

Project to widen 37th St. is detailed

Chamber directors informed as part of information plan

A profile of the proposed widening of 37th St. from College Ave. west was given to Snyder Chamber of Commerce directors Monday by state highway officials.

The presentation was the first of what state representatives said would be several given in Snyder to acquaint citizens with details of the work.

Also planned in late July is a public hearing regarding the project. Comments made at that session, expected to be scheduled soon, will be made part of the public record and reviewed prior to final approval of the plan.

Linda Smith, a design engineer with the Abilene regional office for the Department of Highways and Public Transportation, made Monday's presentation to the chamber.

She noted the proposed cost to the state will be \$665,000. The local "match" will consist of securing right-of-way for the project plus any costs associated with moving utility lines.

The Snyder city council has pledged to provide these funds.

Regarding right-of-way, where a property owners sells a portion of their land for the project's use, Smith noted that only a three

block area will be affected.

This area will be adjoining the intersection of College Ave. and 37th St., where the street's width would be expanded from 44 to 60 ft.

Right-of-way will have to be secured on the north side of 37th St. for a two-block area just west of College. A one block area just west of College on the south side of 37th will require right-of-way also.

The 60 ft. width at this intersection will allow for the addition of a fifth traffic lane which will serve as a left-turn lane for vehicles off of 37th St. onto Col-

lege.

In addition, the light at this intersection would be changed so that traffic in all directions—both College Ave. and 37th St.—will gain a left turn-only signal.

The remainder of 37th St. to the west all the way to El Paso Ave. would be widened to a minimum of 48 ft.

This will consist of four paved traffic lanes, each 12 ft. in width.

On the south side of 37th St., for the majority of the approximate 1 mile stretch, the curb line will be moved back 4 ft.

On the north side of 37th, the curb will be moved back either 6

or 12 ft.

From Ave. U west to Austin Place, the 12 ft. setback will be required. From Austin Place to Crockett the requirement will be a 6 ft. setback on the north side of the street.

Behind the curb on both sides, the state will build a 4 ft. sidewalk.

Ed Vernon, chief engineer for the Snyder branch office of the highway department, said Tuesday that deed records indicate the city already has sufficient right-of-way agreements to widen the street to meet these 4

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30 days scheduled...

Worker comp session starts

AUSTIN (AP) — Legislators returned to the Capitol today for a 30-day special session on workers' compensation reform, a problem so knotty that the full overtime period likely will be needed to unravel it, a key lawmaker says.

"I would be amazed if it takes less than 30 days," said Rep. Richard Smith, R-Bryan, author of the House's workers' comp bill.

The session was to begin at 2 p.m. today, having been called by Gov. Bill Clements even before the 1989 Legislature's regular session ended May 29.

The highly controversial system for paying benefits for workers who suffer injuries or death on the job is under attack from all quarters.

Labor says it pays too little in benefits. Business says it costs too much. Clements says those high costs are driving new industry — and new jobs — away from Texas. Trial lawyers accuse business of trying to strip Texans of their right to trial by jury.

Clements sets the agenda for any special session by limiting the subjects that can be considered. But for this gathering, he says workers' comp is the first order of business.

"We're going to focus on that, first," Clements said in an interview. "I think they can move expeditiously."

Typically, however, special session wheeling and dealing finds the agenda opened to a wide range of topics — and this one appears no different.

Lawmakers have been bombarding the governor with requests for agenda items. And Clements himself has suggested some possible topics.

When he vetoed the Texas Aeronautics Commission budget on Friday night, the governor renewed his call for a unified state Department of Transportation to take over that commission's duties and others.

Lawmakers will get another

chance to create that department, he said in his budget proclamation, "after workers' compensation issues are addressed, (and) provided sufficient time is available."

A couple of other major topics look like good bets for inclusion on the special session agenda, sooner or later.

One of those is legislation to tighten campaign finance laws.

Imposing limits on how much money Texans can give political candidates, strengthening reporting requirements and other changes were a top priority of the outgoing secretary of state, Jack Rains, who resigned last week.

His replacement, former Clements chief-of-staff George Bayoud, indicated he may ask for reconsideration during the special session.

A second item being sought is a bill to lower the state tax on

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GRADUATION DAY — New leadership class graduate Linda Walton received her certificate Monday from Dr. Jim Palmer of Western Texas College, the course instructor (center) and chamber executive director Bill Moss. (SDN Staff Photo)



LEADER GRADS — Receiving plaques for their completion of the latest Century II: Leadership Scurry County class Monday at the Chamber of Commerce were, from left, Terri Hefner, Janice Mitchell, Jayme Roemisch, Linda Walton, Glen Gray, Betsy Griffin,

Tommy Aishman, Sally Lake, Dennis Carlton, Julie Sentell, Louis Aguilar and Fran Farmer. Not shown are Sandy Harlan, Susan Spires and Sam Robertson. (SDN Staff Photo)

Workers' comp battle continues

AUSTIN (AP) — Opposing sides of the Texas workers' compensation controversy have reached an agreement — they are far apart and will probably take 30 days, if not longer, to hammer out a compromise.

The latest controversy erupted Monday over a pre-filed workers' comp bill by state Rep. Richard Smith, R-Bryan, who has been the House's point man on the issue since the beginning of the year.

State lawmakers failed to reach a consensus during the 140-day regular session that ended May 29 and begin today a 30-day overtime session to overhaul the method of compensating workers who are injured or killed in on-the-job accidents.

During the regular session, the House approved a bill supported by business, while the Senate adopted a proposal backed by trial lawyers and labor.

Under Smith's new bill, comp benefits, which were criticized as too low in an interim legislative study, would remain about the same. The bill also would eliminate jury trials in disputed workers' comp claims and set up a detailed guideline for calculating permanent injuries.

Trial lawyers, who represent injured workers in jury trials, blasted the proposal.

Mike Perrin, president-elect of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, said Smith's bill was a "leap backwards" from the one he filed

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The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Frustration is being in the right place at the right time but nobody knowing it."

Recently, Shirley Gorman wrote a Scurry County Folks article about Jane Womack and her many years as a music teacher in Snyder. Currently, she is assistant professor of music at Western Texas College.

A "friend," Tom Machen came in Monday and said the story was incomplete. It didn't take any coaching for Machen to tell the "rest of the story."

While Jane is engrossed in her music, her husband, Bob, is engrossed in his fitness program. A former physical education teacher and principal, Bob also owned and operated Western Auto which later became Bob's Toy Value Mart here.

Bob has maintained his fitness by running, biking and swimming. Recently, his doctors said his knees no longer permitted running, but that he could continue riding his bike.

Womack is a serious bike rider, just like he was a runner and not a jogger. He's so involved in his

exercise, that he rarely sees anything but the road.

That intensity is shared by Jane. Recently, the Womacks were scheduled to pick up their daughter who was flying in from Albuquerque at the Lubbock airport.

Bob said he needed to get in some biking, so he left toward Lubbock early and told Jane to watch for him on the side of the road. Bob figured that she would catch up with him at the roadside park south of Post.

After a long wait and no evidence of Jane, he rode past Post and waited at the top of the Caprock. As Jane whizzed by, she didn't see Bob who was desperately waving his orange shirt.

Bob decided to ride some more. When he hit the road construction on the outskirts of Slaton, Bob decided it was the best place to attract Jane's attention.

Sure enough, he was able to flag down Jane, who had already been to the airport, by standing on the edge of the one-way construction lane.

Machen said Bob was philosophical: "At least the weather was nice."

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Ask Us

Q. — Is it true that Cogdell has taken all the religious literature out of the hospital?

A. — A hospital spokesman notes that there have been no recent policy changes at Cogdell. Since it is a county hospital, federal mandates are that it may not have on its premises religious "tracts" which support particular beliefs. As a long standing policy, however, all patients are provided the Bible in either the New or Old Testament.

In Brief

Liberty oil spill

LIBERTY, Texas (AP) — It could take three months to remove a three-mile-long oil slick that already has damaged some vegetation in the area, a Sun Pipeline Co. spokesman says.

An estimated 3,500 barrels of crude oil leaked from a four-inch elevated line crossing Gum Slough in an oil field just south of Liberty about a week ago. It is believed to be the largest oil spill ever in Liberty County.

Brooks said company officials suspect the line was ruptured after being hit by a tree loosened in the recent flooding. The break has been repaired, he said.

Employees shut off the line after noting a sudden pressure drop June 11, officials said.

Found guilty

ATLANTA (AP) — A jury today found former U.S. Rep. Pat Swindall guilty of nine counts of perjury for lying to a grand jury about a money-laundering scheme.

The 38-year-old Republican, who served two terms in Congress before being defeated in November, faces 10 months to five years in prison plus fines of up to \$250,000 on each count.

The jury deliberated 17 hours over four days after hearing nearly four weeks of testimony.

Local

County bids

A Big Spring company was awarded a contract through the rest of the year for the county's supply of asphalt Monday in county commissioners court.

Fina Oil and Chemical Co., which provided asphalt for county paving last year, bid 43 cents per gallon for MC-30 asphalt and 39 cents per gallon for AC-5 asphalt.

Other Monday bids included C.W. Hall Jr.'s successful offer of \$10,577 for a 1975 Allis-Chalmers front-end loader from Pct. 3.

Offers from Key Brothers Implement Co. and Snyder Truck & Tractor to sell the county a used farm tractor for Pct. 4 were tabled to give Commissioner Ted Billingsley time to inspect the machines.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 99 degrees; low, 65 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 72 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1989 to date, 6.63 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight partly cloudy with isolated thunderstorms. Warm with a low in the lower 70s. South wind 10 to 20 mph. Chance of rain less than 20 percent. Wednesday partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of thunderstorms. Hot again with a high in the upper 90s. South wind 10 to 20 mph.

Journalist said ordered out of China

DALLAS (AP) — A freelance journalist covering the turmoil in Beijing has been ordered out of the country on charges he talked to peasants on forbidden land and "fabricated rumors that he saw many people who were killed by soldiers in Tiananmen Square."

Joseph Kahn, 24, became the sixth news correspondent to be expelled by the Chinese govern-

ment since soldiers reclaimed the square from pro-democracy demonstrators two weeks ago.

Kahn, a graduate student at Harvard University, entered China on May 30 to report part-time for The Dallas Morning News on the pro-democracy movement and China's economic situation and to study the Mandarin language.

But the Chinese government on Monday revoked his tourist visa and ordered him to leave the country within 72 hours, claiming he had talked to Chinese citizens about the June 4 crackdown in the square, a violation of martial law imposed in the Beijing area.

"We ... are extremely disappointed in the Chinese government's action in revoking Kahn's

visa," said William W. Evans, managing editor of The Morning News. "He's done an outstanding and thoroughly professional job there."

On June 12, Kahn traveled 12 miles south of Beijing to Daxing County, a rural area where he presumed he could legally talk to citizens about the bloodshed in Tiananmen Square, the newspaper said.

Hundreds of civilians, and perhaps thousands, were killed in the attack on the square, according to Western diplomats, witnesses and China's Red Cross.

The Chinese government, however, contends not a single life was lost at the hands of the army in Tiananmen Square.

China's official Xinhua News Agency said Monday that Kahn identified himself in Daxing as a British journalist and "fabricated rumors that he saw many people who were killed by soldiers in Tiananmen Square."

Medalist wants to open school for gymnastics

MORGANTOWN, W. Va. (AP) — Olympic gold medalist Mary Lou Retton says she wants to open a gymnastics school and try to become the inspiration to her students that coach Bela Karolyi was to her.

Karolyi's gym in Houston, Texas, was Retton's springboard to Olympic glory in 1984. She became the first American female to win the all-around gold medal.

"It's a natural for me. I know the sport and enjoy talking about it," she said during a weekend visit to her native West Virginia.

Retton says her more immediate plans include marriage to Shannon Kelley, quarterback of the University of Texas football team. She's also doing promotions and making television appearances.

"I get back home whenever I can," she said. "But that's not very often because I'm on the go so much."

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In the year ahead you may become involved in a new enterprise with an individual whose talents and traits you truly respect. It looks like you will gain intellectually as well as materially from this alliance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Carelessness on your part in filing records of your business or commercial transactions could result in a future problem. Be extra mindful of these details today. Cancer, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't let a hot-headed associate upset you today and goad you into a confrontation. Arguments won't resolve anything, so walk away and let the other be the one who looks bad in the eyes of others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's best to temporarily postpone a distasteful chore you resent doing than to undertake it with a poor attitude. Chances are you'll just mess things up for yourself and others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) An aggressive acquaintance could spoil the fun for everyone today. If you have to deal with a character of this ilk, don't include this person in your social arrangements.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If the outside world doesn't treat you royally to-

day, don't come home and take your anger out on innocent family members. It's not their fault you were not given the red carpet treatment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Make suggestions to companions today, but just be careful that you don't do so too forcefully. You can encourage a pal to think, but you shouldn't make him blink.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Beware of a joint venture today that places the greater burden on you either physically or financially. It won't work if the load isn't distributed equally.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Being self-sufficient is an admirable quality, but guard against carrying it to extremes today, especially in situations that call for harmony and teamwork.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This could be a rather demanding day for you and if you do not take proper charge of your duties and responsibilities, they might end up taking charge of you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try to spend your leisure time today in the company of people you feel very comfortable with instead of those who make you feel competitive. Upmanship games won't be fun.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Possibilities for problems on the domestic front are a bit higher than usual today. If some type of incident does occur, keep calm and don't let your temper gain the upper hand.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) In your haste to get things done today, you might end up running around in circles. Take time to organize your activities if you hope to accomplish your purposes in a rational manner.

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Library announces Critter Day winners

The following children and their pets were named winners in last week's Critter Day sponsored by the Scurry County Library.

Light-colored dogs: Jay Callaway and Benji, 1st; Mindy Thompson and Red, 2nd; Lauren Donelson and Amber, 2nd; Jackie Guerra and Jo-Jo, 3rd; Ellen Stutheit and Chrissy, 3rd, and Bethany Rinker and Peanut, 3rd.

Dark-colored dogs: Alisha Miller and Sheena, 1st; D. J. Garcia and Ricky, 2nd; Jacob Seth Crawford and Lady, 2nd; Kayla Kennedy and Skunk, 3rd; Hailey Grimm and Tyler, 3rd; Jackie Rodriguez and Bear, 3rd.

Cats: Amy Robertson and Mittens, 1st; Chris Mitchell and Pascow, 2nd; Kali Fronenberger and Sweetie, 3rd.

Big critters: Susan Birklebach and Bonnie (rabbit), 1st; Ignacio Castillo and Cindy (goat), 2nd; Adrienne Bailey and Dale (squirrel), 2nd; Miguel Sifuentes and goat, 3rd; Bryan Robertson and Skipper (pigeons), 3rd; and Dwayne Robertson and Daffy (duck), 3rd.

Little critters: Sterling Millhollen and Wolf (spider), 1st; Pace Millhollen and Lucky (cricket), 2nd; Michael Pendleton and Larry, Daryl and Daryl (rolly-pollies), 2nd; Leslie Mitchell and Gage Turtle, 3rd; Chrystal Sumruld and sea monkeys, 3rd.

Judges were Kathryn Roberts, Lisa McNew, Joe Gordy, Deanna Holladay, Chuck Barbee, A. J. Beaver and Chris McDonald.

Gay 20 volunteers assisting with the day's events include Stephanie Molina, Lisa Carlton, Shara Carlton, Mindy Robertson, Marissa Candanoza and Angel Scarber.

Girl found dead in trunk

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — A 5-year-old girl died of heat stroke when she somehow became locked in a car trunk in her home's driveway as the temperature climbed to 104 degrees, police say.

Danielle Chronister's body was discovered about 3:30 p.m. Sunday after relatives became worried and began searching for her, police Lt. Paul Saucedo said. The girl had last been seen around 1 p.m.

The death appears to be an accident, but police will continue investigating, Saucedo said. Danielle's mother, Judy Chronister, was home at the time, as were several relatives.

Saucedo said the girl had been playing with some cousins, brothers and sisters outside her mother's house in northeast El Paso. About 1 p.m., all the children went inside except for Danielle, he said.

A couple of hours later, relatives began their search.

"About 3:30 p.m., an uncle noticed keys on the bumper of a car, opened the trunk and found her there," Saucedo said.

From 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., the temperature at the airport nearby rose from 100 degrees to 104.

Saucedo would not speculate on how the girl got in the trunk, and he declined to say to whom the car belonged.



DR. GOTT
Peter Gott, M.D.
By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm scheduled for a CT scan of the head soon. Please provide a simple, direct comparison of the amount of radiation received in a CT scan as compared to dental X-rays.

DEAR READER: Radiation doses from X-ray examination are measured in Radiation Absorbed Dose (rad) or rem. The two units are nearly equivalent for practical purposes.

Whole mouth dental X-rays produce 10 to 30 millirems. CT (computed tomography) scans produce 2,000 to 6,000 millirems.

Although the actual calculation of the doses may vary (because of shielding and efficiency of X-ray machines) and the units of measurement are highly technical, you can see that a CT scan involves much more radiation exposure than do dental X-rays. Of course, the two types of examination are used for different purposes. The CT scan gives far more information because more tissue is examined and the pictures are more detailed.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My orthopedist has prescribed an anti-inflammatory drug and rest for an enlarged disc. Will the disc shrink back to normal so I can resume regular activity?

DEAR READER: Tissue enlarges when it is inflamed. Therefore, if you have symptoms from an enlarged spinal disc pressing on a nerve, anti-inflammatory drugs may help you to return to normal. However, in my experience, disc pain is usually due to herniation of the disc, a washer-like structure that separates the spinal bones. Thus, anti-inflammatory medicine is usually not effective.

Conventional therapy — such as spinal manipulation, special exercises, physical therapy, rest and (when necessary) surgery to repair the disc — seem to produce better results. Your best bet is to try your doctor's treatment and reserve the additional therapy for later, if the medicine doesn't work.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 59-year-old female with osteo and rheumatoid arthritis. I'm on Anaprox and Flexeril (to help me sleep). Because of the severity of the pain, my next step is gold injections. What can I expect regarding relief and side effects?

DEAR READER: For patients with rheumatoid arthritis who do not respond to the wide variety of prescription anti-inflammatory medicines, gold is a reasonable next step.

The action of gold in relieving swelling, pain and joint destruction is unknown. In many patients, gold therapy is extremely effective. However, to a degree, its effectiveness is counterbalanced by its side effects. These include rash (which, at times, can be severe), bone marrow depression, diarrhea, hair loss, mouth inflammation, kidney damage and jaundice.

You may be interested in learning that gold does not have to be given by injection; a pill is now available. Also, gold is more helpful in treating arthritis if it is used in conjunction with non-steroid anti-inflammatory drugs, such as Anaprox.

To give you more information on your illnesses, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Understanding Osteoarthritis." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Owners pledge cleanup help

MEXICO CITY (AP) — About 550 owners of industries in the state of Guanajuato pledged Monday to control air pollution and the discharge of effluents within the next six months as part of an overall government campaign to clean up Mexico.

The Department of Urban Development and Ecology said in a news release it signed an agreement under which the Guanajuato industrialists undertook to reduce contamination to legally acceptable minimums in Salamanca, Celaya, Irapuato and Leon — the state's four manufacturing cities.

Industries which signed the agreement include 400 shoemakers and leather tanners, as well as brick and cement makers, and food processing and petrochemical plants, the news release said.

Philosopher Friedrich Nietzsche died in Weimar, Germany, in 1900.

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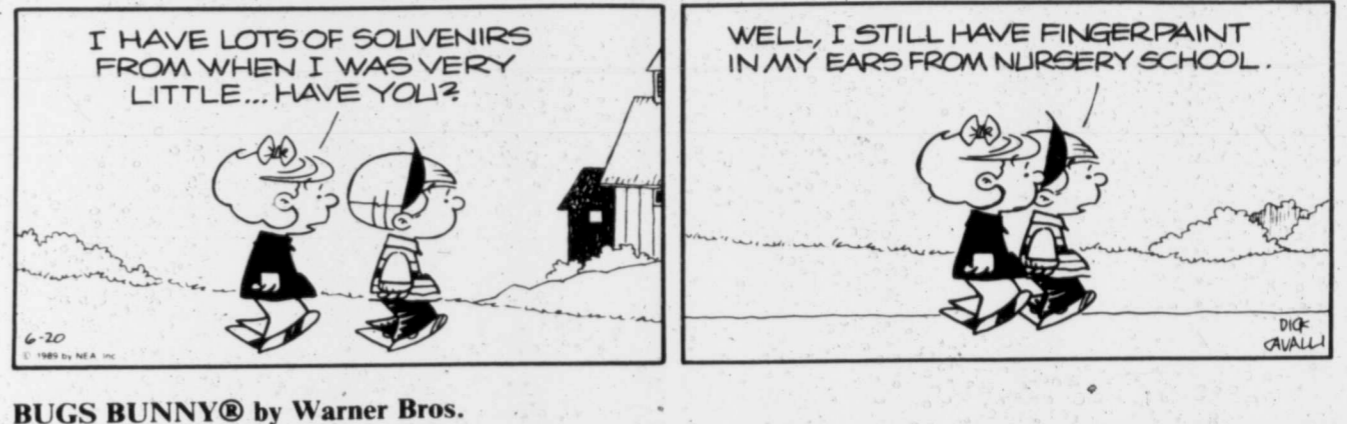
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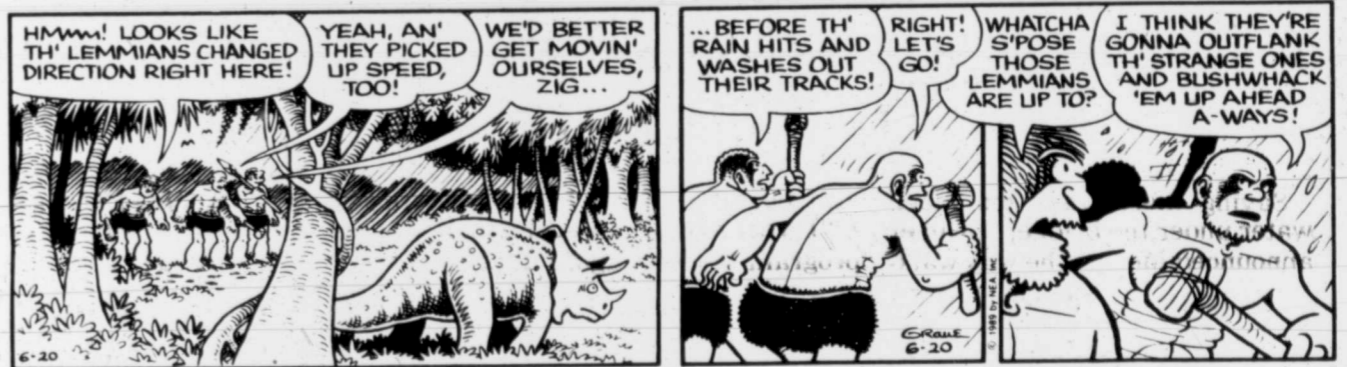
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Money laundering scheme...

Twelve arrested after investigation

DALLAS (AP) — The arrests of 12 people accused of laundering money signals a crackdown on those who handle the money side of drug trafficking, a federal prosecutor said.

"Increasingly, those in illegal drug trade resort to international money launderers to secrete drug profits," U.S. Attorney Marvin Collins said Monday. "This case serves as notice that those who are willing to launder drug money will be prosecuted just as vigorously as the drug dealers themselves."

A federal grand jury Friday returned three indictments charging the 12 individuals with 73 counts of violations of federal laws, culminating a major international money laundering investigation.

The arrests culminated a two-year investigation conducted by the U.S. Customs Service and the Criminal Investigation Division of the Internal Revenue Service, with assistance from Her Majesty's Customs and Excise in Britain and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

Charged in one 27-count indictment were Nizamudin Alibhai, Sadrudin Abdulkarim Jessa and Abdulaziz M. Shivji, all listed as residents of the Dallas-Fort Worth area, and Amiral Mawji and Parin Mawji, residents of Scarsdale, N.Y.

Charged in a second 27-count indictment were Sultan Allibhai, Yasmin Allibhai, Medhi Kassam and Shiraz Hajee, all listed as residents of the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

A third, 19-count, indictment charged Sadrudin Alani, Dolly Alani and Sadrudin Virji, also listed as residents of the Dallas-Fort Worth area.

One indictment alleges that four of the defendants conspired to break U.S. law by secretly exporting more than \$10 million in U.S. currency between 1985 and 1987. The indictment charges that the defendants concealed the existence, source, origin and transfer of the U.S. currency by willfully avoiding the filing of government forms required by law.

During a second phase of the investigation that began in early 1988, all three indictments allege, defendants aided by their alleged co-conspirators agreed to undercover agents' proposals that they launder money to facilitate the continued operations of a drug ring.

That indictment contends that the defendants accepted numerous deliveries of U.S. currency in amounts between \$50,000 and \$250,000 with intent to promote the carrying on of drug trafficking.

More than \$3 million was laundered during the second phase of the investigation, Collins said.

The indictments allege that once the defendants sent the currency out of the United States, they had it wire-transferred from foreign banks to undercover banks accounts back in the United States and received cash payments as a fee for their laundering activities.

The 12 defendants face penalties ranging from 25 years in prison and \$750,000 in fines to 220 years and \$7.5 million in fines.

complete court procedures to assume that role.

"We have an understanding with the Cleveland Department of Human Services that they will supervise the placement and that they will file suit according to their local procedures for the protection of the child," said Connie Howell, an attorney with the Harris County Children's Protective Services.

State District Judge Robert Baum also said Monday that the Harris County Children's Protective Services will continue as the baby's temporary managing conservator until authorities in Ohio

Abandoned child will go home with aunt

HOUSTON (AP) — A judged ruled that an aunt of a 3-month-old baby abandoned at a local airport last month by her mother may take the child to her home in Cleveland.

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Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I have a problem I need your help on. Every night my husband sets his alarm clock for 5 a.m. He doesn't get out of bed when his alarm goes off, he just turns on his snooze alarm, which goes off every nine minutes until 6:30 — when he actually gets out of bed.

I have my own alarm clock, which is set for 6:30 a.m. When his alarm goes off at 5 a.m. and then repeats every nine minutes, it wakes me up and keeps me awake. So I either holler at him (which doesn't do any good), or I leave the room and go to sleep on the couch, or I just stay up.

We both work full time, and he goes to bed anywhere from two to three hours ahead of me, but he just can't seem to get out of bed in the morning. There are times when he wakes me up in the middle of the night for lovemaking, and when I tell him I'm too tired, he thinks I'm a terrible person.

Abby, how can I resolve this? He wasn't like this when I married him. We've been married 14 years and have three kids. I love him dearly, but I'm tired of this snooze alarm business.

TIRED IN ST. CLOUD, MINN.

DEAR TIRED: The "terrible person" in your marriage is the selfish party who wakes up his wife at 5 a.m. when she could sleep for an additional hour and a half. As long as you put up with it, nothing will change.

Give him a choice: Either knock off the snooze alarm, or arrange for separate sleeping quarters. (If you can't sleep comfortably on the couch, get yourself a hideaway bed.)

DEAR ABBY: Once in a while I read a love story in your column, usually from a couple who met through Operation Dear Abby. Well, I also have a love story to tell.

Several years ago, following a painful divorce, I enrolled in a square dance class. The caller (teacher) said that every year there had been marriages as a result of people meeting there. I didn't find a husband, but I had a lot of fun and met

some nice people. Then I dropped out.

Last October, a neighbor encouraged me to enroll in another square dance class, and there I met Richard — an "angel" (that's what they call dancers who come to help beginners). I liked the way he looked and I loved the way he danced so I approached him, just to talk, and before the evening ended, he asked me for a date.

Richard turned out to be the love of my life! I'm no spring chicken (I'm 50 plus) and I never expected to find love again, but did I ever! He's a few years younger than I am, but who's counting?

We're getting married next week, and I've never been happier. Abby, please tell your readers about square dancing. It's good exercise and a wonderful way to meet nice people.

DO-SI-DOLLY IN L.A.

DEAR DOLLY: Your letter is a do-si-dilly. Thanks for the tip. Take heed, all you lonesome polecats. Square dance clubs are listed in the telephone directory.

DEAR ABBY: Please add this to your list of helpful — and possibly lifesaving — items on child safety: My heart nearly stopped the day my 2-year-old son scaled our aquarium stand and had one leg in the 20-gallon tank before I could get to him from across the room!

Until that day, I had never viewed our aquarium as a safety hazard. Now I do. If you think this will help others, please print it.

VICKIE L. IN ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

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