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In Brief

Kids rescued

GARLAND, Texas (AP) — A police officer and a neighbor rescued four children who huddled in the bedroom closet of a burning house, fire officials said. The children, ages 2, 4 and two 5-year-olds, remained hospitalized for smoke inhalation late Tuesday.

Mayoral flap

RISING STAR, Texas (AP) — Rising Star City Council members have voted to oust Mayor Henry Burk after deciding he had neglected the duties of his office.

Council members voted Tuesday night to oust Burk, 65, after determining that he was guilty of three out of four allegations against him.

The four attending council members declared Burk guilty of not conducting municipal court since April 1985 when he assumed the court duties; using city employees and equipment to remove fuel storage tanks from an abandoned gas station; and ignoring council directives.

Burk was not at the meeting.

Local

Open house

Snyder Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, 2513 College Ave., will hold an open house from 3-6 p.m. Thursday.

A ribbon cutting will be held at 3 p.m.

Audit

The Snyder school board used \$249,898 from the district's fund balance in 1989-90 rather than the \$637,508 contained in Tuesday's account of the audit report given Snyder school district trustees.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Tuesday, 60 degrees; low, 31 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 31 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for December, 1.41 inches; total precipitation for 1990 to date, 30.45 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly fair. Low in the mid 30s. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph. Thursday, fair. High in the mid 60s. Southwest wind 15 to 20 mph and gusty.

72 percent...

Study shows drop in use of cocaine

WASHINGTON (AP) — The government today released figures showing a 72 percent drop in the use of cocaine over five years. President Bush said that shows "our hard work is paying off."

"There has been some marked progress — changing attitudes and behaviors as more and more of our neighbors and co-workers have turned away from illegal

drugs," Health and Human Services Secretary Louis Sullivan said in announcing the new figures.

He said the number of people using illicit drugs was down 44 percent over the past five years, from 23 million in 1985 to 12.9 million in 1990.

"The news we have today suggests that our hard work is paying off," Bush said. He spoke briefly at a news conference called to release the 1990 National Household Survey on Drug Abuse.

Some of the report's key findings:

— Current cocaine use (use at least once in the past month) has decreased 72 percent since 1985 and 45 percent since the last study was conducted in 1988.

— The number of current cocaine users dropped from 5.8 million (2.9 percent of the population over age 12) in 1985 to 2.9 million (1.5 percent) in 1988 to 1.6 million (0.8 percent) in 1990.

— Marijuana remains the most commonly used illicit drug in the country, although "current" use of marijuana declined from 1979, when there were 22.5 million users (12.7 percent) to 1990, when there were 10.2 million (5.1 percent) current users.

— The number of adolescents using drugs fell by 13 percent from 1.8 million in 1988 to 1.6 million in 1990. Adolescents currently using cocaine fell by 49 percent from 225,000 in 1988 to 115,000 in 1990.

The survey was based on interviews with 9,259 people age 12 and over.

However, Bush said, "A declaration of victory would be premature," noting that drug use still remained an enormous national health problem.

Computers aid inmate students at Daniel Unit

Computer-assisted instruction has been added to the curriculum at the Windham School in Snyder.

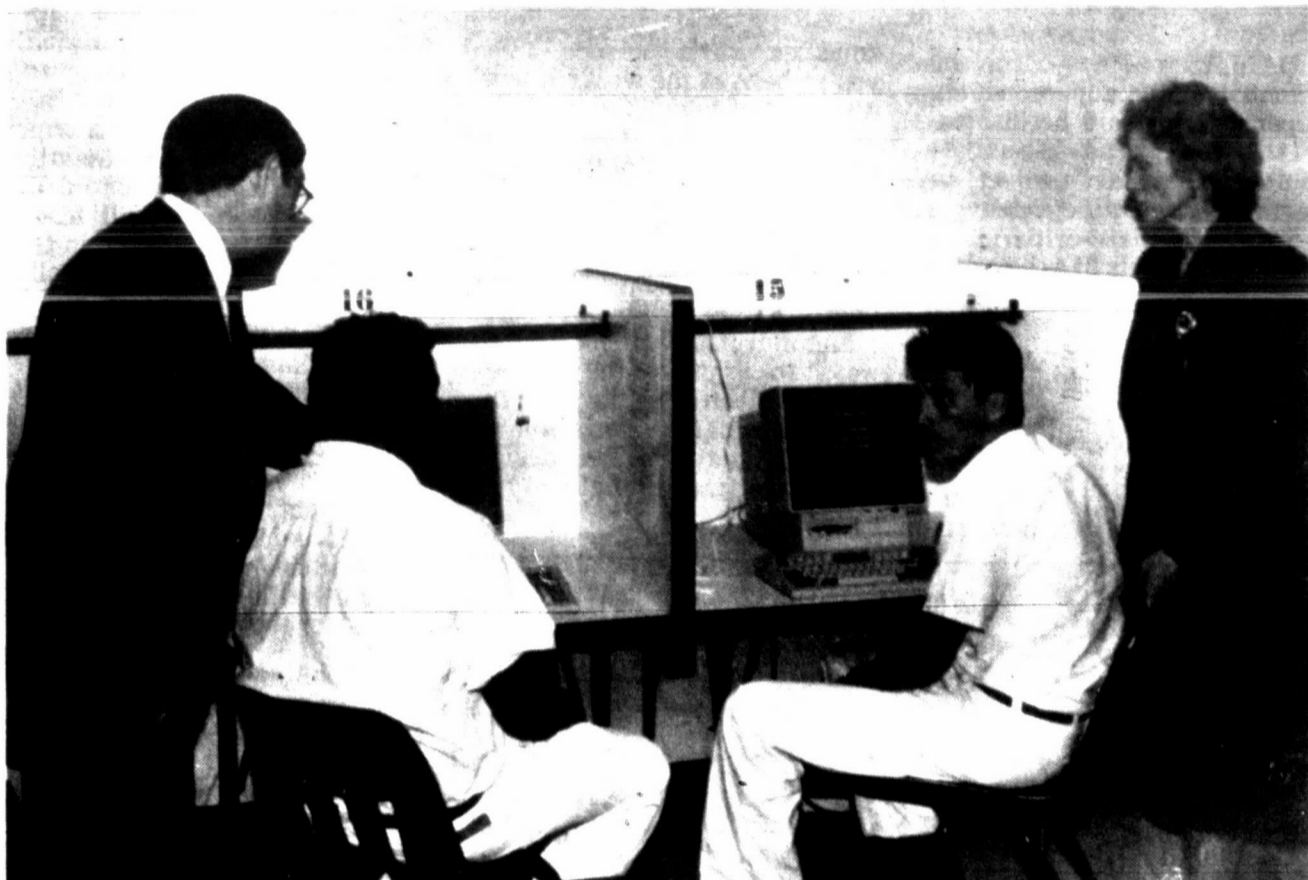
Snyder's Price Daniel Unit is one of 33 units in the state with newly-equipped and installed computers to assist public school inmates in their studies.

Bob Martin, principal of Windham School in Snyder, said approximately 300 students use the computers one hour on a twice weekly basis.

"Every academic class uses the computers," Martin said. This ranges from students in the ESL (English as a Second Language) to college entrance preparation.

Instructors in the program are Mrs. Mary Bowen and Donna Moffett. Dr. Lane Murray of Huntsville, superintendent for the Windham School, was in Snyder Tuesday and observed the computer lab in operation.

The lab has 24 computers. In addition to Windham, Western Texas College will use the equipment to teach computer classes at night.



PRISON COMPUTER LAB — Dr. Lane Murray of Huntsville, superintendent of the Department of Criminal Justice Windham School, was in Snyder Tuesday and observed the operation of the new computer lab at the Price Daniel Unit. Dr. Murray (right) watches the computer-assisted instruction with Principal Bob Martin. Inmate students are Samuel Ramos (left) and Juan Alvarado. (SDN Staff Photo)

Cheney, Powell fly to gulf

by The Associated Press
Defense Secretary Dick Cheney and Gen. Colin Powell, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, headed for the Persian Gulf today for a visit intended to emphasize U.S. willingness to use force to drive Iraq from Kuwait.

The two were to arrive in the Saudi Arabian capital of Riyadh today for two days of meetings with American and Saudi military officers.

Iraq, meanwhile, was assailed on two fronts for human rights abuses its soldiers are said to have committed in Kuwait after seizing the oil-rich emirate on Aug. 2.

The London-based human rights group Amnesty Interna-

tional issued a report today charging that Iraqi troops have tortured and killed hundreds of Kuwaitis. On Tuesday, the U.N. General Assembly voted 144-1 to deplore human rights violations in Kuwait. Iraq cast the sole dissenting vote.

Cheney and Powell told reporters traveling with them that some American ground forces may not be ready to fight by Jan. 15, the deadline the U.N. Security Council has set for Iraq to quit Kuwait or face the threat of attack.

"Most of the forces will be there by then, but obviously there is additional work to be done before you would identify them as combat-ready," Cheney said.

They refused to go into detail about what they would discuss with the U.S. commander in the region, Gen. H. Norman Schwarzkopf, saying they did not want to tip their hand to Saddam Hussein, the Iraqi president.

The two officials are to follow their military talks by spending two days making pre-Christmas visits with U.S. troops in the region. Neither plans to return to Saudi Arabia before Jan. 15.

The United States and Iraq appear to be further entrenching themselves.

The Pentagon said Tuesday that Iraq has added 10,000 troops to its force in and around occupied Kuwait over the past week, bringing its total to 510,000.

Drawing for trip set for 3 p.m. Saturday

The merchant's association drawing for the Las Vegas trip giveaway has been moved up from 5:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at the gazebo on the courthouse square.

Art Feinsod said today that the time was being changed because long-range forecasts all calling for colder weather that day.

Tickets for the trip are \$2 each or \$3 for a pair. Feinsod said that 1,200 tickets were printed, and he expects all of them to be sold prior to the drawing.

"Sales are going real well," he said. "The community is really responding."

Proceeds from the sale will go

to the chamber of commerce to help promote "Shop Snyder."

Tickets are still available at Purple Sage Motel and Applegate's Floral. They will also be sold from 10 a.m. until noon Saturday at Wal-Mart.

The up-for-two includes round trip air fare, three days and two night's lodging at the Imperial Palace, two free buffet meals and tickets to two shows. It is valued at \$540.

Santa Claus will be at the gazebo on Saturday and the announcement of the winners of the in-store decorating and costume contest and the Parade of Trees is planned.

Judge won't oppose moving payroll tasks to treasurer's office

District Judge Gene Dulaney said Tuesday he would not oppose the transfer of payroll duties to the county treasurer's office.

"State law permits this, and I don't want to appear to be in opposition to state law. I do object to the other," Dulaney said.

The 132nd District Court judge made reference to a Monday article concerning the Scurry County commissioner's court meeting at which the commissioners court discussed the possibility of shifting certain accounting duties, including both payroll and accounts payables, from the auditor's office to the treasurer's office.

Commissioners discussed the item following the district judge's decision not to re-appoint Linda Franklin to a two-year term as county auditor.

The commissioners court expressed concern about the con-

tinuity of the office and the expense of retraining personnel. County Judge Bobby Goodwin and Treasurer Rita Staton said some counties have already moved both payroll and accounts payable to the treasurer's office, leaving the auditor to perform internal audits and budget control functions.

At Monday's meeting, Dulaney said he objected to the change and also objected to the consideration of the proposal by the present court since three new members will come on the court Jan. 1.

Commissioners took no action Monday. Jerry Vestal who performs the county's outside audit for the accounting firm of Mason, Warner and Company said the change would be in the best interest of the county and would conform to recommendations made by the operational audit ordered last year by Dulaney.

Ginning at half-way point; over 34,000 bales reported

Local ginners are reporting they are through the half-way point in ginning this cotton season, which is promising to be the best for local farmers in 10 years. Some 34,226 bales had been ginned by the four area gins as of this morning.

Gin personnel are predicting a long ginning season to handle this year's bumper crop. The Inadale Gin speculates that it may be ginning as late as the end of February.

Recent damp weather has slowed activity for some of the gins. Alvin Hill said that weather has caused a slow down at Ira Gin.

"The farmers are still not back in the fields yet," said Hill, who added that farmers in that area of the county still have a good bit of stripping to do because the cotton was green up until just recently.

Hill reported that the gin has done 3,180 bales with 1,200 in the yard and in the fields. He said

that there are probably still another 1,000 bales on the stalk. He expects another 30 days of

Snyder cadet to sing on TV tonight

Jeff Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, will be singing with the U.S. Naval Academy Glee Club on nationwide TV tonight.

Adams, a 1988 graduate of Snyder High School, is a junior at the Naval Academy. The 60-minute Christmas special airs at 9 p.m. on Channels 9 and 11.

It is part of the 9th annual "Christmas in Washington" special hosted by John Denver from the National Museum Building. Featured performers include Arthea Franklin, Reba McEntire and Barbara Hendricks.

ginning. Of the two other county gins, Farmers Co-Op reported 12,500 bales ginned with approximately 10,000 bales in the yard and fields.

Paymaster Gin has ginned 5,890 with another 3,100 bales in the yard and fields. Both Farmers Co-Op and Paymaster expect to be ginning until mid-January.

Inadale Gin — which services Scurry, Mitchell, Fisher and Nolan Counties — reported 12,656 bales ginned and some 1,500 modules in the yard and field. Jean Martin notes that the weather has slowed activity at the gin "considerably."

Unofficial reports have local farmers receiving anywhere from 58 to 64 cents per pound for their cotton.

The county extension office has predicted that 59,000 acres of cotton will be harvested in Scurry County this year.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "This time of year, people develop a new way to exercise. They shop faster."

We know a couple who really have rarely spoken to each other since last Christmas.

The previous holiday she had brought her golf hubby a set of Arnold Palmer signature golf clubs. Despite being one of the golf club's worst golfers, he loved the game. She put the following note inside: "I hope these will help lower your golf scores."

At first, he was delighted. But the more he played, the more rotten his game became. He finally decided his wife had subtly insulted and finxed him.

The next Christmas, he vowed to get even. He went out and bought her some Joan Collins lingerie. He added this personal note: "I hope this improves your..."

The shopping season is already getting to some of the folks in those giant department stores. We heard a guy from the Northeast on TV the other night complain about the typical American holiday shopper.

He said, "Once upon a time, Americans were happy with the pursuits of happiness. Today, they want it discounted, gift-wrapped, delivered, guaranteed and serviced free for life."

We thought maybe the guy had forgotten that customers — even the demanding ones — are really the people who pay his wages.

The military has reported it has a recipe for fruitcake. It is 18 pages long and is called Military Specifications MIL-F-1499F, amended 1980.

There's no word on the fruitcake's weight or life expectancy.

Conservatives are unhappy with both Bush & Sununu

WASHINGTON (AP) — We're going into a Christmas mode here," President Bush declared joyfully. But conservatives are finding little to cheer about as the president prepares to head to Camp David for the holidays.

Bush is making right-wingers increasingly unhappy. Even their longtime envoy to the White House — chief of staff John Sununu — is turning out to be no Santa Claus.

With Bush absorbed in the Persian Gulf crisis, Sununu has been tending the store more and more, and with a firm hand.

Sununu has been involved in a series of decisions that have not exactly thrilled the Republican Party's right wing — including filling two Cabinet vacancies with moderate Republicans and an ungainly about-face on the Education Department ruling on minority scholarships.

Sununu is setting up the office to let be Bush be Bush. He's not trying to move his own agenda forward. He's not advancing the conservative agenda," said conservative activist Richard Viguerie.

About the only Christmas present Bush could give conservatives that would prompt widespread cheer — naming Jack Kemp as the new Republican Party chairman — did not seem to be in the cards.

Bush leaves the White House on Friday and will stay at the presidential retreat in the Catoctin Mountains of Maryland until New Year's Day.

The president, clearly winding down for the holidays, told reporters Tuesday: "No more questions. No, no, no. I've been too accessible here. We're going into a Christmas mode here where I won't be doing as much

of this kind of work. But he leaves Washington with many problems unsolved. Topping the agenda is the lack of progress toward a peaceful end to the Persian Gulf crisis.

Bickering among Republicans may seem the least of Bush's immediate worries. But it doesn't make his job any easier.

And some of the harshest criticism from conservatives is directed at Sununu. The GOP's right wing had already been annoyed with Sununu for his role in Bush's switch on taxes.

Conservatives now are griping about Bush's decision to bypass conservative candidates in picking two moderate Republicans, former Gov. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee and Rep. Lynn Martin of Illinois, to be the secretaries of education and labor, respectively.



Land acquisition continues

DALLAS (AP) — The lead scientist of the superconducting super collider said he disagrees with the idea that the multibillion-dollar project will harm other scientific endeavors.

Some scientists criticize "big science" projects like the collider for siphoning government research money from so-called "small science," the experiments and work done by individuals or small groups.

"I reject that notion," said Roy Schwitters, director of the more than 1,000 scientists and staff who are building the giant atom

smasher. "It's science. What you're here at the working level, it's small science."

Schwitters on Tuesday led reporters on a tour of the collider lab in south Dallas, where scientists are developing the 50-foot-long magnets that are the primary component of the collider.

Metallurgists are looking for ways to improve the efficient flow of electricity through tiny wires. Mechanic specialists are using computers to test designs of the steel cradles that will hold the magnets.

Some tests involve actual hydrogen ions in a foot-long accelerator.

The magnets will drive atomic particles around a 54-mile underground ring and into each other. The particles will make 3,000 revolutions a second in the giant ring. Scientists hope collisions of the particles will break them apart, yielding more clues to the fundamentals of matter.

The collider, with a cost estimate that ranges from \$8 billion to nearly \$12 billion, is being paid for mostly by the federal government, but also by the state of Texas and foreign investors.

Schwitters said next year's funding battle will be the most critical for the collider.

Completing the collider by 1999 requires spending about twice as much money in 1992 as the \$417 million that will be spent next year, Schwitters said.

"That will really dictate the overall pace of the program," he said.

It may be harder for the collider to win a funding increase next year because Congress, during the October budget fracas, decided that a spending increase above the inflation rate for a project must be matched by decreases in other projects.

Congress also separated government projects into three categories — international, domestic and defense — and said projects in one category may not compete for funds with those in another. Spending increases on the collider, for instance, can't be matched with less spending on aid to foreign countries.

Astro-Graph By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Dec. 20, 1990

Make an effort to try to keep the channels open in the year ahead to persons for whom you've done favors in the past. They're desirous of reciprocating, but they might need little reminders. **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You're likely to be more focused on the big picture today than you will be on its significant details. In order to function effectively and successfully, you must be cognizant of both. **CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You'd be wise not to try to keep up with friends today who are in a position to spend more than you can. If you find yourself pressed, you might use funds that are earmarked for something else.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You might be unduly influenced today by an associate who has faulty judgment but good salesmanship abilities. If you let this person help formulate your decisions, you may regret it later.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Matters which are of significance to you might not be of equal importance to your friends today. Try to keep this in mind if you start feeling inclinations to dominate the conversation.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Guard against inclinations today to overindulge mentally, physically or financially. If you participate in something fun, don't pack all of your good living into one experience.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Persons with whom you'll be involved today will be aware of your recent accomplishments, so it won't behoove you to toot your own horn. The music you play could consist of too many sour notes.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Enthusiasm and optimism are attitudes we should all strive to maintain. However, today be certain your rose colored outlook is founded upon a feasible foundation.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your generous nature could be easily imposed upon today if you're unguarded. One who is a taker will be aware of this and might try to manipulate you to his/her advantage.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your position with others might not be as strong as you lead yourself to believe today. Be very careful you don't put more reliance on allies than they warrant.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Unfortunately, problems with which you have to contend at this time will not automatically take care of themselves. What you sweep under the rug today could create a dust cloud later.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You'll feel more comfortable today associating with intimate friends. Why expose yourself to a large crowd that could bore you when you could be with a few pals who adore you?

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Usually you're a pretty good judge of character, but today you might be rather glib and be taken in by what others pretend to be instead of what they actually are.

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Tom Leach of Pittsburgh had only six home runs in 1902 but still won the National League championship.

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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: You have indicated drinking is bad for a person, yet I've read where moderate drinkers live longer than people who never drink. At 70, three different doctors have suggested I have a glass of wine every evening. Are there cases where a little alcohol is beneficial?

DEAR READER: Some drinking is not harmful to most people. A little alcohol, however, is poison to alcoholics. And heavy drinking is hazardous to anybody. Therefore, the issue, like so many others in our complex modern world, is one of moderation. But what is moderation?

A few years ago, businessmen traditionally enjoyed what was called the "two martini lunch"; this was followed, in the evening, by a round or two of cocktails, wine with dinner and, perhaps, a nightcap. This was considered SOCIAL drinking! We now know that this amount of alcohol, consumed for years, is unquestionably unhealthy and, in most cases, leads to cirrhosis (liver scarring) and "wet brain" (mental changes), yet it was thought to be "moderate," average and acceptable by people in my parents' generation.

Modern research has conclusively demonstrated that more than four ounces of 80-proof spirits (or the equivalent in wine or beer) a day is

about all a person can handle without risking health problems.

On the other hand, millions of adults enjoy a cocktail or a glass of wine every day. For the most part, this is harmless; in fact, it is an enjoyable activity and is statistically associated with longevity — for unknown reasons, very moderate drinkers have been reported to live longer.

If your doctors have suggested you drink some wine in the evening, fine. But remember that our concept of moderation has changed: Less is better — moderation really means light drinking.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have a rash and blisters all over my body, which my dermatologist has diagnosed as pemphigoid dermatitis. He says there is no known cause, no known cure and it will last 12-18 months. I'm taking tetracycline three times a day. Can you comment on this?

DEAR READER: Pemphigoid is an unusual skin disorder, marked by areas of itchy, raised, large, reddish blisters. It is not a harmful condition and is believed to be an autoimmune disease, in which patients become allergic to their own skin. Prednisone (cortisone) is the preferred treatment and will usually shorten the course of the ailment and prevent new lesions from breaking out.

Pemphigoid must be differentiated (by biopsy) from pemphigus, a seri-

ous, related disease that is much more difficult to treat and can lead to generalized infection and death.

Evidently, your dermatologist chose to administer the antibiotic tetracycline. Ask him or her about Prednisone; it might make you more comfortable.

To give you more information about other disorders of the skin, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Eczema and Psoriasis." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their names and addresses to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Community Calendar

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Free blood pressure clinic; Hermligh Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
 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.
 Sparkle City Square Dancers; clogging; old Athletic Center building; 7-8 p.m.
 Sparkle City Square Dancers; workshop; old Athletic Center building; 8-10 p.m.
 Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961 or 573-8885.

THURSDAY

Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
 Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.
 Hospital Auxiliary Christmas Tea; Cogdell Hospital; 1:30-3:30 p.m.
 Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 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.
 Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-8110 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

Storytime; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.; 4 and 5-year olds.
 Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.
 Overeaters Anonymous; 1:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park; For more information, call 573-8322, 573-7705 or 573-9839.
 Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.
 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.
 Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101, 573-3657 or 573-3956.
 Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9410. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting).

SATURDAY

Alateen Step Study Group; 2:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park. For more information, call 573-8929 or 573-5164.
 People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-8626 or 573-9410.
 Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Lawyers to claim double jeopardy

DALLAS (AP) — Lawyers for three lawmen convicted in the Christmas Day 1987 beating death of a Sabine County jail inmate will attempt today to convince a federal appeals court that the lawmen were subjected to double jeopardy by being tried twice.

Former Hemphill Police Chief Thomas Ladner, and sheriff's deputies Billy Ray Horton and James "Bo" Hyden were convicted in Smith County last May of murdering Loyal Garner Jr. on Dec. 25, 1987 after he was arrested on a driving while intoxicated charge.

Ladner, 42, is serving a 28-year sentence, Horton, 59, was sentenced to 10 years in prison and Hyden was sentenced to 14 years. Horton and Hyden are free on appeal because their sentences were less than 15 years.

The three had been acquitted in Sabine County in July 1988 of violating Garner's civil rights by beating him and denying him medical attention.

Garner, a 34-year-old dump-truck driver from Florien, La., died in Tyler of injuries he suffered at the jail.

Ladner's attorney, John Seale of Jasper, and Smith County Assistant District Attorney Michael Sandlin will argue the double jeopardy issue today before the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which is based in New Orleans but will hear the case in Dallas.

Seale appealed a ruling by U.S. District Judge Howell Cobb of Beaumont in April that the murder trial would not be double jeopardy.

"We are going to argue the

same way," said Sandlin, who will argue the appeal on behalf of the state. "We do not think it is double jeopardy."

Seale said the jury in Hemphill had found the men innocent because they believed the lawmen had acted in self-defense when they hit Garner.

Connery pleased with new movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Sean Connery says his new post-Cold War thriller, "The Russia House," offers a picture of the Soviet Union rarely seen in the movies.

The espionage tale based on the John Le Carre best seller dispenses with Bond-style superspy action and spins the tale of a boozy English publisher caught in a web of international intrigue.

The 60-year-old actor said he hopes the film encourages younger people to learn more about the Soviet Union.

"My assistant has a 20-year-old daughter who really knows nothing about the Cold War and such. After she saw the film, she was absolutely taken with Russia. The response by most Americans who've seen the film is that they have never seen Russia presented like that," he said.

The film was shot in the Soviet Union, with cooperation from the government.

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Flying can be hazardous to pets' health

DALLAS (AP) — Flying can be hazardous for your pet, federal regulators say.

More than 71 pets have died in airplane cargo holds this year after suffocating or suffering from heatstroke, while others were killed or injured in runway mishaps or by airport conveyor belts.

American, Delta and United airlines are each under investigation for mishaps this summer that killed a combined 61 dogs, regulators told the Dallas Times-Herald.

"Nothing was born to die in a cargo bin," said Priscilla Benkin, an air transportation specialist with the American Dog Owners

Association. "This is the worst year in history" for such deaths, she said.

Ms. Benkin said the official numbers are just the surface of the problem.

"I'm sure there are a lot of little mutt pets you never hear about," she said.

One of Angela Waters' two dogs died after arrival in Washington this summer. The other survived after being rushed in an ice-filled cooler to a veterinarian.

"They were all I had," said Ms. Waters, 39. "If I had only known... It's just the thought of them down there."

Mosquito's death on the flight that departed from Dallas-Fort

Worth International Airport is not typical of the fate that most animals meet in the air, industry spokesmen said.

But federal animal welfare officials have been meeting with air carriers to try to solve problems.

"When it boils down to somebody's pet, it's not an insignificant number," said Richard Crawford, animal care director with the U.S. Department of Agriculture in Hyattsville, Md.

Most cargo holds have no provision for air circulation or ventilation, regardless of the outside temperature.

"Once that door closes, that's all the air they're (animals) going to get," said Robert Hogan, a USDA animal health technician.

Four police-trained German shepherds were found dead on arrival of a flight from DFW Airport to Austin that had been

delayed 40 minutes in 93-degree September heat. Two other dogs survived the American flight.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture said almost every major airline licensed to transport animals has been cited and fined repeatedly for mishandling them.

Airlines' liability for pets is limited to the animals' purchase price. The companies provide claim forms like those used if the airlines lose or damage baggage.

Delta and United are reviewing animal handling procedures and will make sure that each flight's captain knows when live animals are on board, said airline representatives.

American Airlines has guidelines that prevent transporting pets in extreme temperatures and stresses animal care in training videotapes, said Lise Olson, a spokeswoman for the Fort Worth-based airline.



DUNN CLASS OF 1930 — Members of the first class to graduate after the Dunn High School became affiliated in 1930 gathered at the Dunn Community Center recently. Five out of ten class members attending were, from left, Graham Smith, Vernice Hairston Laster, Clifton Thomas, Viola Wood Thompson and Bill Hairston. The other five members were John Nixon, Myrtle Casey, Eula May Robinson, Fred Gary and Johnnie Ivy Creswell. Miss Vernelle Stinson of Dallas was class sponsor. (Private Photo)

Authorities say pet cat cleared in fatal shooting

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Police have knocked down a theory that a pet cat may have caused a sensitive rifle to discharge, killing the animal's owner.

Christopher Childers, 19, was found dead of a gunshot wound to his right head about 6:45 p.m. Monday. Investigators initially said it was an apparent accidental shooting.

But on Tuesday, at a brief news conference, police Sgt. David Ramos said the Bexar County Medical Examiners' Office ruled the death a homicide and that it was being investigated that way.

Masur to begin one year earlier

NEW YORK (AP) — Conductor Kurt Masur, named in April to direct the New York Philharmonic, will begin a season earlier than expected.

"I am very happy," Masur, 63, said Monday. "It means we have no time in between to wait for something."

Masur, also music director of the Gewandhaus Orchestra of Leipzig, Germany, and a guest conductor of the London Philharmonic, was to begin in the 1992-93 season.

Instead, he will conduct opening night next fall and the first and third weeks of the season, which were to have been conducted by Leonard Bernstein. He died earlier this year. Masur will conduct nine more weeks during the season.

Masur is here to conduct Mendelssohn's "Elijah" this week. It was to have been led by Bernstein.

Bridge By James Jacoby

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All pass			
Opening lead: ♦ Q			

up the name of Gabriel Chagas. This year he and Marcelo Branco won the World Open Pairs event, by the largest margin ever. Part of the reason is the deceptive bidding employed by Chagas in today's deal, leading to a top score. In the Chagas-Branco bidding methods, three diamonds by Chagas was a long-suit game-try, and Branco liked his prime cards in what he thought were both of his partner's suits well enough to jump to game.

When West led the queen of diamonds, declarer Chagas won dummy's ace and played A-Q of hearts, then A-K of clubs. He played a heart to the king in dummy and ruffed a club. Then he played one more heart. Meanwhile poor West had to make four discards. He had thrown a diamond and two spades, but what could he now throw on this heart? Trusting the bidding, he let go one more spade. Chagas played ace and a spade. The king popped up and declarer had gotten a top board in the open-pair competition.

Note well that this deceptive bidding on the part of declarer was perfectly proper. His partner obviously trusted the diamond bid when he bid four hearts. But Chagas might do well to change his tactics now that they are getting so much publicity. Future defenders will be wary.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby, are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books. © 1990, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

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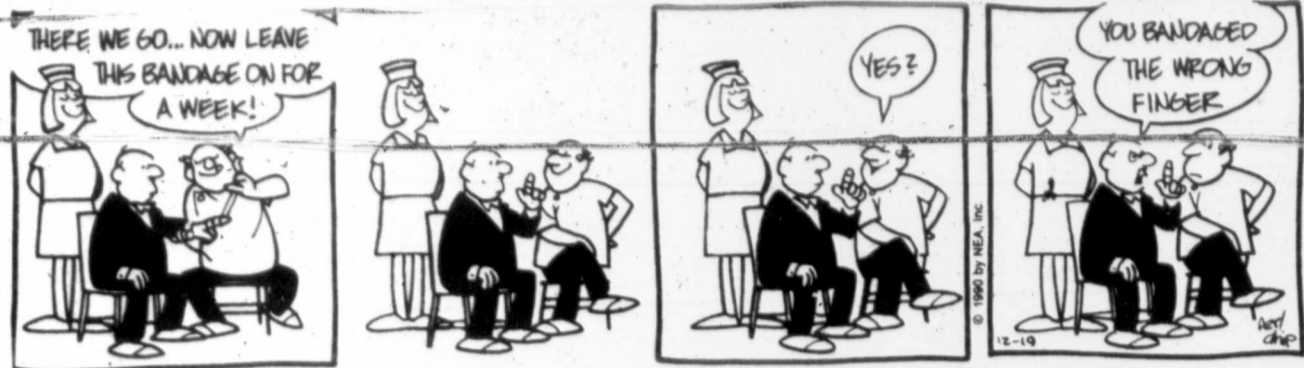
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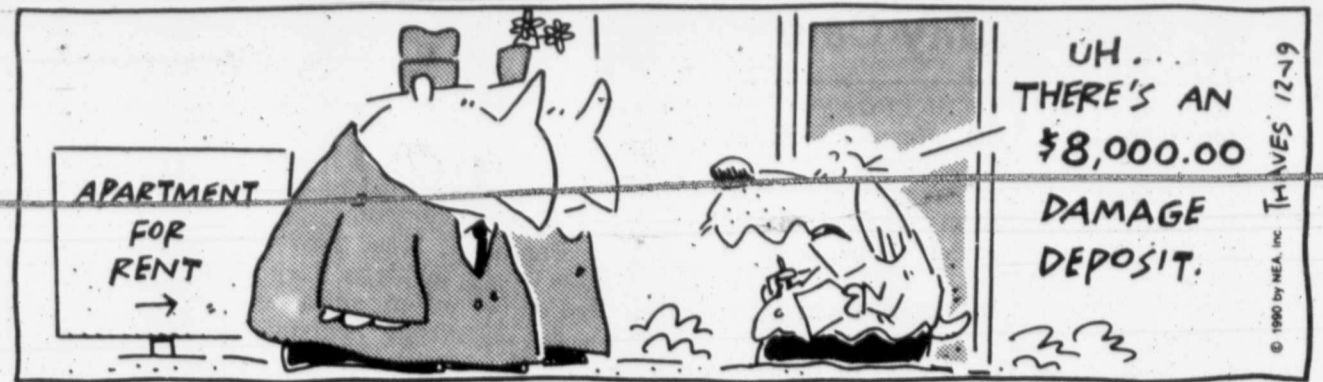
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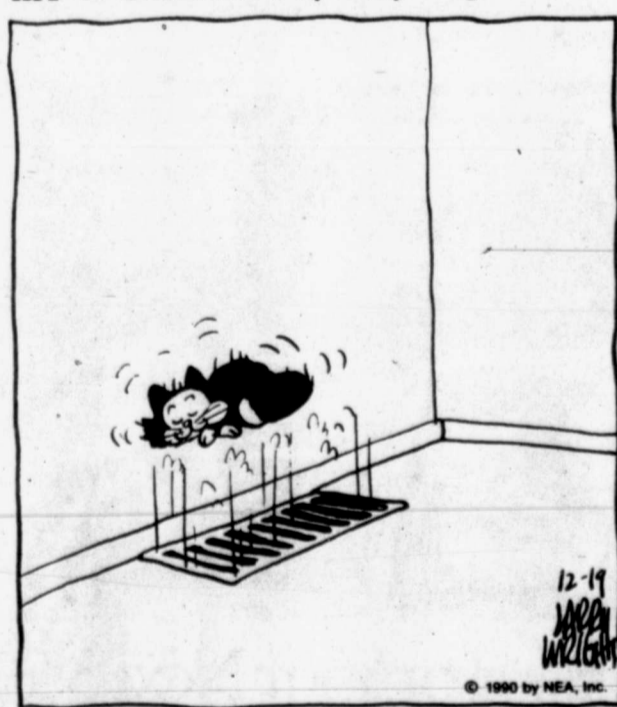
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Snyder falls, 44-38...

Slaton claims battle of Tigers

The Snyder Tigers hit a dry spot in their basketball season Tuesday falling to Slaton's Tigers, 44-38, in a defense-dominated non-district battle.

"You're not going to beat very many people scoring just 38 points," said Snyder coach Bud Birks of his team's cold-shooting offensive performance.

"I really don't know what the problem was," he said. "We played good enough defense to win. Our offense just wasn't hitting."

"I think the biggest thing was our execution was poor. We had some people not thinking on their way downcourt."

The hometown Tigers took a quick 2-0 lead on a basket in the lane from junior Hayward Clay. Slaton then reeled off 14 straight points before Clay banked in another short jumper to end the opening period with Snyder trailing, 14-4.

It was Clay again, hitting a hoop from the paint to close the gap to 17-9, at the 4:47 mark in the second quarter. He also nailed a pair of free-throws to set the score at 20-11 with about six minutes gone in the stanza then took a slick feed from senior Ed Rios to close the gap to 20-13 at halftime.

Slaton opened the third quarter with nine unanswered points before junior Jeff Wortham banked in a deuce followed by a basket from freshman Eric Brazier and a 12-foot jump shot from Eric West to bring the Snyder squad to within 10 with 30 seconds left in the quarter.

Slaton's Andy Larkin dropped a three with just 16 ticks on the third period clock but Brazier answered for Snyder with a trey of his own and after 24 minutes of play Slaton led, 32-22.

Snyder pulled ahead midway through the quarter as Clay grabbed an offensive rebound and sank his follow-up shot then canned a turnaround jumper in the lane.

Rios was successful on a pair of freebies at the 6:22 mark and Wortham had a put-back off an offensive board.

Rios, at the line again, made the first of two to bring the tally to 34-31 when Slaton coach Clifford Smith was tagged with a technical foul for arguing a call.

Wortham made one of the two free tosses for Snyder followed by a second three-pointer from Brazier that gave the home team a 35-34 lead with under four minutes to play.

The home Tigers simply self-destructed on their next few treks downcourt.

Wortham, wide open following a steal, missed an easy lay-up, Clay missed a shot from inside the lane, Wortham traveled with the ball and Brazier was called for a double-dribble.

Slaton went into a stall offense holding a 39-35 lead with just 1:20 remaining.

Wortham was called for a technical foul with just about a minute to play when, according to the official making the call, the Tiger wingman slapped the floor after being called for a foul.

To hoots from the crowd in attendance, Slaton's Michael Bentancourt sank both free throws from the infraction followed by one of two by Tracy Starkey of the visitors on the T.

With just 51 seconds left in the game, Slaton had moved to a 42-35 advantage.

Starkey added a pair of one-

pointers for Slaton while Ertu Tuylu, Brazier and West each hit a free shot for the Tigers to end the game.

Clay was Snyder's leading scorer with 15 points followed by Brazier's nine.

Starkey had 15 for Slaton while

Nazareth girls pop Lady Tigers, 58-23

NAZARETH — Snyder's Lady Tigers fell to Class A power Nazareth by a 58-23 score in non-district basketball action Tuesday night here.

Nazareth started fast with a 25-point first-quarter performance that left SHS down, 25-10 after just eight minutes.

By halftime NHS held a 32-15 advantage.

The home team expended 18 more in the third stanza while The Lady Tigers were limited to just six. Snyder scored only two points in the final quarter to Nazareth's eight.

Dessie Ware was the leading scorer for Snyder. She accounted for five points Tuesday.

Bentancourt added 11.

Snyder's offensive troubles extended to the charity stripe Tuesday as the Tigers hit just 10 of 21 attempts from the line.

Slaton successfully converted 13 of 18 tries.

Bryan Clinkinbeard made a

pair of clutch free throws to break a 40-40 tie with just :55 left in the junior varsity game which preceded the varsity tilt Tuesday.

Baretta Collins added one from the line to give the JV Tigers a 43-40 victory over Slaton.

Stephen Bollinger, Tory Garza and Collins each ended the night with seven points for Snyder.

The Snyder varsity will take a nine-day holiday before returning to the court in the Dec. 27-29 Canyon Tournament.

District 2-4A competition begins Jan. 11 when the Tigers host Lubbock Estacado.

The next JV contest is set for Jan. 4 when Snyder travels to Merkel.

Varsity
SLATON — Bentancourt 3-4 11; Larkin 2-1-5; Starkey 5-3-15; Williams 2-1-5; Bailey 0-2-3; Kirkwood 2-2-6; TOTALS 14-13-38-44.

Snyder — Rios 1-3-5; Tuylu 0-1-1; Brazier 1-3-9; West 1-1-3; Clay 6-3-15; Wortham 2-1-3-5; Wesley 0-0-1-0; TOTALS 13-10-21-38.

3-point goals: Snyder 2 (Brazier 2); Slaton 3 (Starkey 2, Bentancourt 1). **Total fouls:** Snyder 17, Slaton 17. **Fouled out:** Larkin. **Records:** Snyder 9-7, Slaton 7-5.

Slaton	14	6	12	12	44
Snyder	4	9	9	16	38

JUNIOR VARSITY

SLATON — Smith 1-2-4; Oliverez 3-0-0-6; Johnston 6-5-8-18; Roberts 1-1-3-3; Jones 2-1-2-5; Velickovic 1-0-0-2; Evans 0-2-5-2; TOTALS 14-11-24-40.

Snyder — Rodriguez 2-2-4-6; Garza 2-3-7-7; Collins 3-1-2-7; Vestal 1-0-1-3; Ware 1-0-0-2; Clinkinbeard 2-2-2-6; Crawford 1-3-5-5; Bollinger 3-0-0-7; TOTALS 15-11-21-43.

3-point goals: Snyder 2 (Vestal 1, Bollinger 1); Slaton 1 (Johnston). **Total fouls:** Snyder 18, Slaton 21. **Fouled out:** none.

Slaton	8	11	10	10	40
Snyder	7	14	5	17	43

Short list includes three Florida cities

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Florida, the largest state in the nation without a major league baseball franchise, has taken a big step in that direction with three cities named among six finalists for franchises in 1993.

"It's been a long time coming," said Ron Safford, director of sports development for the state's Department of Commerce. "Regardless of what cities are selected, Florida is the ultimate winner."

St. Petersburg-Tampa, Miami and Orlando joined Buffalo, Denver and Washington, D.C. on the "short list" the National League is considering for two new teams to begin play in 1993. Final selection is expected before the end of September. Each new team will pay a \$95 million franchise fee.

Eliminated by Tuesday's trimming were Nashville, Tenn., Charlotte, N.C., Phoenix and Sacramento, Calif., along with other ownership groups in several of the cities selected.

Doug Danforth, chairman of the Pittsburgh Pirates and head of the NL expansion committee, called the six finalists "the most qualified in terms of financial stability, significant community identification and long-term commitment to a baseball club and their community."

Dallas signs TE Folsom

IRVING, Texas (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys on Tuesday signed free agent tight end Steve Folsom, who started all 16 games for the team in 1989.

Folsom was the last player cut from the team in training camp and had not re-signed with another club.

"Steve understands the system and has been working out," said Dallas coach Jimmy Johnson.

The Cowboys wanted Folsom because tight end Rob Awalt has been hampered by injuries.

"The cities on the list are the best in terms of market size, government commitment to support baseball, and stadium facilities in place or planned. We look forward to the next step in the expansion process, visits to the sites and final recommendations."

With Florida's status as the nation's fourth-most populous state and its attractive television markets, the state is considered a front-runner to land one and perhaps both of the new franchises.

Orlando joined the competition late and still lacks a stadium, but it has deep pockets with Amway Corp. president Richard DeVos, whose estimated net worth is \$315 million. The team also has a name (Sun Rays), a manager (Bob Boone) and plans to build a \$109 million park.

Pat Williams, owner of the NBA's Orlando Magic and director of the city's baseball effort, said the planned stadium would win the city a franchise.

Johnson and Ryan are trading insults

IRVING, Texas (AP) — It wouldn't be Philadelphia-Dallas week if Buddy Ryan and Jimmy Johnson didn't exchange insults. Philadelphia coach Ryan insists he can't even remember Johnson's name.

Dallas coach Johnson thinks Ryan must be getting senile. Things between the two haven't been civil since Johnson accused Ryan of having a bounty on some of his players in last year's Thanksgiving Day game, which the Eagles won 27-0.

"They have a bad Thanksgiving Day and their coach, whatever his name is, instead of just taking the heat for a bad game plan, he made it into a bounty bowl," Ryan said.

"Maybe Buddy is getting senile I don't know," Johnson countered. "I guess it's good for our guys to understand the mentality of the team we are playing."

Dallas, which lost to Philadelphia 21-20 earlier in the year, is at Veterans Stadium on Sunday with a possible wildcard playoff berth at stake.

If Dallas wins and Detroit beats Green Bay then the Cowboys earn the third NFC wild card berth. Philadelphia has already clinched a wild card.

Johnson, who is 0-3 against Ryan, said he understands the philosophy involved in Ryan's verbal insults.

"He enjoys needling people and getting under your skin when he has the upper hand," Johnson said. "You didn't see a lot of quotes early in the season when he was losing. He clinched a playoff spot and now you hear him."

Johnson said Dallas will have a more competitive team than the one beaten 20-10 in Philadelphia last year. Johnson and the team were snowballed by the fans when they left the field.

"It was a dark season not just that day," Johnson said of his 1-15 rookie campaign.

Johnson said the Cowboys will be bringing a more competitive team to Philadelphia this time.

"It was a miserable year particularly knowing you didn't have a chance to win, but now we are more confident and know we will win if we have prepared ourselves," Johnson said. "I look forward to the day when we have the dominant team. And that day will come and we'll enjoy it."

The Cowboys (7-7) have won four consecutive games, the longest current winning streak in the NFL.

"When we started the year we hoped we could get into a position of being in the break-even stage," Johnson said.

NBA roundup...

Milwaukee eases past Pistons

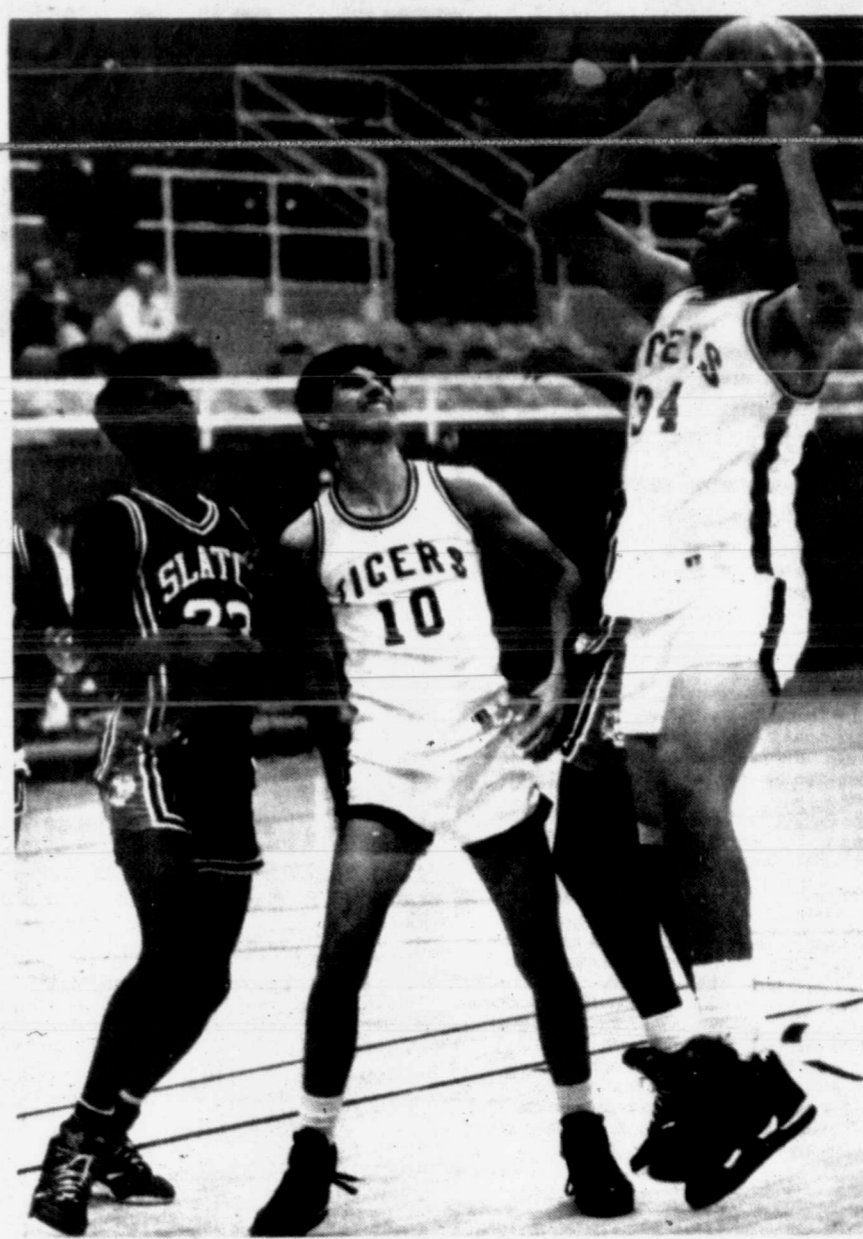
By The Associated Press

A three-guard rotation carried the Detroit Pistons to two consecutive NBA titles, and now the Milwaukee Bucks are challenging the defending champions with the same strategy.

Jay Humphries played all 48 minutes and scored a career-high 36 points Tuesday night, including 13 in the final quarter when the Bucks outscored the Pistons 32-15 in the final 9:31 for a 106-101 victory.

"I worked overtime," Humphries said. "I felt it a little bit in the fourth quarter, but there were timeouts, fouls and things and I could catch my breath."

Guard Rickey Pierce scored 24 points and backcourt starter Alvin Robertson had 15 rebounds as the Bucks improved their record to 17-7 and their lead over Detroit in the Central Division to 1 1/2 games. Milwaukee is 13-0 at home.



TO THE HOOP — Snyder's Hayward Clay, 34, drives to the basket in third quarter action of the Tigers' 44-38 loss to Slaton Tuesday night at the county coliseum. Lending support underneath is Snyder senior Ed Rios, 10. (SDN Staff Photo)

NBA glance

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Utah 105, Charlotte 100; Philadelphia 110, the Los Angeles Clippers 99; the Los Angeles Lakers 100, New York 97; Chicago 112, Miami 103; Phoenix 114, Dallas 95; San Antonio 96, Houston 95; Portland 122, Golden State 94; Sacramento 108, Minnesota 99, and Seattle 122, Orlando 105.

Spurs 96, Rockets 95

David Robinson had 18 points, 13 rebounds and eight blocked shots, and hit two free throws with 23 seconds left. Sean Elliott had 23 points for the Spurs. The Rockets were led by guards Vernon Maxwell and Kenny Smith with 25 and 23 points, respectively.

Suns 114, Mavericks 95

Dan Majerle scored 13 of his 24 points in the second quarter, helping Phoenix grab a 14-point lead in its rout of Dallas.

Trail Blazers 122, Warriors 94

Portland built a 35-9 lead after one quarter and rolled to victory over Golden State. Clyde Drexler scored 10 of his 20 points during the first-quarter explosion as the Warriors missed 18 of 22 shots.

Lakers 100, Knicks 97

Magic Johnson scored 22 points, including two crucial baskets in the final minute. The Lakers, who led by as many as 12 points before 5-of-18 shooting in the third period allowed the Knicks to rally, took 96-93 and 98-95 leads on Johnson's two shots, a hook and a 15-footer.

Jazz 105, Hornets 100

Karl Malone had 30 points and 17 rebounds. Thurl Bailey's free throw with 10:34 remaining in the game broke a 76-76 tie and the Jazz later took control with a 6-0 run for an 87-80 lead.

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Walsh still prosecuting scandal four years later

WASHINGTON (AP) — Lawrence E. Walsh ends his fourth year as Iran-Contra prosecutor today fighting to preserve his most important convictions and pry evidence from unwilling witnesses to complete his investigation.

Congress and much of the public appear to have forgotten, or at least lost interest, in the biggest scandal of the Reagan administration.

But a grand jury continues to hear evidence in the case, and Walsh says he will decide by spring whether to seek new indictments or conclude his investigation.

In the meantime, Walsh gets a chilly reception from the Bush administration, whose hard-line stance on releasing classified documents scuttled the prosecution of former CIA agent Joseph Fernandez.

He endures the editorial taunts of conservative commentators. One recently compared him to a dinner guest who won't go home.

His office is still dueling in closed court proceedings with Oliver L. North over the former White House aide's refusal to give more testimony to the grand jury.

North scored a major victory earlier this year when a federal appeals court set aside his three felony convictions for his role in covering up the sale of U.S. arms to Iran and the diversion of profits to the Nicaraguan Contra rebels.

The decision bodes ill for Walsh's other major triumph — five guilty verdicts earlier this year against former national security adviser John M. Poindexter, convicted of lying to Congress and obstructing its investigations.

Poindexter's appeal is set to be argued Feb. 28.

And now Walsh is fighting a rear-guard action against Jeffrey Toobin, a former junior associate of his office who wants to publish a book about the Iran-Contra investigation that the independent counsel contends would expose grand jury secrets.

Toobin has filed suit against Walsh in New York.

"I have never felt in the center of friends," said Walsh, a former federal judge, and Wall Street lawyer who is a month shy of his 79th birthday but looks at least 10 years younger. "This has always been a lonely place."

But Walsh, who shuttles between Washington and his home in Oklahoma City, said his investigation achieved its goal of uncovering the wrongs of the Iran-Contra affair.

"The central actors have been pretty well described," he said in an interview, while acknowledging that "the supervisory and support roles may never be fully exposed."

Eight participants have been convicted, including Poindexter, North, former national security adviser Robert McFarlane and arms dealers Richard V. Secord and Albert Hakim.

Just last week, Thomas G. Clines received a 16-month sentence — the longest prison term imposed on an Iran-Contra defendant — for failing to report on his tax returns all the money he earned brokering the arms deals.

The grand jury is trying to determine whether other former Reagan administration officials could be prosecuted for misleading Congress about the covert operation to arm the Nicaraguan rebels.

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KIDS KAMPUS 'CHRISTMAS' — Kids Kampus celebrated "Christmas" last week with a party for children from age two to school age. These children were all wearing antlers as they prepared to sing "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer." (Kids Kampus Photo)

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Wives go to Middle East, husbands raise kids

FORT BLISS, Texas (AP) — Robert Buffham had to send his children to live with friends. Felix Dean had to learn mothering skills. Scott Chamberlain and Don Dittsworth lament that he can't even go to neighbors for consoling.

They are the spouses of soldiers, and their wives have been sent to the Persian Gulf for Operation Desert Shield.

In a reversal of roles from the nation's previous military deployments, many a man has been left behind to raise the children, run the household and deal with the possibility that their wife could be killed in war.

"Their greatest fear has been that Mommy won't come home, that Mommy's already dead," said Robert Buffham, husband of Spec. Lona Buffham of the 3rd Armored Cavalry at Fort Bliss.

Buffham, 38, was left to care for children ages 5, 2½, 1½ and a 7-week-old newborn.

"She had her maternity leave, (but) two days after her maternity leave, they said: 'Hey, let's go. Time to pack up and leave,'" Buffham said.

Although Buffham, a Vietnam veteran, was accustomed to caring for the children and home while his wife pursued her Army career, his wife's deployment has been emotionally overwhelming for him and his children, especially his oldest son, he said.

"When all this happened all the kids — Aaron mostly — started asking, 'Where's Momma?' And (Aaron) knew that Momma went away. I said, 'Momma's going to Saudi Arabia.'

"Then he said: 'I know what's going on there. Mommy won't come back alive.'"

On the advice of a doctor, Buffham sent his children to live with a Central Texas couple, friends who had successfully raised seven

children.

"He (Aaron) needed to be with someone with mothering skills. I did not have that much mothering skills," Buffham said.

Buffham attends a biweekly support group meeting on post to exchange problems and suggestions with other male spouses. Fort Bliss' Army Community Services started the group in September to cater to male dependents.

"We noticed men were reluctant to go out and ask for help because men were supposed to be strong. We're not supposed to ask for help," said Robert Ramirez, an ACS staffer.

Two sheets of poster paper hang on Felix Dean's living room wall. One lists bills that must be paid, important numbers and Mom's address in Saudi Arabia. The other is a list of goals Dean made after saying goodbye to his wife, Spec. Beverly Dean, of the 11th Air Defense Artillery.

"My goal is: To keep God in my life and in my kids' life," the sheet reads. "To keep faithful to my wife, and kids and God. To save \$200 each month, starting Dec. 15, 1990."

"No matter what happens she knows I'm there. My wife knows my kids are well taken care of, because she knows that's No. 1 in my household," said Dean, 33.

Dean's poor vision and other disabilities forced him out of the Army, so for years he has been staying at home with his five girls: Latanya, 16; Stephanie, 11; Rachel, 10; Felicia, 8 and Bridgett, 7.

"My friends ask me, 'Did your Dad go to Saudi Arabia?'" Felicia said. "And I say, 'My Dad didn't go, my Mom did.'"

Dean said his daughters have been surprisingly strong. Stephanie helps with the younger girls and does some of the cooking. Rachel helps her father read the bills and write letters to his wife.

And in one respect, Mrs. Dean's deployment has been good, Dean said. It has helped him heal a strained relationship with his oldest daughter who now lives in Georgia.

"She called me and talked to me and she talked to me about boys ... Since my wife's been gone, we have grown a bond. We can talk and laugh. I'm there for her because her mom isn't," Dean said.

The men say many of the adjustments they are making are not very different from the adjustments wives of soldiers must make, such as living on less income. But there are some distinct differences.

"The wives can always go next door and knock on their neighbors' door and have coffee with them and talk," said Scott Chamberlain, 32-year-old father of Sara, 8; Angela, 7; Katy, 4; Jeremy, 2; and Tracy, 1. The former Marine's wife, Spec. Brenda Chamberlain, is a cook with the 11th Air Defense Artillery.

"I go next door and it's, 'What do you want?'"

The men avoid going over to a female neighbor's home, especially those whose husbands are in the Middle East. If they do, they'll be accused of "hitting up on them," said oonDDittsoorh, who stays home with Candy, 2.

His wife, Spec. Cristal Dittsworth, drives an 80-ton tractor trailer and is a member of the 233rd Transportation Co.

Sometimes the men are ridiculed or begrudged because they were not shipped to the Persian Gulf, Buffham said.

"People still say, 'How could you let your wife go off to war?' and all this garbage," he said. "I'd Iddinn' call her off to war, the commander in chief did, And we are in full support of the commander in chief. I just say, 'Hohey, come back as soon as you get through.'"

Bureaucracy thwarts student at A&M

BEIJING (AP) — A Chinese student trying to ensure justice for a jailed pro-democracy activist left today for the United States, ending a frustrating trip with no new information about his friend's case.

Ge Xun, 31, came to China after hearing reports that Wang Juntao would stand trial soon for his involvement in last year's pro-democracy movement.

Ge, who is working on a doctorate in physics at Texas A&M University, said he and Wang became close friends after they met in 1982 while working at the Institute of Atomic Energy.

Ge said he wanted to attend court proceedings to make sure Wang was treated fairly. But he was stonewalled by Chinese officials, and decided to cut short his trip after 10 days because of pressure from family members concerned about his safety.

"I am not so satisfied with the trip. Probably I could do a little more by continuing here," he said. "But I will follow the developments from the United States and write letters to Chinese authorities to let them know people care about Wang Juntao."

Chinese sources say Wang and

a colleague, Chen Ziming, have been charged with sedition, a crime that could bring the death penalty. Wang was the editor of a now-banned economic studies weekly and Chen was the publisher.

They have been accused of manipulating students who led protests last year urging democratic reforms.

The Chinese army violently suppressed the pro-democracy movement in June 1989, killing hundreds of people. Thousands were arrested in a nationwide crackdown on dissent that followed.

Ge said he was sent from office to office and followed by undercover security agents when he tried to get information about Wang.

"Finally, I was told the case is still under investigation," he said.

At the Beijing Public Security Bureau, officials quizzed Ge about his background.

"They wanted to know why my friend is more important to me than my family," Ge said. "I told them, my family is important to me, but at least they are free."

Ge said he asked public security officials if Wang is still alive.

"They got very upset about this," he said. "They said his family members know about him and that it is not necessary to explain this to me."

Trials in China are closed except to a few invited people who often do not include family or friends. There is a presumption that the defendant would not have been arrested unless guilty.

Defense lawyers usually confine their arguments to pleas for leniency based on the defendant's lack of a criminal record or a "good attitude." Sentences may be reduced if the defendant admits guilt.

Ge has been in the United States since 1986 and has not seen Wang for five years.

He said he has not decided if he will come to China again to continue seeking justice for Wang.

"I'm going to watch the

Mishaps worked, burglary probed by local police

Snyder police investigated an assault, two traffic accidents, a burglary and a report of injury to a child during the last 24 hours.

An assault Class A report was filed after police spoke with a woman at 10:34 a.m. who said she had been assaulted by her husband Monday night.

An officer was called to Municipal Court at 12:08 p.m. to transport two men to Scurry County Jail. A 28-year-old male was taken to lay out a fine for disorderly conduct and a 20-year-old male was taken to lay out a public intoxication fine.

Police were called to the scene of a two-vehicle accident at 3:58 p.m. at 35th St. and Beaumont. Involved were a 1979 Chevrolet driven by Myrthall Callaway of 1202 26th St. and a 1990 GEO driven by Michael Rogers of 2315 40th St. The Rogers vehicle was towed from the scene. The Callaway vehicle received minor damage. No injuries were reported.

A second accident was reported at 4:55 p.m. in the 1900 block of 25th St. A 1982 Chevrolet driven by Marion Essery of Route 3 was in collision with a 1958 Chevrolet driven by Joel McCright of P.O. Box 91. Damage to the Essery vehicle was described as moderate and the McCright vehicle sustained minor damage.

Police took a 14-year-old juvenile into custody after responding to a fight in progress call at the Cinema at 9:15 p.m. The subject was taken to police headquarters where he was later released into the custody of his parents.

At 10:08 p.m., police were called to the 2400 block of Ave. R where a 1983 Chevrolet pickup owned by Jay Baze had been burglarized. Taken from the vehicle were two hunting rifles valued at approximately \$700. A report for burglary of a vehicle was filed by officers.

Police were called to Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room by a hospital employee at 2:00 a.m. today where a 20-month-old child was being treated for a cut to the head. According to police, the child was injured when an object that had been thrown accidentally struck the child.

The child was treated and released. A report for injury to a child was filed and will be submitted to the District Attorney for review. No arrests were made.

News Briefs

IRS postpones Willie Nelson auction

AUSTIN (AP) — A scheduled Dec. 27 auction of the first of singer Willie Nelson's property has been postponed, the Internal Revenue Service says.

The public auction at the Travis County Courthouse won't take place as advertised, IRS spokeswoman Jamie Stewart said Tuesday.

The IRS last month seized Nelson's properties in several states to ensure payment of \$16.7 million in back taxes it says the Grammy award-winning singer owes from the late 1970s and early 1980s.

Nelson says his tax problems were caused by poor handling of his finances by a previous business manager.

Ms. Stewart said 689 acres had been the first set for public sale because the first lienholder had posted a foreclosure notice. But she said that no longer is an issue for the IRS, and the sale can be postponed to coincide with the auction of other Nelson properties.

Collection officers are continuing to compile a list of Nelson's holdings, Ms. Stewart said. Once that accounting is completed, probably around the first of the year, an auction or auctions can be set.

Blast levels whistleblower's home

HOUSTON (AP) — Arson officials are investigating an early morning explosion that leveled the home of a Houston man who blew the whistle on a used car fraud scheme on CBS' "60-Minutes."

The 3 a.m. explosion scattered debris across the southeast Houston street where Charles Vance lived, officials said. Vance was away from home at the time and there were no reported injuries.

"I'm in shock at this point," Vance said while firefighters extinguished the fiery blaze.

His nephew, David Smith, was next door when the blast occurred. "I just heard a boom," Smith said. "I ran outside and the whole house was in flames."

Authorities say they are investigating a connection between the explosion and Vance's appearance on the CBS show "60 minutes" earlier this month. Vance told journalists on the show he knew about used car dealers in Houston rolling back mileage odometers to get a better price on their cars.

Vance said he has gotten death threats since the program aired and believes the explosion is related to his outspokenness.

Court affirms murder conviction

AUSTIN (AP) — The 3rd Court of Appeals today affirmed the conviction and 40-year prison sentence assessed Eli Stutzman in the 1985 shooting death of his roommate, whose body was found in a ditch in rural Travis County.

Stutzman is the man whose son's body was discovered on a Nebraska road in what became known nationwide as the "Little Boy Blue" case.

His conviction in Nebraska of misdemeanor charges of abandoning a body and concealing the death of another person were entered into evidence before an Austin judge in 1989 sentenced Stutzman to 40 years in the death of his roommate, Glen Albert Pritchett, 24.

Stutzman had pleaded guilty to the misdemeanors in the death of his 9-year-old son Danny and was given an 18-month sentence. He told Nebraska authorities that Danny developed a respiratory problem and died while they were driving to Ohio.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)	High	Low	Last	DigitalEq	59	57 1/2	57 1/2
AMR Corp	50 1/4	49 1/2	50 1/2	Dillard	89 1/2	88 1/2	88 1/2
ALLTEL Cp	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	DowChem	47 1/2	47 1/2	48
Ameritech	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	DresserInd	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
AmStores	52 1/2	51 1/2	52	duPont	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Amer T&T	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2	EstKodak	42 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2
Amoco	50 1/2	50 1/2	50 1/2	Exxon	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2
AndarkPtr	29 1/2	29	29	Exxon	51	50 1/2	50 1/2
Arka	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	FtCityBcp	3 1/2	2 1/2	3
ArmoInc	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	Goodrich	14	13 1/2	14
AtlRichfd	124 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	FordMotor	26 1/2	25 1/2	26 1/2
BakerHugh	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	GTE Cp	30 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
BancTexas	13-64	13-64	13-64	GnDynam	26	25 1/2	25 1/2
BellAtlan	56 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	GenElec	57	56 1/2	56 1/2
BellSouth	33 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	GenMills	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2
Beth Steel	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	GenMotors	35 1/2	34 1/2	35
Borden	29 1/2	29	29 1/2	GnMotrE	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
Caterpillar	47 1/2	46	47	GlobMar	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2
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DallSemin	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	Kroger	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2
DeltaAirl	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2	vJLTv Cp	9-16	16	16

Petroleum prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Petroleum cash prices Tuesday as compared with Monday's prices.

Tue. Mon.

Refined Products

Fuel oil No. 2 NY hbr bg gl fob 75-80 74-90

Gasoline uni prem RVP NY hbr bg gl fob 68-80

69-90

Gasoline uni RVP NY hbr bg gl fob 66-20 65-75

Prices provided by Oil Buyer's Guide.

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Petroleum - Crude Grades

Saudi Arabian light \$ per bbl fob 24.75 24.90

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Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — Cattle prices were steady on all classes on a run of 800 head at a sale at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, Dec. 15.

Heifers: 2-400, 105-135; 4-600, 89-105; 6-800, 80-90.

Steers: 2-400, 112-140; 4-600, 90-112; 6-800, 84-90.

Good heavy springer cows, 750-850; Older springer cows, 550-650; Good cows and calves, 600-1000; Older cows and calves, 600-750; good packer cows, 55-58; fat packer cows, 51-42; old shelly cows 40-45; packer bulls 60-65; good breeding bulls back to country, 70-85.

The livestock auction will be closed for two weeks.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: About six weeks ago, I came home from the office and my wife told me that a woman had phoned saying she had some important information about my father. The woman said she lived about 100 miles from here, and she left her telephone number.

Abby, my father died at a young age, leaving my mother with small children to raise. Mother never remarried. Fortunately, she was able to support herself and raise us.

My wife persuaded me to return the call. The woman (I'll call her Diane) asked permission to come to my home the following weekend. I refused, agreeing instead to meet her at a local coffee shop.

Abby, Diane is an adoptee who recently located and met her birth mother. She told me that my father was also her father, which makes her my half-sister! She said her mother had told her that she and my father had been lovers for the last two years of his life. She said her mother never told her lover (Dad) that she was pregnant, and she (Diane) was given up for adoption when she was 5 days old!

I told her that I did not take any stock in secondhand information — that I needed concrete proof in writing. She had none. However, she described my father's physical appearance accurately, knew the names of his friends, the branch of service he had been in, and she correctly detailed the circumstances of his accidental death, which occurred some years ago. I asked Diane what she wanted of me and my family. She said: "Nothing. I just want to know something about my family, and perhaps see some photographs of my blood relatives."

Abby, I was prepared to meet a kook or a con artist. Instead, I found her to be a very gentle, decent person. Now I am totally confused about what to do. At this point, I don't want to tell anyone else. (I am thankful she didn't contact my mother.)

At the end of our meeting, she said, "Our father has been dead for a long time. Whom would we be hurting by knowing each other?"

Abby, I am wondering if there is some kind of physical test that could either prove or disprove these allegations? If this woman is really my half-sister, is there any way to verify it?

NO NAME OR CITY, PLEASE

DEAR NO NAME: Ask your physician to recommend a genetic testing specialist. Both you and Diane would be required to submit to physical tests. (Blood samples, for example.)

I agree with Diane. Whom would you be hurting if you know the truth about your blood relationship? There is nothing to be ashamed of. And whether you wish to disclose this new discovery to other family members would be up to you.

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter from "Puzzled," the man who asked whether he should give his deceased wife's belongings to his soon-to-be new wife. He was concerned about how his three daughters-in-law would feel about it. (He had three sons — no daughters.)

I related to that problem, because a few years ago, I was a daughter-in-law in just that situation. My advice to that man would be to first speak to his sons. There may be some pieces of jewelry or clothing they had given to their mother that for sentimental reasons they would want their wives or daughters to have.

I know from personal experience that it can be very painful for sons to see their father's new wife wearing things that once belonged to their deceased mother.

ANOTHER VIEW

Court grants stay

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — A federal appeals court granted an execution stay late Tuesday to a convicted killer just hours before he was scheduled to die for killing a Texas A&M employee.

Danny Ray Harris, 30, had been slated to die by injection early today, but he won a reprieve from the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans late Tuesday night.

Earlier Tuesday, the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and U.S. District Judge Lynn Hughes in Houston had refused to delay Harris' execution.

Widespread torture, killings reported

Amnesty International issues report on Kuwait

LONDON (AP) — Amnesty International issued a report today charging that Iraqi occupation forces in Kuwait have tortured and killed hundreds of people, including 300 premature babies who died because incubators were stolen.

Amnesty's first comprehensive description of abuses in occupied Kuwait since the Iraqi invasion on Aug. 2 gives few precise

figures.

But Norma Johnson, the human rights organization's head of communications, said today that "About 1,000 people have been executed, many hundreds have been tortured and something like 10,000 still remain in detention in Kuwait."

"People going out of their homes to buy food, innocent Kuwaitis, are being picked up by

the Iraqi troops, taken back to their homes, and when they are identified by their parents, for example, are simply being shot in front of them," she said in a radio interview with the British Broadcasting Corp.

President Bush, who has cited Iraqi brutality as a reason for wanting to liberate Kuwait, said Tuesday that the 82-page Amnesty report provides examples of

Iraq's "primeval" treatment of the vanquished Kuwaitis.

Amnesty notes in the report that Iraqi authorities have engaged in similar practices against their own people for years.

The report cites "widespread abuses of human rights" in Kuwait.

The report said in some cases the arms, legs and ribs of some

victims were broken, tongues and ears were cut off and eyes were gouged out. In other cases, victims were castrated, the report said.

Amnesty adds, however: "The Iraqi forces' brutality in Kuwait has shocked many people in the past four months but such abuses have been the norm for people in Iraq for more than a decade."

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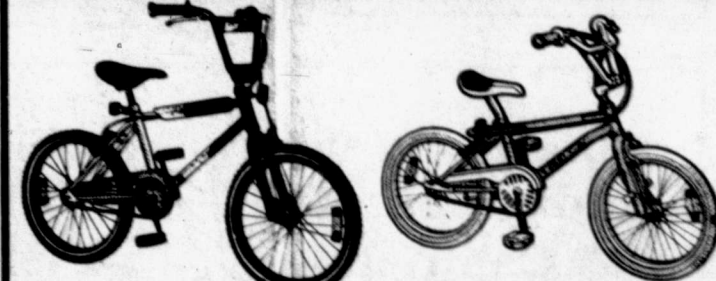
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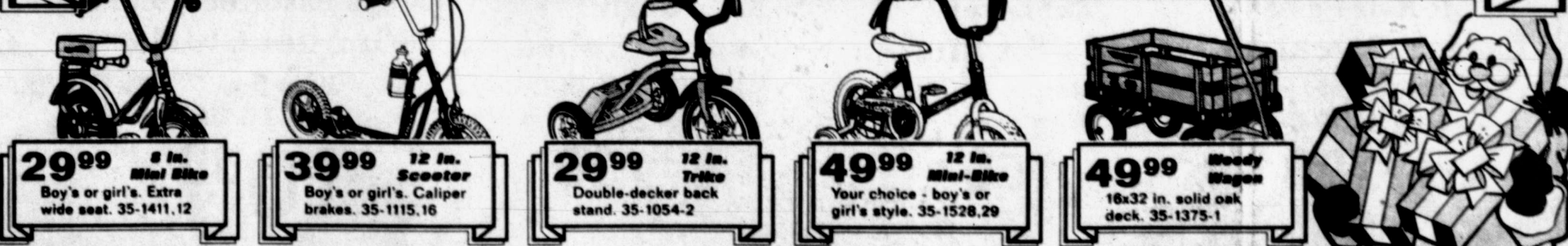
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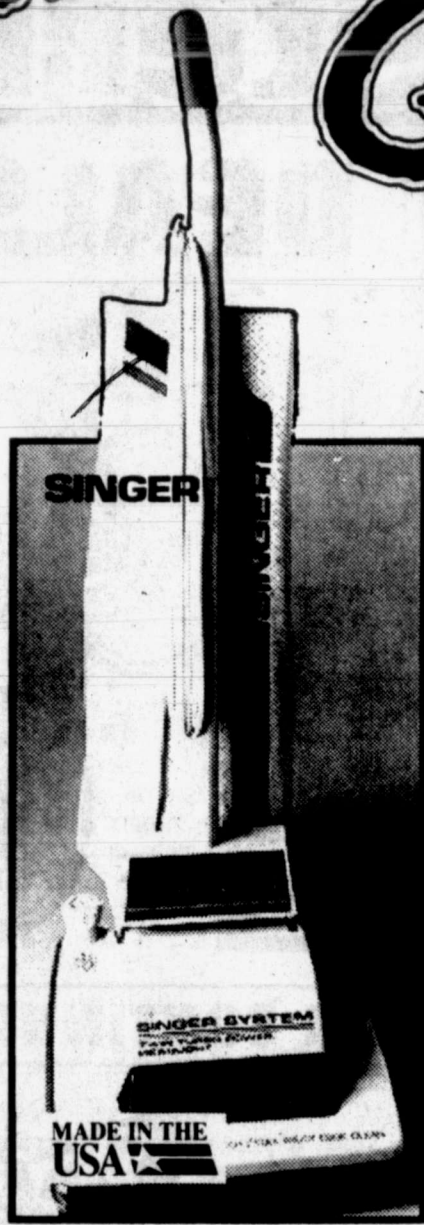
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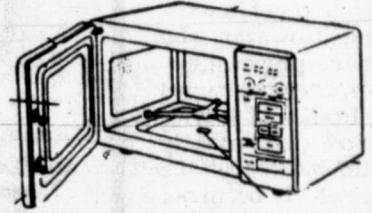


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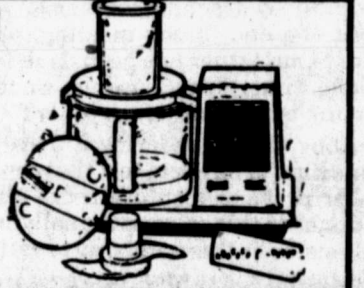
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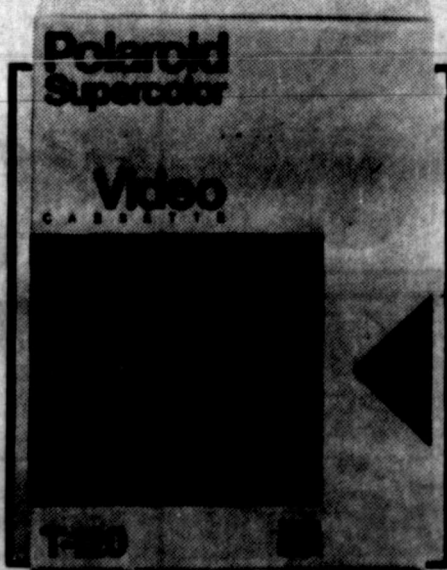
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