical disease seems remote, the prudent physician would consider a non-physical cause for your symptoms. For example, extreme stress could cause shortness of breath and hyperventilation that, in turn, leads to lightheadedness, weakness, tingling of your extremities, shakiness and nausea. In other words, the "spells" you describe could have an emotional basis.

To investigate this likelihood, you and your doctor will have to work together. First, meticulously analyze any factor that precedes your symptoms. For instance, do they occur in any identifiable pattern? Are they predictable? What can you do that makes them worse? Better? Do some symptoms follow others? Are the attacks always the same?

The answers to these and other questions will help you both to uncover the cause of your problem. If stress or emotional upset does seem to trigger your "spells," you and your doctor can decide how best to treat your symptoms; stress-counseling or anti-anxiety medicine (for short periods) may return your life to normal.

In the event you are unable to establish a stress-related pattern, I suggest you request a referral to a diagnostic clinic in a teaching hospital, where specialists welcome unusual and challenging afflictions.

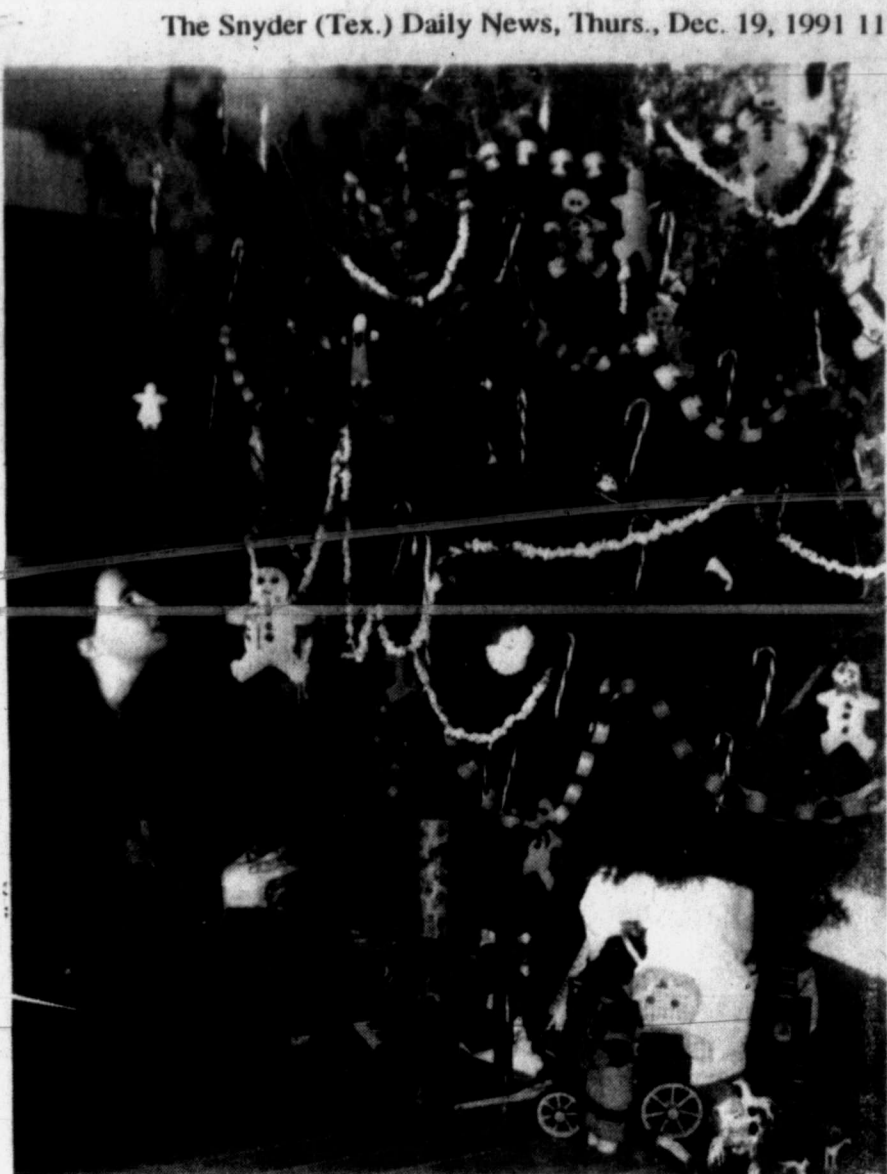
To provide more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Mental and Emotional Illness." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 72-year-old male and developed fluid in one testicle. My doctor tells me he can remove it with a syringe, but it will probably fill up again and more permanent management is necessary. He didn't elaborate. What causes my condition, how serious is it, and what is the recommended cure or treatment?

DEAR READER: A hydrocele is the appearance of fluid within the covering of a testicle. The condition is painless, harmless and requires no treatment unless the collection of fluid reaches sufficient size to cause a sensation of heaviness or discomfort. Then it can be removed with a needle.

However, as your doctor suggested, removal is usually followed some time later by a re-accumulation. A hydrocele does not affect fertility or sexual performance. In occasional cases, large hydroceles may be surgically removed, including the testicular covering. Return to your doctor and ask for further discussion.

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OPEN HOUSE — Libby Bishop takes a close look at the old-fashioned tree ornaments and vintage toys during the Christmas Open House of the Dermott School, sponsored by the Scurry County Historical Commission and Historic Scurry County, Inc. The event held Dec. 8 featured toys of old from collections of several families in Scurry County. (SDN Staff Photo)

GM employees remember long ties with Arlington

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) — The threat of General Motors closing its Arlington assembly plant is a reminder to many local residents of the important role the facility has played in the city's history.

Tom Vandergriff, now the county judge of Tarrant County, was Arlington's mayor and president of the Chamber of Commerce in 1951. At age 24, he joined a full-fledged campaign to win the GM plant.

"Naturally, I was quite anxious to persuade the company to locate in my hometown," Vandergriff, who remained mayor until 1977, said Wednesday. "That dream came true."

As part of its effort to woo GM, the city built Lake Arlington to provide one million gallons of water a day for the plant. GM's transportation needs gave birth to State Highway 360.

"Of course they changed our town forever, and for the better," Vandergriff said. "We were a sleepy little farm community with very little industry, practically none at all."



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Over 35 age group blamed for increased cocaine use

WASHINGTON (AP) — Stop blaming the kids. It's not the youngsters who are making the nation's drug abuse problem worse. It's the folks age 35 and above.

The new National Household Survey on Drug Abuse, being formally released today, indicates the number of current users of illicit drugs — people who used an illegal substance in the previous month — dropped to 12.6 million this year. That's down from 12.9 million last year and 14.5 million in 1988.

But the number of people 35 and older considered current users increased during that time. The 2.3 million in 1988 became 3.2 million last year. This year, they numbered 3.4 million.

The statistics were compiled from the 1991 household survey and from reports on the year's second quarter from the Drug Abuse Warning Network of hospital emergency rooms.

Among other findings:

—The number of monthly cocaine users rose this year to 1.9 million from 1.6 million in 1990.

—Weekly cocaine users increased to 855,000, up from 662,000 last year.

—Drug-related emergency room cases in the second quarter this year rose 8.5 percent over the corresponding quarter of 1990. Cocaine involvement leaped 30 percent, while heroin users went up to 16 percent.

—Inner-city emergency rooms saw 24 percent more drug-related cases, while suburban emergency rooms saw such cases increase by 3 percent.

—Whites accounted for most of the second quarter drug-related emergency room visits at 101,100, up 3.9 percent. But the number of blacks leaped 27 percent to 45,600. Hispanics rose 9.8 percent to 13,400.

"The problem seems to be lapsing into groups within our society who can least afford the problems caused by their addiction: older and inner-city addicts," said Bob Martinez, director of the Office of National Drug Control Policy.

Astro-Graph By Bernice Bede Osol



Dec. 19, 1991

Several valuable friendships might be established in the year ahead with individuals who have much in common with you. These pals will influence your life socially and materially.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Although you might be inclined to believe otherwise, someone you'll have important dealings with today is likely to be more considerate and tolerant than you'll be. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. 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) A matter that is materially meaningful to you might be resolved to your advantage today. However, you may still feel you didn't get everything to which you're entitled.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you do not modify views you feel strongly about just to placate others, friends will respect you more today. Be your own person and let the chips fall where they may.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not broadcast your intentions in advance today, especially in matters that directly affect your career. What you say could be used to your competitor's advantage.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) If you are in the company of friends who have a disagreement today, be on guard. Try to steer a middle course so that you can arbitrate the matter rather than antagonize it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your financial trends are favorable today, provided you are prudent in the management of your resources. You do not have too wide a safety margin, so don't let things get out of hand.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try not to come up with reasons why something can't be done today. Instead, focus on positive elements regarding ways to accomplish your purpose.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) This can be a productive day for you, provided you can separate the wheat from the chaff. Devote your time to what is absolutely necessary.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even in group endeavors today, make an effort to single out individuals who are worthy of your personal attention. Hard feelings could result if all are treated the same.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions in general are reasonably favorable today, but things aren't likely to be handed to you on a silver platter. Rewards must be won by your own merit.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you're methodical and practical today, possibilities for fulfilling your aims will be substantially enhanced. If you're not, things that could have been done won't be.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) In order to be successful today, you must know how to make proper value judgments. It won't be to your advantage to waste a lot of time on things that will yield sparse rewards.

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AGENCY HELPS SNS — Darryl Blackwell, manager of Scurry County Farm Bureau, presents Julie Sentell with a donation to the Snyder Neighbors Sharing. The fourth Saturday in April the SNS will repair homes in the Snyder area of the elderly or persons unable to make their own repairs. Applications are now being accepted. For more information, contact Sam Robertson, chairman. (SDN Staff Photo)

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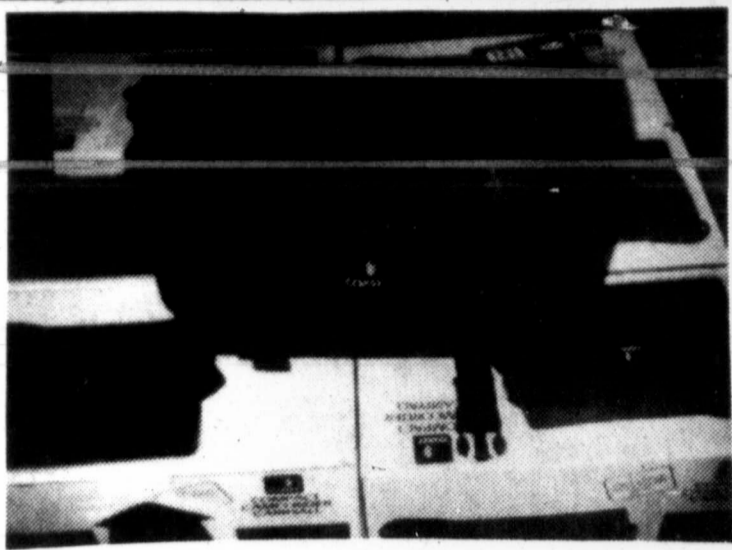
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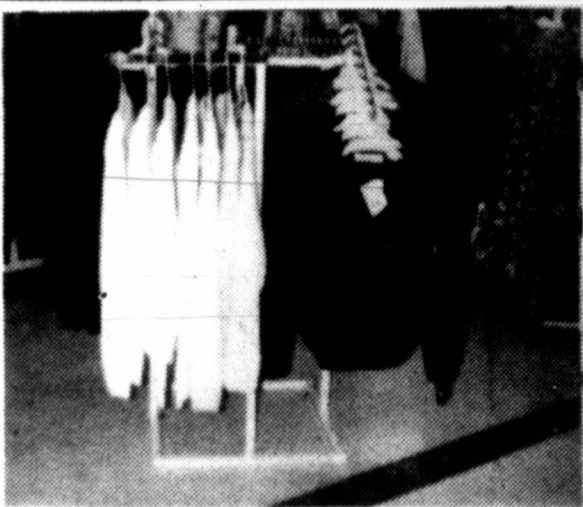
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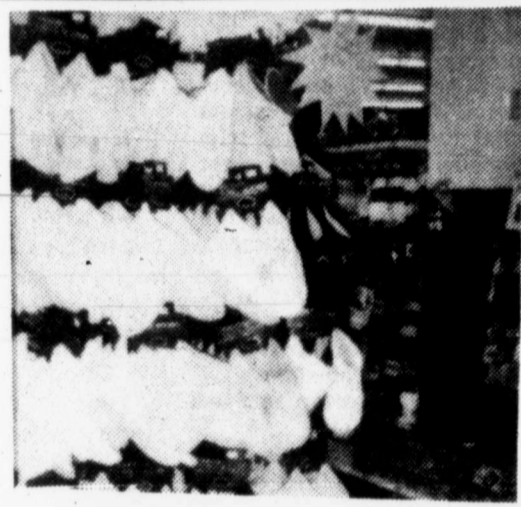


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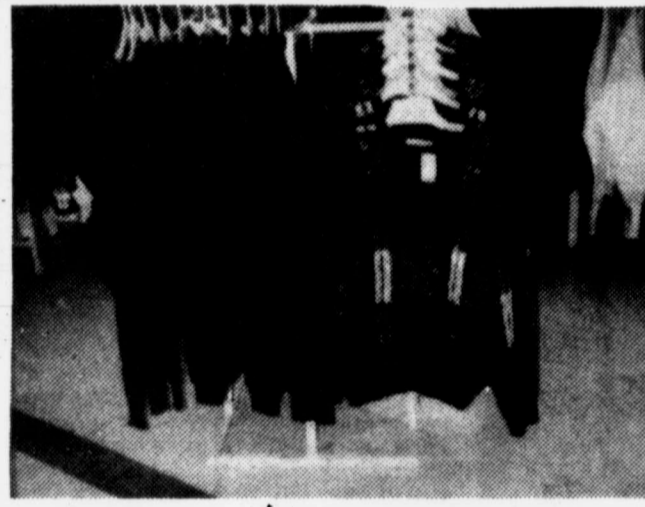
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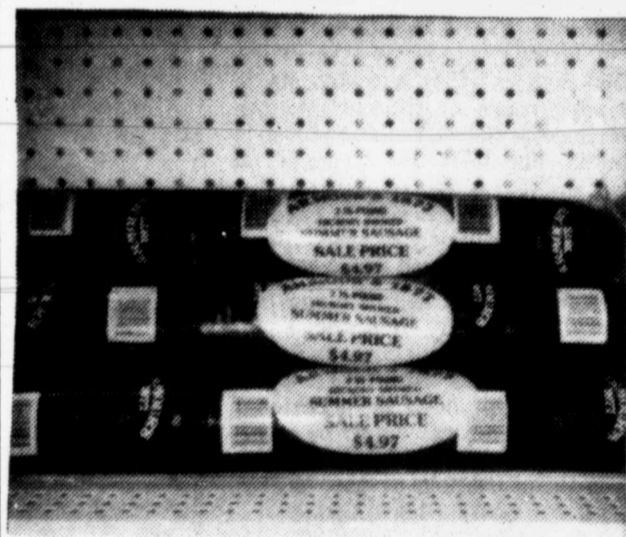
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