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Ask Us



West Texans set pace as county rodeo opens here

West Texas cowboys fared well in Thursday night's opening performance of the 55th annual Scurry County Rodeo held at the rodeo association arena on Gary Brewer Road.

Rotan steer wrestler Glen Overby is resting in first place in that event with a 4.82-second time while John Ed Singleton of Odessa scored a 68 to lead bareback riders after one show.

Lubbock's Dale Gideon nailed a 67 in bull riding and Ft. Davis breakaway roper Sissy Sanders finished in a flashy 3.05 seconds.

Performances continue tonight through Saturday at 8 p.m. Admission at the gate is \$5 and children under 12 get in free.

The traditional rodeo parade is scheduled for 4 p.m. Saturday with cash awards being awarded the top floats by the Scurry County Rodeo Association.

Shawn McConnell of Hereford trails Overby in steer wrestling with a respectable 5.51 time while Wheeler's Drew Thomas holds a 6.05 from last night.

Snyder's Perry Echols bulldogged his steer in 8.55 seconds Thursday.

Randy and Terry Thompson of Odessa won Thursday's team roping with an 8.66. Lubbock's Craig Dane and Toby Haggard combined for a second place 11.75, followed by Haggard and Micah Stowe, also of Lubbock, with a 13.27 time.

Mary Carter of Odessa was clocked in barrel racing at 17.82. She leads second-place Johnnie Jarvis of Stinnett and West's Peggy Hall in the event. Jarvis boasts a 17.93 second time while Hall ran the cloverleaf course in a time of 17.98.

Calf roping honors belong to a trio of New Mexico wranglers. Greg Stanton and Rocky Tivis, both of Portales, and Clovis' Rusty Ridley lead all other ropers. Stanton holds first place with his 9.42 time followed by Ridley's 10.28 and a 10.34 from Tivis.

Abilene cowgirl Lari D' Guy took second in breakaway roping with her 3.11-second time.

D'Aun Lewis of Pinon, N.M. came away from Thursday's run in third with a 3.38 effort.

Shade Everton's 81 score was good enough to win the children's seven-and-under "mutton bustin'" and Snyder's Will Collier won the 12-and-under calf scramble.

Two guilty pleas heard

Two guilty pleas were heard Thursday morning in 132nd District Court.

Joseph James (Bo) Hearin pled guilty to burglary of a building and received six years probation and was ordered to pay a \$500 fine.

Hearin, 23, was indicted June 4 for the May 29 offense in which a saddle and other items were taken from a building owned by Helen Feinsod.

Margaret Jaramillo, 17, pled guilty to forgery by passing. She was also indicted in June for the May 4 offense of passing a forged check on the account of Gayla Ann Newton.

Jaramillo was given a sentence of four years probation and ordered to pay a \$500 fine in addition to making restitution.

District Judge Gene Dulaney issued the two sentences.



SUCCESS SEMINAR — Amy Jamison of Fort Smith, Ark., checks in with Darla Doty, WTC recruiter, for Western Texas College's second Success Seminar. Some 75 students with parents attended the orientation Thursday. Full-time freshmen students entering WTC for the first time are required to attend a seminar. The next Success Seminar is scheduled for Aug. 14. (SDN Staff Photo)

County sales tax rebates up almost 12 percent over 1989

Sales tax rebates for Scurry County are up almost 12 percent over what they were at this time last year, according to the state comptroller's office.

The figures showing rebates this month include taxes collected on May sales and reported in June by businesses filing monthly tax returns.

Scurry County has received \$281,380.31 in rebates for the current fiscal year, as compared to \$251,357.61 for last year — a difference of 11.94 percent. For the month, checks amounted to \$35,334.29 for the county, a hike of 2.62 percent over last July, when checks amounted to \$34,431.01.

The City of Snyder received \$56,695.50 this month, a 3.56 percent increase over \$54,743.92 for the same month a year ago. According to year-to-date figures, rebates in Snyder have risen 1.88 percent, or from \$432,910.01 last year to \$441,049.81 this year.

According to the comptroller's office, July's rebate checks to cities and counties in Texas totaled \$84 million. Rebate checks to counties totaled \$8.4 million for an increase of 25 percent over last year's payment and an increase of almost 18 percent over last year's total payments to counties at this time. The jump is

partly due to a greater number of counties now collecting sales tax. Sales tax rebates received by area cities this month and year-to-date include the following:

—Abilene: received \$1,011,022.30, up 98.93 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$7,201,198.91 is up 61.30 percent.

—Andrews: received \$44,126.77, up 15.54 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$380,444.69 is up 11.47 percent.

—Big Spring: received \$79,560.43, down 7.29 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$805,185.26 is up 2.80 percent.

—Colorado City: received \$24,931.53, up 3.59 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$202,566.12 is down 7.32 percent.

—Lamesa: received \$33,261.86, down 4.09 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$277,292.96 is down 8.50 percent.

—Lubbock: received \$947,955.36, down 4.74 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$8,786,758.23 is up 2.25 percent.

—Post: received \$10,660.99, up

6.88 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$88,719.50 is up 1.00 percent.

—Roby: received \$803.12, up 27.46 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$9,505.59 is up 6.96 percent.

—Rotan: received \$2,632.12, up 58.25 percent from the same period last year. The year-to-date total of \$35,471.40 is down 0.90 (see REBATES, page 8)

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from \$238,053,159; the college district, down to \$1,013,952,689 from \$1,037,288,270; Snyder ISD, down to \$834,017,005 from \$852,917,101; Hermleigh ISD, down to \$34,341,161 from \$34,566,069; and Ira ISD, down to \$118,348,528 from \$112,426,807.

Appraised value changes made by the board of review were:

Real Estate
—Hardy Family Partnership, valuation of a storage and hunting lodge from \$21,648 to \$18,064.
—Leamay Oil Company, valuation of buildings from \$5,000 to \$3,076.
—Charles Taylor, valuation of residence from \$58,336 to \$55,561. (see APPRAISAL, page 8)

Court reverses one of North's convictions

WASHINGTON (AP) — A federal appeals court panel today reversed one of Oliver North's Iran-Contra convictions and ordered a lower court to determine whether his trial was tainted by his immunized congressional testimony.

The former National Security Council aide was convicted on May 4 of three counts stemming from the Reagan administration's clandestine effort to aid the

Nicaraguan Contras.

The divided three-judge panel held that North was entitled to a new trial on the charge of altering and destroying sensitive NSC documents because U.S. District Court Judge Gerhard Gesell gave erroneous jury instructions. North also was convicted of accepting an illegal gratuity and aiding and abetting in the obstruction of Congress.

Farm bill...

'Fat Cat' farmer amendment nixed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Agriculture subsidies in the 1990 farm bill face tough challenges in the Senate, though one effort to eliminate payments to high income "fat cat" farmers was overwhelmingly defeated.

As debate on the five-year bill opened Thursday, Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., offered an amendment that would have barred subsidies to farmers with gross sales over \$500,000 a year.

"The American taxpayer shells out \$1.2 billion each year to millionaires who own farms," Reid said. "Why are we concerned about protecting these farmer fat cats?"

He said his amendment would affect only one-half of 1 percent of the farmers in the country.

But the idea was opposed by Senate Agriculture Committee members who said it would inevitably hurt family farms.

Sen. David Boren, D-Okla., said farmers who gross \$500,000 don't necessarily net any more than a factory worker once expenses are paid.

Sen. Richard Lugar of Indiana,

the ranking Republican on the committee, added, "It is not hard to see how farmers could subdivide their businesses to evade this amendment if they were so inclined."

The amendment was defeated 66-30.

The Senate did, however, reduce the overall cost of the bill to bring it into line with tight budget demands.

An amendment offered by Agriculture Committee Chairman Patrick Leahy, D-Vt., and passed on voice vote, reduced proposed commodity supports in the Senate bill to a five-year cost of \$54 billion. That's \$8 million below the amount approved for agriculture in the Senate budget resolution last month.

It's unlikely, however, that the cut will satisfy the Bush administration, which has threatened a veto unless "substantial, multi-year savings" are made.

Among major provisions, the bill would:

—Freeze current target prices and loan rates. (see FARM BILL, page 8)

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A baby sitter is a teen who acts like an adult while the adults are out acting like a teen."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors: O.G. Nieman, in the Hereford Brand, says he refuses to buy any of those aerobic-exercise tapes.

He recalled that someone once said, "All those tapes and books are made by good-looking young people who are good-looking and young-looking because they are good-looking and young."

He added that they try to tell us to stay good-looking and young-looking when we're not good-looking and young to begin with. If you're old and ugly, then you're old and ugly.

When you finish all those bend-overs, sit-ups, leg stretches and jumping jacks—you are still old, ugly, sweaty—and most of all—sore.

Larry Crabtree, in the Vernon Record, has made some recent observations about airline travel.

When he asked the guy working behind the airline baggage counter about the mistletoe hanging over the scale, he was told it was so you could kiss your luggage goodbye.

He added that airlines are getting tough with passengers. When asked to elaborate, he said, "For one thing, you don't get your way anymore. Right now the only difference between a flight attendant and a pit bull is the lipstick."

Stephen Henry, in Levelland, heard about a little kid who told his mother that he wished his dad had been a preacher instead of a dentist.

"Why?" his mother wanted to know.

"Because I'd rather pray than brush my teeth."

Q—Is it legal for someone to ride a bicycle down the middle of a street, holding up traffic?
A—According to the Texas Driver's Handbook, a bicyclist going less than the speed of traffic should maneuver as near as possible to the curb or edge of the road except 1) when passing another vehicle, 2) when preparing for a left turn, or 3) when conditions along the right curb make it unsafe.

In Brief

Paddling ban

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston school trustees voted to abolish corporal punishment, but agreed to let pro-paddling schools seek waivers that would be automatically granted.

Trustee Paula Arnold, a strong opponent of corporal punishment, said the new policy for the Houston Independent School District would force school principals, teachers and parents to think through the issue before adopting a disciplinary procedure that involves paddling.

Plane crashes

BAGUIO, Philippines (AP) — A U.S. Marine plane crashed today while searching for people stranded after a devastating earthquake that killed more than 650 people. One serviceman died in the accident and one was hurt.

The observation aircraft went down in the heart of the quake zone, near the mountain resort of Baguio on Luzon island, 110 miles north of the capital Manila, the U.S. Embassy said.

Officials said at least 224 people — including two Americans — were killed in Baguio during Monday's earthquake, which measured 7.7 on the Richter scale.

Local

Snyder LL All-Stars advance!

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Class coffee

Snyder High School Class of 1960 is having a 10 a.m. coffee Saturday at Martha Ann Woman's Club.

All class members and former teachers and administrators are welcome.

TAP meeting

A meeting presented by Texans Against Pollution (TAP) will be held at 7 p.m. today in the Colorado City Civic Center.

The meeting will address opposition to a proposed hazardous waste incinerator and landfill for Mitchell County.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 86 degrees; low, 67 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 67 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1990 to date, 13.04 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms. Low in the upper 60s. Southeast wind 5 to 15 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy with isolated mainly afternoon thunderstorms. High in the lower 90s. South wind 10 to 20 mph. Rain chance less than 20 percent.

Vietnam War becomes campaign issue in Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Republican gubernatorial nominee Clayton Williams tried to associate Democratic nominee Ann Richards with actress Jane Fonda, whom he described as a

traitor for her anti-war protests during the Vietnam War.

The Richards campaign Thursday called the Williams tactic "witch hunts" and "the lowest campaigning."

Williams said Ms. Richards accepted campaign money from the actress.

But Glenn Smith said Ms. Richards returned a \$1,000 check from Ms. Fonda after the Williams campaign told a group of veterans to confront her about it.

"We didn't want to see the pain of our Vietnam veterans exploited once again for someone's personal political gain," Smith said.

"This is the lowest campaigning that we've seen in Texas," Smith said. "I don't think we can participate in these kinds of witch hunts."

Williams, however, hammered on the issue because Ms. Richards accepted contributions from the Hollywood Women's Political Action Committee. The PAC is composed of several dozen women entertainers, including Ms. Fonda.

But Smith said Ms. Fonda has contributed to the federal PAC,

not the state PAC from which Ms. Richards received her money. He said the two PACs do not mix funds.

In San Antonio, a Republican legislator who was a prisoner of war in Vietnam began the barrage against Ms. Richards for accepting the Hollywood Women's PAC money.

A Williams campaign employee circulated a news release about state Rep. Sam Johnson's attack.

Williams said Ms. Richards was not sensitive to veterans. "Ann Richards is not a veteran. I'm a veteran." Williams served in the Army from 1954 through 1956.

Earlier Thursday, a Republican who failed twice to win his party's nomination for Texas land commissioner broke ranks and endorsed incumbent Democrat Garry Mauro over GOP nominee Wes Gilbreath.

Grady Yarbrough, who lost to Gilbreath in the March primary, said his fellow Republican "does not deserve public office in light of the racial remarks and innuendoes made during our campaign."

Gilbreath, a wealthy Houston businessman, was accused of

making racial comments when he referred to another GOP primary opponent, William James John, saying his "name sounds like he is a fellow of color, but he is not."

Gilbreath also was accused of injecting race into the campaign when he sent a political mailing to Republican voters days before the primary election that had a picture of Yarbrough, who is black. Yarbrough is a high school teacher near Tyler.

Those instances, said Yarbrough, "Let me know right there that this person should not hold public office."

Gilbreath has denied that he tried to use race in the election.

"He (Yarbrough) has done a pretty good job of twisting that situation around," Mike Dougherty, Gilbreath's campaign manager said.

The land commissioner manages mineral rights and gas leases on 22 million acres of state-owned land. Revenues from the leases help finance public education. The commissioner also oversees a low-interest loan program for military veterans to purchase land and homes.

Astrograph

by Bernice Bede Osol



July 21, 1990

Don't be afraid to exercise your leadership qualities in the year ahead, because positive assertiveness will produce successful results. Benefits will be denied you if you're just a member of the troops.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) An alliance of convenience may be worth considering today. The arrangement won't be ideal, yet it might have some limited advantages. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astrograph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Advancement in your chosen field of endeavor is a possibility in this cycle, but you must be prepared to make some sacrifices in your trek to the top. The choice is yours.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Some type of new interest or enterprise might capture your fancy at this time. Before getting in too deep, however, evaluate what it may cost you in time and money.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Beginning today fresh ambitions might be awakened in you. This will impel you to establish new objectives. What you hope to achieve will be difficult, but reachable.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If inadequate knowledge about your present involvements has been holding you back, now is the time to start doing something about it. Take the educational steps needed to eliminate this obstacle.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your financial trends might undergo some changes starting today. Your earning capacity will be high, but your ability to prudently manage your resources could be low.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you're contemplating a partnership arrangement at this time, it is crucial the alliance be properly balanced. It might not work if one party's contribution outweighs the other's.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There is a probability you have been shouldering responsibilities recently which fall within the domains of others. Make an effort to see if something fairer can be arranged.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A more active social schedule could be in the offing. You might become involved with two different groups. This is well and good, provided there are no personality clashes between old and new friend.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Instead of starting new ventures at this time, try to rework old ones that yet to produce the types of results you desire. You could be luckier the second time around.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) The relationship can be improved with a person with whom you've been working rather close lately. However, it will be up to you to get the ball rolling if you want this to become a reality.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A joint venture in which you're presently involved has profitable possibilities, but it will take time to develop them. Don't let your impatience cause you to make bad moves impulsively.

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TRI-CHURCH Outdoor Service & Picnic Pavilion In Towle Park Sunday, July 22 7:00 P.M.

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Major freezes killed millions of fish in '89

AUSTIN (AP) — Nearly 15 million fish were killed by two major freezes in 1989 that could cost the state's recreational fishing industry millions of dollars, according to the state Parks and Wildlife Department.

A department report said its "conservative estimate" reflects lower spending on gas, groceries and bait but not durable goods or fishing trips which may have otherwise occurred.

The report was prepared for release Thursday at a joint meeting in San Marcos, Texas, of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission and the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Division.

There were two major freezes last year: Feb. 4-6 and Dec. 21-25.

"The December freeze, unlike the February freeze, caused large amounts of ice to form on the bays. The December front was also accompanied by high winds for at least 48 hours after frontal passage, whereas the February front had light winds following frontal passage," the report said.

The February fish kill was more localized than the December kill, which affected the entire coast, the report said. In February most fish died in shallow water. In December, most fish died in deep water.

Overall, the report said, more than 8.2 million fish died in the February freeze, nearly 6.6 million in December. In both fish kills, most were forage or non-game fishes.

Tri-church picnic

Three local churches will participate in an annual tri-church meeting Sunday, July 22, at the Pavilion in Towle Park.

First Christian, First Presbyterian and Colonial Hill Baptist will meet at 7 p.m. for a picnic supper, special music presentation and a program presented by Delbert Downing of First Christian Church. The meal will be provided.

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You are Welcome

Sunday School for all ages: 9:50 a.m.
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Sunday, July 22, 1990
Sermon Topic:
Luke 16: 19-31
"In The Bosom Of Abraham"

Dr. Tim Griffin, Preaching
We Approach Faith with Reason
and then In Faith go Beyond Reason

Home said run for wayward plants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Hundreds of the world's endangered plants, from tiny Indonesian orchids to the giant saguaro cactus of Arizona, have found a home in a cluster of government-run greenhouses where they are nursed back from the brink of extinction.

"We keep the Noah's Ark of the plant world," said Rob Pennington, superintendent of collections at the U.S. Botanic Garden's 20-acre Poplar Point Nursery in southeast Washington.

Among the 25,000 plants that flourish in the nursery's two dozen greenhouses on the Anacostia River banks are about 3,000 rare and exotic specimens seized by customs officials at U.S. ports of entry.

The plants were removed from import shipments that violated the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species, a multinational accord that forbids trafficking in a long list of endangered plants and animals without strict certification.

Diseased plants are destroyed immediately. The others are sent to 15 government "plant rescue stations" around the country, including Poplar Point, where they are nurtured and bred for scientific study and display at botanical gardens.

The Botanic Garden, established by Congress in 1821, also grows plants at Poplar Point to landscape the Capitol and adjacent federal buildings and for seasonal floral displays at its conservatory, a formal greenhouse on the Mall at the foot of Capitol Hill.

There are no man-eating plants in Pennington's collections, but there are extremely rare specimens of *Encephalartos lehmanni* cycads from the desert region of Africa. These primitive, palm-like plants survived the dinosaur era because of their toxic trunk and roots. For centuries, they have poisoned human beings who beat the pulp into bread flour.

Poplar Point also acquired hundreds of *Javanicum Toripelatum*, a small, endangered orchid from Indonesia, from a grower's shipment that was confiscated in Los Angeles.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY
 Oasis Overeaters Anonymous; 2-3 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Field; Newcomers Welcome! 573-8322 or 573-7705.
 Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.
 Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
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 Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Council, mayor testify

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — An El Paso County grand jury probing police accusations that Mexican officials are running auto theft rings in the city questioned Mayor Suzie Aza and other City Council members behind closed doors.

The city officials went before the grand jury Thursday. Grand jury proceedings are secret.

The grand jury has been investigating the accusations for three weeks. Police Chief John Scagno and other officers already have appeared before the grand jury.

More than 5,000 cars were stolen from El Paso last year. Police say many of those cars are driven across the border long before the owners know they've been stolen.

Last month police accused Mexican law enforcement officials of running auto theft rings in the city. The accusations led to the grand jury investigation.

A youth accused of trying to buy weapons from an undercover agent claims he helped steal 1,000 automobiles in El Paso and sold or gave them to Mexican officials.

Luis Agüero was arrested in January with three other men when they tried to buy hand grenades, automatic rifles and anti-tank rockets from a federal undercover agent in El Paso, according to court records.

The records state Agüero told the undercover agent during a two-month investigation that he stole the vehicles from El Paso parking lots. He said the thefts were part of a sophisticated organization protected mainly by the Mexican Federal Judicial Police in Ciudad Juarez, Mexico. Juarez is across the Rio Grande from El Paso.

First working super collider parts head for lab in Texas

THE WOODLANDS, Texas (AP) — In what was billed as a "small but significant" milestone in the superconducting super collider's development, the giant atom smasher's first working pieces were wrapped up here and sent to Dallas.

The devices were delivered Thursday, the same day the Senate Appropriations Committee in Washington approved \$318 million in 1991 money for the super collider.

"This represents the first piece of accelerator equipment that actually will be used on the SSC," Jerry Watson, a collider laboratory physicist, said before wrapping the ion source and a companion ion source vacuum chamber in plastic bubble wrap and putting them in his van for the four-hour drive to Dallas.

The super collider, expected to cost \$8 billion when finished in 1998, will include a 54-mile underground tunnel around Wax-

ahachie in Ellis County, south of Dallas. Atoms will be broken in the tunnel in hopes of finding more clues to the nature of matter.

The two parts delivered to the collider lab in DeSoto Thursday weigh about 100 pounds. Research and development costs were about \$300,000, with actual construction of the small metal pieces put at about \$50,000, said Peter McIntyre, a Texas A&M University physicist involved in the project.

In the ion source magnetron, hydrogen ions are charged with electricity in the companion vacuum chamber to pull out protons. The protons are then accelerated. Beams of ions will be speeded up through a chain of booster accelerators and ultimately injected into the tunnel.

Health grant will aid in fight against TB

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Attempts to reduce tuberculosis in the United States won't be effective unless the disease is controlled across the border, an El Paso health official says.

Efforts to bring tuberculosis under control in Ciudad Juarez, across the Rio Grande from El Paso, are under way. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control has given the El Paso City-County Health District a \$121,802 grant to start tuberculosis control programs in six "colonias" in Juarez.

"We can't eliminate tuberculosis on this side of the border unless we do something on the other side," said city-county health district director Dr. Laurence Nickey.

Juarez has a tuberculosis program, but it doesn't have the money or the technology to be effective, said Dr. Manuel Escobedo, director of the health district's Communicable Diseases Division.

El Paso had 99 reported cases of TB last year and already has had 100 cases reported this year. Juarez does not have a realistic count of the cases there, said Escobedo.

Seven false trips were listed in the indictment against Staniswalis. But the restitution covers the cost of 22 trips, Lynch said.

The trips, most in 1988, supposedly were to Austin for state business, but Lynch said Staniswalis actually was elsewhere.

"I think we verified on one occasion that he was skiing in Colorado. On another occasion, he was in New Mexico... I believe he was attending his own wedding reception on one of the days when he was allegedly in Austin on state business," Lynch said.

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Engineering an avoidance

By James Jacoby

You can be declarer today. A low spade is led against three no-trump, and East plays the nine. You win the jack, and a quick count of tricks gives you eight — not enough. It's obvious that you will have to go after the diamond suit to develop a ninth trick. Because your spade king is still guarded, it will be fine to give up a trick to West, but disastrous to allow East to win a trick. So figure it out.

The right play is to lead diamonds twice from your hand up to dummy. So you lead a diamond at trick two. When West plays low, you go up with the king in dummy. (If West goes up with the queen, you let him hold the trick.) Return to your hand and lead another diamond. West now has to play the queen and you let him have the trick. Since you can give up a trick to West, the safe hand, you are able to make the contract. Of course, if West played another low diamond on your second lead of the suit, you would go right up with dummy's ace. Your hope then would be that West held the third diamond. If East held three diamonds to the queen, he would have to come on lead and defeat you by returning a spade.

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Ex-legislator to serve 3 months

AUSTIN (AP) — A former state lawmaker from Amarillo will begin a three-month jail term Monday after pleading guilty to collecting state money for legislative trips he never made.

Former Rep. Charles J. "Chip" Staniswalis also must pay the state \$11,000 and perform 400 hours of community service under a plea agreement. He was placed on 10 years probation.

"God only knows how sorry I am for doing something so stupid," said Staniswalis, a Republican, after leaving the courtroom Thursday. He was sentenced by State District Judge Mace Thurman of Austin.

Staniswalis, 41, will serve his jail term in Travis County. While in jail, he will perform community service as part of a work-release program. The type of

community service had not been determined.

He must pay a \$2,000 fine and \$8,976 in restitution to the state. The judge said Staniswalis must pay the money at a rate of \$125 a month, plus another \$40 monthly probation supervisory fee.

Mike Lynch, the assistant Travis County district attorney who prosecuted the case, called the plea agreement "just and fair."

"I think the fact that we're talking (about) a public servant with a special position of trust makes us look at it in a little different light than if it was a normal citizen who just happened to be charged with theft," Lynch said. He heads the district attorney's Public Integrity Unit.

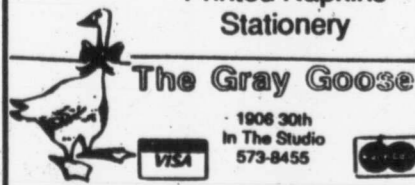
Staniswalis pleaded guilty to a felony theft charge, for which he could have been sentenced to a maximum 10 years in prison and fined \$10,000.

He also pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor count of tampering with a governmental record, which carries a maximum punishment of one year in jail and a \$2,000 fine.

As part of the plea agreement, two felony tampering charges against Staniswalis were dropped.

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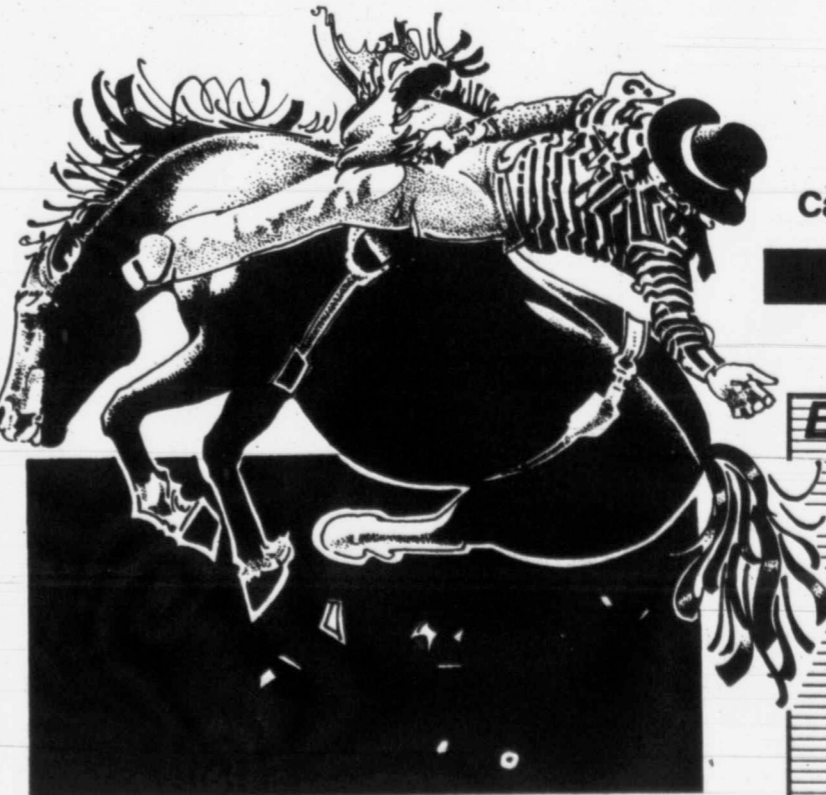
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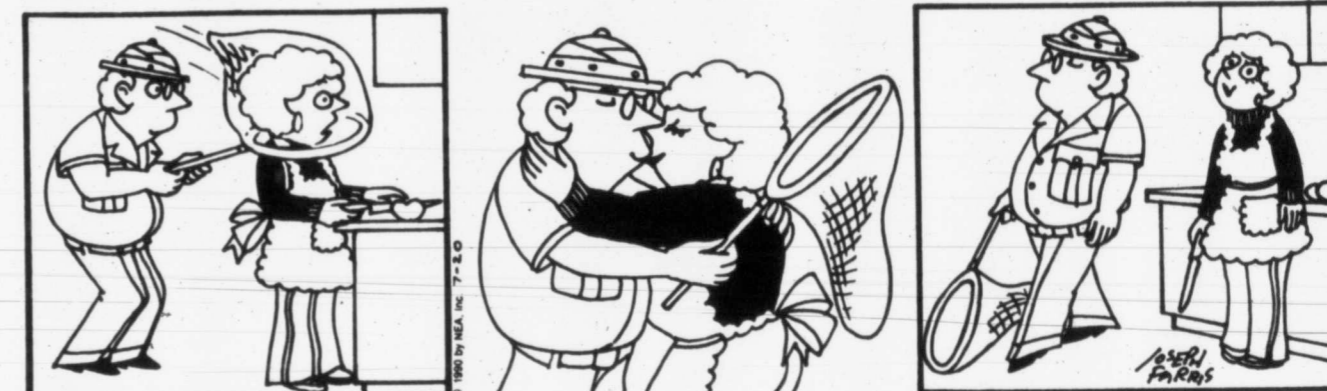
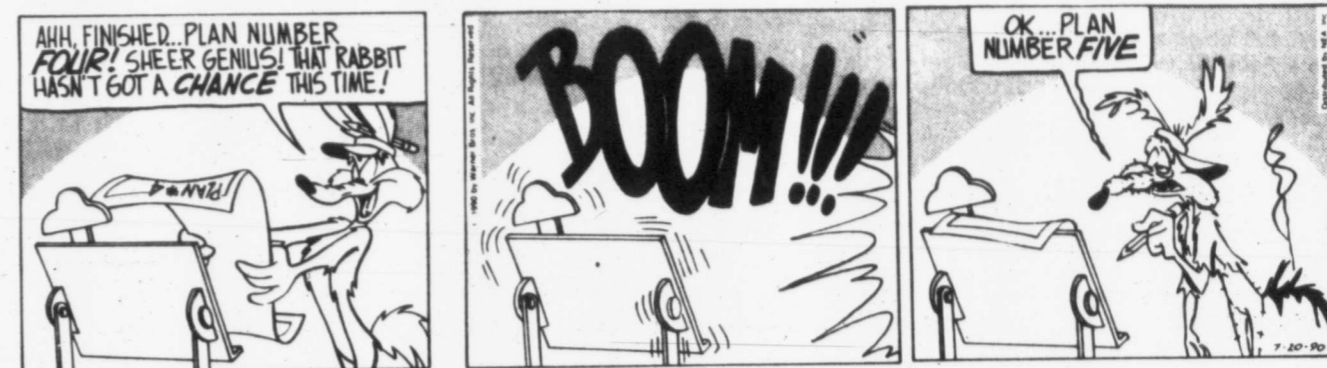
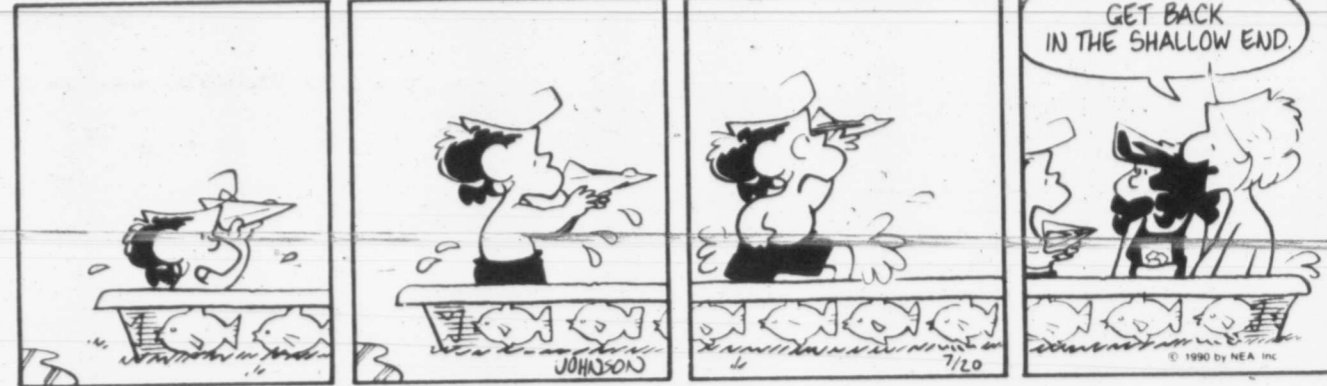
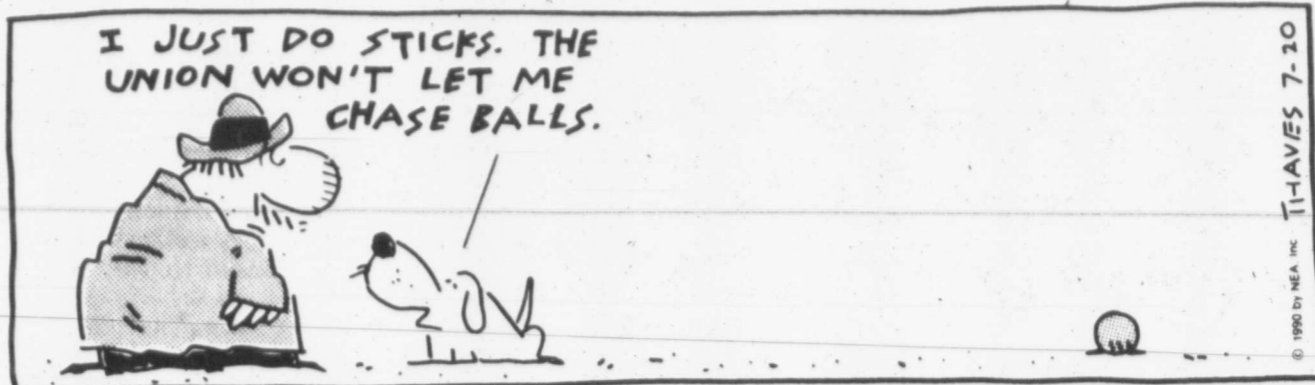


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- 7 Sphere
- 12 Creepily
- 13 Avoided
- 14 Primitive word
- 15 Leave empty
- 16 Fashionable resort
- 17 Chemical suffix
- 18 Wine barrel
- 21 Revise
- 23 Yank
- 26 Responsibility
- 28 — upon a time
- 29 Chemical suffix
- 30 Olympic gymnast — Korbut
- 31 Triple
- 33 Longer-stemmed

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- 36 Large wading bird
- 37 Language suffix
- 38 Christmas item
- 40 Strip of cloth
- 41 Aug. time
- 42 Cream (Sp.)
- 44 Neighbor of Fr.
- 45 Tea
- 46 Through
- 48 Deceive (2 wds.)
- 51 Small garden spade
- 55 Slurred over
- 56 Edmonton hockey team
- 57 Discourage
- 58 Give in
- 1 Wide shoe size
- 2 Soak (flax)

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- 19 Except if
- 20 Lump of gold
- 22 Menu item
- 23 Beverage container (2 wds.)
- 24 Not ready for eating
- 25 Old Faithful, e.g.
- 27 Hang loosely
- 32 Insect egg
- 34 More irritating
- 35 Mission
- 39 Coyote
- 43 Eagle's nest
- 45 Grant
- 47 Turn over
- 48 Actor — Danson
- 49 Beerlike drink
- 50 Set of tools
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- 53 Sea eagle
- 54 Landing boat

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'El Diablo' called shaggy western

NEW YORK (AP) — Billy Ray, the dude schoolteacher, is reading to his class from a penny dreadful about the Old West, "Kid Durango: The Dust Devils." The Kid, of course, is brave, strong and quick with a gun.

One of his students, the fair Nettie, sighs at the part about a terrible band of outlaws from Mexico. Just then, such a band gallops into her dusty Texas town for purposes of robbing a bank and killing people.

The fair Nettie dashes outside to see all this. El Diablo, the gang's handsome, ruthless leader, rides up and kidnaps her, even though she's only oh, maybe 17. Billy Ray, although from Boston, vows to rescue her.

This, buckaroos, starts Home Box Office's "El Diablo," a shaggy western tale arriving Sunday on the pay-cable service. It co-stars Anthony Edwards as the dude schoolteacher who believes the Old West cliches, and Lou Gossett as an ex-sergeant from the Army's black cavalry. The latter now is a gun-fighter hired to help save Nettie.

Representing Old West reality, he sort of instructs the dude in how to ride a horse — he lets the horse drag Billy Ray when he falls off — and how to shoot and hit something, such as another man with a gun.

Gunny protocol, he says, includes looking at an opponent's gun hand, not his eyes, and shooting opponents in the back whenever possible.

With a script by a trio that includes John Carpenter of "Halloween" and "The Fog" fame, such assault on Western verities should be pretty funny. Well, at times the script is.

Problem is, the "El Diablo" script is in dire need of editing. When the funny lines and situations arise, and there are quite a few, the authors stretch things out. This tends to fritter away the funny.

They also don't seem to realize that shock for comic effect should be sparingly used, as when the

dude accidentally shoots and kills his horse while trying to ride out of town. Sure enough, it happens again later.

And while the show is beautifully photographed, director Peter Markle usually moves things along at a snail's pace, a mortal sin for an Old West show.

The pace does pick up as the posse approaches and enters Mexico, where El Diablo is keeping both his stolen gold and the fair Nettie in a town ringed by mountains. Guns go off and bodies fall all over the place.

Meat critics don't 'snap' at hot dogs

WASHINGTON (AP) — Animal rights groups, at least one country singer and a former Beatle have been snapping at meat eaters lately. But none has bitten down hard on the hot dog.

That's come as something of a surprise, considering it's National Hot Dog Month, the industry says. And critics might be expected to challenge this extravagance and the 5 billion hot dogs consumed by Americans each year.

But Sara Lilygren of the American Meat Institute, a national trade association, says she has heard no specific protests about hot dogs. She did, however, mention some of the general meat protests now making the rounds.

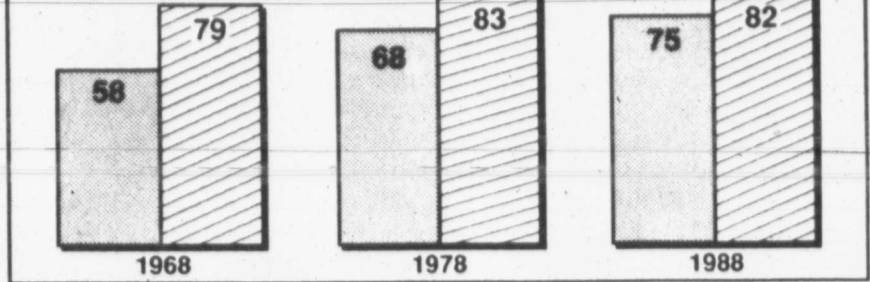
"Hot dogs have not been attacked in any big way that I know of," Lilygren said Thursday in a telephone interview. "But there's something about a hot dog that's so all-American, maybe that's the reason."

In Ames, Iowa, this week, Paul McCartney stirred resentment among many farmers in the big corn-beef-and-pork state when his anti-meat sentiments were publicized. But the former Beatle played down his vegetarianism during his concert there Wednesday night.

"We haven't come on this tour to preach against meat," he said.

High-School Grads

Percent of 18 to 24 year olds who completed high school, by race



Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census
The percentage of white students who completed high school remained relatively constant between 1968 and 1988. Meanwhile, the percentage of black students who completed high school increased by 17 percentage points.

"We're pro-corn, very pro-corn."

That didn't stop the Maryland-based animal rights group, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, from offering concert goers tofu "not dogs" as an alternative to the meat kind.

Lilygren noted that Canadian-born singer k.d. lang also has been controversial with her "Meat Stinks" commercials for PETA, causing some Midwest radio stations to ban her albums.

The institute and the National Hot Dog and Sausage Council said a joint "full course hot dog

lunch" in Washington, D.C., recently was a howling success.

More than 400 attended, including Rep. Kika de la Garza, D-Texas, chairman of the House Agriculture Committee, who proclaimed hot dogs to be "an American tradition," they said. For those who pursue trivia, the hot dog industry also provided some background:

Frankfurt-am-Main, in West Germany, is traditionally credited with inventing the frankfurter in 1484. In the late 1800s, hot dogs — also called

Landowners think pondweed is safe

FORT DAVIS, Texas (AP) — Landowners accused the federal government of manufacturing a concern over an obscure weed as a smokescreen to gain control of the Davis Mountains and turn the area into a national park.

Rick Moon, who lives in Jeff Davis County, said a public hearing Thursday night by the Fish and Wildlife Service appeared similar to one the National Park Service held last year to determine if a national park could be established in the Davis Mountains.

That attempt failed but the government is at it again, Moon said.

"This is a back-door approach ... to make a national park out of the Davis Mountains," Moon said. "Our government is trying to pull the wool over our eyes."

The Fish and Wildlife Service said the hearing was to determine whether to list the Little Aguja pondweed, found only in far West Texas, as an endangered species. The agency argued for the listing on grounds the pondweed is in danger of extinction.

In the Federal Register on March 15, the Fish & Wildlife Service said the pondweed species "potamogeton clystocarpus" is threatened by cattle trampling and deterioration of water quality from manure dropped near the water pool.

"I've never seen a cow graze in the water," said J.E. White Jr. of Presidio, who has ranches in West Texas for more than 50 years.

The pondweed, a spiked-leaf, aquatic plant, has been found in pools in the Little Aguja Canyon on the Buffalo Trail Scout Ranch. The federal agency believes that's the only place it can be found. The 6,000-acre ranch is operated by the Midland-based Buffalo Trail Council and is predominantly wilderness.

Scout officials fear designating the plant endangered could force the shutdown of the ranch.

"We work in cooperation with the U.S. Soil and Water Conservation Service and we're very concerned about conservation, but we're opposed to this," said Buffalo Trail Council Scout executive John D. Johnson.

Fish and Wildlife Service officials said that the agency has one year to study the pondweed. Then it may decide to list the species as endangered, extend the study period or withdraw its proposal.

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Panhandle woman will call cows on 'Tonight Show'

MIAMI, Texas (AP) — Because her voice is moosic to cows' ears, one Miami granny will appear on tonight's episode of "The Tonight Show."

Maggie Gill, Miami's cow-calling grandma, says she is no professional singer, but since cow calling only requires one to be "loud and long," it has not hindered her a bit.

"You just holler real loud two or three times," she said.

"Tonight Show" talent coordinator Sandy Gillis called Mrs. Gill about three weeks ago, she said.

Apparently Gillis read about Mrs. Gill and other cow callers in an article in Newsweek magazine, Mrs. Gill said.

This week's issue of TV Guide magazine has the cow-calling granny's name in it, but Mrs. Gill has not let her fame go to her head.

"I told my cousin that I was in the TV Guide, and she said she would have to go out and buy one then," she said.

Mrs. Gill said she started cow calling because her husband was a rancher.

"There was no learning to it," she said. "It was just the way to get them to come eat, but now most people just use the pickup horn."

The entire concept of cow calling began about 49 years ago, Mrs. Gill said, when Gene Howe, the former editor of the Amarillo Globe-News, bet Roberts County Judge Woody Pond \$100 that Pond couldn't find 10 men w/ o could call cows.

Dr. Gott Peter Gott, M.D.

Diagnosing postoperative leg pain

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have had two lumbar disc surgeries at the L5-S1 level over the past few years with the last surgery including a spinal fusion at that level. I continue to suffer from pain and numbness in the lower right leg, despite physical therapy, pain medication, anti-inflammatory drugs and the use of a TENS unit since the surgery, which was approximately four months ago. What could be causing the continued pain, and what is a "typical" prognosis for my condition?

DEAR READER: Your symptoms are certainly not typical; in fact, they indicate continuing nerve damage. There are several possibilities for this:

- The operations may not have succeeded. Spinal surgery is complicated, as you can imagine, and sometimes fails. Therefore, your pain and numbness could be due to a persisting misplaced disc that the surgeon missed or was unable to correct.
- You may have developed an infection at the surgical site. Although unusual after spinal fusion, infection must always be considered — after any surgery — if symptoms are not relieved. A small abscess could be pressing on a nerve, without causing the customary signs of inflammation, such as fever and malaise.
- During the operation, the surgeon had to chip away and remove part of your spinal bones. Although the specialist undoubtedly took special care to remove bony fragments, a chip or two may have inadvertently been left, causing continuing pressure on a nerve. In my experience, bone fragments are a relatively common post-operative complication of spinal fusion. If this is true in your case, you'll require another operation to remove

them. • You may have developed another herniated disc above or below the operative site. Although specialists do not agree on the exact cause of slipped or herniated discs, they know that patients with this condition often experience pain from other discs.

For example, you required surgery for a misplaced disc between the last lumbar vertebra (L5) and the first sacral vertebra (S1), a common location for such an affliction to appear. Following the operation, you could have slipped a disc between L4 and L5, the area just above L5-S1. This could cause leg pain and numbness that are virtually indistinguishable from the symptoms you experienced before surgery. In essence, your "disease" may have affected another portion of your spine.

I believe you need further testing to diagnose the problem. A CT scan (special X-rays of your lower spine) or an MRI (magnetic resonance imaging using electromagnetic waves) would probably enable your surgeon to determine the cause of your symptoms. As an alternative, a myelogram (X-ray taken after radiographic "dye" is introduced into the spinal canal) would show the presence of nerve-compressing tissue, its exact location and its extent.

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Defense officials disagree with study

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Defense Department said it still considers the tilt-rotor V-22 Osprey assault transport aircraft too expensive despite a recent study recommending its purchase.

David Chu, assistant defense secretary for program analysis

and evaluation, told the Senate Appropriations defense subcommittee Thursday that the study assumes the department will have more money to purchase assault transports than it will actually have.

A study by the Institute for Defense Analyses acknowledged that the V-22 would cost more initially, but said that would be offset by lower operating costs.

The V-22's prime contractors are Boeing Helicopters, a suburban Philadelphia division of Boeing Co.; and Bell Helicopter Textron of Fort Worth, Texas.

Released three weeks ago, the institute's study was ballyhooed by congressional backers of the aircraft, which received no production money for the current year after Defense Secretary

Dick Cheney said he wanted to kill it.

Chu said that during fiscal years 1991 through 1997, the Ospreys would cost about \$3.7 billion more than Secretary of the Navy H. Lawrence Garrett III recommended be spent on medium airlift.

The department must "figure out how to accomplish its most important missions — perhaps less well than would be possible with more resources — while still achieving substantial savings," he said.

"The alternative helicopter forces — perhaps in smaller numbers at lower investment and operating costs — can perform the higher-priority DoD missions at acceptable levels."

That extra money would buy more assault transport capabili-

ty than needed by the Marine Corps, primary user of the V-22, would need for attacking defended beaches, Chu said.

With its twin end-of-wing propellers pointed up, the Osprey can take off like a helicopter, and then can rotate the propellers to point forward and fly like a plane faster and farther than helicopters.

Congress ordered the study, but the Pentagon chose the institute, a non-profit group with close ties to the Pentagon, to perform it.

Thursday, Chu called the alleged long-term cost advantages of the V-22 over helicopters dubious because any savings in operating costs "would accrue gradually over many years, to the extent that they occur at all."

Administrative judge rules for officer fired last year

DALLAS (AP) — An administrative law judge ruled that Dallas police chief Mack Vines acted improperly last year in firing officer Pat LeMaire for alleged violation of the department's

deadly force policy.

The judge, Gail Dickensen, said Thursday that the city failed to prove by a preponderance of evidence its case against LeMaire and ordered that he be reinstated and paid \$24,000 in back pay.

Officials said a Mexican citizen was shot to death on June 27, 1989, by LeMaire after walking into a police investigation. LeMaire said the man, who spoke little or no English, refused to leave the area and appeared to have a gun as he walked toward him.

LeMaire, who now is employed as a police officer in a nearby town, must notify the Dallas Police Department on Friday if he wants his job back. Or he could pick up the back pay and return to his current job.

A month after the shooting, which triggered charges of racism and police brutality, Vines fired LeMaire, an action that drew praise from city Hispanic groups. Vines said although the man was moving toward LeMaire, the officer could have taken other action short of killing him.

LeMaire fought the dismissal and called the city's wrongful death policy vague and confusing.

"I still have a little anger inside me because I knew I was wrong, but I'm happy and finally in the situation where I'm on top," LeMaire said after Thursday's ruling. He said he had not decided whether to return to the Dallas police force.

Vines said: "We will be discussing the outcome of this case with the city attorney's office. It is inappropriate to make any further comments at this time."



Dear Abby

Two Paper Tigers Still Fight for Same Old Bone

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are both retired and have been married for nearly five years. It's the second marriage for both of us; our spouses died.

We both enjoy reading the morning newspaper at breakfast. He likes the sports section and I like the front section, so we each read our favorite section first.

When he gets through reading the sports section, he thinks I should hand over the front section whether I'm finished with it or not.

If I don't stop whatever I'm reading and hand over the paper, he becomes irate and pouts like a child — then he leaves the table in anger and doesn't speak a civil word to me for hours.

I've heard you can't teach an old dog new tricks — or am I the "old dog" who needs to be retrained? I told him I was going to write to you and he said, "Go ahead and write."

By the way, this is the only thing we've ever fought about.

TWO OLD DOGS

DEAR "DOGS": The solution is obvious: On the next gift-giving occasion — Christmas, his birthday, your anniversary, whichever comes first — buy him a subscription to this newspaper. This solution is also ideal for the spouses of scissor-happy folks who have the habit of clipping coupons, ads, puzzles, articles, columns, etc., out of the newspaper before other members of the family have had a chance to read it. It's cheaper than medication for high blood pressure or ulcers. Or a divorce.

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to the letter written by the post office clerk who complained about employees who use their employer's postage meter for their personal correspondence. I think he's been licking too much stamp glue.

I work in a small office (15 people), and we all use the postage meter for our personal mail. However, right

next to the meter there's a postage scale and a container in which to deposit the money for the stamps we've purchased. Yes, Abby, we pay for every postage stamp we use. We're on the honor system here, and in the five years I've been working in this office, there have been no complaints.

We also use the same system for the snacks for sale in the lunchroom. (No vending machines. We go to the supermarket and buy them.) If anything, our money box usually comes out ahead.

This may not be typical of all offices, but that's the way we do it here. You may use my name.

KIRSTEN IN LANSDALE, PA.

DEAR KIRSTEN: Many others wrote to protest the accusation that all employees who use their employers' postage meter for their personal mail are penny-ante thieves. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: Shame on that postal clerk who assumed that the person who mailed 100 wedding invitations stamped by a postage meter was stealing from her boss. For crying out loud, didn't it occur to that postal clerk that it might save a lot of time and saliva to run 100 envelopes through a postal meter instead of licking 100 postage stamps?

Why do some people always assume the worst?

BURNED UP IN DETROIT

DEAR BURNED UP: In answer to your question, I quote an old French saying: "Nobody looks under a bed unless he himself has once hidden there." Case closed.

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Indictments okayed in case with possible satanic link

PANHANDLE, Texas (AP) — A 19-year-old man has been indicted on a murder charge and two attempted murder charges in

the July 13 shooting death and the wounding of two people in a case that a prosecutor says may have satanic involvement.

The indictment returned Thursday by a Carson County grand jury names Kenneth Glenn Milner of Panhandle and accuses him of murder in the Friday the 13th shooting death of Frankie Gasper Garcia, a 17-year-old Panhandle High School student.

Milner is also accused of attempted murder in the July 14 stabbing of Jimmy Britten of Groom and of attempted murder in the wounding of Panhandle High School principal Ken Williams.

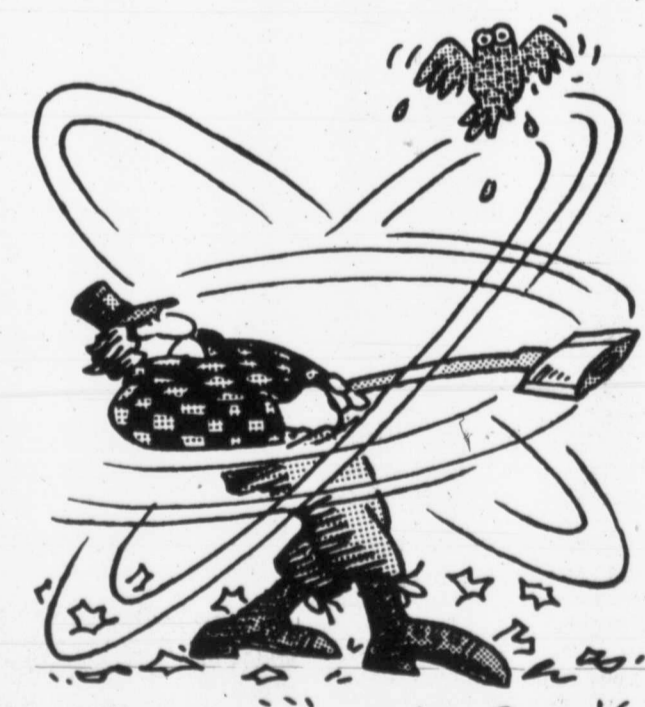
Investigators contend that Garcia was shot as an occult sacrifice in a decaying barn in back of a deserted house northwest of Panhandle known to Panhandle youth as "the haunted house."

Earlier this week, Carson County District Attorney David McCoy said, "We're looking at the possibility of satanic involvement" in the shooting death. Britten was stabbed at his home about 1:30 a.m. Saturday, a few hours after Garcia was shot to death. He was treated at a local hospital and released the same day.

About two hours later, officers said, Williams was shot twice through the door of his home.

Williams, formerly the assistant principal at Horace Mann Junior High School and baseball coach at Amarillo Palo Duro High School, was wounded in the abdomen and leg.

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