

# Applicant withdraws ISD discrimination lawsuit

A lawsuit has been voluntarily withdrawn which was filed against Snyder ISD last September alleging race was a factor when a local woman was not employed by the district during the 1986-87 and 1987-88 school year.

Withdrawing her suit is Evelyn Malone, who claimed the fact that she is black prompted

discriminatory hiring practices by the district.

The case was officially dismissed Tuesday after an order was signed by Federal Judge Sam Cummings in Lubbock's U.S. District Court.

Attorneys representing Snyder ISD note the case is dismissed "with prejudice," a term in the law which indicates the plaintiff

agrees that the issues cannot be raised again in a future lawsuit.

Several depositions from local school officials had been taken in the case and it was tentatively set for trial in U.S. District Court in Lubbock this coming November.

With her request for dismissal, Malone asked that the school district be responsible for its attorney's fees and she indicates

she will bear her own legal expenses.

Brad Crawford, the Lubbock attorney representing Snyder ISD, said Tuesday that these stipulations were agreed to.

Malone was represented in the case by a Houston attorney, Truman W. Dean Jr.

For the past several years, Malone has been employed by the Colorado City school district as a

teacher. Her current plans apparently involve a move from Snyder to accept employment in another part of the state.

She was formerly employed by Snyder ISD prior to her making a re-application for work in 1986. She had worked for the local district previously as an aide from 1970-71 and as a teacher at North Elementary from 1976-79.

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## Polish effort praised

### Bush meets with Walesa

GDANSK, Poland (AP) — President Bush today made a dramatic pilgrimage to the birthplace of the Solidarity labor movement and told cheering thousands their struggle had produced "a time when dreams can live again" in the democratic transformation of Poland.

"For those who say that freedom can never be denied, I say let them look at Poland," the president said in the emotional climax of a two-day visit.

"Poland is not alone. America stands with you," he said, renewing his pledge to help the Poles redeem their shattered economy and seek greater political freedoms. "America stands shoulder to shoulder with the Polish people in solidarity."

"Long live Bush!" came back the reply from the crowd of 25,000 people. Another 25,000 lined the streets of this seaport to cheer Bush's motorcade, and some threw flower petals at his limousine.

The president was introduced to the chanting, flag-waving audience by Solidarity leader Lech Walesa, who said he hoped the visiting American realized "our country should and deserves to be helped. ... God Bless America. May God bless our homeland," Walesa said.

The speech concluded, Bush and Walesa stood together to accept the cheers of the crowd, then turned to the monument to slain workers and held up their hands in a V-for-Victory sign favored by the union movement.

Bush departed Poland later in the day for a two-day visit to Hungary, another Communist country in the throes of extraordinary political and economic reform. He travels to Paris on Thursday for the economic summit, followed by a trip next week to the Netherlands.

After the shipyard speech, Bush joined Communist Party leader Wojciech Jaruzelski and laid a wreath at the Westerplatte Monument commemorating where the first shots of World War II were fired.

At the airport, Jaruzelski hailed the departing president as "an experienced and far-sighted statesman who attracts warm feelings," and thanked him for "the sincere and partner-like character of the talks we held. We have sown new seeds."

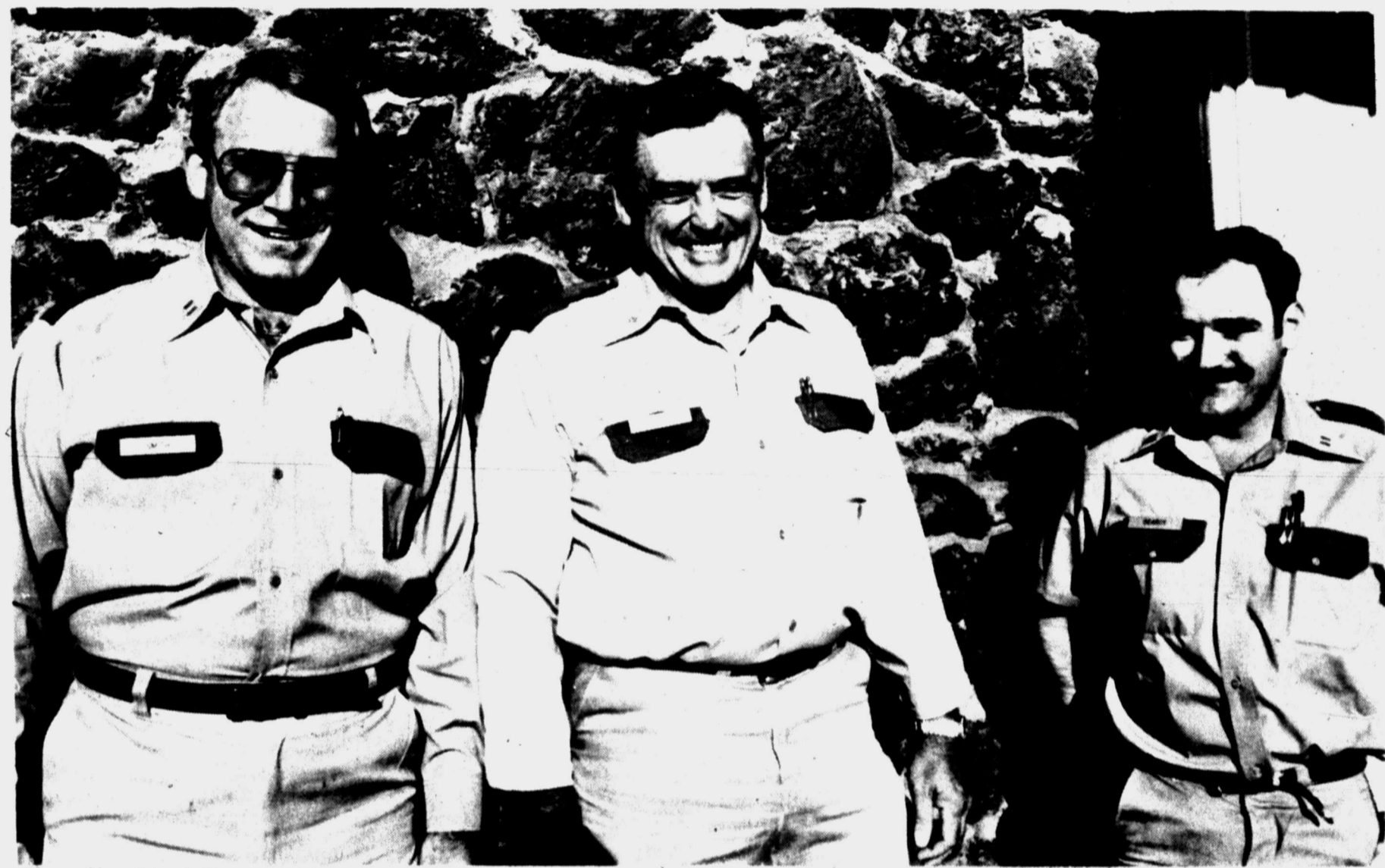
## College board sets '89-90 budget look

The Western Texas College board will consider the 1989-90 college budget during an afternoon meeting scheduled Wednesday, a session which will see trustees accept depository bids for college funds.

The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. in the WTC board room.

Recommendations for promotion in rank for WTC staffers will be considered also.

Several bid items are listed for board action Wednesday to include a "pre-bid" consideration related to the proposed purchase of golf carts next school year for the WTC golf course.



TOP TDC STAFFERS — Serving directly under Warden Leslie Woods and Assistant Warden Charles Streetman at the Texas Department of Corrections' new Daniel Unit will be, from left, Capt.

J.D. Smith, Maj. Ed Norman and Capt. Mike Searcy. The three officially reported for work here Monday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Major, two captains...

## Top TDC staffers reporting for work

By BOB CAMPBELL  
SDN Staff Writer

The Price Daniel Unit's upper-level management team officially reported for work Monday and say they are happy to be in a clean West Texas city and away from the crime-besotted Houston area.

Maj. E.J. "Ed" Norman and Capt. J.D. Smith and Mike Searcy said in a Tuesday morning interview at the temporary Texas Department of Corrections' offices in northwestern Snyder that they have also been encouraged by the friendly reception they

have gotten from Snyder townspeople, although they have encountered some apprehension about the opening of a prison.

The three join Warden Leslie Woods and Assistant Warden Charlie Streetman.

Norman, 49, is a New London, Conn., native, an Army veteran and former welder and pipefitter who said there is little to fear even in the event of an escape because an escaped inmate would want to get away from the city, not go toward it, where he would be sure to be noticed.

Norman is in his 10th year with

the agency, having been promoted to lieutenant at the Pack I Unit in Navasota in 1984 and receiving his first assignment as a major in Snyder.

His wife, Tessie, will be a mailroom employee at the Daniel Unit, and he will be primarily in charge of prison security, with Smith and Searcy reporting to him.

Norman's hobbies are hunting, fishing and riding his motorcycle.

Smith is a 37-year-old Sugarland native who served 2½ tours in Vietnam in the Marine

Corps and worked for Northrup Aircraft Corp. as a manufacturing manager for 10 years in Los Angeles, attending Northrup University at the same time, before joining the TDC in 1981.

He is a third-generation TDC employee.

Smith's responsibilities will be supervising the daily operations of the prison security force and running the unit count room, which he said is "the heart of the unit."

His wife, Michelle, is head of the cardiac-catheter laboratory. See STAFFERS, page 9

## Council receives new budget plan

City council members Monday night received their working copies of the city's proposed 1989-90 budget and scheduled their first work session on it for 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

City staffers have also tentatively set more sessions, if they are needed, for Monday and Thursday, July 20.

A public hearing and first reading of the document is scheduled for Aug. 7, with adoption set for Sept. 11.

Details of the proposed budget

were not immediately released, to allow council members time to study it.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital administrator, Thomas Hochwalt and patient relations coordinator Wilma Dillard appeared to ask the council's adoption of a resolution supporting the hospital in its physician recruitment program.

The Board of County Development and the county commissioners court have recently passed similar resolutions, and the

city's version of it was approved without dissent.

Bids for street-paving materials were approved — \$24,928 from Fina Oil & Chemical Co. of Big Spring for 200 tons of asphalt and \$56,790 from CSA Materials of San Angelo for 3,000 tons of rubber-coated gravel.

A resolution was unanimously passed in favor of Southwestern Bell's "Texas First" proposal to the Public Utilities Commission to install an electronic office

here, eliminate four-party service, lower long distance rates and contain rates for local service in return for allowing the company to have a higher profit margin.

City water treatment plant operator James "Red" Hargrove was recognized for his recently earned Class A Wastewater Operator's Certificate, and an executive session was conducted with legal consultant Ernie B. Armstrong to discuss litigation.

## The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Only the Supreme Court can make Congress look good."

Americans, justifiably, were incensed about the recent Supreme Court ruling that laws against burning the flag were unconstitutional.

It seems that the only solution is an amendment to the U.S. Constitution, and we suggest it will be one of those issues that will get ratification by the necessary 38 states without much difficulty.

The outrage caused one Washington observer to say, "at the rate they're going, somebody is going to have to introduce a constitutional amendment making it a crime to burn down the Supreme Court building."

Along the same lines, another political observer remarked:

"For the most part, we've turned the country over to the kooks. But every now and then, the

kooks and their fearful reps in Washington go too far, too fast, too far-out. Then the sleeping, slumbering hulk that is the majority awakens.

"And when the silent, muted hulk comes off the couch in righteous indignation, the mountains tremble...and Washington discovers anew how little it knows about the rest of the nation.

"The hullabaloo over the flag brought the majority off the couch—and now most of Washington is running around trying to get in front of the parade to overturn the Supreme Court decision.

"Our government reminds us of the huge log that the current is moving slowing downstream. On the log is a 100,000-ants—and everyone of them thinks he is driving—until the log rolls or stops.

"A big logjam by the sleeping giant could correct about 90 percent of the nation's ills. Righteousness reasserts when the majority believes right is might—and says so.

Tuesday

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Ask Us

Q. — Will radioactive waste be transported through Snyder on its way to Carlsbad, N.M.?

A. — The route mentioned with this proposal is along Interstate 20 to Carlsbad rather than through Snyder. In this scenario, Big Spring, Colorado City and Sweetwater would be affected, but not Snyder.

In Brief

Pay raise?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Speaker Thomas S. Foley says he'll keep the House focused on legislation and won't let lawmakers get dragged into another pay raise dispute until there's bipartisan support — and public acceptance.

Foley said Monday that President Bush's proposal last week to raise pay for judges and top executive-branch officials left the door open for Congress to give itself a pay raise, although there was no specific recommendation.

Local

Tax review

The three-member review board for the Scurry County Appraisal District was in session Tuesday to consider protests of tax values placed on oil-related property.

The board will hear similar questions regarding personal property and real estate in sessions Wednesday. These will begin at 8:30 a.m. at the appraisal district offices, 2612 College Ave.

Park road

Towle Park Road work is expected to be completed Friday, according to County Commissioner C.D. Gray Jr.

Gray said if weather continues to cooperate the 1.1 mile road will receive a coat of prime oil on Wednesday, the first application of asphalt on Thursday and the final application on Friday.

Gray said all unnecessary vehicles will be kept off the road Wednesday night and all day Thursday.

Donor times

Locals have until 8 p.m. Tuesday to donate blood at a drive underway in the Towle Park Barn.

Local drives are sponsored by the advisory committee for United Blood Services of Lubbock and the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary.

NAACP meet

The Snyder Chapter of the NAACP will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

All members are urged to attend.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 96 degrees; low, 68 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 73 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1989 to date, 6.63 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of mainly evening thunderstorms. Low near 70. South wind 5 to 10 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy with a high in the mid 90s. Southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

# Brady edging away from veto threat on Democratic S&L bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady is shying away from his threat to recommend that a savings and loan bill be vetoed if it includes a Democratic plan adding \$44 billion to the budget deficit.

At a packed news conference on the eve of today's negotiations on separate House and Senate S&L bills, Brady reiterated his

strong opposition to the Democrats' plan.

However, he ducked attempts to prod him into repeating a veto threat he issued when Congress first began debating President Bush's proposal to fund S&L rescues. And, he said he has not yet discussed the possibility of a veto with Bush.

"I don't expect to get to that point. When people concentrate

on this ... that plan will wind up where the Bush ... position has suggested that it be," he said.

Meanwhile, Brady said the Treasury Department has refined its proposal on the Resolution Trust Corp., the new agency that will close or rescue more than 500 failed S&Ls and dispose of an estimated \$300 billion in bad loans and repossessed real estate.

A Treasury Department outline obtained by The Associated Press shows that the administration has agreed to broaden the power and authority of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corp.

FDIC Chairman L. William Seidman, who has sought even more independence for his agency than Treasury is proposing, said the FDIC was reviewing the Treasury outline.

"At this point we're not expressing concern," he said.

The Treasury proposal makes it clear that the FDIC will have day-to-day authority over S&L

rescue operations, with the RTC playing only an oversight role to ensure that taxpayers' money is not wasted.

However, the Treasury is declining to compromise with Seidman on two key points. It insists that the RTC employ an independent oversight and auditing staff of 50 to 100 people. And, it has resisted Seidman's request for a seat on the RTC board.

The S&L bailout funding question has emerged as the biggest difference that House and Senate negotiators must resolve over the next several weeks. The Senate in April adopted the administration's plan, while the House last month approved the Democratic version.

Both plans evade the automatic budget cuts required by the Gramm-Rudman deficit law, but Democrats contend theirs is more honest because the deficit figure announced each year would include S&L spending.

## Pryor's graduation set for Thursday

FORT WORTH, Tex.—Lynn Howard Pryor will receive the doctor of ministry degrees from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary during commencement ceremonies on Thursday.

President Russell H. Dilday will award degrees to 162 students in Southwestern's schools of theology, religious education and church music.

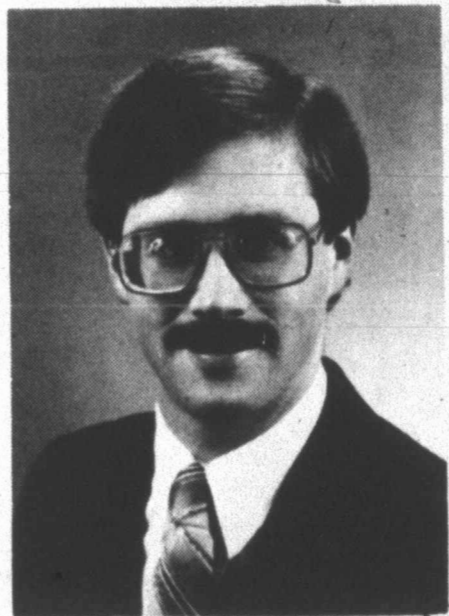
Pryor is the son of Dale Pryor of Plainview, and Grace Pryor also of Plainview.

Colonial Hill Baptist Church in Snyder is Pryor's home church.

After graduation, Pryor will serve as associate pastor and minister of youth at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

Southwestern, one of six seminaries affiliated with the Southern Baptist Convention, is the largest theological school in

the world. Each year more than 5,000 men and women train for ministry at Southwestern.



LYNN PRYOR

## DR. GOTT PETER GOTT, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What causes vesiculo-bullous, a rashlike lesion between the fingers? A dermatologist has placed my son on antibiotics, but he continues to have the problem.

DEAR READER: The term "vesiculo-bullous" refers to the formation of small blisters that become large and break. The skin under these lesions is raw, tender and susceptible to infection. Vesiculo-bullous rashes are the consequence of injury, sunburn, insect bites, contact dermatitis, dermatitis, drug reactions, virus infections and a wide variety of primary skin disorders, such as pemphigoid and epidermolysis bullosa. To obtain the proper treatment, your son must have a diagnosis. Ask his dermatologist for a referral to a colleague or to the dermatology clinic at a teaching hospital.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My stepson is taking Methylphenidate for hyperactivity. Are there any severe side effects of this medication? He's had a very difficult time in school, and I want to help him.

DEAR READER: Methylphenidate (Ritalin) is a stimulant used to treat attention deficit disorder (hyperactivity). When administered under medical supervision, the drug helps children with distractibility, short attention span, emotional instability and impulsivity. Ritalin has many side effects, including nervousness, insomnia, rash, swollen joints, loss of appetite, irregular pulse and abdominal pain. The manufacturer recommends that Ritalin be given as part of a total program of rehabilitation, including counseling. It should not be used in children under 6 or in the presence of depression or severe emotional illness.

Because you are concerned about the potential consequences of this medicine, I urge you to meet with your stepson's doctor for a complete explanation of its use and complications. Because Ritalin has been reported in some rare instances to cause Tourette's syndrome, an affliction marked by muscular twitching and inappropriate vocalizations, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Tourette's Syndrome." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 16-year-old with scabby bumps on the backs of my arms from the elbow to the shoulder. Now they've started to appear on my upper thighs. What can I do to make them go away?

DEAR READER: Infection, reactions to medications, allergies to cer-

tain compounds (such as iodides) and many serious illnesses can cause skin bumps that scab. I suggest that you see a dermatologist who, through careful questioning and examination, should be able to diagnose your problem.

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## Concert less than pleasing

TORONTO (AP) — A concert promised to bring together six legends of rock 'n' roll. But two legends did not show up and two others gave less-than-legendary performances.

Jerry Lee Lewis and Fats Domino withdrew at the last minute because of illness from Sunday's show at Toronto's Sky Dome, and Canadian rockabilly star Ronnie Hawkins filled in.

The show went on, but not without its flaws. Fans booed Chuck Berry, who refused to allow his performance to be shown on the stadium's huge TV screen.

The 35,000 fans watched 60-year-old rocker Bo Diddley restring his signature box-shaped guitar after snapping one in the middle of an aimless, lackluster performance.

The bright spot was Little Richard, who tore through hits such as "Lucille," "Tutti Frutti" and "Good Golly Miss Molly." Frankie Valli, formerly of the Four Seasons, also performed.

Lewis, whose explosive career as the would-be king of rock is portrayed by actor Dennis Quaid in the movie "Great Balls of Fire," blacked out Saturday at his rural Mississippi home.

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**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** People with whom you come in contact will be favorably impressed by the way you'll handle yourself in delicate involvements. Your actions will contribute to your reputation and image. Cancer, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** The means will become available in this time frame for you to undertake some artistic changes you've been wanting to make in your surroundings. These touches will brighten things up a bit.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** The more you have to do to keep yourself busy today, the more effectively you are likely to perform. Don't be afraid to tackle a heavy schedule.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** You're still under extremely favorable conditions concerning where your material interests. Be on your toes, because possi-

ilities for gains could develop in several areas.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** You'll be at your best today in situations where you are the primary authority or manager. Your destiny is to lead, not to be numbered among the ranks.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** The next couple of days your progress can be substantially improved if you keep what you're doing to yourself. There will be time to talk about these episodes later.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** You should be very adept today at picking up partial ideas or suggestions of others and tailoring them into something constructive to suit your own needs. Use your gift.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** Focus your attention and efforts at this time on your most meaningful objective. If you are single-minded, you may come up with a rather ingenious plan.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** If you do a kindness for another today and you feel it wasn't adequately acknowledged or appreciated, don't let this disturb you, because this person will reciprocate at a later date.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** In your business or commercial involvements today, don't be too eager to jump at the first price offered. You're likely to fare better if you haggle a bit.

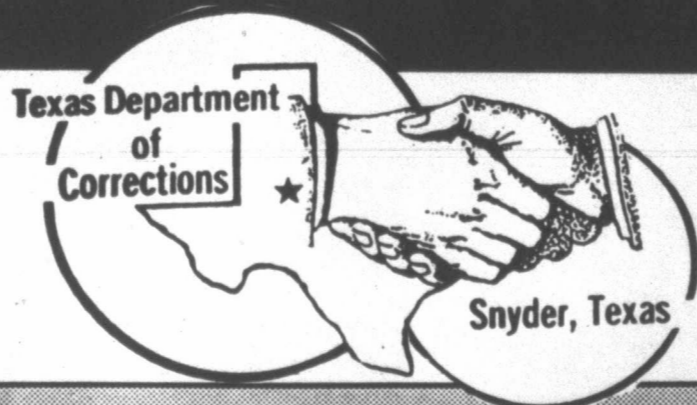
**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** When negotiating a matter of importance today, each step you take that shows a willingness to compromise will be met by two steps in return. Successful deals will be built upon give-and-take.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** The profit or rewards for which you'll be looking today for the efforts you expend where your work is concerned will be there. What starts as a trickle could turn into a gusher.

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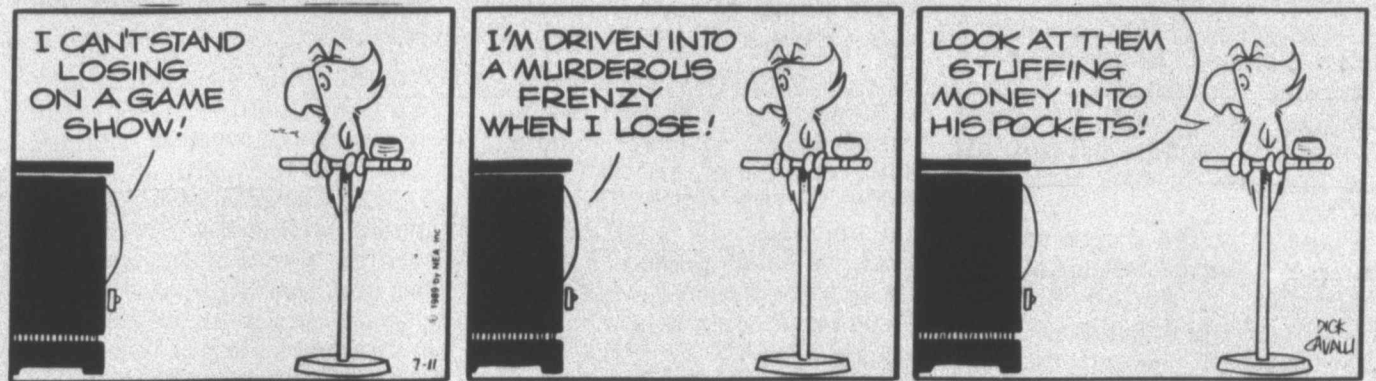
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- Precise detail
- Leather gaiter
- Compass point
- Joyful exclamation
- Geographical division
- Military science
- Review briefly (2 wds.)
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- Singing syllable
- Overturns
- Heterogeneous
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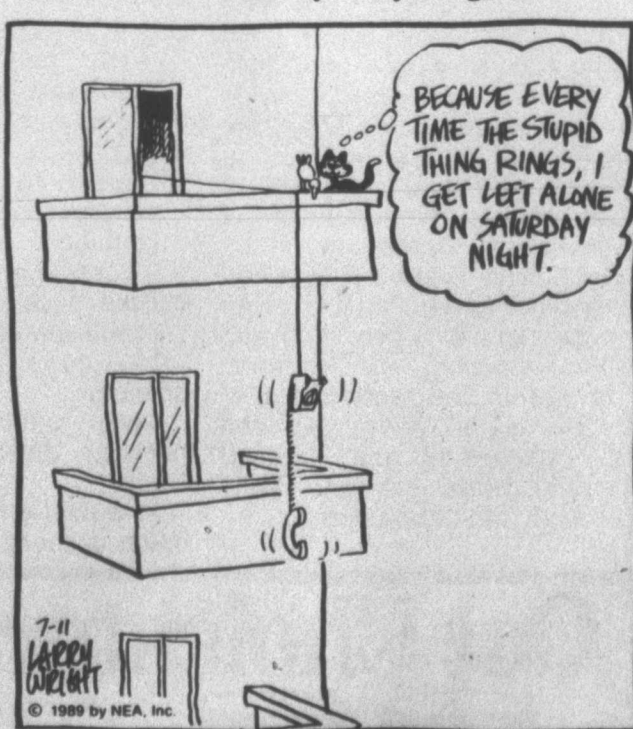
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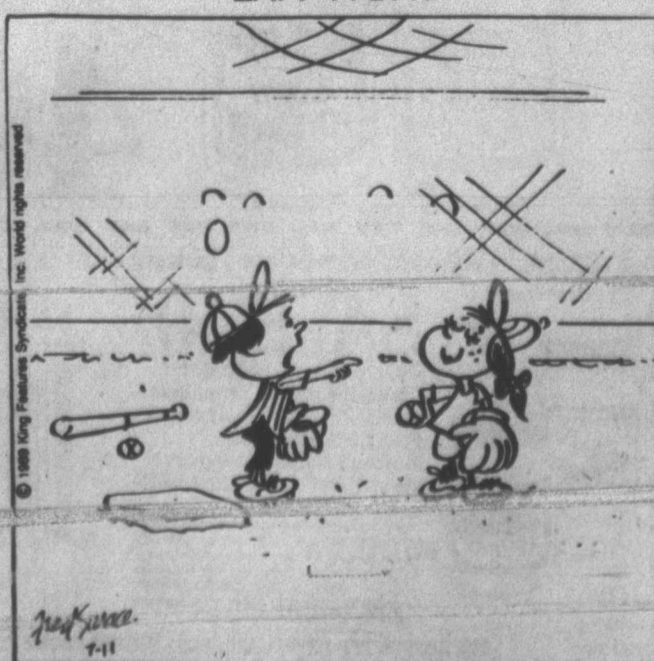
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Obituaries

Estella Minor

Services for Estella Creswell Minor, 74, of 1812 Avenue T are tentatively set for 10 a.m. Friday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel with Rev. Rex Reynolds of First Baptist Church in Hermleigh officiating.

Actor Laurence Olivier dies at age 82

LONDON (AP) — Laurence Olivier, the foremost actor of his generation and leader of the giants of the English-speaking theater, died today. He was 82.

sally revered by the film and theater world, he was Lord Olivier when he died, one of the very few Britons to be given a seat in the House of Lords for his acting prowess.

clergyman who encouraged him to try acting. His first stage was at home, with footlights made of cocoa cans. At 10, he was Brutus in a school performance. At 15, he donned women's clothes to play Katherine in a Stratford Festival boys' production of "The Taming of the Shrew."

while, his career was soaring through Noel Coward's "Private Lives" in London and New York, and Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet," in which he and John Gielgud alternated playing Romeo and Mercutio.

Gen. Whitaker Jr.

SWEETWATER—Services for General Washington Whitaker Jr., 85, a former Snyder High School coach, will be held at 2 p.m. Wednesday at the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel of Memories with the Rev. Charles McLaughlin officiating.

Pollutants harmful to Gulf of Mexico

DALLAS (AP) — A "dead zone" stretching 3,000 square miles across the Gulf of Mexico could be considered the Bermuda Triangle for marine life off the coasts of Texas and Louisiana.

has issued 160 citations against the city for spewing millions of gallons of raw sewage into Galveston Bay.

Fire destroys local's vehicle

Firemen answered four calls Monday, including one at 4:58 p.m. in Ira in which a 1979 Ford belonging to Gerald Watkins of Snyder was destroyed.

Fire destroys local's vehicle

The 10th recent fire to be started by children with fireworks was at 8:04 p.m. in Ira on property owned by Herbie Moore, where firemen worked for about an hour.

He died Monday at a local hospital. Born in Wills Point, he was a graduate of Trinity University with a bachelor of arts degree and played football.

But officials from the Environmental Protection Agency said the zone is only one result of years of contamination from sewage, chemicals and runoff pouring into the gulf.

While EPA officials say the city could face a \$1.5 million fine for a two-week sludge spill in 1986, it is unlikely to see one. Mayor Kathy Whitmire points out the money could be better spent improving the city's sewage system.

Markets

Midday Stocks

Table with columns: NEW YORK (AP), High, Low, Last. Lists various stocks like AMR Corp, Ameritech, etc.

A department spokesman said the cause was unclear, although the blaze started in the engine compartment, and that firefighters were at the scene for an hour.

That marriage, glamorous in public, was another debacle. Leigh soon fell out of love, had a series of affairs and descended into manic depression that tormented Olivier. He had crippling bouts of stage fright and contemplated suicide.

He was a member of the First Baptist Church and the Masonic Lodge No. 571.

"Anything and everything comes out of these plants," said Roger Hartung, chief of enforcement for the EPA's regional office in Dallas. "Some of them have 40 outfalls (discharge points) and multiple processes with lots of chemicals involved."

According to an EPA analysis done for the Dallas Times Herald, five other cities, one water authority and seven industries on or near the coast have received at least four citations in the past five years for violations such as excessive sewage or chemical waste discharges or failure to file reports.

The first call of the day was at 2:07 p.m. to El Paso Ave. and the Lamesa Hwy., where a broken oil line had ignited the engine compartment of a 1975 Mack truck owned by York Transport Co. and where firemen were busy for about 20 minutes.

They finally were divorced in 1961, and Olivier wed actress Joan Plowright, with whom he finally found happiness. They had a son, Richard, and two daughters, Tamsin and Julie-Kate. All three are either studying, or working in, the theater.

Survivors include a daughter, Sarona "Tootsie" Roberts of Dallas; a sister, Mabel Galey of Colorado City; two nieces, Erlene Whitaker Rich of Sweetwater and Shirley Whitaker Neptune of Gladewater; a nephew, Earl Whitaker, Jr. of Monroe, N.C.; a sister-in-law, Martha Whitaker Morris of Gladewater; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Federal and state authorities issue permits to city and industrial dischargers that set limits on contaminants the source can emit. The system is self-policing: Each company or city must monitor its wastewater flows, file reports with regulators and correct any conditions that violate its permit.

In one two-week period in 1986, Houston dumped an estimated 473 tons of highly concentrated sewage sludge into the bayou. With 41 treatment plants, Houston has spent more than \$1 billion since the mid-1980s to clean up its sewage problems and is expected to spend another \$800 million before the job is finished in 1997.

A 3:20 p.m. minor grass fire at Merrill Ave. and North College Ave. on property owned by Earnest Shifflett was started by a man using a cutting torch and occupied the department for 30 minutes.

During World War II, he made the three films that sealed his reputation as the finest Shakespearean actor in film: "Henry V," "Hamlet," for which he won a best-actor Oscar in 1949, and "Richard III." In 1979, he received a special Academy Award for his film work.

Joe Birkenfeld

GOREE—A funeral Mass for Joe Birkenfeld, 64, was said Tuesday morning at St. Joseph Catholic Church in Rhineland with the Rev. Gary Geurtz officiating. Burial was in St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Rhineland.

Victims' families still struggle with tragedy, legal fight

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Two years after 18 men suffocated inside a sealed, oven-like boxcar parked on a desert siding, the man who locked them inside remains at large.

But weighing heaviest in the families' hearts is the inconclusive search for a man nicknamed "El Chapulin," Spanish for "The Grasshopper."

Births

John and Judy Schiebel of Naples, Fla. are the parents of a baby girl, Katherine Antoinette, born July 10. Grandparents are Bill and Martha Schiebel of Snyder and Richard and Harriet Harvey of Cincinnati, Ohio.

Letter to editor

To the editor: Mr. Moss of the Chamber of Commerce has called to say that the funds for the buttons and aprons were bought from money of the County Board of Development and not Chamber of Commerce money.

Dance slated locally Friday

The Richburg Sounds Indiferent Band will play for a dance at the Senior Center beginning at 7:30 p.m. Friday.

Theft reports filed Monday

Perry Greathouse of 2607 Ave. I at 5:39 p.m. Monday reported the theft of an amplifier, cassette tapes and a checkbook. McDonald's owner Herbert Figueroa told police at 9:14 a.m. Monday that some food had been stolen at his restaurant.

He was the father of Martha Scott of Snyder.

Some victims' relatives continue to press a lawsuit against the railroad and boxcar manufacturer and quarrel over which lawyers will represent them.

"The leads now are scarce, but we're still following them up," said Gus De La Vina, Border Patrol deputy chief in El Paso.

Births

Table listing names and birth dates of children, such as John and Judy Schiebel's baby girl.

Births

Police investigated a vandalism case Monday at East Elementary School and said afterwards that the parents of four juvenile boys had been contacted and had agreed to pay for the damages.

Steve Jones of 300 20th St. told police at 3:34 p.m. Monday that his son had found a .22-caliber Springfield Model 120 rifle in a field west of the Walls Factory Outlet store at 1600 Scott Ave.

He was a member of the Eldred J. Andrews Post No. 7871 of Veterans of Foreign Wars in Seymour, St. Joseph Catholic Church and Knights of Columbus in Rhineland Council No. 1766.

TDC staffers now arrived

Continued From Page 1 at the West Houston Medical Center and is trying to negotiate the sale of the couple's Houston home before coming to Snyder.

All 18 victims, plus the lone survivor, came from neighboring Aguascalientes and Zacatecas states in central Mexico to search for work in the United States.

Advertisement for 'THE TEXAN' restaurant, featuring Tuesday and Wednesday night specials like Sirloin Steak for \$3.69 and Spaghetti with Meat Sauce for \$2.99.

East vandalism reported cleared

The incident, involving the breakage of a window and a door glass by rocks, was reported at 5:31 p.m.

Survivors include his wife, Ethel Birkenfeld of Goree; three other daughters, Debra Birkenfeld of Vernon and Sylvia St. Clair and Janet Evanson, both of Seymour; three sons, Johnny Birkenfeld of Goree and David Birkenfeld and Wayne Birkenfeld, both of Seymour; two sisters, Theresa Koetter of Dallas and Margaret Vita of Seymour; four brothers, Leonard Birkenfeld of Tulia, Luke Birkenfeld, Mike Birkenfeld and Francis Birkenfeld, all of Rhineland; and eight grandchildren.

Smith's favorite hobbies are playing tennis and golf. He has already joined Snyder Country Club.

They paid smugglers — one of whom is thought to be Hernandez — to sneak them across the Rio Grande to El Paso's railroad yard, where they would ride a boxcar to Fort Worth, Dallas or maybe farther east to cut lawns or wash dishes for money they could send home.

Arrest noted

A 22-year-old man was arrested for DWI, driving with his license suspended, not having liability insurance and failing to identify himself to a police officer at 2 a.m. Tuesday in the 500 Block of the East Hwy.

His grandfather, "Doc" Garner, was a longtime physician in Hall County, and an uncle, Joe Garner, had one of his Garner Oilfield Pipe & Supply companies in Snyder from the 1950s into the '70s.

They were locked shut inside an insulated boxcar that was intended to be loaded later with beer. The boxcar was disconnected from the rest of the train about 90 miles east of El Paso in Sierra Blanca, where it sat in the desert sun for 10 hours. It was July 2, and the temperature inside the car rose to 130 degrees.

Parked car hit

An unknown vehicle and driver struck a parked 1985 Mercury belonging to Ray Romero of 5109 1/2 College Ave. in an incident discovered at 11:45 a.m. Monday in the Wal-Mart parking lot.

The 28-year-old Searcy is a native of Evant, in Coryell County, who worked at an Evant dairy prior to joining the TDC in 1982.

When Border Patrol agents on routine patrol opened the car, they found 18 dead men and one live one, Miguel Tostado. He had found the strength to punch a breathing hole through the wooden floor with an iron spike.

Rudolf Friml's operetta "Rose Marie" opened on Broadway in 1924.

He was involved in the opening of a new unit, Jester III at Richmond, near Houston, in 1982, and he said that experience will be helpful in getting the Daniel Unit operating.

"I'm a lot more aware of the potential problems," he said. Searcy will be in charge of prison discipline, conducting hearings and, if necessary, assigning inmates to solitary confinement and taking away "good time" credits.

All three men will study criminal justice at Western Texas College, they said.

# Mel Blanc is dead at age 81

Dear Abby



## Sides in Haircut Fuss Part On Kids Making Decisions

By Abigail Van Buren  
Universal Press Syndicate

DEAR ABBY: I couldn't believe the letter about the 8-year-old boy who wanted a Mohawk haircut and his parents said, "If that's what he wants, he can have it."

What were those parents using for brains? Since when do responsible parents let an 8-year-old kid get a bizarre haircut because he "wants" one? I thought parents were supposed to guide their children and help them make responsible choices.

What if this spoiled brat decides that he wants to go to school naked? Should his parents let him?

"Curious" asked you how parents could permit such a thing, and you meekly replied, "They must have their reasons." You sure weren't much help, Abby.

DISAPPOINTED IN ABBY

DEAR ABBY: A tragedy recently occurred in our neighborhood, and I hope you will pass this information on to the general public.

A beautiful 5-year-old girl suffocated in her family's new automobile. The irony of this terrible tragedy is that one of the "safety features" that was supposed to protect children actually contributed to her death. The vehicle had child-proof locks on the rear doors — designed to keep children from opening the doors while the car is moving.

Unfortunately, while the vehicle was parked in her parents' front yard, unbeknownst to them, the child went into the car looking for something, and the door closed behind her. She was too unfamiliar with the new car to get the door open, or to sound the horn to attract attention.

In less than 30 minutes the child suffocated in the heat of the Mississippi summer. (Police estimated that the temperature inside the car was between 120 and 140 degrees.)

She was a precious child, and the kind of youngster anyone would love to have for a daughter. We dearly miss her.

GRIEVING NEIGHBORS,  
OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS.

DEAR DISAPPOINTED: Not all my readers were disappointed in me. Here's one for my side:

DEAR ABBY: I applaud those parents who let their 8-year-old son have a Mohawk. I believe parents should let their children make some non-life-threatening decisions when they're young. If they are ridiculed by their peers, it will be a good learning experience. Better a kid should fall on his face as a child when he has his parents there to comfort him than to fail as an adult and be faced with some major financial or family problems with no problem-solving skills.

Hair will grow back. If the boy wanted a tattoo, that would have been a different story.

The point is: Let your kids make some decisions themselves. If they make a mistake, they will have learned something from it. If you make all their decisions, they will lack confidence in their own judgment and will not only think they're incapable of making a decision, they'll be afraid to try.

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DEAR NEIGHBORS: Because you took the time to write, other parents will realize that if this could happen once, it can happen again. My thanks to you, and my heartfelt condolences to the child's parents.

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mel Blanc, "The Man of A Thousand Voices," including the legions of Looney Tune stars such as Porky Pig, Daffy Duck, Tweety Pie, Elmer Fudd and that mischievously silly wabbit Bugs Bunny, has died. He was 81.

The originator of such lines as Bugs' "Eh, what's up, Doc?," Sylvester the Cat's "Thufferin' thuccotash!" and Porky's "Th-th-that's all, folks" died Monday from complications from heart disease and other ailments.

By his own count, Blanc estimated he had mastered at least 900 different accents and dialects during a career spanning more than 50 years.

Working in an age without high-tech sound effects, Blanc was a human synthesizer, a verbal computer. It has been estimated that more than 20 million people hear his voices daily.

He invented the voices of such characters as Woody Woodpecker, Speedy Gonzalez, Pepe Le Pew, Tasmanian Devil, Road Runner, Foghorn Leghorn, Heathcliff the cat, Speed Buggy,

Yosemite Sam and that Oscar-winning rabbit Bugs Bunny.

He also did voices for Elmer Fudd, the Roadrunner and numerous other characters he performed on 350 cartoons for Warner Bros.' Looney Tunes and Merrie Melodies.

He was the babbling Barney Rubble and the hyperactive, yammering Dino, Fred Flintstone's pet dinosaur on the popular Hanna-Barbera series, Mr. Spacely on "The Jetsons" and the Frito Bandito.

"Those voices were part of him, and he loved every moment of it," said Blanc's son, Noel. "When the kids would come to the door or in the studio, he became those characters."

His final cartoon contribution came with 1988's popular animation-live action film, "Who Framed Roger Rabbit," in which he did the voices of Daffy, Tweety, Bugs and Sylvester.

The film's director, Robert Zemeckis, called Blanc a man "whose talent transcended all

ages and broke through to the child in all of us."

Longtime friend Mickey Rooney said: "The reservoir of Hollywood legends is extremely low, and Mel Blanc's passing is a deep personal loss."

Born in San Francisco on May 30, 1908, and raised in Portland, Ore., Blanc discovered his vocal skills while in grammar school.

He started his career in 1927 as a musician and radio performer.

In 1928, Blanc — who played the bass, violin and sousaphone — was hired by the NBC Radio Orchestra in San Francisco.

In 1937, he joined Warner Bros.' cartoon studio, which produced one short feature subject each week.

His first Warner character was a drunken bull in the Looney Tunes short "Picador Porky." As legend has it, the actor playing Porky in that short did stutter. A few months later, Blanc took over in "Porky's Duck Hunt," stuttering intact, and created

Daffy Duck. Blanc introduced Bugs in the 1940 short "A Wild Hare," giving the character a combination Bronx and Brooklyn accent. Bugs won an Oscar in 1958 for "Nighty Night Bugs."

Blanc eventually became known as "The Man of a Thousand Voices." But the most Warner ever paid him was \$20,000, and the studio retained rights to the phrases Blanc invented.

In addition to working in animation, he was a regular on radio's "The Jack Benny Show," playing Professor LeBlanc, Benny's violin teacher, and the train dispatcher who announced the stops of "Anaheim, A-zusa and KOOK-amunga!"

Blanc also made the wheezing sounds of the timeworn 1924 Maxwell automobile owned by Benny's skinflint comedy character.

He reprised many of the roles when Benny moved to television.

In addition to Blanc's son, survivors include his wife, the former Estelle Rosenbaum. Funeral services were pending.

## Officials vote to fire the city manager

KINGSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Kingsville City Manager Carlos Lerma will be fired in 30 days if a resolution passed 3-2 by city commission members stands.

After the vote on Monday night, city officials changed the locks on city hall.

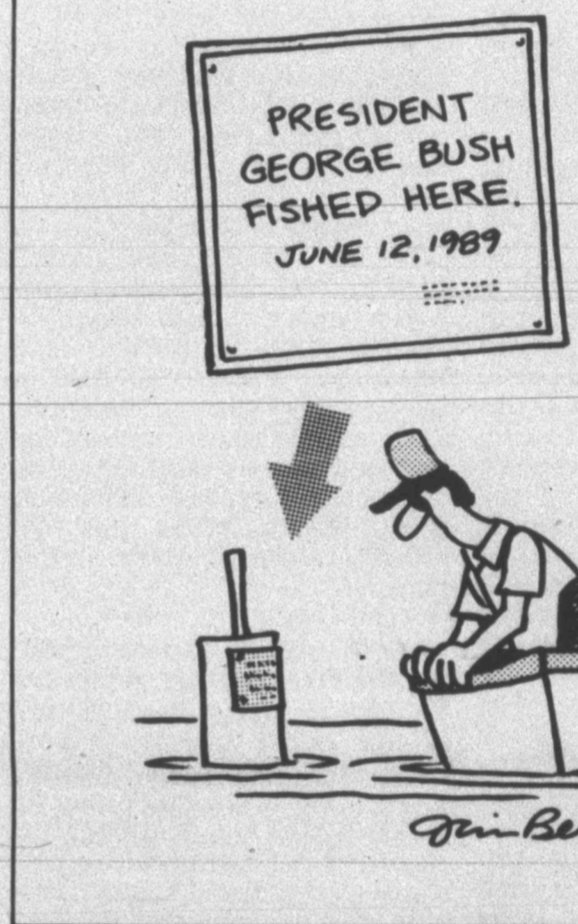
Some of the 100 residents who jammed city commission chambers protested Lerma's firing, according to the Corpus Christi Caller-Times.

The resolution to fire Lerma stated that the commission lacked confidence in him and did not feel that it had his full cooperation in management issues.

Lerma has been suspended with pay for the 30-day period and the commission will hold a final vote on his firing.

Lerma, reading a statement, said his tenure has not been easy but he said he has accomplished much for the South Texas city, which is home to Texas A&I University.

## Berry's World



## Grisson will fight his extradition

DALLAS (AP) — Taking his attorney's advice, a 28-year-old itinerant painter decided to fight extradition to Missouri and Kansas where he is wanted for questioning in one slaying and the disappearances of at least three women.

Richard Grissom Jr., who was arrested Friday at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport will remain in a Dallas County jail until a warrant from the governor of Kansas is delivered, authorities told The Dallas Morning News.

Grisson is wanted in Topeka, Kan., for parole violations.

Such a warrant usually takes 45 to 60 days, said James Benningfield, a fugitive extradition officer with the Dallas County sheriff's office.

Authorities in Kansas City, Mo., want to question Mr. Grissom about the disappearances of three suburban Kansas City women last month.

## Woman accuses ex-husband of friend's murder

CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — For nearly five months, police waited outside a rehabilitation center room for Miriam Stoltz-Gurney to say who killed her friend, shot her in the head and left her to die in the woods.

Last week, she remembered and pointed the finger at her ex-husband.

Police arrested George Gurney, 52, and charged him with first-degree murder, kidnapping and attempted murder. He is accused of killing Roger Whittemore, 52, of Swampscott, Mass., and taking his ex-wife prisoner on Feb. 16.

State Attorney General John Arnold said Gurney, of Newburyport, Mass., had been a suspect from the outset.

Gurney denies the shootings and is fighting extradition from Massachusetts. But New Hampshire authorities are confident he'll be in their custody soon.

At a district court hearing Friday in Lawrence, Mass., Gurney pleaded innocent to being a fugitive from the New Hampshire charges.

Assistant Attorney General Michael Ramsdell credits Stoltz-Gurney's willpower for her recovery from near death.

"Her recovery has been incredible," he said. "After being in a coma for one week, she has steadily progressed to the point where she was able to talk about the incidents that led to the shootings."

Gurney said he was at home ill with a sinus condition the night Stoltz-Gurney claims he burst into her bedroom wearing camouflage fatigues and leather boots. He also denies owning camouflage clothing.

"Everybody believes her story because she's the heroine," Gurney said in a jailhouse interview with the Lawrence (Mass.) Eagle-Tribune, where he worked as an advertising salesman until his arrest Thursday. "I'm glad for her that she's doing so well, but I just don't know why she's saying it was me. It was not me."

During her treatment at a Salem rehabilitation center, police posted a 24-hour guard and kept her whereabouts secret while they waited for the 48-year-old Windham resident to slowly recover her memory.

On July 2, she told police Gurney shot the couple.

Friends said Stoltz-Gurney and Whittemore had planned on going out to dinner but stayed in because of bad weather.

According to court records, Stoltz-Gurney said Gurney confronted them in her bedroom at 11:30 p.m. But instead of using a rifle he had brought with him, he grabbed her .22-caliber handgun from a bedstand.

She said he covered Whittemore's head with a pillowcase, tied his hands and forced them downstairs into the living room. She said Gurney beat Whittemore with fireplace tongs before shooting him.

Whittemore's partly clothed body was found two days later in her back yard.

After Gurney shot Whittemore, she said, her ex-husband forced her at gunpoint into her car. They drove to the woods where the last thing she remembers was another gunshot.

An art teacher in the Haverhill, Mass., school system, she married Gurney in 1980. The couple divorced six years later. Friends said she met Whittemore about eight years ago when she bought a car from him.

Mona Spaulding, Gurney's landlord, said Gurney and Stoltz-Gurney behaved as though they were still married when Stoltz-Gurney visited.

"I know George was very much in love with her," she said. "It would energize him every time he knew she would be visiting. He'd prepare the porch area for a romantic, candlelight dinner."

But Gurney characterized the relationship as platonic.

Sam Houston was elected president of the Republic of Texas in 1836.

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