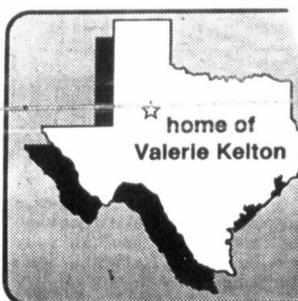


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## Budget mulled...

# County ag agent named

Rotan native Mike Morrow, assistant agent for Williamson County, was named Scurry County Agriculture Extension Agent Wednesday.

The action came in an afternoon meeting of Scurry County commissioners on the recommendation of Bob Robinson of Texas A&M Extension Office in Lubbock.

"I believe Mike can step in and make a good (county agriculture) program better," said Robinson in his recommendation to the court.

Morrow will begin his duties Jan. 14. He is currently on staff with the extension office in Williamson County. While there, Morrow supervised some 17 4-H clubs.

He was a 4-H Gold Star winner and served on the organization's state council. He also held a state office in FFA and was a member of a state livestock judging team. He graduated from Rotan High School in 1981.

Morrow is also a graduate of Texas Tech University, where he received his undergraduate's degree in agriculture finance and his master's degree in agronomy in August of 1988.

"I look forward to the opportunity of working here," Morrow told the court after the motion to hire him was approved.

Included in the motion was the \$9,585.32 salary that the county pays the agent. The rest of his salary is paid by the Texas A&M Extension Office.

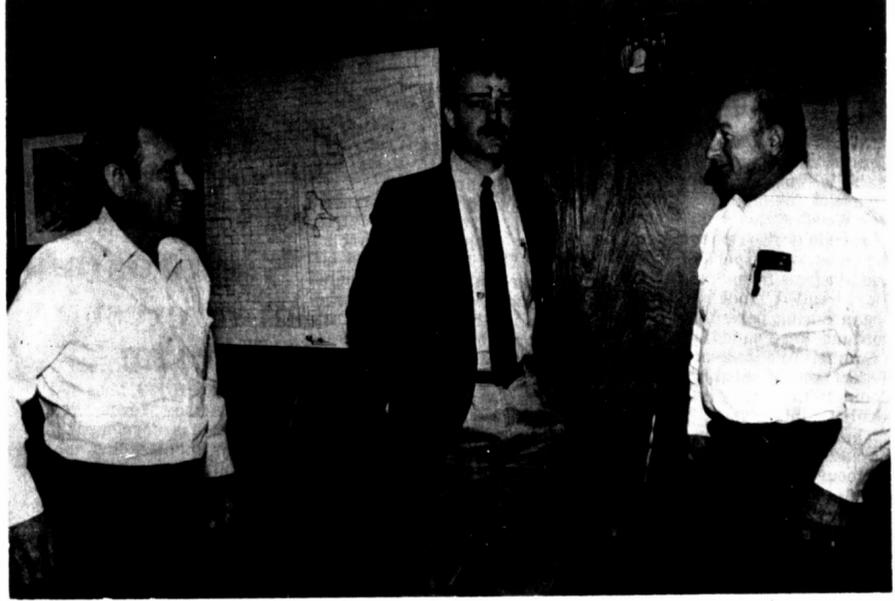
Morrow was hired to fill the vacancy created by the October resignation of Marvin Ensor. Ensor's resignation became effective Nov. 31 and he assumed the county agent's position in Gaines County Dec. 1.

During the meeting, the court discussed the budget of the extension office, although no action was taken.

Kathryn Roberts, county home economics agent, told the court that the office is currently paying \$72 monthly for telephone system rental. A new system can be purchased for \$1,300 with a two-year payout.

Robinson brought out in an earlier meeting of the court that telephone rental is consuming a large part of the office's budget.

Also discussed was the possibility of raising the office's travel budget. Commissioners were advised the budget may (see AGENT, page 8)



NEW COUNTY AG AGENT — Mike Morrow, middle, was named new county agriculture agent during a meeting of Scurry County commissioners Wednesday afternoon. Morrow will assume the position Jan. 14. Also pictured are Commissioners C.D. Gray Jr., left, and Tommy Pate. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Gorbachev's choice for VP, Yanayev, wins on 2nd ballot

MOSCOW (AP) — The Congress of People's Deputies confirmed President Mikhail S. Gorbachev's nominee for vice president today on a second ballot after Gorbachev implored the

lawmakers to approve someone he trusted.

Earlier today, the legislators rejected the nominee, Gennady I. Yanayev, by 31 votes, prompting Gorbachev to request a second vote.

The state news agency Tass, citing "provisional results," said Yanayev won the second round. The independent-news agency Interfax also reported the victory, saying Yanayev won "about 1,240" votes in the secret ballot.

The confirmation by the 2,239-member Congress means Yanayev, a relatively obscure 53-year-old Communist bureaucrat, will assume the newly created office of vice president in a reorganized federal government hierarchy.

Yanayev was the only candidate for the vice presidency. Neither the new plan — adopted by legislators Wednesday — nor Soviet officials defined the vice president's powers, apparently leaving them for Gorbachev to decide.

A constitutional amendment says the vice president "replaces the president of the U.S.S.R. in case of his absence and inability to carry out his duties."

The first vote today by the country's highest legislative body was 1,089 for Yanayev and 583 against, the elections commission announced. Yanayev needed at least 1,120 votes, a simple majority of the 2,239 registered deputies.

Gorbachev had said it was important the vice president be someone in whom he had complete confidence and urged further debate on Yanayev's candidacy. "The fact that only 583 deputies or 25 percent of the Congress voted against Comrade Yanayev persuades me to ask the Congress to vote again," he said.

Lawmakers said Yanayev was initially rejected because he was not well known and had too many ties to the Communist Party and its youth organization, the Komsomol.

Radical economist Oleg Bogomolov said during a break in the Congress that Yanayev was "a representative of the party (see GORBACHEV, page 8)

## Population hits 17 million...

# State to gain three seats

WASHINGTON (AP) — Seventeen million people called themselves Texans in 1990, nearly 3 million more than a decade ago.

Despite a boom and long-lasting bust in the state's economy over the past decade, Texas' population grew twice as fast as the nation as a whole, according to the Census Bureau's 1990 population count.

As a result, the state will gain three seats — and added clout — in Congress.

The Census Bureau said Wednesday that Texas' population grew from 14,229,191 in 1980 to 17,059,805 in 1990. Only two states, California and Florida, had faster growth rates.

Nationally, the population growth rate was about 10 percent, compared with 19.4 percent for Texas.

"Texas came out as one of the three big winners of the 1990 census," said Census Bureau Director Barbara Everitt Bryant.

While eight states gained congressional representation, 13 others lost congressional seats.

"I think you should be smiling in Texas," Ms. Bryant said.

The results of the Census Bureau's decennial population

count are being challenged in court and may be subject to a statistical adjustment.

The final census figures will be used to allocate federal aid to state and local governments, redraw political boundaries, and allot each state its number of members in the House of Representatives. Texas' 27-member House delegation will grow to 30.

"Obviously, increased representation means increased political clout for the state," said Steve Murdock, chief demographer for the Texas State Data Center and a professor in the Department of Rural Sociology at Texas A&M University.

"What (the growth rate) suggests is that despite economic (see STATE, page 8)

## The SDN Column By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "There are at least three things that men love, but don't understand—girls, women and females."

Somebody left this story on our desk. It's about three young men who appeared at the Pearly Gates.

Saint Peter checked his notebook and made the comment that all three men died long before their allotted time on earth. He asked each of them how they died, but none could remember.

"Well," said the heavenly gatekeeper, "just tell me the last thing you can remember."

The first young man said that the last thing he could remember was that he had come home to his fourth-floor apartment in the middle of the afternoon to find his wife in a flimsy negligee. He then saw a guy running down the street.

"I went into a rage," the husband said. "I grabbed the refrigerator and threw it out the window. The last thing I remember is that my belt got caught on the handle."

The second man said he was jogging down the street and the last thing he remembered was seeing a big, white box falling out of the sky.

The third man said he didn't remember much. "I was simply sitting in this refrigerator..."

DPS patrolmen, as part of their courtesy, will normally ask a speeding motorist if there is any reason to be exceeding the speed limit.

One officer recently stopped a hospital nurse who was running late. The nurse had sped through a traffic light. "Don't you know what a red light means?"

"Where I work," replied the nurse, "it means hurry with the bedpan."

# Cogdell board to meet

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will convene at 6:30 p.m. today for its December meeting.

The approval of medical staff re-appointments highlights a routine agenda. The re-appointment of staff privileges is an annual undertaking.

Tom Hochwalt, who will be conducting the meeting for the last time as hospital administrator, will update the board on his recent meeting with a family practitioner candidate. Hochwalt will accept a new position as senior vice president at St. Mary of the Plains Hospital in Lubbock at the first of the year. He will be replaced by Tim Lancaster, who will also attend tonight's meeting.

Other agenda items include a revision of the board by-laws, the financial report, medical staff and quality assurance reports and the approval of past minutes.

## The year in Scurry County...

# 1990 dominated by change, turmoil

Editor's Note — The following is the first of a five-part series on a look back at 1990, perhaps best categorized as a year of change.

Some major shakeups in county government — the result of which may remain unclear for a year or more — stand as the dominant events in Scurry County over the past year.

There were bright spots and clouded moments, but 1990 will undoubtedly be remembered most as a year of change.

A controversial audit of county operations in January, a county rollback election less than a week

later and November's general election all played a part in the reshaping of Scurry County's future.

The shuffle put two new commissioners and a new county judge in the courthouse as Scurry County prepares to move into another year.

The year 1990 opened with the county audit and moved to another hotly debated topic as the Texas Department of Highways gave its okay for the widening of 37th St. The oilpatch was an area of change as Mobil announced major reorganization and Chevron USA offered a

retirement package to 107 SACROC employees early in the year. Oil fell to approximately \$15 a barrel, then soared following an Iraqi invasion of Kuwait in August, and reached just over \$40 in October.

In the middle of the oil surge was a half-cent economic sales tax election, which failed by just over 100 votes.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital continued to show growth as financial figures began to pull out of the red. The hospital also saw change in the form of leadership as CEO Tom Hochwalt announced his resignation and a new ad-

ministrator, Tim Lancaster, was preparing to step in with 1991.

Much of 1990's positive news centered around the Price Daniel Unit. Cogdell Hospital announced the renewal of contracts to provide healthcare and pharmaceutical services for the 1,000-bed unit while Western Texas College instituted a daytime officer training academy and in-service training for TDCJ guards. United Way, which reached its goal of \$78,000 in December, noted that the Price Daniel Unit was second only to Chevron in total donations to the organization. (see 1990, page 8)

Scurry County received over 30 inches of rain in 1990 in contrast to 11.67 for 1989, and the cotton crop was being predicted at a 10-year high.

Snyder High School saw change as new boys and girls basketball coaches and an assistant principal were hired. But no change at SHS was as dramatic as the one made by the football program, which went from 2-8 in 1989 to 9-3-1 and a district championship in 1990. It was the first football title for Snyder in 12 years, and the Tigers made the most of it by adding bi-district (see 1990, page 8)

## Ask Us

Q—Most traffic signs are obvious, but what exactly does the one mean which has a silhouette of a car and wavy lines?



A—The sign warns that the stretch of road ahead can be particularly slippery when wet or prone to have ice buildup in cold weather. Motorists should slow down and be careful not to suddenly turn, speed up or stop.

## In Brief

### Durable goods

WASHINGTON (AP) — Orders to U.S. factories for "big ticket" durable goods plunged 10.5 percent in November to the lowest level in two and a half years, the government said today.

The decline matched the post-1958 record for one month set in January of this year and indicates the recession most economists believe started this fall is deepening.

### Plan dropped

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas City Council, unable to get a majority behind any plan concerning how members of the council should be elected, abandoned its plan to seek a May election under a 10-4-1 district plan.

Instead, a majority of council members agreed Wednesday to request a November 1991 election under a 10-4-1 plan, with districts to be drawn later, using new census figures.

### Pride docked

GALVESTON, Texas (AP) — Those gambling on a New Year's Eve cruise on The Pride of Mississippi will have to celebrate elsewhere this year.

Officers with Pride Cruise Lines say the day-cruise casino ship, now the only gambling ship out of Galveston, has been docked because of boiler problems.

### Local

#### Sr. Center

A New Years party for senior citizens is planned for Friday. The observance will begin at 10:30 a.m. at the senior center.

#### Open house

The office of Dr. Stanley Allen, at 5303 Trinity Blvd., will hold an open house from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Friday. The public is invited.

### Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 35 degrees; low, 24 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 30 degrees; .04 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for December, 1.45 inches; total precipitation for 1990 to date, 30.49 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight: mostly cloudy. Low in the mid 30s. South wind 5 to 15 mph. Friday: mostly cloudy windy and warmer. High in the mid 60s. South to southwest wind increasing to 20 to 30 mph by noon. A lake wind advisory will be required.

Experts say:

# 'Right-to-die' struggle had impact on nation

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most Americans have not planned for critical medical decisions they some day may have no control over, but Nancy Cruzan's "right-to-die" struggle made them more aware of their options, experts say.

The publicity surrounding Ms. Cruzan's case, said Doron Weber, a spokesman for the Society for the Right to Die, "generated a 500 percent increase in the requests we receive."

Weber said his New York-based organization has filled 800,000 requests for sample living wills and similar documents since the Supreme Court's decision in the Cruzan case last June. "The volume from all over the country, which we tracked directly from the Cruzan case,

was incredible. We had to start a night shift," he said.

John Pickering, a Washington lawyer who heads the American Bar Association's Commission on Legal Problems of the Elderly, said Ms. Cruzan's case "increased tremendously the public's knowledge of the existence of such documents as a living will and a durable power of attorney for health care."

"I think this increased awareness will help prevent the tragic kind of situation Nancy Cruzan and her parents found themselves in," he said.

Ms. Cruzan, 33, died Wednesday, 12 days after a feeding tube that had kept her alive in a vegetative state for eight years was removed at her parents' request. The decision was controversial.

David O'Steen of the anti-abortion National Right to Life Committee said her death "diminishes hope for thousands of medically dependent people nationwide."

Ed Grant of Americans United

for Life expressed sympathy for what Ms. Cruzan's family "has suffered through the past eight years."

He said, however, that his organization is troubled by "a move toward passive euthanasia."

The Cruzan family's effort to

end the life-sustaining treatment was the focus of a three-year legal battle that led to a landmark Supreme Court decision June 25.

The court recognized a constitutional right of competent adults to refuse all medical treatment. But it ruled against Ms.

Cruzan's parents because they had not offered "clear and convincing" evidence she would have wanted to die.

The case returned to Missouri courts, and a state judge allowed removal of the feeding tube after hearing new evidence that Ms. Cruzan had said she would never

want to live "like a vegetable."

Pickering said the Cruzan case also was instrumental in passage of a new federal law, originally called the Patient Self-Determination Act.

"This is a far-reaching piece of very good social legislation," he said. "It will require all hospitals and nursing homes that receive Medicare or Medicaid funding to tell all patients of their (right-to-die) options under their state laws."

The federal law takes effect in November 1991.

"Right now, only 5 to 10 percent of all adults have a living will or a durable health care power of attorney," Pickering said. "I hope this new law will help raise that percentage."

## Sainthood drive for Spanish queen angers two factions

VATICAN CITY (AP) — She sent Christopher Columbus on his voyage and opened up the New World for the spread of Catholicism, but did Queen Isabella I of Spain have the stuff of saints? Jews and Moslems are outraged by the idea.

The Vatican is studying a petition that supporters hope will put the queen on the road to possible sainthood in time for 1992, when the church plans to celebrate 500 years of Christianity in the Americas.

One of the most significant figures in Spanish history, Isabella commissioned the voyage of Columbus in 1492 to the New World.

Isabella is also remembered as the queen who expelled the Jews and Moslems from Spain and for the dreaded Inquisition that began during her rule with her husband, Ferdinand II.

Samuel Toledano, head of the Federation of Spanish Jewish Communities, calls Isabella "a symbol of intolerance."

The Vatican petition, he said, "would reopen old wounds that we thought were closed forever."

But an Argentine-born priest pursuing her cause says her contributions to unifying Spain and spreading Catholicism were immense and worthy of recognition.

"She was one of the great women of history," said the Rev. Anastasio Gutierrez, who is serving as postulator to argue her case before Vatican commis-

sions. Gutierrez, who is representing the Spanish archdiocese of Valladolid, near the site of

Isabella's death in 1504, says the church in many countries of Latin America has given its support.

## Free beer offered at party

AUSTIN (AP) — The owner of a restaurant that hosted a Christmas party for the homeless said it was only right to provide free beer along with the food and entertainment.

"This is a party and that is what it is all about," said Gordon Fowler, owner of La Zona Rosa. "We don't want them to feel like they're at a charity gig."

Nearly 1,000 people attended the party.

Dinner organizer Narciso "Cisco" Garcia said this is his fourth year getting the community to donate food, other items and services for the party, which ran from 2 p.m. to 10 p.m.

"I used to drive around and see that all the businesses are closed on Christmas and thought that it must be a really sad day for them," said Garcia, a La Zona Rosa bartender and student at Austin Community College.

The food included turkey, dressing, salads, tortillas and barbecued chicken. Musicians Marcia Ball, Toni Price and Raymond Freese were among the entertainers.

Garcia said some people had expressed concern that beer was offered at the event, but he didn't think it was a problem since only a small amount was given away and it served as a good draw to get people to attend, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

Besides giving away clothes, blankets and Christmas

presents, party organizers provided food for people to take with them. Also, a dentist passed out toothbrushes and health clinic workers distributed condoms, the American-Statesman said.

Several blocks away at the Salvation Army, the homeless ate a traditional turkey-and-dressing dinner.

"We don't turn anybody away hungry. That's our motto," said David Swain, chief cook.

## RIF program of interest to Texan

HATTIESBURG, Miss. (AP) — An El Paso, Texas, reading volunteer has developed an interest in the Reading is Fundamental program in the Forrest County schools.

"Our program (in El Paso) just isn't going where it ought to be," said Ben Proctor, who worked with Forrest County schools superintendent Walt Cartier in the district's RIF program in the 1980s. "We need a coordinator, retired teachers, principals and volunteers who are interested in children."

Proctor went back to Hattiesburg to view the program in a two-day tour of county classrooms.

"If you can get a child to read, you can teach him. You can get a child to read through book ownership," Cartier said.

That's where the national RIF program comes in. The Smithsonian Institute in Washington, D.C., helps schools make the connection between children and books the students can keep for themselves free of charge.

"I served my internship here, but I didn't get the nuts and bolts of the program. I was the hollering guy," Proctor said. "I came back to get some pointers on how to order books, do the bookkeeping and record-keeping."

"The real problem in El Paso is that we have been impacted with so many (immigrants) who are torn from their culture and their backgrounds," he said. "The children have many things to learn, not the least of which is English."

By putting books into the hands of children, Proctor said, he hopes to be able to make a difference.

Already, he has helped raise money for the program — several thousand dollars of which was his own money. He is a volunteer who helps children with their reading. Because of his failing eyesight, he said, he isn't sure if he can continue his classroom book readings much longer.

The Forrest County RIF program has distributed more than 50,000 books to more than 16,000 students in the past 14 years.

"Years ago, he (Proctor and his wife, Mary) became interested in the schools, worked on bond issues and Halloween carnivals, and with the RIF program," Cartier said. "It became his first love."

Through the RIF program, Proctor said he hopes to help El Paso school children increase their standardized test scores and improve their lives.



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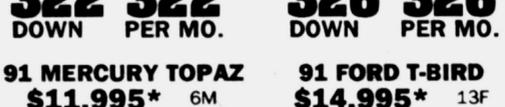
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 by Bernice Bede Osol

**Your Birthday**

Conditions look promising for you in the year ahead cycle, because your ambitions and your capabilities will fuse constructively together. This is a winning combination.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Take advantage of opportunities you get today where old friends are willing to introduce you to new people. Fresh contacts could usher in exciting circumstances. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1.25 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Rather than cling to an endeavor that has thus far proven to be unproductive, try to figure out ways to upgrade and revise it today. Use the NOW as your starting point.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Usually it's unwise to display partiality where friends are concerned, but today, if you have to make a choice, make it in favor of an old pal.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Influences that could improve your lot both financially and careerwise are stirring in your favor today. It will be up to you, however, to use them to a practical advantage.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** A situation that has been governed by someone else could come more directly under your management today. As you begin to get a firmer grip on it, take measures to assure it will remain in your hands.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** The motives of someone with whom you're involved in an important endeavor are forthright and sincere, yet you might not be totally convinced this is true. Today some of your doubts may be erased.

**CANCER (June 21-July 21)** If you're in need of advice or counsel today, talk things over with a friend whose judgment you respect. He/she could offer constructive suggestions.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** It behooves you to elevate your sights a bit today where your meaningful objectives are concerned. You might have to work a little harder to get what you want, but it's achievable.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** This could be a very interesting day for you socially. There are strong indications you may be able to strengthen bonds with a person with whom you've wanted a closer affiliation.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** An associate with whom you were successful in the past might have a new proposal for you today. It may have even greater potential than the last one. Hear him/her out.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Listen carefully to what your mate has to say today regarding a domestic issue of mutual concern. He/she might have a clearer focus on this than you do.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Your possibilities for success look very good at this time pertaining to the revitalization of an endeavor that used to produce a profit. It still has some life left in it yet.

We will be closed Dec. 23 thru Jan. 1

## Happy Holidays Jaramillo's

Mexican Food 573-9353

## Community Calendar

## Library offers cards for patrons

All county residents may obtain a free card for use at the Scurry County Library. Identification and current address verification are all that is required, according to the library staff, and the card is good for a three-year period. There is no renewal fee providing the user has no fees against their name.

If the card is lost before the expiration date, there will be a \$1 replacement fee beginning Jan. 2; a \$1.50 fee for the second card, etc.

Children are eligible for their own card when they enter kindergarten, but a parent must be responsible and sign the card until age 14.

Beginning in 1991, out-of-county patrons will be charged a \$25 fee per year for a library card. If a card is washed, the metal tag may be brought in and attached to another card at no cost.

### LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m.-6 p.m. Mon., Wed., Fri., & Sat.  
10 a.m.-9 p.m. Tues. & Thurs.

### FRIDAY

Storytime; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.; 4 and 5-year olds.  
Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.  
Overeaters Anonymous; 1:00 p.m.; Park Club at Winston Park; For more information, call 573-8322, 573-7705 or 573-9839.  
Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.  
ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.  
Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.  
Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.  
Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information call 573-2101, 573-3657 or 573-3956.  
Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9410. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting).

### SATURDAY

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

### SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-8626 or 573-9410.  
Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.  
ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.  
Black Women's Assoc.; community room Snyder National Bank; 5 p.m.



**SHARING GIFT OF BOOKS** — The Zeta Lambda Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma donate children's books to the Gentle Dove Ministries. The books, for different age levels, are hoped to encourage parents to read to their children. Sharon Applin,

with Gentle Dove Ministries, is accepting the books from Delta Kappa Gamma members Helen Mock, Jean Sealy and Phil Kelley. (SDN Staff Photo)



**CHAPTER OFFICERS** — Newly elected officers for the Deep Creek Chapter of American Business Women are, from left, Penny Cockran, president; Pauline Withers, vice president; Stella Bailey, treasurer; and Michelle Krop, secretary. In the picture below, Cockran presents Mae Cole the "Hand of Friendship" pin, for sponsoring Donna Dupree, second from right, and Michelle Krop. (Club Photos)

## Bridge

By James Jacoby

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<b>SOUTH</b>	
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♦ 9 2	
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Vulnerable: Both Dealer: South	
South 2 NT	West Pass
North 3 NT	East All pass
Opening lead: ♥ J	

## Point counterpoint

By James Jacoby

Here we see a familiar defensive theme. The contract is three no-trump, and declarer will rely on the dummy's diamond suit to provide sufficient tricks. The defenders must try to prevent this.

South wins the opening heart lead in his hand and plays a diamond to dummy's king. Should East take that trick, declarer will win any return in his hand and duck a diamond. Later the queen of hearts will be a dummy entry, and the diamond suit will run to provide South with more than enough tricks for his contract.

A simple little stratagem thwarts declarer. East simply allows the king of diamonds to hold the trick. Of course South comes to his hand and plays another diamond. But now, when East wins the trick, the diamonds are not established and the heart entry to dummy does declarer no good. Easy enough.

Now let's switch to declarer's tactics. South should know that East is capable of such a holdup play as defender. So, sacrificing the overtrick whenever the diamond ace is held by West, declarer should improve his chances of making the contract. When he first leads a diamond, he should play low from the dummy. That forces East to win the trick, but the next diamond play by declarer will establish the suit while the queen of hearts is still in dummy as a sure entry.

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## December meeting

The Deep Creek Chapter of American Business Women's Association met Dec. 4 at The Shack with president Penny Cockran presiding. She also gave the invocation before the members said the pledge of allegiance.

During the business meeting, they approved the executive board's changes in the 1991 budget and accepted the audit committee's report.

ABWA members gave a monetary gift to Goodfellows and donated personal items for Noah Project.

A gift exchange was held, and the president announced the organization's next meeting will be Jan. 3 at The Shack.

## First woman pilot

PARIS (AP) — France's Raymonde de Laroche was the first woman in the world to earn a pilot's license.

De Laroche, who styled herself a baroness, was a portrait painter, sculptor, actress and racing car driver. At the age of 23, she was taught to fly. On March 8, 1910, after she passed her qualifying tests, the Aero Club of France issued her the first pilot's license ever given to a woman anywhere.

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DEAR POLLY — When I cook red cabbage, it always fades and turns an awful shade of bluish pink. Is there any way to keep the pretty color of the cabbage? — MRS. H.C.

DEAR MRS. H.C. — Try adding a tablespoon of vinegar to the cooking water. It helps to preserve the color. Also, sauteeing instead of boiling the cabbage maintains a better color, especially if the cabbage is only lightly cooked and left a bit crispy (tastier that way, too, to my mind).

I'm sending you a copy of my newsletter "Kitchen Tricks," which offers dozens of hints to perk up family meals and make cooking chores like this easier. Pointers include a list of substitutions for common ingredients,

rescues for occasional kitchen disasters such as burned rice or salty stew, and lots of hints to add special flavor and appeal to a wide variety of dishes. Others who would like a copy of this issue should send \$1.25 for each copy to POLLY'S POINTERS, in care of this newspaper, P.O. Box 93863, Cleveland, OH 44101-5863. Be sure to include the title. — POLLY

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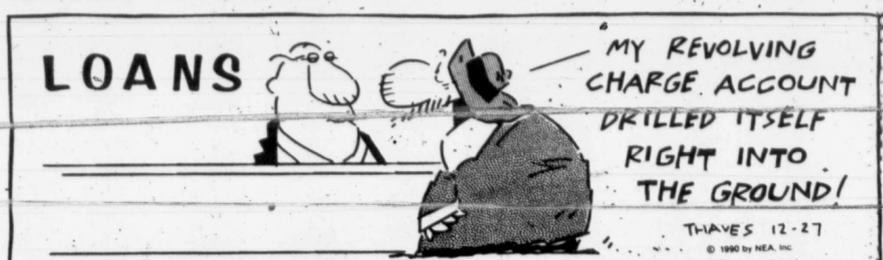
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**KIT 'N' CARLYLE** by Larry Wright



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**DENNIS THE MENACE**





**REBOUND!** — Snyder senior Freda Clay goes for a board in the Lady Tigers' Dec. 4 58-53 loss to Coahoma. Snyder's girls will be competing in the three-day Slaton Tournament which begins today and runs through Saturday. District play starts for the Lady Tigers Jan. 4 when they host No. 4 Levelland at Scurry County Coliseum. (SDN Staff Photo)

## SHS b'ball squads in weekend events

### Lady Tigers in Slaton tournament

SLATON — Snyder's Lady Tigers will compete in the Thursday through Saturday Slaton Basketball Tournament which began for the SHS girls with an 11 a.m. meeting with Abilene High's Lady Eagles today.

Abilene dropped SHS, 71-29, when the two squads met in late November.

Snyder's last outing was a 58-23 loss at the hands of Class A power Nazareth Dec. 18.

In that contest Lady Tiger Dessie Ware scored five points to lead the SHS attack.

Snyder, now 5-6 on the cage season, will face the winner of the Dalhart-Wall battle at 2 p.m. Friday should they defeat Abilene in the event's first round.

A loss to the Lady Eagles would pit SHS against the loser of the same game at 3:30 p.m. Friday.

Other first round battles in the 16-team tourney include, Floyada against Morton, Sweetwater facing Roosevelt, highly touted Abilene Wylie versus Spur, Perryton against Littlefield, Class 4A's No. 2 ranked Levelland Loboettes against Crosbyton and host Slaton versus Post.

The championship tilt is set for Saturday at 7 p.m.

### Canyon tourney to host Snyder boys

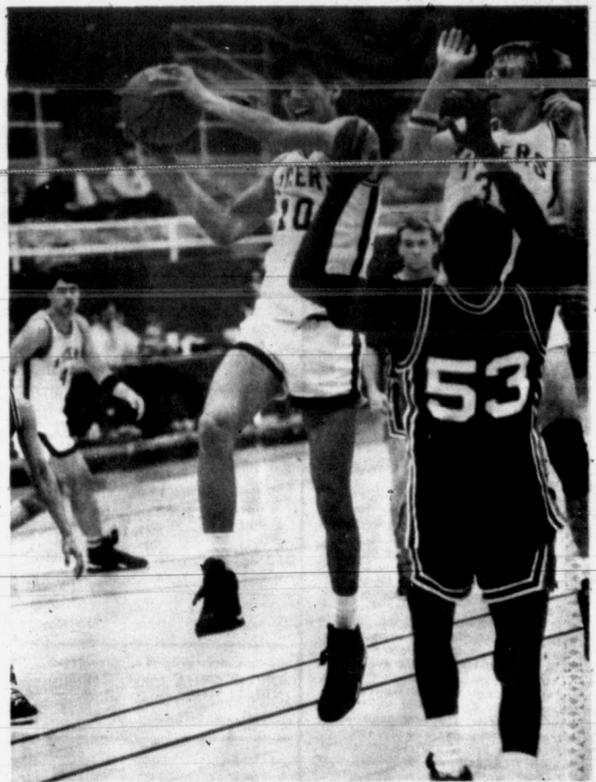
CANYON — The Snyder Tigers play Hereford here at 4:30 p.m. today in first round action of the Canyon Basketball Tournament which runs through Saturday.

The Tigers, now 9-7 on the campaign, fell to Slaton, 44-38, a week ago in the team's last outing.

In that game, junior Hayward Clay scored 15 points for the SHS crew.

Other first round battles include Tulia vs. Canyon's JV at 3 p.m., Floyada against Dumas at 6 p.m. and Canyon versus Littlefield in the 8 p.m. night cap.

Snyder will return to its home court at the county coliseum against Seminole Jan. 5. District 2-4A competition starts Friday, Jan. 11 when the Tigers host Lubbock Estacado.



**DRIVING THE LANE** — Senior Ed Rios, 10, goes up strong to the basket in the Tigers' 44-38 loss to Slaton Dec. 18. The SHS cage squad will be playing in the Canyon Tournament today through Saturday in an effort to rebound from the upset loss versus Slaton. The Tigers return home Saturday Jan. 5 when they take on Seminole. District 2-4A competition begins Jan. 11 for the Tigers when they host Lubbock Estacado. (SDN Staff Photo)

### NBA roundup...

## Boston trips Pacers, 152-132

by The Associated Press  
The Boston Celtics literally ran up the score on the Indiana Pacers.

The Celtics raced up and down the court throughout the game for their highest point total in 20 years in a 152-132 rout Wednesday night.

"They just plain outran us," Indiana's Mike Sanders said.

"They're going to be tough to beat when they run like that," said Reggie Miller, who led the Pacers with 20 points.

Brian Shaw, who had 26 points, 10 assists and seven rebounds, spearheaded an attack that produced Boston's fifth-biggest output in team history. He was one

of eight Celtics in double figures. "In the last month, we've been getting balanced scoring from five or six players," Boston's Reggie Lewis said. "We are making the game fun because of our defense. We've executed the offense the way we've wanted to."

The Celtics' eighth consecutive victory was the latest blowout in a season filled with them. Their 23-4 record is their best start since they had the same mark in 1984-85, and they've won 21 games by at least eight points and 17 by at least 10.

Boston, 19-2 in its last 21 games, leads the Eastern Conference with 116.2 points per game. The Celtics broke their previous season-high of 148 points set against Denver on Dec. 5.

Elsewhere in the NBA, it was Portland 108, New York 92; Atlanta 113, New Jersey 111; Seattle 99, Cleveland 97; Detroit 102, Charlotte 94; Orlando 109, Houston 103; Philadelphia 106; Washington 105 in overtime; San Antonio 111, Miami 97; Phoenix 115, Dallas 88; Milwaukee 126, Golden State 119; the Los Angeles Lakers 108, the Los Angeles Clippers 99; and Denver 128, Sacramento 112.

Larry Bird added 22 points, and Kevin McHale, Kevin Gamble and Lewis 19 each for Boston, 14-1 at home.

Indiana, 1-14 on the road, got 18 points each from Sanders and Vern Fleming.

**Spurs 111, Heat 97**  
Willie Anderson scored 24 points, and Rod Strickland 21 as San Antonio overcame an 11-minute basketless stretch in the first half.

The Spurs took control late in the third quarter as Miami shot just 20 percent in the period.

**Suns 115, Mavericks 88**  
Tom Chambers had 24 points and 12 rebounds while Kevin Johnson added 19 points as Phoenix outbounded Dallas 61-34.

Xavier McDaniel added 14 points for the Suns, who beat the Mavericks for the fifth straight time at home.

**Magic 109, Rockets 103**  
Nick Anderson scored a career-high 31 points including 17 in the third period.

Anderson made 11 of 18 shots and grabbed eight rebounds, while Jerry Reynolds came off the bench to score 24 points and Terry Catledge 20 for the Magic.

**Trail Blazers 108, Knicks 92**  
Clyde Drexler and Kevin Duckworth combined for 20 points.

Drexler scored 12 of his 27 points in the third period and Duckworth 8 of his 21.

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**SuperSonics 99, Cavaliers 97**  
Derrick McKey took a feed from Dana Barros and swished an 18-foot baseline jumper with 2.3 seconds remaining.

Brad Daugherty's dunk tied it for Cleveland with 12.4 seconds to go. After a Seattle timeout, Barros got the inbounds pass from McKey at midcourt, drove the middle and fed McKey on the left side.

Shawn Kemp scored 19 points for Seattle.

**Pistons 102, Hornets 94**  
Joe Dumars scored 19 points and William Bedford 16.

The Pistons led throughout after breaking a 6-6 tie.

**Hawks 113, Nets 111**  
Kevin Willis, who had 26 points and 15 rebounds, hit a dunk with 16 seconds remaining.

The Nets began the game without forward Chris Morris, lost forward Derrick Coleman to a sprained knee in the second quarter and center Sam Bowie to fouls in the fourth.

**76ers 106, Bullets 105**  
Charles Barkley, who scored 35 points, tied the game at 100 with one minute remaining in regulation on a 19-foot jumper. Just 15 seconds earlier, Bernard King had given the Bullets the lead on 11-foot baseline jumper.

Hersey Hawkins added 26 points for Philadelphia.

### Fishing report

**GREENBELT:** Water clear, 42 degrees, 2 feet low; black bass are slow; crappie are slow; white bass are good to 20 fish per string on slabs; catfish are slow; walleye are good to 6 1/2 pounds on jigs about 18 inches above a slab fished in 40 feet of water near the dam. Night temperatures dropped to 6 degrees below zero three nights in a row over the weekend.

**HUBBARD CREEK:** Water clear, 11 inches low; few fishermen out since the front; some crappie fishermen in Hubbard Creek, some limits of 25 fish on minnows; night temperatures dropped to 4 degrees, plenty of steam on the lake.

**MEREDITH:** Water clear, 45 degrees, normal level; black bass are slow; crappie are fair in number but most are too small to keep on minnows; white bass are fair in number on shad, no limits caught; catfish are very slow; walleye are fairly good to 7 1/2 pounds on shad in 30 feet of water. The lowest night temperature in the area was 2 degrees below zero, while the wind chill factor was around 40 below.

**MILLER CREEK:** Water clear, 46 degrees, normal level; black bass and all fishing has been slow; a few black, white and striped are taking slow moving deep water lures in 18 to 22 feet of water; crappie are fair on yellow tube jigs, in 15 to 20 feet of water; catfish are slow.

**OAK CREEK:** Water clear, 55 degrees, 7 feet low; black bass have been slow since the front; crappie are slow; white bass are slow; catfish are slow; few fishermen out Monday; the low temperature was 5 degrees and was recorded Sunday morning; the wind chill factor was around 30 below zero. Some ice and snow remain around the lake.

## S P O R T S

### Ryan chosen for SN honor

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Nolan Ryan, the 43-year-old who pitched his record sixth no-hitter in 1990 and won his 300th game, was chosen Wednesday as the Sporting News Man of the Year.

Ryan led the American League with 232 strikeouts last season and also pitched his record-tying 12th one-hitter. He got his 300th victory on July 31 as Texas beat Milwaukee.

Ryan is 302-272 lifetime with a record 5,308 strikeouts.

### Transactions

**BASEBALL**  
American League  
MILWAUKEE BREWERS—Named Fred Stanley infield coach.

National League  
PITTSBURGH PIRATES—Named Jack Zdziencik director of scouting.  
Senior Professional Baseball Association  
SPBA—Announced it has ceased operation for the remainder of the season.

**BASKETBALL**  
National Basketball Association  
LOS ANGELES CLIPPERS—Claimed Mike Smrek, center, off waivers from the Golden State Warriors. Waived Greg Butler, center.  
PHOENIX SUNS—Activated Andrew Lang, center, from the injured list. Placed Kenny Battle, forward, on the injured list.

**FOOTBALL**  
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CLEVELAND BROWNS—Waived Brent Fulwood, running back. Activated Eugene Rowell, wide receiver.



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## Dallas backup gets set for Atlanta tilt

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Babe Laufenberg wants to make sure the Grinch that would keep the Dallas Cowboys from making the NFL playoffs doesn't show up Sunday.

That's why he spent his Christmas Day getting ready for the Atlanta Falcons.

The 31-year-old veteran NFL backup expressed confidence that a full week's practice as the Cowboys' top signal caller will have him well-prepared for Sunday's game against the Falcons.

"I view it as an opportunity," Laufenberg said of his first start since 1988, when he played for San Diego. "You play and you play and you back up, and now you have an opportunity."

Laufenberg moved into the starting spot last Sunday when Troy Aikman suffered a separated shoulder during Sunday's 17-3 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles.

Dallas (7-8) will clinch the NFC's third wild card if it beats the Falcons (4-11) in Atlanta or if the New Orleans Saints (7-8) lose to the Los Angeles Rams (5-10) on Monday at the Superdome.

Laufenberg's work Tuesday came while most of the other Cowboys were with their families. After taking over for Aikman early in the first quarter, Laufenberg completed 13 of 36

passes for 140 yards with four interceptions, including one that was returned for a touchdown.

Dallas coaches said they haven't lost confidence in Laufenberg.

"We've just got to take a look at what we can do," said head coach Jimmy Johnson. "It's difficult to change a whole lot after you've gone through 15 weeks of the regular season. We feel good about Babe and he'll be much sharper this week against Atlanta."

As insurance, the Cowboys signed another NFL veteran, Cliff Stoudt, to back up Laufenberg.

Rather than completely revamping the game plan for Laufenberg, coaches will implement plays suited to his abilities.

"There are some things that Troy does better than Babe, and visa versa," offensive coordinator David Shula said. "And there are plays that are well-suited to Babe's style and skills."

Laufenberg refused to accept full responsibility for Dallas' potential post-season play.

"It's a misnomer to say I'm going to take this team to the playoffs," he said. "Everybody is going to have to take up a little bit of slack. But there's no question in my mind I can get it done."



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## Census says 249.6 million live in U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — The nation grew to 249.6 million people in the 1980s as more Americans left the industrial and agricultural heartlands for the South and West.

The Census Bureau's first "final" figures for the 1990 census, released Wednesday, showed the pull of the Sun Belt remained strong, despite efforts by the industrial North to promote growth and the collapse during the 1980s of the oil and savings and loan industries — two mainstays of the Southern and Western states.

The census figures are used to adjust the number of representatives each state sends to Congress so that political clout is in line with population. The figures also determine the division of federal money among states and localities.

The numbers could change next summer when the Commerce Department decides whether to adjust the count. Some states and cities are likely to challenge the tallies, whichever way the adjustment decision goes.

More than 6,000 local governments challenged the accuracy of a preliminary count based mainly on the April 1 census taken by mail. The Census Bureau responded with a series of recounts and an ad campaign urging people who thought they had been missed to come forward.

In New York, Mayor David Dinkins criticized the count released Wednesday, saying it underestimated the city's population and as a result will cost the

city millions of dollars in federal funds each year.

"Since at least 1940, the Commerce Department and the Census Bureau have systematically under counted Americans of color and Americans who live in cities," Dinkins said at a City Hall news conference.

The Census Bureau's final national population total was nearly 4 million people more than the preliminary number it released earlier this year.

Five states, all in the South or West, grew by more than a fourth in the decade: Nevada, up 50.7 percent; Alaska, 37.4 percent; Arizona, 35.3 percent; Florida, 33.4 percent; and California, 26.1 percent.

The six states having growth of less than 1 percent included some industrial powerhouses: Illinois, up 0.4 percent; Pennsylvania, 0.5 percent; Michigan, 0.7 percent; and Ohio, 0.8 percent. Grain-growing Nebraska grew by a bare 0.9 percent. Louisiana, hard hit by the collapse in oil prices in the 1980s, grew 0.8 percent.

Five states lost population. The biggest percentage loser was West Virginia, whose population dropped by 7.6 percent to 1,801,625. Other states losing population were Iowa, down 4.3 percent; Wyoming, down 2.9 percent; and North Dakota, down 1.7 percent. The District of Columbia also lost population, 4.5 percent.

America's population grew at a slower pace in the 1980s than in decades past: 10.2 percent, compared with 11.4 percent in the 1970s and 13.4 percent in the 1960s.

## New plan to shoot bison in Montana draws criticism

HELENA, Mont. (AP) — When hunters legally killed 569 potentially diseased bison outside Yellowstone National Park two winters ago, critics complained that they wounded Montana's proud reputation as a refuge for wildlife.

Now officials are thinking of modifying the hunt to make it clear that the purpose is to keep Montana cattle herds disease-free. But conservation and animal-rights groups still aren't satisfied.

Montana's Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks is considering having state game wardens and national park rangers join private hunters in killing adult bison that cross from Yellowstone, in the northwestern corner of Wyoming, into Montana in search of winter forage.

The department was to hold a hearing on the plan today and could put it into effect as early as Friday.

"I think the plan we have now is a good plan and will work," Gov. Stan Stephens said in a recent interview.

But the New York-based Fund for Animals has sued to stop all bison killing. The Greater Yellowstone Coalition, an environmental group, says the state should consider non-lethal alternatives.

The Montana Board of Livestock, frustrated with the long debate, has asked the U.S. Department of Agriculture to

## Federal judge is known for his use of big words

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A federal judge known for sending lawyers scurrying to dictionaries to understand his rulings has added more obscure vocabulary to the legal record, including a reference to gladiators forced to fight blind.

On Wednesday, Judge Ferdinand Fernandez of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals delved into antiquity to compliment the losing side in a series of lawsuits over land in Hawaii.

"They have been effective gladiators, and we do not by this decision convert them into andabatae," he wrote.

An andabata, according to the second unabridged edition of Webster's New International Dictionary, was a gladiator who fought blinded by a helmet.

Fernandez added to his reputation by calling a motion in the case "otiose," or futile, and saying it was "pellucid," or easy to understand, that the state was immune from the lawsuit.

Previously, Fernandez had pulled "facinorous" (atrociously wicked) and "ensorcell" (bewitched) from his bag of big words.

quarantine Yellowstone. About half of the 2,500 to 3,000 bison in the 2-million-acre park are believed to carry brucellosis, a disease that causes cattle to abort. Montana spent millions of dollars over a decade to eradicate brucellosis in its cattle.

"Why should we have one vestige of infection left?" asked James Glossen of USDA's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service. "From an agricultural perspective, we don't want that reservoir of infection in Yellowstone."

Under the plan, negotiated with the National Park Service, private hunters would continue to kill bull bison, but game wardens and park rangers would be called in to kill cows that wander out of Yellowstone and onto private land. Calves would be captured, neutered and sold.

Bison that remain inside Yellowstone may not be harmed. Under the old plan, private hunters could kill any of the animals that wandered out of the park. Rangers and wardens were not involved in the killings.

Officials say the plan seeks to spread the responsibility for the killings and mitigate some of the outrage that followed the killing of 569 bison by private hunters during the winter of 1988-89. Eleven have been killed so far this season.

Officials also say cows are more likely to carry brucellosis than bulls, and putting the responsibility for their killing in the hands of wardens and rangers should reduce the chances of their spreading disease.

But the Montana Wildlife Federation, a conservation group whose ranks include hunters, says the bison killing "is damaging the Montana record as a progressive wildlife conservation state."

"The eyes of all America are watching," Wayne Pacelle, Fund for Animals' executive director, said last week. "The Park Service clearly is not going to benefit by having the public see its rangers shoot its very symbol."

K.L. Cool, the state's Fish, Wildlife and Parks director, has agreed there is no sport involved in shooting the slow-moving animals, likening it to "shooting cattle in a feed yard."

He said he would be willing to consider a better alternative but that in the end the spread of brucellosis must be controlled.

Ranchers in the area are watching the debate especially closely.

"Bison in Yellowstone Park are of great value to all of us," said James Stermitz, a rancher near the park's northern gate. "Bison outside of Yellowstone Park can only offer problems that would not get better."

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# Obituaries

## Douglas Vernon Jr.

Graveside services will be at 1 p.m. Friday in City of Lubbock Cemetery.

Mrs. Barton died Saturday at her residence after a lengthy illness. She was born in Homer, La. She married Clarence R. Barton in 1964. He died in 1988. She moved to Breckenridge from Lubbock in 1984 where she was the manager of the Lubbock Women's Club. She was a member of Bethany Baptist Church at Breckenridge.

Survivors include three sons, Mike Gibson of Arlington, and Clarence R. Jr. and Donald, both of Irving; her mother, Mary D. Henning of Breckenridge; a sister, Virginia Raines of Breckenridge; a brother, A.J. Henning of Dallas; five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

'Godfather III' playing... Violence erupts in 3 theaters

VALLEY STREAM, N.Y. (AP) — Violence erupted in three movie theaters showing "The Godfather Part III." In the worst outbreak, four bystanders were shot, one fatally.

All the incidents happened on Christmas, the day the movie opened.

A man was slashed at a "Godfather" screening in New York City and a woman was charged with menacing another moviegoer with a knife in a dispute over noisy popcorn eating in Independence, Mo.

Four people were shot in a Long Island theater when two groups of teen-agers exchanged gunfire, spraying shots in the movie house packed with about 700 people, who fled in panic.

The shootout came about an hour into the show, after an argument escalated into a shouting match between two groups seated in different parts of the Sunrise Cinema theater, Nassau County Detective Sgt. William Cocks said Wednesday.

A group of about 10 teen-agers moved and surrounded the other group before opening fire, Cocks said. The second group apparently returned fire.

When officers arrived, the gangster film was still running in the virtually deserted movie house. Spent shells showed that at least four handguns were used. The subject of the argument was unknown. No arrests were made.

A 15-year-old from New York City was shot in the head and died while undergoing surgery Wednesday. Another teen-ager, shot in the eye, was listed in stable condition.

A married couple, both 23, were treated for gunshot wounds to the arm and shoulder.

In Missouri, Marilyn McMahon said her heart jumped during a scene in the gangster film in which a knife is held to a woman's throat, but it didn't compare to the real thing later during the screening.

## Ethel Graham

WINTERS — Services were set for 4 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church for Ethel Annie Graham, 84, who died Monday in a Winters hospital. Burial was to follow in the Northview Cemetery.

She was the niece of Blanche Murry of Snyder.

Born in Wingate, Mrs. Graham moved to Bell County and returned to Winters in 1916. She was a practical nurse for 18 years and retired in 1977. She was a member of the First Baptist Church. Her husband, William Lester Graham, preceded her in death.

## Joe Martinez

ROTAN — Funeral services are set for 2 p.m. Friday at the St. Joseph's Catholic Church for Joe B. Martinez, 80, who died Wednesday in a Rotan nursing home. Burial will follow in the Rotan Cemetery.

He was the father of Margie Martinez of Snyder.

Born in Kent County, Mr. Martinez was a farmer in both Kent and Fisher counties. He was an U.S. Army veteran of World War II, and he was a member of the VFW.

Survivors include his wife, Polly Soliz Martinez of Rotan; a son, Joe Bob Martinez of El Paso; two other daughters, Cecilia Martinez and Mary Grace Carrillo, both of Rotan; six brothers, Robert Martinez and Emilio Martinez, both of Abilene, Ben Martinez of Munster, Alex Martinez of Keene, N.H., and Fred Martinez and Rudolph Martinez, both of Rotan; two sisters, Mary Ozuna of Rotan and Sara Jara of Arlington; and six grandchildren.

## Keith Gore

BROWNFIELD — Services are set for 10:30 a.m. Friday in the Brownfield Church of Christ for Keith Gore, 87, who died Tuesday in Brownfield Regional Medical Center. Burial will follow in the Terry County Memorial Cemetery.

He was the brother of Luna Maude Bruton of Snyder.

Born in Hall County, he had lived in Terry County since 1916. He attended school in the Johnson community and graduated from high school in Brownfield.

He married Florene Finley Priest on Sept. 27, 1963 in O'Donnell. He farmed in the Pool and Johnson communities and was a member of the Church of Christ where he taught Sunday school for 25 years.

Survivors include his wife, Florene; three step-daughters, Jana Priest of Brownfield, Jane Wilson of McGregor, Minn., and Joan Gunn of Corpus Christi; two step-sons, John Priest of Thousand Oaks, Calif., and Joel Priest of Agoura Hills, Calif.; a brother, Bill Gore of Deming, N.M.; another sister, Minnie Hazel Bowman of Lubbock; 11 grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

## Doris Barton

BRECKENRIDGE — Services were set for 1 p.m. today at Melton Funeral Home for Doris Jeanette Barton, 64, of Breckenridge with Rev. George Mallone, pastor of Arlington Grace Vineyard Church, officiating.

# U.S. diplomat rejected almost daily

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly every day, Joseph C. Wilson IV, the American diplomat in charge of the skeleton-sized U.S. Embassy in Baghdad, telephones or visits the Iraqi foreign ministry with standing instructions from Washington.

It is to find out if Secretary of State James A. Baker III would be welcome for a visit before Jan. 3 to talk to President Saddam Hussein about releasing his grip on Kuwait and pulling out the 400,000 Iraqi troops there.

That session, should it come to pass, could be the last diplomatic encounter between the two countries before the crisis over Iraq's seizure of Kuwait erupts into war.

The reply to Wilson, with slight variation, is either a repetition of Jan. 12 as the only acceptable date or no reply at all, U.S. officials said Wednesday as the deadlock in arranging talks continued.

"The Iraqis don't have much to say," one official remarked. "They just stick to Jan. 12."

Wilson talks sometimes to Nizar Hamdoun, an experienced diplomat who was once Iraq's ambassador to Washington and now is deputy foreign minister. Or sometimes Wilson deals with a stand-in.

They talk also about routine embassy matters. And until Saddam relented, according to U.S. officials, Wilson's daily routine included insisting on release of the American hostages in Iraq and Kuwait — and then writing a cable to Washington about their plight.

On Aug. 6, just days after Iraqi troops conquered Kuwait in a blitzkrieg attack, Wilson was summoned to the foreign

ministry for what he thought would be a meeting with Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz.

Instead, he was brought to Saddam, who told Wilson that Kuwait belonged to Iraq and that the annexation was irreversible.

On Wednesday, Wilson, 41, and a veteran of 15 years in the foreign service, telephoned Hamdoun again.

There had been a report in an Israeli newspaper, Maariv, that Baker probably would be in Baghdad on Jan. 9.

Wilson found the Iraqis still insisting on Jan. 12, while Baker has not budged from his position that he would make the trip only on or before Jan. 3.

"There has been no Iraqi movement on the question of dates," Sondra McCarty, a State Department spokeswoman, told reporters in Washington.

The Israeli Embassy disputed the report in Maariv, which quoted unidentified Israeli diplomats.

"We have no knowledge of anything of the sort," embassy spokeswoman Ruth Yaron said. She called the newspaper report "pure speculation."

The disagreement over dates, which shelved a Dec. 17 call by the Iraqi foreign minister on President Bush at the White House, could soon become academic. Don Davidson, a White House spokesman, said Jan. 3 remained the last possible date for Baker to go to Baghdad.

Baker, who is on vacation in Houston, has rejected Jan. 12 as too close to the Jan. 15 deadline set by the United Nations Security Council for Iraq to leave Kuwait or be forced out.

Baker proposed any time between Dec. 20 and Jan. 3.

# Gorbachev's choice is confirmed

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leadership and central committee apparatus. He's very obedient, very conformist."

Yuri Kalmykov, chairman of the jurisprudence committee, said many deputies wanted "someone with experience in industry and economics."

Nevertheless, after the renomination, several lawmakers rose to praise Yanayev and to urge support for Gorbachev.

Nursaltan A. Nazarbayev, president of the Kazakhstan republic, said:

"Comrade deputies, I suggest that we demonstrate not only to the Congress and the whole country at this critical period, but to the whole world, our support for our president."

Marshall Sergei F. Akhromeyev, a presidential adviser and former armed forces chief of staff, urged all deputies

to vote in the second round.

When one lawmaker attempted to criticize Gorbachev, his microphone was promptly switched off by Congress Chairman Anatoly Lukyanov.

Yanayev had been considered a "safe" choice for the vice presidency in these turbulent times of bare grocery store shelves, ethnic violence and nationwide political paralysis.

In comments to the Congress after being nominated Wednesday, Yanayev supported Gorbachev's reformist policies but also took a somewhat hard-line tack, calling for law and order.

Gorbachev had initially planned to nominate Eduard A. Shevardnadze for the job. But Shevardnadze resigned as foreign minister last week to protest what he said was a drift toward dictatorship.

Yanayev, an ethnic Russian, received a law degree in 1967.

He belonged to Komsomol in Gorky and in the early 1970s came to Moscow as chairman of the U.S.S.R. Committee of Youth Organizations.

He wrote his dissertation on international youth movements.

In the 1980s Yanayev served for six years as deputy chairman of the Soviet Friendship Society, which maintains non-governmental contacts with foreigners.

He later returned to party work, becoming a secretary of the policy making Central Committee. He was elected to the party's ruling Politburo in July after a party shake-up that also significantly reduced its authority.

Yanayev is leader in parliament of the 730-member Communist bloc.

# State gains three seats

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problems, population growth remained relatively rapid," Murdock said. The census figures are also "indicative of longer-term patterns of population growth in the state."

The state experienced rapid growth early in the decade, a slowdown in the mid to late part of the 1980s, and a resurgence toward the close of the decade, Murdock said.

While the decade's growth in Texas was concentrated in metropolitan areas and the suburbs, rural areas experienced population declines or relatively little population growth, Murdock said.

Population declines in the 1980s hit agricultural areas particular-

ly hard, most noticeably in Texas in the Panhandle, Murdock said.

"Growth was most rapid, more prevalent in larger areas than smaller areas... it was much more concentrated in metropolitan areas in the 1980s than it was in the 1970s."

The population figures indicate the so-called "rural renaissance" of the 1970s ended with the 1980s, when population trends reverted back to a more traditional pattern of growth being concentrated in the cities, Murdock said.

The decline in rural populations will mean an increased need for economic development in those regions, Murdock said, while it will become increasingly difficult for those communities to pay for and make accessible services such as medical care, transportation and education.

"The loss of population for many rural areas is going to make financing and provision of public services much more difficult," Murdock said.

# Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Janice Manlief, 2106 Ave. N; Lori Martinez, 805 27th; Dewey Moore, Rt. 1; Brenda McCright, 2711 38th St.; Jacy LaRoux, 2701 46th.

# Births

Darin and Janice Manlief of 2106 Ave. N announce the birth of a baby girl born at 7:40 a.m. Dec. 26 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed eight pounds and two ounces.

Gilbert and Lori Martinez of 805 27th St. announce the birth of a baby girl born at 3:15 p.m. Dec. 26 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed six pounds and four ounces.

# RETIRING IN STYLE

Top 10 retirement communities, ranked in order with average house cost

1. Ft. Myers, FL	\$63,000
2. San Antonio, TX	\$61,000
3. St. George, UT	\$70,700
4. Pensacola, FL	\$73,300
5. Brownsville, TX	\$60,600
6. Phoenix, AZ	\$82,000
7. Orlando, FL	\$83,200
8. St. Petersburg, FL	\$91,900
9. St. Tammary Parish, LA	\$66,700
10. Miami, FL	\$116,800

Source: Retirement Places Rated NEA Graphic

Based on such factors as climate, health-care facilities and housing costs. Ft. Myers, Fla., was ranked by a recent study as the No. 1 U.S. place in which to retire. Five of these top 10 retirement communities are in Florida.

# 1990 marked by change

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and area crowns. There was controversy in the school system, too, as Snyder's drama department — boasting the state's winningest ULL program — was placed on probation after a grade change made a student ineligible.

During the ups and downs, no athletic program was more solid than that of the Western Texas College rodeo squad, which made its 10th straight appearance in the College National Finals Rodeo in Bozeman, Mont., under the direction of Bob Doty.

While the county prepared for a change in leadership, the city made plans to replace over 165,000 feet of water line, estimated to cost some \$1.14 million over five years.

As the decade officially comes to an end, the college is considering instituting a baseball program, but may lose its president

# Markets Middy Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)	High	Low	Last	MayDSI	43%	43%	43%
AMR Corp	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	Medtronic	85 1/2	85 1/2	85 1/2
ALLTEL Cp	33 1/4	33 1/4	33 1/4	Mobil	58 1/2	58 1/2	58 1/2
Ameritech	67 1/2	67 1/2	67 1/2	Monsanto s	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4
AmStores	53 1/2	53 1/2	53 1/2	Motorola	53	52 1/2	52 1/2
AmerT&T	30 1/4	30 1/4	30 1/4	NCNB Cp	25	24 1/2	25
Amoco	52	51 1/2	52	Navistar	2 1/2	2 1/2	2 1/2
AndarkPtr	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	Nynex	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2
Arkla	29	29	29	OryxEnergy	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2
ArcoInc	5	5	5	PacTelesis	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2
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BakerHugh	25	25	25	PennyJC	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
BancTexas	15-64	15-64	15-64	PeppBoys	10	9 1/2	10
BellAtlan s	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	Phelps Dod	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2
BellSouth	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	PhillipPet	27	26 1/2	26 1/2
Beth Steel	15	15	15	Polaroid s	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Borden s	30	30	30	Primerica	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Cardinal	47	46 1/2	47	ProctGamb	86 1/2	86 1/2	86 1/2
Caterpilr	31 1/4	31 1/4	31 1/4	PubS NwMx	8 1/4	8 1/4	8 1/4
Centel s	44	44	44	SFEpacCp n	6 1/4	6 1/4	6 1/4
CentSo West	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	SaraLee s	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2
Chevron	13 1/4	13 1/4	13 1/4	SearsRoeb	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
Chrysler	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	SherwinWm	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2
Coastal s	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	SmithBch	59	59	59
CocaCola s	74 1/2	74 1/2	74 1/2	SmithCo	52	51 1/2	52
Colg Palm	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	Southern Co	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
CyprusMn	55 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	SwatAur	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
DeltaAirl	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	SwatBell	56 1/2	56 1/2	56 1/2
DigitalEq	89 1/2	89 1/2	89 1/2	SterlingChm	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2
Dillard	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	SunCo	28 1/4	28 1/4	28 1/4
DowChem	21 1/4	21 1/4	21 1/4	TNP Ent	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2
DresserInd s	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2	Tandy	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2
duPont	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	Tempilal s	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
EastKodak	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	UnCarbde	48 1/4	48 1/4	48 1/4
Enerch	51 1/2	51 1/2	51 1/2	Texasco	60 1/2	60 1/2	60 1/2
Exxon	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	TexasInd	15	15	15
FICityBcp	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	TexasInst	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
FlowerInd	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	Tex Util	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2
FordMotor	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	Textron	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
GTE Cp s	25	25	25	Fyler	3	3	3
GnDynam	57 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	USX Corp	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
GenElec	47 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	UnCarbde	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
GenMils s	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	UnPacCp	70 1/2	70 1/2	70 1/2
GenMotors	39	38 1/2	39	USWest s	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2
GenMotrE s	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	UnitTel s	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
GlobMar n	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	Unocal	23	22 1/2	23
Goodrich	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	WalMart s	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2
Goodyear	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	WestHl s	31	31	31
GuatPac	44	44	44	Woolth s	28 1/2	28 1/2	28 1/2
Gulf StaUt	10 1/4	10 1/4	10 1/4	Xerox Cp	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2
Haliburtn	44 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	ZenithE	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2
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IBM	113 1/2	113 1/2	113 1/2				
IntlPaper	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2				
JohnsJhn	71 1/2	71 1/2	71 1/2				
K Mart	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2				
Kroger	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2				
vJLTv Cp	78 1/2	78 1/2	78 1/2				
Little Ind	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2				
vJLoneStar	24	24	24				
Loves	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2				
Lubys s	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2				
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The six-member 1990 International Trans-Antarctica Expedition, the first team to cross Antarctica by dogsled, covered 3,741 miles of brutal terrain in 220 days, an average of 17 miles a day.

# Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I was amused to read the letters concerning nudity from "Baffled in Vancouver" and "Stark Naked in San Marcos."

Some years ago, at the age of 55, I responded to a city college request for figure models for its art classes. (Their models are unclothed.) I found it to be a most liberating growth experience, one which gave me enough insight into societal response to nudity to form the basis of a term paper for a psychology class I had.

As a result of that experience, I became a confirmed nudist, visiting the nude beaches in Santa Barbara as often as I could, and doing my housework in a like state, as well as enjoying a lady friend's invitation to use her back yard for sunbathing.

I think many of us might do well to confront our own feelings on the subject. Though such exposure, like olives, may not be everyone's taste,

there is a certain exhilaration and self-confidence that can be derived. Let us remember, we were all born without clothing.

NATURE BOY IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR NATURE BOY: There is nothing immoral about the unclothed body. Being self-conscious (or ashamed) of one's body is learned behavior. For years, nudists of all ages have formed colonies all over the world, enjoying nature with not so much as a fig leaf between them.

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DEAR ABBY: I have this nagging feeling that I should have a will. My husband doesn't have one either, and we are both getting up there in years.

The problem is, we don't have much, and I hesitate to bother a lawyer with so meager an estate as ours. We live on the edge of Palm

Springs, where there are a lot of wealthy people, and the lawyers here cater to these rich people.

How do I find a lawyer who wouldn't turn up his nose at our few possessions? I would sure appreciate your suggestions, as I have been worrying lately.

GROWING OLD IN CATHEDRAL CITY

DEAR GROWING OLD: Call the Riverside County Bar Association and tell the people there what you have told me. Regardless of how modest your means, I assure you they will refer you to a lawyer who will not turn up his/her nose at your business.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I were married on Sept. 15, 1972. We had a child in 1973. We were di-

vorced in 1975. Exactly 11 months later, we remarried and had two more children. We've been happily married ever since.

What anniversary do we officially celebrate? And please don't say, "Both of them," because, face it, you can have only one 25th wedding anniversary party.

WONDERING IN INDIANA

DEAR WONDERING: Start counting from 1972, and forget that 11-month "hiatus."

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Most teen-agers do not know the facts about drugs, AIDS and how to prevent unwanted pregnancy. It's all in Abby's updated, expanded booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for \$3.95 (\$4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Teen-Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

## Shoppers get ready for next Christmas

by The Associated Press

Cut-rate ornaments, Christmas cards and other Yule paraphernalia attracted the affections of shoppers, but retail analysts were skeptical that an after-Christmas buying spree would rescue the season.

"Cards half price, wrapping half price; the bargains are good. It's all for next Christmas," shopper Sandy Runte said as she pushed her young son and a half-dozen bags in a stroller around the Grand Avenue Mall in Milwaukee.

The day after Christmas historically is one of the busiest shopping days of the year and retailers are hoping a late surge

that began just before the holiday will continue, boosting retail sales undercut by a slumping economy and worries over the Persian Gulf situation.

A spot check of stores by AP staff around the country showed one of the biggest draws for shoppers on the first day after Christmas was in marked-down decorations.

"It's incredible. It's a shopping frenzy," said Liz Gillespie, marketing director at Park Plaza Mall in Little Rock, Ark. "I mean, the stores are just jammed, especially the ones with seasonal products."

Karen Moody, of New York, visiting family for the holidays, headed to Marshall Fields and Co. in downtown Chicago to buy cards and wrap for next year.

"I've never paid full price for my Christmas cards yet," Moody said. "It's pandemonium up on the 6th floor (where seasonal items are sold). I was so glad to get out of there."

"We're bargain hunting for crystal," said Stacia Van Heuklon, of Rochester, Minn., visiting family in Indiana. She, her two brothers, two sisters and

mother came to Chicago for an annual tradition. "It's early Christmas shopping for next year. We do this every year. Everything is 50 percent off."

Even for those stores that show gains of a few percentage points in sales over a year ago, those gains translate into declines when the effect of inflation is taken into account. For the first 11 months of the year, inflation at the retail level averaged 6.4 percent, government figures show.

"The cake was baked for this season in August and September. The ingredients for failure were there early on. This season was like a souffle that never rose," said Alan Millstein, publisher of Fashion Network Report, in New York.

"It's been worse than disappointing. For major department stores, it's been a calamity. It's the worst year for major department stores since the Great Depression. They not only didn't meet last year's figures, they fell behind the rate of inflation," he said.

"Retailers used every trick in their bag and nothing seemed to work. The trick now will be, how

big will the clearance sales in January be?"

"Consumers were very tight with their dollars," said David A. Williamson, a retail analyst for the Advest Group Inc. "Retailers had to be very promotional just to get customers into the stores, let alone buy stuff."

On Wednesday, however, some retailers were encouraged by what they saw.

"The parking lot's packed and there are people in the store. It's generally one of the busier days of the year," said Julie Sertner, special events manager at the Macy's store in the Dallas Galleria.

### Steeger dies

NEW YORK (AP) — Henry Steeger III, a magazine and comic-book publisher who was president of the National Urban League in the 1960s, died Tuesday of bone cancer at age 87.

He died at his Manhattan home.

Steeger led the civil rights organization from 1960 to 1964, after serving as a senior vice president.

## Desert Shield soldiers miss their hot sauce

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Just like a good jalapeno pepper, the letters are enough to bring tears to your eyes.

American soldiers serving in Operation Desert Shield are pleading with a Texas company to send bottles of its famous Mexican-style hot sauce to troops in the Middle East.

"I am desperate," wrote Army Staff Sgt. James A. Miller of the 82nd Airborne Division. "San Antonio is my home and Pace Picante sauces are on my table all the time. And if you could spare a few quarts, this paratrooper would be grateful."

Pace Foods Inc. is obliging. Not only that, the company and some soldiers say spicy sauces may actually help cool down soldiers in the hot Saudi Arabian desert.

"Nobody knows for sure, but a lot of people think chili peppers cool the body by making it perspire more. That's why people in warm climates eat more chilies," said R.J. Sands, president and chief executive officer of Pace Foods.

Pace Foods has shipped 2,000 16-oz bottles of its famous Pace Picante Sauce to the Persian Gulf.

Aside from the pepper cooling theory, Pace executives realized there were lots of soldiers far from home longing for the hot sauce made of vegetables, peppers and spices.

Sands said many of the soldiers writing letters complain about their bland C-rations, while others just miss the flavors and aromas of home.

Pace Foods, which controls about 25 percent of the hot sauce market and buys 15 million pounds of peppers per year, also received a barrage of phone calls and letters from relatives and friends of the soldiers ordering sauce by the case.

One letter from a soldier accompanied a picture of six soldiers holding four empty Picante sauce bottles upside down.

Army Spec. 4 Michael C. Niema, an Arlington native with the 3rd Battalion, 101st Airborne, wrote on behalf of the heat-struck, homesick group:

"Chips and Pace Picante Sauce are my favorite snack before I was deployed in Saudi Arabia. I managed to stash some Pace in my bag, but I've seem to run into some difficulties ... I ran out."

## Bastrop inmates make helmets for soldiers

BASTROP, Texas (AP) — Federal inmates producing helmets for soldiers have solid proof of their work's importance: One helmet tracked to the prison protected a soldier in the 1989 Panama invasion.

"It was hit by a AK-47 Russian shell and saved a soldier's life," said Tim Browder, a prison official and production manager.

The Bastrop Federal Correctional Institution's helmet manufacturing plant, established in 1981, is the largest supplier of helmets to the U.S. armed services, the Austin American-Statesman reported.

The current \$10.5 million contract calls for 109,000 helmets from the program by next September.

Three private companies each make about 40,330 annually. Prisoners make about 9,000

helmets a month. Peak production was 24,000 in the 1980s, when the helmets were needed for Defense Department inventories.

The prison facility has produced about 1.5 million helmets, officials estimate. About 100 inmates work in the program, earning 23 cents to \$1.15 an hour.

"Quality is very important," Browder said. "The inmates that come down here take the job to heart."

The helmets are made of 19 strips of Kevlar, a DuPont-manufactured yarn that when produced for this job resembles heavy-fibered masking tape.

Six days of shaping, cutting, washing, drying, grinding and painting at the prison results in the finished, olive-colored headgear.

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## Mothballed ships set for action

BENICIA, Calif. (AP) — Scores of rusting old ships float in ranks on an inland bay northeast of San Francisco, looming out of the chilly fog like ghostly ocean-going tombstones.

Congressional critics want to junk the 66-ship Suisun Bay Reserve Fleet, but Charlie Johnston, caretaker of the "ghost fleet," says the ships are ready to weigh anchor if the nation needs them again.

"Many of these ships go back to service in World War II, Korea, Vietnam," said Johnston, 40, the fleet's acting superintendent.

Hanging on a wall was a board with the name and location of each ship, 33 of them World War II Victory ships, all part of a fleet that once numbered 700.

"Pick one. You call it," he said to assure that a tour wouldn't steer the visitor toward a specially prepared ship. A CIA spy vessel is off limits, though.

During the last session of Congress, the ships here and at Fort Eustis, Va., and Beaumont, Texas, came under fire from the House Small Business Committee's subcommittee on regulation, business opportunities and energy.

"The taxpayers are getting repeatedly fleeced ... for these maritime cadavers," said Rep. Ron Wyden of Oregon, subcommittee chairman. William S. Broomfield of Michigan, ranking Republican on the House Foreign Affairs Committee, described the ships as "glorified rust buckets."

They include the Glomar Explorer, the CIA ship built to retrieve a sunken Soviet submarine. Since the secret voyage off Hawaii in 1974, the 618-foot ship has been waiting for a new role.

"We keep the Explorer here for the Navy," Johnston said, explaining the Glomar isn't Maritime Administration property like nearly all the other ships.

You can't visit the Glomar, but the Meredith Victory, dubbed "The Gallant Lady" for rescuing thousands of Korean War refugees, is a good substitute.

Rust was rampant. Paint chips littered the deck, leaving metal naked to the elements. Painters used to keep busy on the fleet, but money ran out in the mid-1980s.

"Besides, to us rust is no big deal as long as the metal is sound," Johnston said as he stamped his foot to show the steel's hardness. "If it really got bad we could put another plate over it."

## 'Jane Roe' says she's happier in California

DALLAS (AP) — Norma McCorvey, the "Jane Roe" of the Roe vs. Wade case that legalized abortion in 1973, returned to Texas for the holidays more than a year after gunshots forced her to flee her Dallas home.

But she says she's happier living in California.

Ms. McCorvey, 42, moved to California after three shotgun blasts were fired into the windows and front door of the Dallas home where she had lived for at least 10 years on April 4, 1989. She said at the time that anti-abortion demonstrators had harassed her for years.

She says she misses Texas, but prefers life in California because she can live openly as a lesbian.

"I came out publicly as a lesbian in Sonoma County," she told KDFW-TV on Wednesday. "I've always felt, in general, Texas is very homophobic and they don't really accept gays and lesbians

as we should really be accepted."

Ms. McCorvey said she currently is raising money to launch the Jane Roe Women's Center, a refuge for battered women and their children.

She said she also believes the Supreme Court decision she played a role in nearly 20 years ago will stand.

"I don't think that any person on the Supreme Court that has any conscience at all would even try to overturn Roe vs. Wade. Not at this crucial point," she said.

Ms. McCorvey's unwanted pregnancy went full-term long before the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion. Her baby was given up for adoption.

Texas lawyers Sarah Weddington and Linda Coffee took Ms. McCorvey's case after she had sought an illegal abortion but was revolted by conditions at a visit to a back-alley abortionist.

## Berry's World



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# Congressman's PAC to pay SEC fine

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Election Commission says a political action committee founded by conservative Texas Rep. Dick Armye has settled charges that it violated federal election law by agreeing to pay a \$3,000 fine.

A spokesman for the commission said Wednesday that the PAC established by Armye, a Copper Canyon Republican, accepted an illegal contribution and failed to file proper and timely election reports in 1988.

Fred Eiland, FEC press officer, said Armye's Policy Innovation Political Action Committee settled the case by agreeing on Oct. 2 to pay a \$3,000 civil penalty. The six-member Federal Election Commission approved the agreement Dec. 20.

Armye, elected to Congress in 1985 from North Texas, founded

PIPAC three years later to help elect conservatives to the House. It contributed to 30 candidates this year, but only 12 of them were elected.

Armye's spokesman, Ed Gillespie, described the violations as "just basically technical errors."

"These were charges made by Armye's political opponent," John Wayne Caton of Eules, Gillespie said Wednesday. "The fact is that more serious charges were proven to be false and were dropped."

PIPAC also contributed more to candidates for Congress than any other House Republican's PAC in 1988 "and it definitely drew the attention of the (Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee)," Gillespie said.

"This is speculation on my

part, but I doubt that John Wayne Caton came up with the idea to file a complaint," Gillespie said.

The FEC, however, said it initiated the complaint against PIPAC.

The conciliation agreement covers a variety of complaints, ranging from failure to file reports on time to accepting an excess contribution.

Eiland said the committee accepted three contributions of \$2,000 each in 1988 from James Lightner, the retired chairman of Electrospace Systems Inc. of Richardson, a defense firm now owned by Chrysler Corp. The limit on contributions from an individual to a PAC is \$5,000 a year.

Eiland said the PAC received the \$2,000 contributions from Lightner in February, June and September, but disclosed in an October report that Lightner's

total contributions for the year totaled just \$5,000.

Gillespie, however, said the excess contribution should have been attributed to Lightner's wife, Ida.

Eiland said the PAC was also 110 days late in filing one election report and 11 days late in filing another.

"Someone other than the treasurer of the PAC, who is required by law to sign election reports, had signed four of PIPAC's 1988 election reports, yet the PAC was not able to identify who had actually signed those reports," Eiland said.

Armye's wife, Susan, is PIPAC's treasurer.

PIPAC raised about \$25,000 in 1990 and contributed \$21,500 to 30 Republican candidates for Congress, Gillespie said.

**Dr. Gott**  
Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

**DEAR DR. GOTT:** I've believed for some time now that I have diabetes as I have some of the symptoms discussed in newspapers and magazines. How dependable is a blood test for this problem?

**DEAR READER:** Very dependable. Diabetes is excess blood sugar; therefore, an elevated blood sugar level is diagnostic. There are two common ways of determining this.

A fasting blood sugar, obtained early in the morning after a patient has fasted since the night before, is usually sufficient to diagnose diabetes and to monitor the course of treatment. Most diabetics will have fasting sugars that exceed 120 milligrams per deciliter.

In rare cases, people with mild diabetes or with gestational diabetes (which is present only during pregnancy) may have normal fasting sugar levels. When doctors are suspicious that diabetes exists, they may order a two-hour post-prandial blood sugar for confirmation. In this test, the patient consumes a large breakfast with abundant carbohydrates and sugar — or the patient can drink cola laced with extra sugar.

Two hours later, blood sugar is tested. If the value exceeds 175 mg/dl, diabetes is confirmed. To be accurate, the test must be properly administered.

For instance, the patient should not be taking medicines or be dieting, because these factors often falsely elevate sugar levels.

The cardinal symptoms of diabetes — excess thirst, excess hunger and excess urination — are frequently associated with other conditions, such as infection, so they are not altogether reliable as an index for diabetes. Moreover, the presence of sugar in urine, long a classic method of diagnosing diabetes, is not as accurate as the blood sugar, because sugar in the blood must rise to high levels before it spills into the urine. Therefore, a moderately high, diabetic sugar-level may cause little or no sugar in the urine.

If you suspect you have diabetes — especially if there is a history of the disease in your family — you should check with your family physician who, after questioning and examining you, will order the appropriate diagnostic test. Diabetes is treatable with diet and medication.

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

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# California gets more House members

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the politics of the future, California will exercise more clout than any smoke-filled room of politicians ever did.

California emerges from the 1990 census as a political behemoth, with 52 House seats, a population bigger than Canada's and 20 percent of the electoral votes needed to be elected president.

Add together the congressional representation of 21 states and they still will total fewer than the delegation from California, which swells by seven in 1992, the result of a 26 percent surge in population in the last 10 years.

The news is nothing but promising for Republicans. California hasn't voted for a Democratic presidential candidate since 1964; no one has won the White House while losing California since 1912, when Democrat Woodrow Wilson lost the state but defeated Bull Moose Theodore Roosevelt and Republican William Howard Taft anyway.

Republicans can find more cheer in most of the other shifts in political power ordered up by the population figures released by the Census Bureau on Wednesday.

The industrial Northeast and Midwest will lose standing in Congress and the electoral college. The West, the South and the Sun Belt, increasingly Republican, gain.

"The political consequences advantage the Republicans," summed up Stephen Hess,

political analyst at the Brookings Institution, a Washington research organization.

The census sets the stage, as well, for brutal redistricting battles from coast to coast, promising to generate nasty colleague-versus-colleague races in some of the 13 states where the number of

House seats must shrink.

New York will suffer the biggest loss, three seats, and on the streets of Brooklyn, that could come down to a brawl between two Democratic incumbents, Reps. Charles Schumer and Stephen Solarz. They may have to compete for a single seat.

Four states lose two House members — Illinois, going to 20; Michigan, to 19; and Pennsylvania, to 21.

# Pennzoil gets IRS extension to buy more Chevron shares

HOUSTON (AP) — The Internal Revenue Service gave Pennzoil Co. a five-month extension to invest proceeds from its 1988 Texaco settlement in shares of Chevron Corp. common stock, the company announced.

Pennzoil spent \$2.1 billion of a net \$2.6 billion settlement in 1989 to purchase 31.5 million common shares of Chevron, giving it 9 percent ownership in the company.

In July, Pennzoil notified the Federal Trade Commission of its intent to increase its ownership level to slightly under 10 percent by purchasing additional Chevron shares.

Pennzoil said it needed the extension from the IRS because of delays in obtaining clearance

from the FTC.

The company now has until May 31, 1991 to invest proceeds from its 1988 Texaco litigation settlement. Pennzoil sued Texaco in 1985, claiming Texaco violated a contract when it purchased Getty Oil Co. at the same time Pennzoil was attempting to acquire 37 of Getty. Pennzoil spokesman Bob Harper said.

A jury awarded Pennzoil more than \$10 billion, but the two oil companies settled on \$3 billion, before expenses. The net settlement was about \$2.6 billion.

Under IRS rules, Pennzoil can defer taxes on the Texaco settlement if it is reinvested in similar or related property.

# FmHA emergency loan practices criticized

WASHINGTON (AP) — An internal audit by the Agriculture Department says field offices of the Farmers Home Administration are often still sloppy in determining whether producers qualify for emergency loans.

The department's Office of Inspector General said the review involved FmHA emergency loans made to help farmers recover from losses caused by drought and other natural disasters in 1988.

In its semiannual report for the period April 1 through Sept. 30, auditors said they checked 71 loans totaling \$2.1 million in 18 county FmHA offices in four states. Locations were not identified.

"Our review disclosed that controls were not adequate to ensure that loans were made only to eligible farmers in correct amounts," the report said. "We found that county offices approv-

ed 43 borrowers for excessive loans totaling over \$600,000."

The report, which is required by law every six months, said similar error rates in the FmHA emergency loan program had been reported in prior audits going back to 1983.

Emergency loans nationally totaled \$73.5 million in the 1989 fiscal year and represent a small part of total FmHA financial activity. Overall, the report said, the agency as of June 30, 1990, had more than 1.1 million borrowers who owed about \$52.3 billion.

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