

PLANS - Mike Kerker, associate program director in testing for the coordinating board of the Texas College and University System, addresses members of the Western Texas College faculty

Wednesday about new testing programs for students. His appearance marked the first day of in-service for WTC staffers on campus. (SDN Staff

Final action slated for coach position at meeting tonight

A recommendation for a new plication list of some 70-were: athletic director-head football coach will be offered to the Iowa Park in District 6-AAA. Snyder school board Thursday.

The final choice of a sixmember search committee was reached Wednesday at a noon Clyde in District 5-AAA. meeting and members of the committee are to officially advise the entire school board of their selection during an executive session slated for 6 p.m. Thursday.

That finalist candidate will be in Snyder Thursday and is to meet with school trustees at the 6 p.m. executive session.

is then set as part of the regular January meeting of Snyder trustees. The session will begin at 7 p.m. at the school administration building.

tee members have traveled to three school districts for on-site interviews with finalists for the

The three coaches interviewed--winnowed from an original ap-

-David Baugh, head coach for

-- Ronnie Hughes, head coach for Eastland in District 13-AA.

-Fred West, head coach for

In other action at the January meeting, the board is scheduled to approve conversion of its own makeup, changing to a 5-2 single member district ratio. This action was prompted by

the lawsuit LULAC vs. Midland ISD. The finding of that lawsuit was that board's which have single member district represen-Action on the recommendation tation must have at least 70 percent of the entire school district represented by single member district board members.

The board is to consider also a change in contract renewal Since last week, seach commit-specifications for administrators.

The change would see administrator's term contracts renewed every two years rather than the current system of a one-

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WASHINGTON (AP) — An engine stall was heard four times as Continental Flight 1713 struggled to lift off a snowy runway at Denver's Stapleton Airport last November, transcripts from a

cDonnell Douglas DC-9 had a compression stall, it is still to ly to determine if that caused the Nov. 15 crash or if the stall

as the result of other factors The transcript was among several documents made public by the National Transportation Safety Board today in connection with the accident investigation. The documents provided no

The aircraft was bound from Denver to Boise, Idaho, when it failed to gain adequate lift.

U.S.-Soviets...

Arms talks continue

GENEVA (AP) - The two time for a Moscow summit planntalks aimed at concluding a trea- the Soviets. ty to cut intercontinental nuclear forces by 50 percent.

on-one luncheon Wednesday, U.S.

The negotiators' task is to com-

chief superpower arms ed for later this year. Their first said in separate arrival negotiators met informally formal meeting today also was statements that it would be possibefore opening a new round of arranged as a lunch, hosted by ble for the two sides to complete a

Max Kampelman of the United list included S. Read Hanmer, the areas. States and Alexei Obukhov of the new U.S. chief negotiator on in-Soviet Union conferred at a one tercontinental weapons (START) and Henry Cooper, the new chief spokesman Terry Shroeder said. delegate on defense and space, He called it "a very useful and and their Soviet counterparts, good meeting" but gave no Lem Masterkov and Yuri Kusnet-

The talks are the ninth round plete a strategic arms treaty in and follow a 71/2-week break.

Both Kampelman and Obukhov treaty in time for the summit. Besides Obukhov and However, they noted the two Kampelman, the luncheon guest, sides remain far apart in some

Kampelman said Wednesday that "there are serious remaining differences of importance which must be resolved.

The two sides have agreed on general areas such as reducing their intercontinental forces to 6,000 warheads and 1,600 delivery vehicles, and they are working on a joint draft treaty text.

The joint text, however, contains many bracketed passages reflecting the two sides' different positions. For example, they must still agree on a timetable for reductions and on anticheating, or verification measures.

Another potential obstacle is Soviet opposition to the U.S. Strategic Defense Initiative, which is being dealt by Cooper and Kusnetsov.

The Soviets have made clear that they oppose SDI, commonly called "Star Wars," saying it could lead to an arms race in space. The Soviets have linked a START agreement to resolution of the SDI question.

Kampelman on Wednesday reiterated the U.S. position that the two areas should not be link-

ty precludes some planned tests of SDI. The United States has contended that it does not.

The Soviets have said the trea-

Suspect linked to incidents

A state parolee has been charged in several recent criminal incidents, including a burglary, a check forgery at a supply company and the theft of a spray gun

Dewayne Oneal Wyatt, 35, of 1111 26th St. was arrested Tuesday and posted \$5,000 bond Wednesday on each of the

He is accused of breaking into the 2405 37th St." home of Betty Crabtree and stealing a microwave oven and an outboard boat motor sometime Friday or Saturday in a burglary that was reported Tuesday.

He is also charged with thirddegree felony theft in the Jan. 2 theft of a spray gun rig and with forgery in the Jan. 11 passing of a See SUSPECT, page 11

Thursday

Jan. 14, 1988 Ask Us

Q. - Do you know an address to get information for Alzheimer's disease?

A. - The nearest "selfhelp" group for Alzheimer's is located in Lubbock. The head of that organization is Susan Tucker and she may be reached by telephoning (806) 799-1329.

In Brief

Arafat says

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) -PLO leader Yasser Arafat said today he would recognize Israel's right to exist if Israel and the United States agreed to an international conference on Middle East peace.

"As this conference would be under U.N. auspices, that means the full legality ... of all U.N. resolutions, including 242 and 338," Arafat said in an interview at the Palestine Liberation Organization's military headquarters in a Baghdad suburb.

Top Texas?

AUSTIN (AP) - Calling it "a bitter pill for Texas oilmen to swallow, Railroad Commission Chairman Jim Nugent says preliminary crude oil production figures for October and November show that Alaska may have bested Texas.

"Texas oil pioneers who sweated to build our industry decades before Alaska even became a state are probably turning over in their graves," Nugent said Wednesday.

Preliminary num from the American Petroleum Institute and Alaska's Oil and Gas Conservation Commission show Alaskan production at between 2.02 million and 2.1 million barrels a day. The, most recent Texas numbers show crude oil production in the range of 1.96 million barrels daily, Nugent said.

Retail sales up

WASHINGTON (AP) -Retail sales rose 0.7 percent in December, the biggest increase in four months, on the strength of an increase in auto sales, the government said today.

GSU talks on

AUSTIN (AP) — Despite pessimistic updates on the settlement talks, the Public Utility Commission continues to urge parties in the Gulf States Utilities rate case to strike a deal.

Commissioner Jo Campbell said Wednesday a settlement in the case, which began in November 1986. would be better than a PUC ruling because it would avoid a lengthy and costly court battle.

Local

Airplane club,

The Snyder area Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the Texas Electric Crew Room at 32nd and Avenue M.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 57 degrees; low, 18 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, no precipitation; total precipitation for 1988 to date, .25 of an inch.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, clear and cold. Low upper 20s. Wind south 5 to 10 mph. Friday, mostly sunny and warmer. High in the mid 60s. Wind southwest 10 to 20 mph.

Stalling engine is heard on tape

but investigators said that even if one of the engines on the

clues that would pinpoint the cause of the crash that killed 28 of the 82 people aboard the jetliner.

At local appearance...

Stenholm reveals 'leaning' toward Gore for president

CHARLES STENHOLM

...here Wednesday ... Parolee's lawsuit is dismissed

A U.S. district court lawsuit filed by a Texas Department of Corrections parolee against Sheriff Ketth Collier has been dismissed.

An order to dismiss the case was issued out of U.S. District Court for the Northern Division based in Lubbock.

Filing the suit-which alleged false arrest-was Henry Orvell Wells, 70, of 701 27th St. Also named in the action was Matt Spears. adult parole officer for this area based out of Abilene.

Wells had alleged he had been arrested by sheriff's deputies without benefit of an arrest warrant being issued.

According to court officials, Wells had his parole from TDC revoked by his parole officer and the arrest took place based upon See LAWSUIT, page 11

U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm of The congressman noticed a Stamford, during an address to a number of "Poor and ignorant" local civic club, said Wednesday buttons, related to the dispute that he is leaning toward endors- over the construction of a Texas ing Tennessee Sen. Albert Gore Department of Corrections unit

In his speech to the Snyder or my supporters. Kiwanis Club, the fifth-term Democrat said he favors Gore porters," he said. "I'm half of because he is the most con- that myself, but I'm not going to servative candidate among the Democratic presidential field.

But he said he would consider is a liberal, but he's as honest as the day is long," Stenholm said.

here, and quipped that he was "not sure if that's my opposition

"I choose to think it's my suptell you which half.

Stenholm devoted much of his address to the problem of federal Illinois Sen. Paul Simon if Gore's deficit spending and criticized candidacy faltered. "Paul Simon President Reagan for for his "Feel good, America," stance, which he said is inappropriate in

got involved.

light of the budget and trade deficits. He said an oil import fee is

needed to put the United States on more of an even footing with foreign oil-producing nations; and he credited the 1985 Farm Bill for showing the world that "we're not going to be patsies on agricultural production in the future.

He said a Feb. 3 vote in Congress on aid to the Nicaraguan Contras is crucial in the effort to contain Communism in Latin America.

Stenholm is unopposed for reelection this year.

The SDN Column

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If diamonds are forever, next in line should be taxes."

Hot dog! The federal government is taking care of us defenseless creatures again. And it's comforting to know that Big Brother can protect us from such danger.

The U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms has determined that a nude woman on the label of an imported wine bottle is not in the best interest of citizens. It reminds us of the old flap about spending

millions to educate the public about the harms of smoking, while spending additional millions to subsidize tobacco growers The most recent controversy began last year when the bureau said that bottles of an Italian wine with a drawing of a bosomy nude woman could not be sold in the U.S. The bureau cited

tionable taste. In the traditional American way, however, there is a loophole. Such a drawing would be okay, bureaucratic regulations say, if the draw-

authority to censor labels that are in "ques-

In other words--if the drawing is by Michelangelo, then anything is okay. But alas there was compromise-even the Italian embassy

By Roy McQueen

A lesser known artist covered up the Greek goddess on nearly 4,000 bottles of imported wine. And in the future, the company has agreed to a new label

The gal on the label is still naked-but flatchested. Said a U.S. government spokesman, "There's nothing basically objectionable about being perfectly flat-chested.

Another example of your tax dollars at work.

What one might want to get concerned about is the alarming use of the popular wine coolers by youngsters. A recent survey concluded 42 percent of sixth graders say that their friends have tried these adult beverages-often made available to them by their own parents.

Says the National Council on Alcoholism, "coolers and kids don't mix."

A friend says there is no middle ground. She feels like she's moved directly from teenage anx-

Seniors 'coke' usage down, but 40 percent try it later

tailed its use of cocaine, accorperiment with the drug by the time they reach 27.

The study of some 17,000 the Department of Health and change in the perceived risk of Human Services, also showed a continued decline in marijuana use that began in 1979.

Lloyd D. Johnston, who directed the 13th annual survey at the University of Michigan, called it a cooling of "the unhealthy romance between many of America's young people and illicit drugs.'

"But it was not until 1987 when the latest and perhaps most troublesome drug - cocaine gave evidence of beginning to turn downward," Johnston said at a news conference.

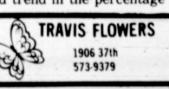
Although there have been three other occasions when there was a slight drop in cocaine use among those surveyed, those earlier changes did not have the statistical signicance of the 20 percent decline recorded in the latest study.

'Despite the long-term downward trend for most illicit drugs, cocaine use in each of the past 13 years has either increased or remained essentially stable," HHS Secretary Otis R. Bowen said.

Bowen said the 1987 drop in cocaine use among youngsters probably was due in part to publicity from the cocaine-related deaths of college basketball star Len Bias and professional football player Don Rogers.

"It is indeed a shame that the deaths of many talented young people took place before the danger of cocaine use was widely believed by our youth," Bowen

There has been a 10-year upward trend in the percentage of



WASHINGTON (AP) - The high school seniors who say senior class of 1987 sharply cur- regular cocaine use can be harmful, but there was a dramatic ding to a federal survey that also jump — from 34 percent in 1986 to shows 40 percent of America's re- 48 percent last year — in the cent high school graduates ex- number who said there was caine in 1987 than in 1986 'great risk' from trying cocaine just "once or twice."

"For a full eight years prior to students, released Wednesday by 1986 there had been virtually no experimenting with cocaine, so this shift was a sudden and dramatic one," said Dr. Donald Ian Macdonald, administrator of the Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Mental Health Administration.

Johnston said those figures show young people "make a more rational decision than is often believed" about whether to use a particular drug.

high school seniors in 130 schools found that 10.3 percent admitted using cocaine at least once dur- was the 36 percent who said they ing the preceding 12 months com- used marijuana at least once durpared with 12.7 percent in the ingthe preceding year.

Applying those changes in percentages to the actual number of students surveyed indicates 20 percent fewer students tried co-

The proportion of seniors who had "ever used" cocaine also dropped from 1986 to 1987 — from 16.9 percent to 15.2 percent.

The survey includes smaller follow-up samplings of high school graduates and it was that part of the study that Johnston said showed four in 10 graduates had tried cocaine at least once by the time they were 27.

Marijuana use started declining after a 1978 peak in which nearly 11 percent of high school seniors said they smoked it daily. Last year, the figure was 3.3 per-Johnston's 1987 survey of some cent, lowest in the 13-year history of the survey.

Also at the lowest level ever

Dole's campaign issues allegations

AUSTIN (AP) - The co- state against any and all comchairman of U.S. Sen. Bob Dole's ers.' Texas campaign says he believes backers of Vice President George Pat Robertson will qualify for the Bush are behind forgeries on March 8 primary, Republican electoral petitions that threaten Party officials said Wednesday to keep Dole's name off the Texas as they continued to verify

Van Archer of San Antonio presidential candidates described the forgergies as "the biggest setup that has ever been

"I think we have been set up," Archer told the Dallas Times Herald. "To me, there is not any question that the Bush people are behind it."

accusations were unfounded.

"The vice president on down through his campaign committee wants every Republican candidate who wants to run for president to be on the Texas ballot," campaign to the people of this National Geographic.

Starts Friday!

Western Wear

Former television evangelist signatures on petitions filed by

"We feel confident that the Robertson campaign has more than 5,000 valid signatures," said GOP spokeswoman Karen Parfitt Hughes, adding that the petition of Vice President Bush was being checked Wednesday.

To obtain a place on the GOP's Jim Oberwetter, state cam- March 8 primary ballot, each paign director for Bush, said the candidate was required to submit petitions bearing signatures of 5,000 eligible voters.

St. Petersburg, capital of the Russian Empire from 1712 to Oberwetter said. "We are not 1917, was renamed Petrograd in afraid to take a George Bush 1914 and Leningrad in 1924, says

Astro-Graph

Bernice Bede Osol



Interesting conditions will prevail in the year ahead, especially where your finances are concerned. Situations that were previously unrewarding will now turn out to be the luckiest.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) There are strong indications that this may be a profitable day for you, but not necessarily through your own efforts. Your benefits will be derived indirectly. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Matchmaker set instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveand, OH 44101-3428

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You'll be happier today being with friends over whom you have some influence rather than socializing with an unfamiliar group. Cling to your old pals.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Success will not be denied to you today if you are strongly motivated. Establish important objectives that you really want to

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Forthright discussions with friends can work out beneficially for all parties concerned today. Lay out the facts and don't pull any TAURUS (April 20-May 20) in your

commercial affairs today, be bold but not foolhardy in achieving your aims. When bravado is required, use it, but do not use it rashly GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your posi-

tive, jovial attitude is your greatest asset today. It can help neutralize serious involvements and encourage participants to treat one another more CANCER (June 21-July 22) Conditions

should start to take a turn for the better today where your work or career is concerned. The changes won't be monumental, but they'll be significant.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be sure to consult with your mate today before altering social plans. He/she could have suggestions that are interesting and

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Activities that are family-oriented will provide you with the greatest pleasure today. Be sure that even the youngest members

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Try to plan your day so that you can do a lot of running around and also do some intermittent socializing. It will ease your rest-

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You're a pretty shrewd shopper today. Even if ou can't get out of the house, browse through the mail-order catalog and search for bargains.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A shortage of activities today will invite boredom. However, this can be a fun day if you chum around with companions who share similar interests.

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Sixteen jail inmates charged

DENTON, Texas (AP) - Denton County authorities charged 16 jail inmates in connection with a foiled escape attempt involving a makeshift welder.

Sheriff Randy Kaisner said Wednesday the men, occupants of one 16-bed cellblock, apparently planned to cut through a skylight, then escape to the jail's roof, possibly with outside help.

Wright opened door for construction of 'industrial' airport

WASHINGTON (AP) - Oftheir plan for a \$25 million airport he had been misinterpreted. did not qualify for funding under Federal Aviation Administration regulations.

Wright had two paragraphs changing the FAA rules inserted in a conference report accompanying last month's catch-all \$600 billion spending bill, said Thomas J. Kingfield, staff assistant on the House Appropriations Committee's transportation subcommittee.

The once-stalled proposal for a \$25 million "industrial" airport near Fort Worth is now a federally funded project slated for con-

The speaker's help was requested after H. Ross Perot Jr. and officials from the city of Fort Worth and the FAA concluded a year ago that their best strategy for building the North Fort Worth Airport was to go to Congress and have certain FAA regulations

They had all reached agreement on support of the airport, which would be built on 350 acres of pasture donated by Perot and surrounded by thousands of acres owned by his investment group, according to represenlatives of FAA and Perot.

But they had come up against a barrier - FAA regulations required that there be proven aeronautical need before federal money could be spent on constructing an airport, said Hugh Lyon, assistant manager of the FAA's airports division in the southwest region, in a Jan. 7 interview with The Associated

With Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport less than 20 miles away and no industry located in the area, there was no way to justify such a large com- and development of the region.' mercial airport aeronautically at this time, Lyon said.

He said an FAA study had suggested the agency build an airport capable of handling ex- as a demonstration project,' ecutive jets: aircraft weighing Lyon said in the Jan. 7 interview. up to 60,000 pounds.

"That covers what is generally considered the corporate jet fleet. But Perot wanted larger aircraft in - jumbo jets, military cargo planes. We couldn't justify that and asked them if they could justify that and they were unable

to do that," Lyon said in the Jan.

7 interview. "What they elected to do was seek special legislation to change the criteria FAA follows to allow construction of a demonstration project based on economic development rather than aeronautical reasons," he

In a telephone interview ficials in House Speaker Jim Wednesday night, Lyon said he Wright's home district turned to recalled saying "something in him for help after learning that that general way," but claimed

> "The FAA wants an airport there," he said. "We don't currently have any aeronautical justification ..." At that point he stopped himself and refused to comment further about whether the project was aeronautically necessary

> Lyon did say that he had been contacted by Wright's office after an AP story on the airport was published Tuesday night, but said he had not been pressured to change his comments.

"They asked me what I said. .. The speaker's office didn't pressure me," he said.

Under the Perot plan, thousands of acres of Tarrant County pastureland would be turned into an industrial park with the new airport as its centerpiece, according to Rick Salwen, counsel for the Perot Group in Dallas.

The FAA had been looking for an airfield in the northeastern quadrant of Tarrant County for 10 years, but could only justify one that would act as a relief valve for small air traffic in and out of Dallas-Fort Worth airport, Lyon said in the Jan. 7 interview.

A reliever airport would cost in the neighborhood of \$4 million to \$5 million, he said, while Perot's new industrial concept would take \$25 million.

The two-paragraph addition to the massive fiscal 1988 spending bill solved the dilemma.

The first paragraph described in brief the airport that was to be constructed and stated that \$25 million in federal discretionary funds would be needed to do it. The second paragraph broadened the FAA's regulations to permit construction of the airport "to aid in the economic recovery

"That is the reason for the legislation ... to develop liberal criteria ... that's the unique thing about it. It identifies \$25 million

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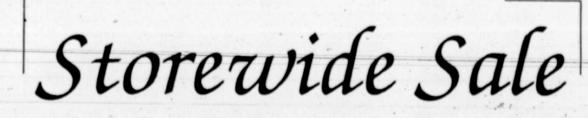
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ATTENTION SCURRY COUNTY RESIDENTS

THE PURPOSE OF THIS ARTICLE IS TO INFORM THE PEOPLE OF SCURRY COUNTY OF THE "COVER UP" THAT HAS BEEN CONDUCTED BY SOME OF THE SNYDER CITY OFFICIALS, COUNTY OFFICIALS, THE HOSPITAL BOARD AND OTHERS CONNECTED WITH THE VARIOUS LOCAL BOARDS AND COMMITTEES WHO ARE SEEKING TO ASSIST THE TDC IN BUILDING A PRISON IN SCURRY COUNTY.

THE OPEN RECORDS ACT IS LOUD AND CLEAR THAT PUBLIC OFFICIALS ARE SERVANTS OF THE PEOPLE AND NOT MASTERS OF THEM. THE PEOPLE DON'T NEED THE OFFICIALS TO TELL THEM WHAT IS GOOD AND BAD FOR THEM. WHEN RECORDS ARE HIDDEN BY PUBLIC OFFICIALS, IT IS AN ALARMING SIGN THAT SOMETHING IS UNLAWFUL.

ONLY 3.7% (700) OF THE 19,800 RESIDENTS OF SCURRY COUNTY DONATED MONEY TO BUY LAND FOR THE PROPOSED PRISON SITE. THE REMAINING 96.3% (19,067 PEOPLE) HAD THE GOOD JUDGEMENT TO REFUSE TO GIVE EVEN ONE THIN DIME TO HELP CONTAMINATE THE SCURRY COUNTY ENVIRONMENT WITH CONVICTED CRIMINALS AND THEIR ASSOCIATES AND PARTNERS IN CRIME WHO WOULD DESCEND ON SCURRY COUNTY LIKE A PLAGUE IF THIS PRISON IS BUILT HERE.

WE HAVE A SITUATION IN EXISTENCE WHERE THIS MINORITY GROUP IS USING DISTRICT ATTORNEY ERNIE ARMSTRONG, COUNTY ATTORNEY MIKE LINE AND OTHER ATTORNEYS TO ASSIST THEM IN THE FALSE, FICTITIOUS AND WORTHLESS ARGUMENT THAT THE RELEASE OF THE RECORDS AND DOCUMENTS CONTAINED IN THE BID PROPOSAL PRESENTED TO THE TDC MIGHT RESULT IN SOME OTHER TOWN "SWEETENING" THEIR BID. THIS ARGUMENT IS RIDICULOUS. THE TDC SET THE BIDDING RULES. THE DEADLINE DATE WAS OCTOBER 1, 1987. BY THE TDC'S OWN RULES—NO APPLICANT COULD AMEND, MODIFY OR CHANGE THEIR BID BY TELEGRAM, LETTER OR OTHERWISE AFTER THIS OCTOBER 1, 1987 DATE.

THE TDC HAS RELEASED THE SNYDER AREA PROPOSAL TO ALL OF THE PUBLIC FOR INSPECTION AND COPYING. SOME OF THE PLAINTIFFS ON THE LAWSUITS OBTAINED COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS PRESENTED BY THE SNYDER AREA TAXING AUTHORITIES - CITY, COUNTY, HOSPITAL BOARD AND FOUNDATION.

THESE PUBLIC OFFICIALS CONTINUE TO CONCEAL THESE DOCUMENTS FROM THE LOCAL RESIDENTS BECAUSE THEY HAD HOPED TO SHOVE THE DEAL ON THROUGH BEFORE THE PEOPLE HAD A CHANCE TO KNOW WHAT THEY WERE DOING TO THE TAXPAYERS OF SNYDER AND SCURRY COUNTY.

THE REAL REASONS FOR THE ILLEGAL CONCEALMENT OF THESE DOCUMENTS CAN EASILY BE SEEN BY AN EXAMINATION OF THESE AND OTHER RELATED DOCUMENTS.

THE DETAILS OF THE OVERALL PLAN WHICH THIS SMALL GROUP OF PEOPLE SEEK TO IMPOSE ON THE RESIDENTS AND TAX PAYERS OF SCURRY COUNTY CAN BE FAIRLY SUMMARIZED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. AN INCREASE IN CITY TAXES
- 2. AN INCREASE OF 20% ON WATER RATES FOR SNYDER RESIDENTS.
- 3. AN INCREASE OF 20% ON THE SEWER CHARGES FOR CITY RESIDENTS.
- 4. A 10% DISCOUNT TO THE TDC FOR WATER USED BY THE CONVICTS.
- 5. THE COMPLETE EXPENDITURE BY THE CITY OF SNYDER OF ALL SURPLUS FUNDS TO BUILD WATER LINES, SEWER LINES TO THE PROPOSED PRISON SITE AND TO BUILD A \$225,000 WATER STORAGE TANK ON THE PRISON SITE.

NO DOLLARS AND CENTS LIMITATION WAS PLACED IN THE RESOLUTION PASSED BY THE CITY COUNCIL.

THE BEST INFORMATION AVAILABLE INDICATES THE CITY HAS A SURPLUS OF APPROXIMATELY \$1,300,000.00.

THIS SURPLUS WAS ACCUMULATED BY EXCESSIVE TAXATION BY CITY AND EXCESSIVE CHARGES FROM OTHER SERVICES.

THESE SURPLUS FUNDS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE PEOPLE BY MEANS OF REDUCED TAXES.

A BOND ELECTION SHOULD BE HELD TO FINANCE HUGE CAPITAL EXPENDITURES SUCH AS THE CONSTRUCTION OF THESE WATER LINES AND SEWER LINES. THIS WOULD DETERMINE IF THE PEOPLE OF SNYDER ARE WILLING TO MAKE SUCH EXPENDITURES. THE CITY OFFICIALS WANT TO DEFEAT THE DEMOCRATIC PROCESS OF A BOND ELECTION.

6. AN ILLEGAL GIFT OF THE WICKES BUILDING TO THE SCURRY COUNTY INDUSTRIAL FOUNDATION IN ORDER THAT THE FOUNDATION CAN GIVE IT TO THE TDC.
THIS WOULD BE AN ILLEGAL GIFT OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CITY OF SNYDER.

7. TAXPAYERS MONEY AND PROPERTY IS BEING USED TO ACQUIRE THE PRISON WITHOUT PROPER AUTHORITY.

8. AN AGREEMENT PROPOSED BY FORMER HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR CYRUS MILLER JR. PROPOSED BY HIM WITHOUT A VOTE BY THE HOSPITAL BOARD. THE DETAILS OF MILLER'S PROPOSAL ARE:

A. THE SETTING ASIDE OF ONE WING OF THE D.M. COGDELL HOSPITAL FOR A PENAL INSTITUTION FOR DISEASE INFECTED CONVICTS. NO SPECIFICATIONS FOR ALTERATIONS OF THAT PART OF THE HOSPITAL. NO REQUIREMENTS PLACED ON THE TDC FOR SECURITY, AND SANITARY PRECAUTIONS.

B. THERE IS A PROPOSAL TO GIVE THE CONVICTS A 28% DISCOUNT ON ROOMS AND A 20% DISCOUNT ON OTHER SERVICES AT THE HOSPITAL. THE TAXPAYERS, WHO SUPPORT THE HOSPITAL, WILL PAY MORE FOR HOSITAL CARE THAN CONVICTS.

IN OTHER WORDS WHEN THE TDC PAYS A BILL FOR \$1,000 FOR ONE OF THE CONVICTS THEN THE LAW-ABIDING, TAXPAYING PATIENTS IN THE HOSPITAL WOULD BE CHARGED \$1,390 FOR THE SAME SERVICES.

SOME OF THE HOSPITAL BOARD MEMBERS (A MAJORITY) SEEK TO RATIFY THESE RIDICULOUS PROPOSALS. WE HAVE ONLY TWO BOARD MEMBERS, NAMELY JANET HALL AND JACKIE SMITH, WHO RAISED ANY OBJECTIONS WHATSOEVER. IT SEEMS THESE ARE THE ONLY TWO PEOPLE ON THE HOSPITAL BOARD WHO SHOW ANY CONCERN FOR THE SCURRY COUNTY TAXPAYER.

HOSPITALS IN OTHER PRISON TOWNS SUCH AS HUNTSVILLE, GATESVILLE AND PALESTINE ACCEPT CONVICT PATIENTS ONLY ON A LIFE-THREATENING EMERGENCY BASIS AND THEN ONLY FOR VERY SHORT PERIODS OF TIME (UNTIL THEY CAN BE TRANSPORTED TO THE TDC HOSPITAL AT GALVESTON). THEY REQUIRE TWO GUARDS TO BE IN THE ROOM WITH EACH CONVICT ALL OF THE TIME. NO DISCOUNTS ARE GIVEN FOR CONVICTS. THE STATE OF TEXAS PAYS FULL PRICE FOR HOSPITAL SERVICES IN OTHER PRISON TOWNS.

THERE IS A LEGISLATIVE MANDATE REQUIRING PRISONERS TO GO TO THE HOSPITAL IN GALVESTON. IT IS REQUIRED THAT THERE BE AN INFIRMARY ON THE PRISON GROUNDS.

PALESTINE TEXAS HAS A PRISON POPULATION OF 10,000 CONVICTS IN FOUR PENAL UNITS. EVEN WITH THIS PRISON POPULATION, THE COUNTY HOSPITAL ACCEPTS ONLY 30 TO 40 PATIENTS IN AN ENTIRE YEAR. THIS MEANS THAT WITH A 1,000 BED CAPACITY PRISON UNIT IN SNYDER THE COGDELL HOSPITAL SHOULD HAVE TO TREAT ONLY THREE OR FOUR CONVICTS DURING THE COURSE OF A WHOLE YEAR PROVIDED THAT SCURRY COUNTY HAD A HOSPITAL BOARD THAT WOULD HANDLE THE SITUATION PROPERLY.

9. THE BID PROPOSAL PRESENTED TO THE TDC CONTAINS AN ILLEGAL COMMITMENT FOR SCURRY COUNTY TO PAY \$566,000 FOR PAVING AROUND AND INSIDE THE PRISON SITE AND FOR LEVELING LAND ON THE PRISON SITE.

COUNTY JUDGE BOBBY GOODWIN SPOKE FOR THE ACCEPTANCE OF THIS BID AT THE TDC HEARING NOVEMBER 9, 1987. HE DID SO KNOWING THAT THE COMMISSIONERS COURT HAD NOT AUTHORIZED THESE EXPENDITURES AND KNOWING ALSO THAT THE COUNTY DID NOT HAVE THE FUNDS AVAILABLE TO COMPLY WITH THIS PROMISE.

SCURRY COUNTY DOES HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL SUM OF SURPLUS FUNDS. (ACCUMULATED BY LEVYING TAXES OVER AND ABOVE THE FUNDS NEEDED TO MEET THE BUDGET.)
THESE FUNDS SHOULD BE RETURNED TO THE TAXPAYERS BY REDUCING COUNTY TAXES.

10. THE BID PROPOSAL PRESENTED TO THE TDC STATES THAT THE APPRAISAL VALUE OF THE WICKE'S BUILDING IS \$1,200,000.

IT ALSO STATES THAT THE SCURRY COUNTY INDUSTRIAL FOUNDATION WAS THE OWNER OF THIS BUILDING. THIS STATEMENT WAS FALSE AND KNOWN TO BE FALSE AT THE TIME THE PRO-POSAL WAS PRESENTED. THE PEOPLE OF SNYDER OWN THIS BUILDING. THE CITY COUNCIL SEEKS TO MAKE AN ILLEGAL CONVEYANCE OF THIS BUILDING TO THE FOUNDATION FOR FURTHER CONVEYANCE TO THE TDC.

MR. JOE FOWLER WHO WAS DESIGNATED AS THE CONTACT MAN PROPOSED THAT THE SCURRY COUNTY INDUSTRIAL FOUNDATION GIVE THIS BUILDING TO THE TDC FREE AND CLEAR.

11. THE PLAN ALSO INCLUDES PAYMENT TO THE LOBBYIST TO INFLUENCE THE TDC. THE ONLY INFORMATION AVAILABLE IS THAT \$7,500 OF PUBLIC FUNDS HAS ALREADY BEEN USED.

TESTIMONY IN COURT REVEALED THAT \$7,500 IN COUNTY FUNDS WAS USED TO PAY THE LOBBYIST TO HELP ACQUIRE THE PRISON.

THE QUESTIONS REMAIN UNANSWERED AS TO WHO IS TO GET PAID, WHY THEY SHOULD BE PAID AND WHO SHOULD EXPECT TO GET PAID TO INFLUENCE THE TDC TO SELECT SCURRY COUNTY AS A PRISON SITE.

WE CANNOT EXPECT TO HAVE THE RIGHT KIND OF COMMUNITY WHEN WE HAVE PUBLIC OFFICIALS THAT SEEK TO CONCEAL FROM THE PEOPLE THE FACTS CONCERNING HOW THEY HAVE HANDLED AND PROPOSE TO HANDLE THE MONEY AND PROPERTY OF THE PEOPLE.

THE GOALS THAT THE LITIGANTS ON THE LAWSUITS SEEK TO ACCOMPLISH ARE CLEAR.

IF A SMALL PERCENTAGE OF THE SCURRY COUNTY POPULATION IS GOING TO ATTEMPT TO FORCE ON THE MAJORITY OF THE PEOPLE THE TRAGEDY OF BECOMING A PRISON TOWN, THEN ALL OF THE RELATED PLANS OF TAXATION AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS AND TRANSACTIONS ARE GOING TO HAVE TO MEET THE TEST TO INSURE THAT THEY ARE NOT ILLEGAL OR INEQUITABLE, UNREASONABLE AND UNFAIR.

THE MINORITY GROUP OF PEOPLE WHO DONATED MONEY TO BUY THE PROPOSED PRISON, WHO THINK THEY HAVE PAID ALL THAT THEY ARE GOING TO HAVE TO PAY, NEED TO KNOW THAT THEY HAVE ONLY BEGUN TO PAY THROUGH HIGHER TAX RATES, WATER RATES, HOSPITAL BILLS AND OTHERWISE FOR YEARS TO COME.

THE MAJORITY OF THE SCURRY COUNTY PEOPLE WHO HAD THE GOOD SENSE NOT TO DONATE NEED TO KNOW THAT THEY ARE GOING TO BE FORCED TO PAY IF THE PRISON DEAL IS CONSUMATED.

THE "COVER UP" IS UNFAIR TO THE TAXPAYERS OF THE COUNTY AND CITY.

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My wife gave me this one for taking out the

Bridge James Jacoby

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

If you are a pregnant teenager in need of help, meet with Maria Montes of Catholic Family Services of Lubbock from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Scurry County Welfare Offices in the Senior Center on Ave. M. For more information, call 573-9967.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Weight Watchers of West Texas: basement of First Presbyterian Church; 6 p.m. New members welcome and should register at 5:30

Amitie Study Club; 2803 El Paso; 7 p.m.; Robert Patterson will speak on drugs

Alateen; for the children of alcoholics; 7 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

Musical Coterie; MAWC; 7:30 p.m.

Scurry County Sheriff's Posse; Posse Clubhouse; 7:30 p.m. Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston

Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626. FRIDAY

Story Time for Preschoolers; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m. Duplicate bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m. Cornelius Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m.; for more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext 283.

Christian Women's Club; 7-8:30 p.m.; Snyder Country Club. Reservations must be made by noon Thursday; call Doris, 573-6602 or Melissa, 573-0745. Meal is \$7.50 or beverage only, \$1. Free nursery is available by reservation.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

SATURDAY Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m.

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominoes; 6:30 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956 or 573-0414. SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-4870 or 573-1357. Scurry County Museum, Western Texas College, open from 1-4

Diamond M Museum, open from 1-4 p.m. Duplicate Bridge Club; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.



BANANA-PRALINE MUFFINS - Make banana muffins extraspecial with a topping made from pecans, brown sugar and sour cream. The surprise ingredient in this recipe is the packaged pancake mix that is used in the batter. (AP Photo)

Freeze bananas, make tasty praline muffins

they ripen faster than you can bananas will retain their color use them, freeze some for and flavor. another time. Just cut the bananas crosswise into quarters, peel and all, and place them in a moisture-and vapor-proof bag. Seal and freeze them for up to three months. You can remove as

many as you need for baking. The When bananas are on special or skins will blacken, but the

BANANA-PRALINE MUFFINS 3 tablespoons brown sugar

1 tablespoon dairy sour cream 1/3 cup broken pecans

3 small bananas 1 slightly beaten egg

1/2 cup granulated sugar 1/4 cup cooking oil

11/2 cups packaged pancake

In a small bowl stir together brown sugar and sour cream; stir in pecans. Set aside. Mash bananas. In a medium bowl stir together egg, granulated sugar, oil and mashed bananas until well blended. Add pancake mix; stirring just until moistened. Grease muffin cups or line with paper bake cups; fill 3/8 full with batter. Drop 1 teaspoon of the pecan mixture on top of each muffin. Bake in a 400-degree oven 12 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Makes 12 muffins.

played a diamond to dummy's ace and another diamond back to the king. If West had now come in with his jack of spades, everything would have been hunky-dory. Instead West trumped the third round of diamonds and continued with clubs. Declarer ruffed with his last trump, took the ace of hearts and gave the defenders the rest - down

Here is a case where declarer does not really mind losing to the spade jack, provided he can control the hand thereafter. It is true that there will be overtricks in abundance if spades split or the jack of spades drops, but declarer should provide against the real possibility that a defender may hold four trumps to the jack. The easiest way he can do this is simply to lead the 10 of spades out of his hand after ruffing the second club. West had better take the trump jack or he will lose it. When he does win the jack, there is a trump remaining in dummy to control the play of another club. Declarer can win any other lead, draw trumps and run the diamond suit.

Playing it safe

By James Jacoby

Vulnerable: East-West

Pass

Opening lead: 4 K

Pass

The bidding by South was a little impulsive, since North's belated preference to two spades after his one-notrump response denied the values to raise to two spades immediately. Although the final contract was a good one, declarer's play was as impulsive as his bidding.

West led king and ace of clubs and declarer ruffed. Next came the A-K-Q of spades. Unfortunately the spade jack did not drop. Declarer next

Country Basket

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.

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Italian navigator Amerigo Vespucci sailed on his first .voyage to the New World in 1497.



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Pilot prefers variety in aircraft

MIAMI (AP) - It began in high school when a blind date took her for an airplane ride. Now, 16 years later, Linda Meyers is not only one of the best acrobatic pilots in the world, but she's also managing director of a unique aviation museum here.

'When the plane took off, I knew I was going to be a pilot, recalled Miss Meyers of her first flight from a Michigan City, Ind. airport when she was 17.

Since then, she has amassed 2,500 hours in the air, including 1,000 hours of acrobatic time, and earned instrument, commercial multi-engine and seaplane ratings.

Not only does Miss Meyers pilot her specially built 200horsepower single-seat acrobatic plane, but she also has time in such military aircraft as the P-51 and P-40 fighters, A-26, B-23, four-engine B-17 bomber and a 1929 B-100 biplane, one of the oldest Navy fighters.

These and many other antique aircraft are part of the Weeks Air Museum at Tamiami Airport where she's employed.

"I love to fly all kinds of aircraft," she said, climbing into a huge 1941 Stinson L-1. "It's a challenge and I'm in control."

Learning to fly was financially, difficult for Miss Meyers after she left her New Carlisle, Ind., home and attended Indiana University for two years and spent three years at Purdue.

"I worked several jobs to help pay for college and, in between, saved money for flying lessons," she recalled.

made 14 jumps.

In 1976, she received her Kermit Weeks, who was studying



TITLE SEEKER - Acrobatic pilot Linda Meyers poses beside a World War II-vintage Navy biplane at the Weeks Air Museum in Miami where she is employed as managing director. Meyers hopes to become the overall world acrobatics champion in Calgary, Canada, in 1988. (AP Photo)

Soon after, Weeks left school and returned to Miami. A year later when Miss Meyers was graduated with a degree in interior design, she joined him in

South Florida. "Flying was important to me. I wanted, at the time, to be an eluded her thus far. airline pilot, but I got more and

more into acrobatics.' Her early skills in that specialized type of flying came from Weeks and Bill Thomas, who operates a flight school at Tamiami

Her first acrobatic competition While in college, she joined a was in 1979 at Sherman, Texas, sports parachuting club and and, two 'years later, she acrobatics is all you can take,' qualified for the U.S. team.

In her first world competition private pilot's license and met in 1982 in Spitzerberg, Austria, Miss Meyers won a silver medal Bekescsaba, Hungary, she took a

gold medal and, in 1986, placed first at the world trials in South Cerney, England - both times taking category victories.

The world acrobatics championships are held every two years and the overall title has

"I hope to God I win the overall championship in Calgary, Canada, next year," she said.

Two or three times a week, she practices aerial maneuvers - inverted spins, outside snap rolls and others - to improve her efficiency over a prescribed course.

"About 20 minutes of intense Miss Meyers explained. "It's physically and mentally tiring."

When not behind the controls of an aircraft, Miss Meyers is busy aviation engineering at Purdue. in one of the women's division at the museum, which Weeks Weeks was already an acrobatic categories. Two years later in began putting together in 1981 and opened to the public in 1986. 'We've got 30 antique planes

on display and almost all of them are in flying condition. I want to make this the best aviation museum in the world," she add-The museum and the world

overall acrobatic title are her only goals at the moment.

'After that, I'll come up with something else.





Patchwork Squares meet

Patchwork Squares Home Ex- tional program tension Club met Jan. 12 for its home of Peggy Remington with Visitors are always welcome. 10 members present.

Guests were Martha Anderson of Mississippi, mother of member Anita Matthews, and Bobby Pearson.

Remington, president, conducted the business session. The club paid annual dues for members to the state organiza-

New yearbooks were distributed and programs and hostesses were chosen for each month. The club decided to have a Show and Tell sharing each month in addition to an educa-

> DIAL A DEVOTIONAL 573-8801

The next meeting is set for Feb. regular monthly meeting in the 9 in the home of Pearl Wheeler.

> Saigon, once the capital of South Vietnam, lost not only its capital city status, but also its name during the reunification of Vietnam in 1976. As Ho Chi Minh City, it still ranks as Vietnam's largest with 3.5 million people.



Hopper war said heating up

WASHINGTON (AP) - The federal-state control programs. government's war against grasshoppers shows signs of tur- and cover vast areas. In the 1985 ning against the voracious in- infestation, for example, 13.9 sects, but the Agriculture million acres in 17 Western states Department says it's too soon to were treated for grasshoppers at tell if new tactics will mean a a cost of \$21.5 million, according conclusive victory.

control methods in an outdoor another \$3 million for 1988. laboratory that covers 6 million acres in Idaho and North Dakota, tion that will help participating firm conclusions," he said. an area roughly the size of Maryland.

Officials said Wednesday that large-scale "integrated pest" management, or IPM, experiments there are scheduled to run for five years. Huge waves of hoppers chewed grass and crops from millions of acres in 1985 and 1986, leading to the IPM project.

spraying of pesticides has been several control techniques." one way used under cooperative With the IPM approach, insects Land Management in southcen-pers.

to USDA officials.

The IPM project in Idaho and Federal agencies have been North Dakota was set up with a first hopper season. planning and testing grasshopper \$3 million budget last year and

> agencies and the Western states control grasshoppers on a more scientific basis," said Donald L. Houston, administrator of the department's Animal and Plant lead federal agency for the hop- million acres each. per project.

can be attacked "at the right tral Idaho. A hopper war can be expensive location, with the right timing and under the right conditions" a "standard treatment" block so that wildlife and the general which receives traditional environment are better protected, Houston said.

> About 50 participants in the Idaho, to evaluate the program's

"They indicated that the project has great promise but that "We expect to gather informa- it's still too early to draw any block.

in Twin Falls, Idaho, and Wat- early spring. ford City, N.D. Each field site has Health Inspection Service, the three contiguous blocks of about 1

"Until recently, grasshopper the Little Missouri River Na. oil (carbaryl), Orthene control simply meant applying tional Grasslands in McKenzie (acephate), carbaryl bran bait, One of the goals is to find an ef- chemical insecticides to large County, N.D.; administered by and Nosema locustae bait. fective, economical way of blocks of infested rangeland," he the USDA's Forest Service, and Nosema, a biological agent, is a fighting the hoppers. Aerial said. "IPM, however, combines the Shoshone District of the In- naturally occurring protozoan terior Department's Bureau of that causes disease in grasshop-

One tract in each of two sites is grasshopper control treatments. There is a "no-treat check" block generally consisting of land that project met recently in Boise, historically has had little grasshopper treatment. These two blocks are monitored for comparison with the third tract of land, the "IPM treatment"

Treatments were not carried out in Idaho last year because the Headquarters for the IPM pro- number of grasshoppers was ject is in Boise, with field offices kept low by cold, wet weather in

In North Dakota, the treatments included five approv-The areas consist primarily of ed materials: Malathion, Sevin 4-

Dear **Abby**



Wife Says Bridges to Man's Former Flame Need Burning

By Abigail Van Buren

his real name) and I were married, he had a relationship with a girl named Karen, which is her real name. They went together for five it's time to go home. years, then they broke up and Karen moved out of town.

My problem: Karen still remembers Jerry's birthday, sends cards, calls him and generally keeps in touch with him. (She's not

married.) When Jerry and I became engaged (last September), I asked him to please cease all communication

with Karen; he said he would. Well, Karen called him at home and he took the call and talked to her in a very friendly way. After that, I told him that he should tell her point-blank he isn't interested in maintaining any kind of contact with her. He says he doesn't want to be rude to her.

Yesterday we received a wedding gift from Karen. (We didn't send her an announcement.) Neither one of us wants the gift. Should we send it back and say "No thanks," or should we keep it and thank her for it? Should I write to her and tell her to stop keeping in touch with Jerry, or should we just ignore her and hope she'll go away'

DEAR SICK: Keep the wedding gift and write a proper thank-you. It's possible for Jerry to discourage communication with Karen without being rude, which is what he should do, knowing how much the situation irritates you. Stay out of it.

DEAR ABBY: I know you have

she doesn't have a thing in the world to do at work? I suppose you could say, "Sit quietly and keep your mouth shut," but that's easier said than done. Don't suggest that I help one of

never had a problem like this before.

What does a person do when he or

allowed. Don't suggest that I read a book or magazines because that is not allowed either.

I suppose I could just shuffle my work around and try to "look" busy, but that would be dishonest. Don't get me wrong, Abby. I am grateful

to have a job, but this is getting

DEAR ABBY: Before Jerry (not ridiculous: Out of eight hours in a day, we work only three hours and the rest of the time we just sit around looking at each other until

Work is sporadic, so we can't just pick up and go home.

BORED IN BIRMINGHAM

DEAR BORED: First, inform your boss that he's overstaffed. Since you're not allowed to read on the job, thoroughly comb the classified section of this newspaper when you get home. With luck, you will find a job that offers more stimulation and a chance to grow.

DEAR ABBY: I'm sure there are a few problems in the world that are more important than slang terms for the military, but I couldn't resist chiming in. The recent exchange of letters in your column brought back fond memories of my World War II days when I was in Washington, D.C., surrounded by uniformed men. (I married one.)

The second lieutenants were called "shavetails." Why? Because at one time (before 1918) the U.S. Army and Cavalry relied heavily on mules for transportation. The tails of the untrained mules were shaved to indicate that they were untrained, possibly unpredictable and, therefore, unsafe.

MARIAN BARB BERKELEY

DEAR MARIAN: The "shavetail" tale makes sense to me. (P.S.: If you're wrong, we'll both hear about it.)

DEAR ABBY: I wish men would dress like men, and women would dress like women. I don't care for this unisex business at all. Nowadays you can't tell a man from his wife - unless the wife is pregnant. OLD-FASHIONED

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Democrats: Reagan treats C. American states like they are 'banana republics'

Reagan administration treated ministration attempts to infour Central American nations fluence the pre-summit dialogue like "banana republics" with a are "demeaning" and improper. demand that they criticize regional summit meeting, House Rica, on Friday to assess pro- have "their hand in the cookie Democrats say.

Reagan administration officials steps to take. during a Central American trip regional ambassadors in Washington.

Assistant Secretary of State Elliott Abrams and Lt. Gen. Colin Powell, Reagan's national security adviser, told the presidents of El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala and Costa Rica their criticism of Nicaragua was needed to increase pressure on the Sandinista government to make reforms.

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Coelho, D-Calif., said ad- interview after he and House Ma- to comply with the plan's goals of

The presidents of the five na-Nicaragua on the eve of a tions meet in San Jose, Costa The demand by high-level plan and decide what further the process."

last week angered "more than and treats these four Central spokesman Charles Redman said one" of the countries, House Ma- American mations like banana jority Whip Tony Coelho said republics, and expects them to after meeting Wednesday with say, 'Yes, sir," Coelho said in an

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jority Leader Thomas Foley, D- national reconciliation and Wash., met ath the am- democratization." bassadors.

Coelho said the incident shows that administration officials gress on their regional peace jar, deliberately trying to stop

Asked about the Powell-'Colin Powell goes down there Abrams trip, State Department "the crucial issue confronting the democratic presidents of Central America, is Nicaragua's refusal peace plan compliance.

An administration source.

speaking only on condition of anonymity, said Powell and Abrams had received assurances from at least Salvadoran President Jose Napoleon Duarte and Honduran President Jose Azcona Hoyo that they were prepared to confront Nicaraguan President Daniel Ortega on the issue of

Execution disgusts

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) -Texas death row inmates expressed disapproval and disgust that a fellow inmate was placed before being executed.

"Everybody felt bad he had to be put on the table two times,' Raymond Kinnamon, also on death row, said Wednesday. "Any rational person could see this was cruel and unusual punishment.

Robert Streetman, 27, was placed on the gurney, then removed when state authorities believed more last-minute appeals had been filed on his behalf.

More than an hour later, after determining legal avenues were exhausted, Streetman was returned to the gurney, strapped down a second time and given a lethal injection before dawn Jan.

Streetman, 27, was convicted of killing a Kountze woman in a robbery that netted him \$1.

"We're talking about a legal respect you would give a pushy salesman on the telephone," added James Beathard, another inmate. "Only this is a man's life. Everybody is real disgusted, but we're not surprised.'

Streetman, the first inmate executed in the United States this year and the 27th in Texas since the state resumed executions in 1982, was not mentally competent to be put to death, inmates contended.

"The guy is nuts," Beathard said. "His nickname was 'Weird." That's what a lot of the old guys called him. His judgment wasn't what it should have been.

Streetman at various times during his years on death row said he wanted to be put to death, and only a week before his scheduled death date agreed to have attorneys file legal motions



College freshmen say they want money

year's college freshmen are short time' reached a new high of more concerned about striking it 51.9 percent in 1987. rich and less worried about developing a meaningful in 1984, the last time the question philosophy of life than any of their counterparts in the past 20 years, according to a survey.

system that gives you all the Council on Education survey of riage," and a new question on nearly 290,000 freshmen, releas- getting married found that 59.9 ed Wednesday, also found a percent said that was a top goal. record number planning to major in business (24.6 percent), a resurgence in interest in of the top goals of college teaching, and a continuing slump freshmen. in interest in engineering and computer careers.

> Education Research Institute 1987, up from 73.2 percent last and the council were holding a year, 70.9 percent in 1985 and news conference today at the Na- nearly double the level recorded tional Press Club to discuss the survey results.

The report is the 22nd annual survey on college freshmen's attitudes. Sponsors said the survey sample was adjusted statistically to give an indication of the views of all 1.6 million students who embarked on college careers last

As usual, the freshmen at America's two- and four-year col- years suggest a gradual but proleges and universities evince a curious melange of views on values but also in the values of social and political issues and personal mores.

For instance, 53.1 percent said they supported "laws prohibiting homosexual relations." But 58.7 percent supported legal abortion, 73.8 percent opposed increased defense spending and 47.6 percent said colleges should not invest in companies that do business in South Africa.

The survey report, "The American Freshman: National Norms for Fall 1987," said that, "despite the widespread publici-ty about the threat of AIDS, the proportion of freshmen who agree that 'if two people really them to have sex even if they cent in 1982.

WASHINGTON (AP) — This have known each other for only a

That was up from 46.8 percent was asked.

An all-time high of 52.1 percent of the freshmen agreed "a couple The annual UCLA-American should live together before mar-

The survey found that "being very well off financially" is one

"A record number (75.6 percent) identify this as an essential Leaders of UCLA's Higher or very important life goal in in 1970 (39.1 percent)," the report

> In contrast, only 39.4 percent listed "developing a meaningful philosophy of life" as a top goal. Twenty years earlier, 82.9 per-cent of the freshman survey in 1967 listed that as an essential goal.

> "These trends over the past 20 found shift not only in students' the larger society," the report said.

> The concern over financial matters shows up in the students' intended majors, with a record 24.6 percent planning to major in business, up from 24.1 percent in 1986 and more than double the 1966 figure of 11.6 percent.

But interest in the generally lower-paying teaching field also has increased, "by more than two-thirds since 1982," according to the survey. "This year 8:1 percent of the students entering college plan to pursue careers as elementary or secondary school teachers, up from 7.3 percent last ike each other it's all right for year and the low point of 4.7 per

WTC hosts Odessa tonight

No one said it was going to be Lady Wranglers are 17-2. easy, and Western Texas College The late game, at 8 p pair of highly-touted Odessa College teams take the court at Scurry County Coliseum here.

The Western Junior College Athletic Conference double header tips off at 6 p.m. with WTC's Lady Dusters taking on the Lady Wranglers. Both teams are tied with Clarendon for the conference lead with 2-0 records. Western is 14-4 overall while the

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Conference Standings Midland South Plains NMMI Clarendon Western Texas

Monday's Results- New Mexico JC 115, Western Texas 96; Odessa 66, South Plains 57; Clarendon 81, Frank Phillips 64; Howard

Thursday's Games Odessa at Western Texas, Clarendon at South Plains, Midland at Howard, NMMI at Frank Phillips

> **WJCAC Women** Conference Standings

Team Western Texas

Monday's Results- Western Texas 68, New 65: Odessa 64. South Plains 55.

Tarpley rules boards

as coach wins 600th

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DALLAS (AP) - Dallas the 600-victory milestone.

The late game, at 8 p.m., pits doesn't expect it tonight when a the league-leading Odessa Wranglers against a Westerner team looking for its first conference victory.

Odessa men, ranked eighth in the nation, are 17-2 overall and 4-0 in the WJCAC. Western is 3-14 and 0-2.

Odessa is preceived as the conference's most talented ballclub, featuring such talent as Larry Johnson, Riley Smith, Troy Bell and Rodney Samuel - who all may be top major college prospects. Johnson averages 22 points, 16 rebounds and 4.5 also shoots .626 from the field and .833 from the floor while leading his team in steals and blocked

Samuel all average in double girls tonight. Odessa, which likes figures on the scoreboard. Smith, to run up and down the floor, will returning all-conference player, averages 17.0 points.

Western is paced by 6-5 sophomore Darrell Nelson, who averages 30.1 points and 8.9 rebounds. Bobby Spear is scoring 12.3 points and 7.9 boards.

In other WJCAC men's games tonight, Clarendon (1-3) is at South Plains (1-2), Midland (2-2) plays Howard (3-2) at Big Spring, and New Mexico Military Institute (1-3) is at Borger to play Frank Phillips (0-2)

The women's game is annually a showdown of the top teams in assists a game. The 6-7 standout the WJCAC but Western could have trouble this season. Despite winning 14 of 18 games this season, the Dusters lost seven players at the semester break Johnson, Smith, Bell and and will field a team of only five

have a definite advantage in bench strength.

Linda Broomfield and Nelda Roy both average over 15 points a game for OC, which boasts five players in double figures. Roy and Tongla Foster also average over 10 rebounds an outing.

The Dusters lost their top scorers at the semester break, but return Nickey Allen, who puts in 11.3 points, and Julie Roewe, 9.5. Snyder freshman Stephanie McKnight and Beaumont firstyear player Tabitha Walton have been taking up some of the scoring slack in the three games since the break.

In the only other women's conference game tonight, Clarendon

Hogs rally from 22 behind to beat SMU on road, 85-83

league play.

by The Associated Press

The Arkansas Razorbacks shed their road woes with an amazing overtime victory in Dallas and unheralded Texas A&M also remained unbeaten in Southwest Conference play behind Darryl McDonald's heroics at the buzzer against Baylor.

Preseason favorite Arkansas overcame a 22-point deficit behind Chris Brunt's season-high 23 points to drop Southern

Dallas Wednesday hight: It was Arkansas' first road victory of the year, lifting the Razorbacks to a 12-2 record and 3-0 in

The Aggies, picked for a deep second division finish, stunned Baylor 58-57 on McDonald's buzzer beater in Heart O' Texas Coliseum.

A&M is 2-0 in league play and 10-6 overall.

In the only other SWC game, Rice (2-1) downed defending champion Texas Christian 74-69. The Horned Frogs are 0-3 in the conference.

Southwestern Louisiana edged Houston, 102-101, in overtime in a non-conference game.

Arkansas hadn't won in four years in Moody Coliseum and with SMU leading 58-36 it looked all over for Coach Nolan Richard-

'SMU played a great first half and it looked like another spanking on the road," Richardson said. "Being down 22 is a lot. But even during the timeouts I. recognized there was no look of panic in our players' eyes.'

we took control of the game."

He said "SMU stopped us a chance to come back."

Brunt's previous high was 16 against Alcorn State.

Carlton McKinney also had 23 Arkansas and A&M are now

headed for a showdown Saturday in College Station for the undisputed SWC lead.

We just didn't adjust to Arkansas' changing defenses,' said SMU Coach Dave Bliss. "Our inside game just wasn't there. Our bench just wasn't as deep as their bench.

McDonald's game-winning shot for the Aggies came just five seconds after Baylor's Michael Hobbs put the Bears ahead 57-56. Only seven seconds remained in the game when Hobbs hit his 12foot bucket.

Texas A&M built a six-point advantage, 36-30, to begin the second half. Baylor, 10-6 and 1-2, then outscored the Aggies 14-9 to tie the game at 44 with 9:12 remaining.

Both teams traded field goals over the next six minutes. With Williams connected on one of two free throws to give the Bears Richardson said "My first year their second lead in the second when we got down that many, we half, 54-53. Hobbs followed, but panicked. After we got down 22, the Aggies came back with their game winner.

Ronald Robertson scored a shooting. When a team does that career-high 29 points and nine reagainst a team like ours, it gives bounds to lead the Rice Owls to a 74-69 win over the TCU.

Colleges ponder dilemma with agents;

Loboes invade coliseum for 2-4A contest Friday

Coach Larry Scott's Tigers don't have time to ponder Tuesday's loss to seventh-ranked Lamesa. They have to get ready for an improved Monahans club here Friday night.

Tipoff for the District 2-4A roundball game at Scurry County Coliseum is 7:30 p.m. Snyder girls also play in Monahans at 7:30 p.m. Both games will be preceded by 6 p.m. junior varsity contests. Snyder freshmen boys also host Monahans freshmen at 6 p.m. in the high school gym.

Scott's Tigers dropped into a two-way tie for second place in the district after Tuesday's 78-57 loss to Lamesa. The Tigers are 14-6 overall and 5-1 in District 2-4A play. Monahans comes in with a record of 11-10 overall and 2-4 in loop action. The Loboes are one of the league's biggest teams, size-wise, and are much improved

Snyder's Lady Tigers also take a share of second place into their game Friday. The ladies are 5-3 in loop action and tied wth Sweetwater and Pecos. Snyder is 12-7 overall.

Monahans' girls are 4-14 for the season and 0-8 in district com-

In other boy's games Friday, Fort Stockton (13-7, 4-3) is at Lamesa (17-5, 6-0), Big Spring (14-8, 4-2) visits Andrews (16-5, 5-1) and Lake View (7-13, 1-5) is at Pecos (7-11, 1-5). Sweetwater (0-7,

In girl's play, Lamesa (3-17, 2-5) treks to Fort Stocton (11-8, 4-4) while Pecos (9-6, 5-3) heads for San Angelo to play Lake View (9-11, 3-5) and Andrews (10-8, 4-4) is at Big Spring (21-1, 8-0). Sweetwater's girls (10-9, 5-3) have the evening off.

10-time All-Star retires

LA JOLLA, Calif. (AP) - Steve Garvey, a 10-time All Star who spent his last five years with the Padres, announced his retirement Wednesday. A severe shoulder injury that cut short his 1987 season led to the reluctant decision to end his career.

"This is in many ways the toughest day of my life. In other ways, it's quite exciting," said Garvey, a first baseman who starred for 12 years with the Los Angeles Dodgers before joining the Padres as a free agent in December 1982.

The man nicknamed "The Senator" by his Padres teammates said a bid for public office may be in his future.

He leaves the game as the best fielding first baseman in history with a percentage of .996, and as one of its most durable players, holding the National League record for consecutive games played

The NL's Most Valuable Player in 1974, Garvey hit 272 homers and drove in 1,308 runs while batting .294 over his career. He was at his best, though, in postseason play

In five World Series with the Dodgers and Padres, Garvey hit .319 (36-for-113), and in five NL playoffs he batted .356 (32-for-90) with eight homers and 21 RBI.

Gregg will take SMU job

DALLAS (AP) - Green Bay Packers Coach Forrest Gregg has esigned to become head coach of Southern Methodist University, Packer president Robert Parins said in Green Bay today

Gregg, 54, an SMU alumnus, was offered the job at the scandal plagued school Wednesday

Gregg resigned Wednesday night, and he and his wife, Barbara, left this morning for Dallas, where SMU has scheduled an afternoon news conference.

Gregg's decision, climaxing a a 10-day courtship by Athletic Director Doug Single and President A. Kenneth Pye, was made complete by Gregg's telephone call to Parins.

"I had a long visit with the coach late last night," Parins said this morning. "He has agreed to take the job. I have agreed to

The 54-year-old Gregg, a native of Birthright, Texas, agreed to accept the job four days after it was turned down by Bill McCartney, coach at the University of Colorado.

Single said this morning that a few contract details remain to be hammered out

NBA glance

forward Roy Tarpley

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Mavericks coach John MacLeod "It's a milestone, sure," said reached a personal milestone, MacLeod, who won 579 games as but he wanted to talk about the coach of the Phoenix Suns and accomplishment of Dallas power stands eighth on the all-time list. "I feel very fortunate to have Tarpley came off the bench to lasted this long. The juices are pull down a team-record 23 re- still flowing, though. I feel I have bounds as the Mavericks along way to go.

defeated the Indiana Pacers, 110- MacLeod preferred to talk 108. Wednesday night to give about Tarpley's work on the MacLeod his 600th NBA coaching boards. Tarpley had a personal season-high 19 rebounds Satur-With the victory, MacLeod day night in a victory over became only the eighth coach in Golden State, then Wednesday the history of the National night broke James Donaldson's Basketball Association to reach previous team record of 22 rebounds.

"His 23 rebounds is quite an accomplishment," MacLeod said. "He's establishing himself as a big-time rebounder.

Tarpley said he was unaware he'd set a record until after the

"I had no idea," said Tarpley, who had 12 rebounds on the offensive glass. "They must have given me a few of James Donaldson's rebounds. Now I've got to work at putting the ball in the basket.

Tarpley finished with 12 points but hit only 4 of 18 shots.

"I feel I'm filling my role, which is to rebound," Tarpley said. "It's just a matter of being in the right place at the right

Mark Aguirre provided the scoring punch with a game-high 35 points as the Mavericks won their 11th-straight home game.

Division I turns down progress rule NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) - The of voting on more than 140 pronext big challenge for the nation's universities and colleges may be how to deal with agents

who make illegal payments to student-athletes, says NCAA Executive Director Dick Schultz. "And it's difficult because ... it's one we can't solve by

ourselves," Schultz said Wednesday after the 82nd annual NCAA Convention wrapped up two days

such an incident.

Suns blot out Rockets

PHOENIX, Ariz. (AP) - The Phoenix Suns seem to be fighting mad these days in the middle of a frustrating NBA season.

Wednesday night, they channeled some of that angry energy into a 117-106 win over the Houston Rockets as Jay Humphries scored 11 of his seasonhigh 26 points during a fightmarred third period and Larry Nance had 10 of his 19 in the game's final 8:08.

PGA Tour opens season

There is no clearly dominant bite once in a while, but we don't figure as the PGA Tour opens its even tear the trousers. 1988 season with the \$500,000 Tournament of Champions.

Lee Trevino, one of the players who headed the game a decade or so ago, suggests that, "Maybe these young guys just don't want it as much as we did."

"We wanted it. We wanted it bad," Trevino said. "And we ment on Sunday, and at 6 o'clock Monday morning I was out there beating balls.

"I don't know, I don't know that talk to 'em about what they want outstanding player in the game,

CARLSBAD, Calif. (AP) - we're history. Oh, we can still "There's a new generation out

there. And there'll be another superstar. There always has

"But I don't see any superstar emerging any time soon. You'll have 'em, but I don't see one anytime soon," Trevino said.

Trevino, who visited the tourworked for it. I'd win a tourna- nament in connection with a television network promotion, said he expected Tom Watson to again exert a major influence. Watson, 38, a five-time British

many of the young guys. I don't Open champion and once the do," Trevino said. "We're gone broke a three-year non-winning Palmer, Nicklaus, Trevino - string late last season.

"We hung in there," said had a little distraction, but afterward we maintained our composure. We didn't get jumpy. Sometimes in situations like that, you try to get people back and get even. We just came back and executed." Houston, down 69-61 with 7:16

remaining in the third quarter, closed to 71-70 on Allen Leavell's jumper with 4:58 left. Humphries, whose three-point play 46 seconds before halftime

halted an 11-0 Rockets' run and put Phoenix ahead 58-55, scored five points in a 9-2 spurt for an 80-72 lead with 2:24 left in the third

Suns reserve guard Jeff Hornacek and Houston's Eric "Sleepy" Floyd were then ejected for getting into two separate shoving-and-wrestling matches that erupted into benchclearing brawls with 2:20 left in the third quarter.

After the ejections, Humphries added a layup and a jumper to give the Suns an 88-79 lead enterng the final period.

For a time before World War I umpires sometimes scouted players for big league teams. It vas banned in 1912.

some help, we're going to need some cooperation from other peo-

A number of collegiate athletes have been suspended or have lost their eligibility in recent months because of allegations they improperly accepted money from agents while still in school, and Atlanta agent Jim Abernethy has been indicted by an Alabama grand jury in connection with

Those developments have pro-Phoenix Coach John Wetzel. "We mpted renewed suggestions that a monthly stipend for athletes from colleges might help solve the agent problem, but Schultz

"If that's the rationale for it (the stipend), it's not going to work. Because the guy who wants to cheat, all you've done is raise the ante," Schultz said.

But if the purpose for doing that is because it has been proven that athletes aren't living normally like other students and they're really being deprived of things ... then that's a different rationale and it needs to be discussed.



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positions. "We're going to need the end of a convention that to 1.8 after the second season and featured a lively skirmish over a 2.0 after the third. proposal to toughen athletic eligibility standards.

That came Wednesday when Division I schools, by a 163-151 vote, adopted a measure establishing a scale of minimum grade-point averages that an athlete would have to attain each year to remain eligible - then turned around a few hours later and rejected the issue.

The second vote, which followed intense lobbying both on and off the convention floor, was 162-

Division II schools, which generally have smaller athletic programs than Division I schools, adopted the "satisfactory progress rule.

Effective Aug. 1, 1989, Division II athletes will need a 1.6 cumulative grade-point, based on a 4.0 scale, after their first season of competition to remain

Schultz's comments came at eligible. The standard increases

The measure, identified on the agenda as Proposition 39, was similar to a proposal unsuccessfully introduced at past conventions by the Big Ten, and it prompted heated debate.

Supporters described it as simply an effort to standardize eligibility requirements and improve the graduation rates of student-athletes

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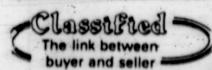
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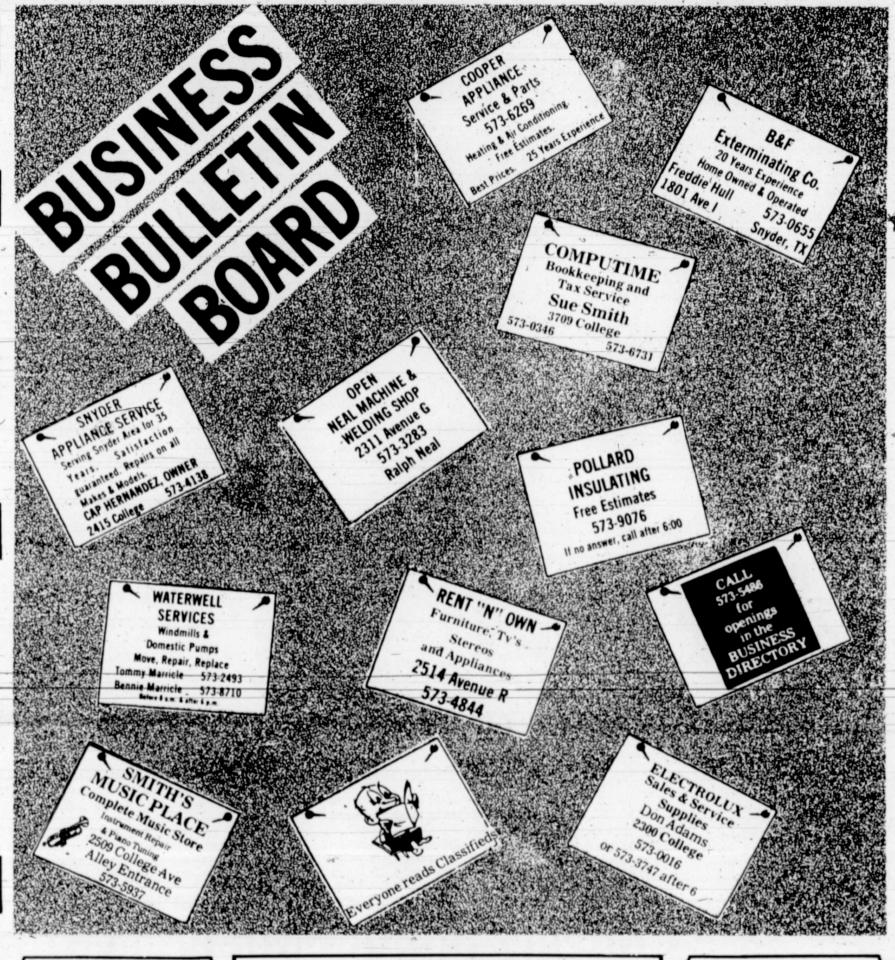
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A new study by the private "I don't know what the third Election Data Services Inc." seat would be. I haven't bothered predicted that Texas would gain to start drawing maps for 1991 three U.S. House seats - going tions," Strake added. from 27 to 30 - if Congress were Texas GOP Chairman George reapportioned based on 1987 Strake said if Republicans can in- population estimates by the Cen-

the 30 U.S. House seats that since the last reapportionment. Texas is estimated to have in Texas now has an estimated centrated urban population, and population of 16.8 million, up "I think if we can get 20 more from the 14.2 million that 1981

Strake said it is difficult to tell increase our numbers from 10 out how the Legislature will draw of 27 to about 15 out of 30," new districts three years from-

But he projected that the South by Democratic Reps. John W. changed to "give the blacks a seat and the Republicans a seat."

would pick up seats. ... Those

small movement in district lines said. can make a big difference. "All you have to do is move a line a few blocks in a highly conyou've beaten a congressman or

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"I don't see how it could be any nastier (in 1991) than it was in 1981. ... I hope-it's not that much Bryant and Martin Frost will be fun again, or that I'm not chairman then," Slagle said.

Strake said he fully expects a "It's hard to say where else we hard fight over redistricting in 1991. "You're talking about who lines can wiggle in funny direc- holds the power for the next 10 years. Democrats and The Legislature battles over Republicans will fight to the redistricting because even a death on those things," Strake

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Lanier High School...

Task force probes fires

AUSTIN (AP) - Lanier High dividuals, and obviously when created to investigate.

cluding police, fire and school officials, was created after a dent, urged continued attendance Molotov cocktail burst into and said in a statement that flames 10 feet from a classroom on Tuesday.

The latest fire forced evacuation of the building, but caused no injuries and only minor damage, officials said.

School officials urged parents to continue sending their children limit the number of people in the to school, and they vowed to hallways during classes by keepspare no effort in catching the ar-

In the latest fire, the Molotov cocktail was tossed onto the floor of a hallway near a foreign language lab just before 11 a.m., officials said. The fire was extinguished before firefighters ar-

Damage from the eight fires, Thursday," Stahl said. along with that from a Dec. 8 arno injuries in any of the fires.

Fire investigators said the students could be responsible.

them (the fires) are going to be ticulture centered around several in- greenhouse.

School has been the scene of eight you have that many fires there's" arson cases in 10 days, and a a good possibility that one or two special task force has been might be what you call a copycat kind of fire," said Lt. Melvin The 25-member task force, in- Stahl, a fire investigator.

John Ellis, school superintenschool officials "cannot allow this type of thing to continue."

Lanier Principal Paul Turner said he did not know what effect the fires have had on school attendance.

School officials have tried to ing to a minimum requests to go to a locker or restroom. But Stahl said monitoring the 1,500-student school isn't easy

"It's just difficult in a school setting to get all the areas watched where they need to be watched," he said.

"We've had people working around the clock on it since

The worst of the fires occurred son that is also unsolved, now ex- last Thursday, damaging the ceeds \$200,000. There have been home economics wing and prompting students to evacuate.

Three small fires were set Tuesday case raised the possibili- Monday, Tuesday and Wednesty that a few of the fires might day of last week, and two occurhave been set by a "copycat" ar- red on Friday. On Saturday, a sonist. Authorities have said a container of gasoline was thrown small group of students or former through a broken window into a counselor's office. The fire in "I think the vast majority of December damaged the hordepartment

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Ambassador receives birthday invitation

to attend their annual celebration brace in Spanish. of Washington's Birthday.

the international bridge that Clements, other state and city oflinks Laredo with its Mexican ficials, and a yet-to-be-named sister city, Nuevo Laredo. It caps representative of President a week of festivities marking the Reagan - then invite their Mex-91st annual Laredo festival for Washington's Birthday.

of dignitaries this year," Blas Martinez, president of the Washington's Birthday Celebration Association of Laredo, told U.S. Ambassador Charles J. Pilliod Jr. during a meeting Wednesday morning.

Although Pilliod did not formally accept the invitation, citing previous engagements, he strongly hinted he could make the ceremony after he visits the Confederate Air Force's museum in Harlingen, Texas, on Feb. 19.

"Do you promise better weather this year?" Pilliod joked, recalling that it had rained during the last Washington's Birthday ceremony he attended.

"I hope I can do it this year," Pilliod added during the meeting at the U.S. Embassy.

He said he had feared the Feb. 13 summit meeting between Presidents Reagan and Miguel de la Madrid in Mazatlan, Mexico, might have interfered with the plans to visit Texas.

Laredo City Councilman Saul N. Ramirez Jr. and A.R. Ramos, past association president and chairman of the Texas Mexican Railway Co. in Laredo, also met with the ambassador.

The week-long Washington's Birthday celebration will begin Feb. 13 with an international bicycle race and a Princess Pocahontas Western Gala featuring local high school seniors dressed in Western attire, Martinez explained.

The festivities reach their peak this year with an "abrazo" ceremony Feb. 20 on an interna-

MEXICO CITY (AP) - A tional bridge spanning the Rio group of civic leaders from Grande, in which invited Mex-Laredo, Texas, have invited the ican and U.S. dignitaries par-American ambassador to Mexico ticipate. "Abrazo" means em-

The U.S. hosts - expected to The Feb. 19-20 event centers on include Texas Gov. Bill ican counterparts into Laredo to attend a parade and other "We ask you to head our group festivities, Martinez said.

The Mexican army usually sends representatives to march in the parade, added Ramos. "This is the only place where a foreign army marches on U.S. soil," he quipped. Martinez said he expects

100,000 people to attend the event this year. The celebration "represents

one of the best examples I've seen of cultural cooperation between border cities, and deserves to be encouraged,' Pilliod told the delegation. "It breaks down any thought of barriers and the bridge (ceremony) is one way of getting together.'

The festival shows relations between Mexico and the United States are growing rapidly, Pilliod added. Laredo and Nuevo Laredo, he said, are an example of "one big community, joined by two bridges."

"The event helps build bridges, not walls, between the two cultures," Martinez said. "And we feel the two cultures blend in Laredo and Nuevo Loredo.'

The group also is inviting de la Madrid, as well as the Mexican defense, treasury and tourism secretaries, Martinez said.

Councilmember Ramirez took the opportunity to bring up plans to build a new bridge linking the two cities.

The bridge "is a natural," Pilliod said. "In time it'll have to (be built) because trade is growing every day, not only in commerce but tourism as well."

After Chiang Dynasty, new challenges ahead for Taiwan

TAIPEI, Taiwan (AP) - Taiwanese participation in Taiwan is without a leader from government, banned opposition Chiang Kai-shek's family for the political parties and imposed first time, a sobering prospect for martial law. an island facing a restive popula-

President Chiang Ching-kuo -77-year-old son of the late Na- aspirations as they prospered leader, Chiang Kai-shek — died economic policies. of a heart attack Wednesday, ending the family's six-decade

all China, not just the island they died. controlled. They limited native During his final years, the

tion at home and a longstanding make up 85 percent of the narivalry with Communist China. make up 85 percent of the narivalry with Communist China. began to have greater political tionalist Chinese World War II under successful export-oriented

Some even proposed that the island declare itself independent The Chiang-led Nationalist of China to bring about a native Party came to power in mainland Taiwanese government, and China in 1926, but escaped with 2 launched street demonstrations. million followers to Taiwan after It was those pressures that losing a civil war to the Com- Chiang Ching-kuo increasingly faced and constantly battled dur-The Nationalists continued to ing a presidency that began in maintain they were the rulers of 1978, three years after his father

Deportees given over to Palestinian faction

JERUSALEM (AP) - Israeli troops today detained 10 prominent Palestinians, including a newspaper editor who promoted a campaign of civil disobedience to protest Israel's crackdown on riots in the occupied territories.

Four West Bank Palestinians deported by Israel were handed over today to a Marxist Palestinian guerrilla faction aligned with Syria, Lebanese police said. They said that the Lebanese army had planned to return the four to Israeli-held territory in south Lebanon, despite a reported Israeli threat to shoot them on sight.

But army officials changed their minds after Israel shut all crossings to its self-designated security zone along its northern border, police said

A top United Nations official toured a refugee camp near on Palestinian living conditions. Paul Hunt of Amnesty International, the London-based human rights organization, also began a fact-finding mission in Gaza.

Also today, an Arab youth armed with a kitchen knife attacked a 22-year-old soldier as he walked past the courthouse in Kfar Saba. a town in central Israel, police

Lawsuit is dismissed

Continued From Page 1 a "blue warrant" issued by TDC.

Local deputies made the arrest at the request of the parole office. Wells was on parole after being sentenced to TDC for burglary of

a vehicle. This parole was rescinded and the blue warrant issued due to an alleged altercation between he and his parole officer.

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fraudulent \$150 check at Ben Wilson Supply, a city detective

Wyatt was convicted of aggravated assault here in 1984 and given a five-year sentence, a year of which he served in the county jail before being sent to the Texas Department of Corrections in 1985 and later becoming eligible for parole.

Contracts on school agenda

Continued From Page 1 year extension of a two-year con-

tract. Other agenda items before trustees include

Considering the possible addition of pleasure boats to the district's tax roll.

-Approving the 1988-89 school calendar.

Approving an "Update 30" of school policies to make them conform to new state rules and regulations.

-Updating the district's career ladder requirements. -Considering rules related to asbestos compliance for school

districts. -Considering an oil lease

greement renewal.

—A recommendation to employ federally-funded position for the district, an associate psychologist for special educa-

Considering a renewal of the uperintendent's contract.

But the native Taiwanese, who

The youth, from the West Bank, tried to grab the soldier's weapon, but the soldier fought him off, helped by passers-by, police said. The youth was arrested and the soldier was not

> No new violence was reported today in the occupied Gaza Strip and West Bank, where at least 34 Arabs have been killed in five weeks of violence. A commercial strike continued in Gaza and at least two West Bank towns.

Since the rioting began Dec. 8, more than 200 Palestinians have been wounded and 1,100 are being tried in military courts on rioting charges. Israel captured the territories from Egypt and Jordan in the 1967 Middle East war.

The army flew the four Arab deportees to southern Lebanon on Wednesday, gave them \$50 each Bethlehem to gather information and put them in two passing taxis, which took them to the Syriancontrolled Bekaa Valley.

Israel was criticized worldwide for the expulsions. The United States said it regretted the ac-

The four activists were handed to George Habash's Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, which opposes Yasser Arafat's leadership of the Palestine Liberation Organization, police said.

The front's Bekaa spokesman, Walid Abul-Oyoun, told reporters the deportees would be lodged at the group's base in Jlala, a village southwest of Zahle, the provincial capital of the Bekaa.

The deportees earlier told reporters that they had been notified by the Lebanese and the Syrian armies of a pan-Arab decision not to receive them in Lebanon or any other Arab coun-

Decision draws mixed reviews

WASHINGTON (AP) - The Supreme Court's new ruling on censorship of public school students is drawing mixed reviews, along with conflicting predictions over how school officials will use their new-found

The court, in a 5-3 ruling Wednesday, gave public school officials broad authority to censor student newspapers and other forms of student expres-

In a case from Hazelwood, Mo., the court said judicial intervention to protect students' freespeech rights is warranted "only when the decision to censor a school-sponsored publication, theatrical production or other vehicle of student expression has no valid educational purpose."

"This decision cuts off the First Amendment legs of the student press," said Paul McMasters, national freedom of information chairman for the Society of Professional Journalists, SDX.

"At least five people on the Supreme Court seem to think it's all right for students to study about constitutional freedoms but they can't enjoy them until they graduate," McMasters said. One of the three students who

sued in 1983, Leslie Smart, now a senior majoring in political science at Washington University in St. Louis, said she thought the ruling would disillusion aspiring

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younger Chiang sought to solidify public support for his Nationalist Party by introducing a degree of democracy to Taiwan and by maintaining emotional ties to

AP analysis

In 1986, he allowed the first opposition party to form, although they could only contest a small minority of legislative seats. He CocaCola then scrapped martial law, which paved the way for more parties to form, and ended a ban on DeltaAirl demonstrations.

Last fall, Chiang bowed to DressrInd public pressure and decided to duPont EstKodak s allow Taiwan residents to travel Enserch to China to visit relatives left EntexInc behind in the civil war. Tens of Exxon s. thousands already have FIBCPTex registered for such trips.

Chiang pushed through the reforms even though some aging GAF Cp Nationalists reportedly opposed the liberalization. Events after his death will show whether peaceful change can continue or if his efforts came too late.

More important is how new President Lee Teng-hui, a native Gulf StaUt Taiwanese, fares as he tries to steer a course between old-guard Nationalists suspicious of political reform and Taiwanese who want more say. Lee, 64, the Johnson vice president, was sworn in K mart Wednesday to succeed Chiang in accordance with the constitution after an emergency meeting of LoneSta, Ind the party's Central Standing Lubys Committee.

Without Chiang to force through liberalization measures, the pace of change may slow. Taiwan is likely to move toward a more consultative leadership as Lee will lack the power and prestige of his predecessor.

An early sign of whether the party's authoritarian grip will continue to loosen will be what proposals, if any, are made to change the existing political system that ensures the majority plawmakers and electoral col-e members are Nationalists from the mainland.

The pro-independence movement may hesitate to increase pressure for concessions now because that could give hard-line Nationalists a reason to crack down. The opposition Democratic Party already has pledged to work with Lee and temporarily suspended all demonstrations.

Chiang apparently took steps to ensure his successor would not be toppled by a coup. Observers said Chiang used his brother, Chiang Wego, who is head of the National Security Council, to help. Lee win support from the armed

In his will, Chiang spoke of the dream of reunification.

"If I were restrained by the years given by heaven ... all people and military personnel in our nation should unite and strive together, speed up recovering the mainland, and complete the mission of reunification of China," he

EDITOR'S NOTE - Dan Biers, based in Hong Kong, has traveled frequently to Taiwan to report on political developments there for The Associated Press.

Collision noted

No injuries were reported in a two-vehicle collision at 3:54 p.m. Wednesday in the 2400 Block of College Ave.

A 1986 Oldsmobile Cutlass driven by Pearl Weems Masters of 3512 Austin Place was in collision with a Jeep Wagoneer driven by Barbara Dressler Bowen of Hermleigh. -

DWI charged

A 28-year-old man was arrested for DWI and misdemeanor possession of marijuana at 11:47 p.m. Wednesday in the 300 Block of 23rd St.

Hospital **Notes**

ADMISSIONS: Emmanuel Aparicio, 512 33rd; Lila Vernon, Snyder Oaks Care Center; Natalie Dennington, 1908 30th; Gertrude League, 3106 El Pasó; Betty Boyd, 1909 15th; Billy Ray Allen, Rt. 1, Box 327.

DISMISSALS: Neva Howell and baby, Cade Simpson, Lilly Mae Grappe, Martha Martinez, Mary Bowlin, Gale Dorsey.

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Births

John and Natalie Dennington are the parents of a baby boy weighing six pounds 12 ounces born at 11:57 p.m. Wednesday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

By Robert DiMatteo

Second whooper chick gets lost

young whooping crane lost dur- Thompson, TPW endangered ing the yearly migration to South species program leader. Texas was the second chick mislaid by a pair of cranes who apparently haven't developed parenting skills, wildlife officials

The fledgling whooping crane, lost or abandoned about 12 miles south of Amarillo, had been watched carefully by wildlife oftwo weeks.

"We haven't seen him for quite a little while, and we've had some pretty severe weather," said Gary Juenger, assistant manager of the Buffalo Lake National Wildlife Refuge.

"We had never observed the bird to be feeding on anything except frogs that he was getting out of the lakes, so when those became unavailable we were concerned that maybe he wasn't able to forage.

"I don't know that he's dead, have passed away, not to our pleasure at all," Juenger said.

The chick was part of a flock of 134 endangered birds that annually fly from Canada to the Gulf Coast for the winter.

lost a first chick in Oklahoma, flock's wintering ground at Aranwhere the youngster remained sas National Wildlife Refuge, through the winter, ranging as Thompson said.

UMBARGER, Texas (AP) - A far south as Edna, said Bruce

Wildlife officials say the young breeding pair may not possess fully developed parenting skills.

Parenting is a learned behavior, Juenger said. "These parents just haven't gotten good at it and may never get good at

it," he said.

The yearling has yet to rejoin ficials since November, but the flock and is spending the hasn't been seen in more than winter near Victoria, Thompson

The other wayward whooper, which stands about 41/2 feet tall, was last sighted Dec. 25 in the Panhandle.

Juenger and refuge manager Johnny Beall had been keeping daily watch on the bird, born at Wood Buffalo National Park in Canada last spring. They were aided by two test pilots for Bell Helicopter, who helped monitor the chick from the air, Juenger

The pilots have searched for but there's a chance that he may the bird through the recent snow and ice storms, he said. "But with the white snow on the ground, we haven't held up much hope of seeing him," he said.

If the bird is found injured wildlife officials may attempt to Last winter, the parent cranes capture it and transport it to the

Some lawyers decry fund-raising letter

EL PASO, Texas (AP) - Some porters who didn't have time to lawyers are criticizing a district reply judge who wrote a fund-raising letter saying he assumed they you could get and still have a sucwould support him for his re- cessful fund-raiser," he said

week that state District Judge tickets to an Oct. 22 fund-raiser. John McKellips was wrong in his that he would assume he had him otherwise.

Some lawyers said they considered the letter unseemly and

"It would be suicide to have to call up a judge and tell him you're not going to support him." one of the lawyers told the El Paso Herald-Post. The lawyer, who asked to remain unidentified, was listed by McKellips as a campaign supporter.

Another unidentified lawyer told the Herald-Post he was a lukewarm McKellips supporter she has trouble raising money. in 1984 and decided not to support him this year. Still, he was listed as a supporter.

'By virtue of not responding, I was included on the list," he said. "I think it was very inappropriate.

McKellips defended the letter. saying it was convenient for sup"I don't know how less pushy

McKellips has collected more A few of the lawyers said this than \$34,000, mostly through \$100

The letter was mailed last assumption. In the letter, August to 275 people, including McKellips listed lawyers who more than 60 lawyers. The issue practice before him and sup- was raised recently by Mary county attorney opposing their support unless they notified McKellips in the Democratic primary. When Ms. Bramblett announced she was running, she said lawyers make substantial contributions to the incumbent's campaign and the donations could appear to taint the judge's objectivity.

Ms. Bramblett pledged not to accept contributions from lawyers and challenged McKellips to return contributions from lawyers. He refused and said Ms. Bramblett brought up the contribution issue because

The Herald-Post contacted 12 lawyers McKellips listed as supporters. Eight said they were displeased, embarrassed or angered by the letter and four had no objections. Most did not want their names published for fear it might affect their standing with the judge.

us her typical Goldie act. Russell is characteristically pleasant to watch in his burly, belly-hanging-out way but his part isn't much. The kids range from obnoxious to bearable. At its best, this throwback of a comedy is only mildly cute, and it's not often at its best. GRADE: *1/2

New Home Video

HOLLYWOOD SHUFFLE (R) Virgin Vision, \$79.95. This little satirical comedy was directed, produced and written by Robert Townsend on the ridiculously low budget of \$100,000. Happily, the movie looks polished enough so that one doesn't experience sensory deprivation. And, what's more important, it provides a fast and frequently funny 82 minutes of entertainment.

Townsend himself stars as a young black actor trying to make it in Hollywood. Shuffling between a menial job and auditions - where he's told he's either too black or not black enough the actor fantasizes about stardom. In the course of this, we're treated to inventive parodies of everything from "King Lear" to "Superman."

THE BELIEVERS (R) HBO, \$89.95. In the trashiest mode of his wide ranging career, director John Schlesinger brings us this Manhattan-set occult thriller about a Caribbeanbased religion that depends on child sacrifice. Martin Sheen stars as a shrink whose son is targeted as the re-ligious cult's latest victim. Expect lots of grisliness, gore and, according to some critics, implicit racism.
Nonetheless, Schlesinger keeps our
blood coursing GRADE: ***

(Film grading: *** - oxcollont, *** - good, ** - loir, *

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out, the tiny spaceships turn up - to miraculously clean up the place. The rest is like a high-tech version of a In Movie Theaters Saturday afternoon serial - with lots of these little spaceships whizzing BATTERIES NOT INCLUDED around and upstaging the human (PG) Steven Spielberg's recent run of productions for Amblin Films sug-

gests that he is a better director than exectuive producer. His latest production, "Batteries Not Included," directed by Matthew Robbins, seems particularly ill-conceived." Who is this picture for? It's a comic fantasy that is probably too violent and plot-heavy for little kids, and too OVERBOARD (PG) One thing you infantile for most older viewers. Even the by-now obligatory Spielberg spe-

FILMETER

Robert DiMatteo

What's new in movies and video

cial effects are pretty cheesy this "Batteries" is an attempt to craft a contemporary urban variant of the 'elves and the shoemaker" fairy tale, with sweet little spaceship-shaped extraterrestrials in place of the elves. Onto this has been grafted the whimsical view of senior citizens familiar from "Cocoon," plus a fillip of social about

redevelopment. Needless to say, this formulaic mixture never jells. The film's resident sentimentalized geriatrics are a couple (Jessica Tandy and Hume Cronyn) struggling to keep their crumbling Manhattan luncheonettecum-apartment building away from a Donald Trump-like investor whose head is swimming with high-rise

Just when the couple and the other tenants are about to give in and move

Only Jessica Tandy - and to a lesser extent, Hume Cronyn - comes through with any verve. Great actress that she is, Tandy manages to make something both touching and funny out of a character whose approaching senility is questionably played for laughs GRADE: *19

can say for Goldie Hawn: No matter how many stupid or innocuous movies he makes, she continues to be likable and, for the moment, bankable. This romantic comedy, which pairs her with off-screen lover Kurt Russell, tries for a giddy, screwball tone, but it's alarmingly insipid.

The plot pivots on amnesia, in the nonsensical way that "Desperately Seeking Susan" almost redeemed Hawn stars as a beautiful, spoiled millionairess who falls from her yacht into the water off the Oregon oast. Found and domesticated by a local good of boy carpenter (Kurt Russell), this demanding snob finds her humanity - and, presumably, her natural feelings as a woman -

caring for the carpenter's four kids. Hawn has fun in the early rich-snob phase of her character, even if she's essentially just playacting. She's much more at home, though, when the woman thaws out - and Hawn gives

Dr.



Stress is today's trendy diagnosis

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Has "stress" become the wastebasket diagnosis of the 80s? Many letters in your column are from readers whose doctors have blamed their problems on stress, and no attempt has been made to investigate further. Anybody who is in pain has stress, but that's not the cause of the pain. Do you think "stress" is a valid medical condition, or is it overdiagnosed?

DEAR READER: Stress sometimes seems to be the fad or wastebasket diagnosis of the '80s. It appears to be an easy way for some overworked doctors to deal with patients who have chronic pain syndromes, such as headaches, backaches and muscle pains, as well as depression and panic

We all live in a stressful world, but I doubt that the general stress level is much higher than it was decades or centuries ago, when, in many respects, life was harder than it is today. In the past, people seemed to complain less about stress and to cope with it without seeking medical help. Perhaps our modern expectations about life are unrealistic, adding to stress levels

I believe that "stress" is a valid medical diagnosis for many people However, as you suggest, what comes first: the stress or the symptoms? In my view, patients would be better off having a less vague and trendy diagnosis made. For example, muscle contraction headache, irritable bowel and insomnia - three symptoms of stress - would provide more useful handles for treatment than the broad term of "stress."

I agree with you that stress is probably overdiagnosed; people would feel less stressed and more in control of their lives if doctors were less inclined to paste "stress" labels on patients and pay more attention to symptoms, many of which may reflect true physical ailments.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My son gets allergy shots. I've noticed that none of the nurses wash their hands between patients. Should I worry?

DEAR READER: Probably not. The alcohol used to clean off the injection sites probably acts as a good disinfectant on the nurses' hands.

Dr. Gott's new Health Report on IRRITABLE BOWEL SYNDROME explains the symptoms and management of this common problem. Send \$1 and your name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Prison system to set up boot camp

A "boot camp" intended to im- Attorneys say they hope to conpose a military-style discipline vince the judge to rescind the on youthful first offenders may order. be operational within 30 days, prison officials say.

The plan, which would establish the camp at an existing 200-bed trusty camp near the Ellis II Unit north of Huntsville, was ratified by the prison board on Monday.

On Dec. 18, State District Judge Ted Poe found Texas Department of Corrections Director Jim Lynaugh in contempt of court for failing to start the shock-probation program

as scheduled. Lynaugh is scheduled to be sentenced on Feb. 19 and could

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — six months in jail and a \$500 fine.

Speaking for Lynaugh, who declined comment, TDC spokesman Charles Brown said Tuesday that prison officials will do "whatever needs to be done to get the camp operational in 30

The relatively short-term program, which uses military-style discipline, became effective last

The boot camp probation is a way to keep convicts from returning to a life of crime, Poe said.

Appointee paid fine for fraud

ly appointed to the Texas Public Safety Commission paid a \$3.24 million fine in an oil pricing fraud case nine years ago and was granted a presidential pardon last year, the Dallas Times Herald reported today.

Albert Alkek, named to the state's top law enforcement panel last month by Gov. Bill Clements, is a Victoria businessman and oilman once rated one of the wealthiest men in

He pleaded guilty nine years fraud and paid the \$3,24 million other men and two companies.

ment of Public Safety, the state police, and the Texas Rangers.

In a plea bargain agreement in March 1979, Alkek pleaded guilty to withholding from federal officials his knowledge of an oilpricing scheme. The charge, call- ministration about the 1979 plea rassments of the federal ap-fense.

AUSTIN (AP) - A man recent- ed a misprision of a felony, bargain before the Dec. 17 apresulted in Alkek paying \$3.24 million to the U.S. government and helping U.S. officials investigate a scheme to sell "old

oil" as higher-priced, "new oil." Under the scheme, some oil tage of high prices being paid for oil by selling previously drilled oil at the higher prices. Federal statutes then prohibited the practice and required previously drilled oil be sold at lower prices.

A Houston grand jury subsequently returned an 84-

Alkek received a three-year He was selected last month to suspended prison sentence and sit on the three-member commis—was placed on unsupervised prosion that oversees the Depart- bation for three years. He was law enforcement agencies, granted a full and unconditional pardon last year by President

> Press Secretary Reggie criticized the appointment. Bashur said Wedneday that Alkek told the Clements ad- Clements, following the embar- accepted, it would not be an of-

pointment.

The governor considered the incident just a small part in the life of "an outstanding individual," Bashur said.

"As with most of the appointproducers sought to take advan- ments, the governor was provided all the information about Mr. Alkek. And it was the governor's call, his decision," Bashur said. "We were aware of his complete background. But, if you look at country this total background and all his achievements and contributions to society, that's what really ago to not reporting oil pricing count indictment against five counts and that far outweighs any single factor.

There is no impropriety in having Alkek serve on the board that has control over the state's main

Bashur said. Ed Martin, executive director of the Texas Democratic Party,

"You would, think "that

pointees to the Supreme Court, the embarrassments that he has gone through on his integrity on SMU, would not appoint this man," Martin said. "While it may be that he is an honorable man, it still sends the wrong

message to people. Forbes magazine once listed Alkek, who owns the 30,000-acre Flying A Ranch near Victoria, as one of the richest men in the

Alkek could not be reached for comment. His attorney, Tom McDade, with the Houston law firm of Fulbright and Jaworski, said Wednesday that the oilpricing law under which Alkek was convicted no longer exists.

"He didn't do anything wrong if you really look at the offense. What he was charged with was not reporting something he might have seen," McDade said. "And today, if that same transaction were offered, and even if Albert

U. S. oil industry...

Further decline in production foreseep

crude production in 1987 dipped to its lowest level in a decade, while domestic demand for petroleum products increased to spur a greater dependence on imports, the American Petroleum Institute said.

The year-end figures released Wednesday show a continued trend in the petroleum market since the dramatic slide in oil prices in 1986, said Edward H. Murphy, API's director of finance, accounting and statistics.

This trend also includes a continued decline in domestic exploration, falling an additional 10.1 percent from 1986 to 34,926 drilled oil and gas wells and dry holes. This represents a 50.7 percent decrease from 1985 drilling, a year in which 70,805 wells were

"Perhaps the greatest concern is the continued depression in the exploration and production sec-Two inmates sentenced by Poe tor," Murphy said. "After peakreceive a maximum penalty of were released on parole Tuesday. 91,000 in 1981, the estimated sexual orientation," said Jean been ignored for too long.

number of wells drilled in search of oil and gas continued to decline the changes in 1986 were an aberdemand, decreasing U.S. produc-

last year to less than 35,000. short-term favorable impact on consumers, they have spurred dependence on foreign oil, Mur-

"Some analysts believed that ration brought about by the chaos tion and increasing imports con-While lower oil prices provide a in the petroleum markets," Murtinued in 1987," he said. phy said. "However, the data we're releasing today indicate dipped to its lowest level in 10 greater consumption which is that, despite a mild recovery in years at 8.3 million barrels per leading toward higher prices and crude oil prices, the average day, 4.5 percent less than the 8.7 price paid for crude oil increased million barrels per day produced around \$3 per barrel in 1987

Gays say language not strong enough in AIDS education effort

GRAPEVINE, Texas (AP) -Homosexual leaders told federal health officials that the government has been slow in responding to the AIDS virus and needs to intensify its education efforts with more explicit information.

National gay rights leaders in this for a long time. ended two days of talks Tuesday with officials of the national Centers for Disease Control.

"The message that has to get out is that behavior puts people

Oleary, executive director of National Gay Rights Advocates, at the meeting's conclusion.

The director of the National AIDS Information Education nual rise since 1980. Program said the forum showed that there is "a high degree of frustration from people involved

'They believe the government didn't move fast enough or strongly enough," said Paula Van Ness, the program's director. "There has not been enough to the non-existent boot camp ing at an annual rate of over at risk and spreads the virus, not funding and they feel they have

"This pattern of steadily rising

U.S. crude production in 1987 in 1986 and the lowest level of production since 1977, API's Monthly Statistical Report said.

Total petroleum imports crude oil plus petroleum products increased by

5.3 percent; or an estimated 6.5 million barrels per day, compared to 6.2 million barrels per day in 1986, for the highest an-

'As a result of the 400,000 barrels per day decline in U.S. production and the 300,000 barrels per day increase in U.S. consumption of petroleum, imports .. now constitute almost 40 percent of U.S. consumption," Mur

Low oil prices helped bring about a general decline in energy eosts across the board.



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