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Ask Us

'Cut your own tree' is local man's hobby

Six years ago, H.R. "Blackie" Miers thought cutting your own live Christmas tree might be an idea whose time had come.

He put 2,000 little blue eldirica pine trees on six acres of land east of his U.S. 84 home in eastern Snyder and waited until

last year to sell the first of them. He only sold 45 but expects to do better this year, with the trees having increased in average height from five to seven feet to six to eight feet.

Miers, 58, whose house and property are on the opposite side of 84 from West Texas Animal Clinic, had the plot growing prior to his retirement in 1985. He had worked 35 years for Sun Oil, the last number of years as maintenance supervisor in the CO plant here.

"It's just a retirement hobby, more or less," he said. "They have grown a lot slower than they were supposed to, I think because of the tighter soil and because our climate is low in humidity."

Miers has 200 of the trees marked for sale this year.

They sell for \$25 apiece, and customers are asked to cut their own trees. Miers has a saw for those who don't have their own tools.

One advantage of a live tree, he said, is that they last longer.

"Being cut after Thanksgiving, the needles will hang on for at least two or three weeks after Christmas," he said.

Miers is a member of the Scurry County Pilots Association, and a secondary hobby has been assembling a yellow Piper Super Cub airplane that he expects to have air-ready in the spring.

He and his wife, Shirley, have two children, Glen Miers of Dallas and Debra Balcomb of Abilene, and three grandchildren.



CUT YOUR OWN TREE — Blackie Miers' 2,000-tree stand of live Christmas trees is in its second year of production east of Snyder off U.S. 84, with 200 marked for sale this year. The blue eldirica pines were planted six years ago. (SDN Staff Photo)

Johnson appeal clarified

District Attorney Ernie B. Armstrong this morning issued a clarification of a Monday report that the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals will consider a new appeal in the case of a 22-year-old former Colorado City man convicted of a 1986 murder here.

The court has agreed only to allow lawyers representing Dorsey Lee Johnson Jr. to raise a new contention — that the jury should have been instructed that it could consider Johnson's age as a mitigating factor in the case, Armstrong said. The court will rule on the contention on Jan. 17, 1990.

If the court determines the contention is valid, it can change its former opinion and the case will be heard on re-appeal. If the court determines the contention is invalid, an execution date will be set.

Johnson was convicted of the March 23, 1986, shooting death of Allsup's convenience store clerk Jack Huddleston and sentenced to death. The conviction was upheld on an earlier appeal to the court.

Lawyers for Johnson, referring to a June ruling by the United States Supreme Court, have been allowed to file a motion for re-hearing. The Supreme Court decision pertained to another Texas death row inmate, Johnny Paul Penry, whose jury, it said, was unable because of state law to consider factors in his favor when assessing punishment, such as his mental retardation and abuse he suffered as a child.

Dorsey has been on death row since November of 1986.

Anti-drug rally brings Sen. Gramm to Snyder

U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm will join local law enforcement officials in a 5 p.m. Wednesday discussion of President Bush's National Drug Control Strategy at the county courthouse.

Gramm's Washington office said today that the first-term Republican senator will detail

congressional action toward implementing and funding the national \$9.4-billion anti-drug plan.

He will be joined by Sheriff Keith Collier, Police Chief Bill Stone and other law enforcement and civic officials.

In addition, a spokesman for (see GRAMM, page 9)

Hospital board hears positive reports; extends privileges to pathology group

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers Monday listened to a positive financial report from Administrator Tom Hochwalt, heard Texas Department of Criminal Justice Regional Health Administrator Will Adams speak of a "model" association between the hospital and the TDCJ, and — following

lengthy discussion — approved of medical staff privileges for Southwest Pathologist Associates of Lubbock.

The board also heard from Don Gustavson of Tyler and Company in Atlanta on physician recruitment efforts and listened to brief medical staff and quality assurance reports from Jim Burleson, M.D.

Adams, following a tour of the Price Daniel Unit earlier in the day, told the board that he was impressed with the cooperation between Cogdell and the prison.

"I'm the guy that makes that decision and I can tell you we're very pleased with the operation up here," he said. "This operation we have here with Cogdell Memorial Hospital is a model to

be repeated in the years to come."

Gustavson reviewed Tyler and Company's efforts to recruit physicians to Snyder and said there were six to seven potential candidates with "a couple indicating interest in establishing a family practice" here.

Hochwalt issued a handout in conjunction with making the hospital's October financial report.

"The October financial report clearly indicates a positive trend in all areas of our operational performance. Of most significance to me is the dramatic turnaround in cash flow.

"The hospital's cash balance at the end of October stands at

\$744,710 versus \$746,870 a year ago. We have maintained our cash balance in spite of capital expenditures of over \$200,000 in 1989 versus only \$70,000 through October of 1988.

"Cash flow for the year, which represents cash received less cash spent, has declined by only \$64,092 compared to a decline of \$420,475 a year ago."

Hochwalt explained that total net revenues for the hospital through Oct. 1989 are at \$4,488,427 versus \$4,315,461 the previous year, or an increase of 4 percent. Total cash received for the same time period has been \$4,709,163 for 1989 versus \$3,739,084 for 1988, or an increase of 26 percent.

Hochwalt said there are two (see HOSPITAL, page 9)

Opposition leaders enter talks with Czech Communist premier

PRAGUE, Czechoslovakia (AP) — After millions of people filled city centers to demand an end to authoritarian rule, opposition leaders entered talks with the Communist premier today saying they would first demand a new Cabinet.

Monday's two-hour nationwide general strike — a festive affair of speeches, song and flag-waving — was the largest public display of opposition to the ruling

Commurists since they took power in 1948.

The opposition coalition Civic Forum said that after 11 straight days of mass rallies for democracy the time had come to pressure authorities into relinquishing power and allowing free elections.

But it also held out the threat of further strikes if the popular will is not heeded. Any doubt that

workers backed the pro-democracy movement was erased during Monday's strike as shop floors across the country were idled.

Premier Ladislav Adamec was to meet today with an eight-person delegation led by Vaclav Havel, Czechoslovakia's most prominent dissident. A first round of talks between the two sides was held Sunday.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "An egotist is a self-made man who worships his creator."

A national accounting firm says the Infernal Revenue Service "appears to be penalizing taxpayers for not comprehending the incomprehensible."

Taking note of the growth in the number of civil penalties found in the tax code, the firm expressed concern that the penalties have become entrenched as revenue sources rather than as inducements for compliance with the tax law. The number of civil penalties have grown from 13 in 1954 to 150 in 1986.

In 1978, about 15 million civil penalties generated \$1.3 billion. By 1987, the number of penalties had doubled, but the amount of money they brought in had increased nearly 11 times, to \$14 billion.

While the IRS has looked into ways to reform

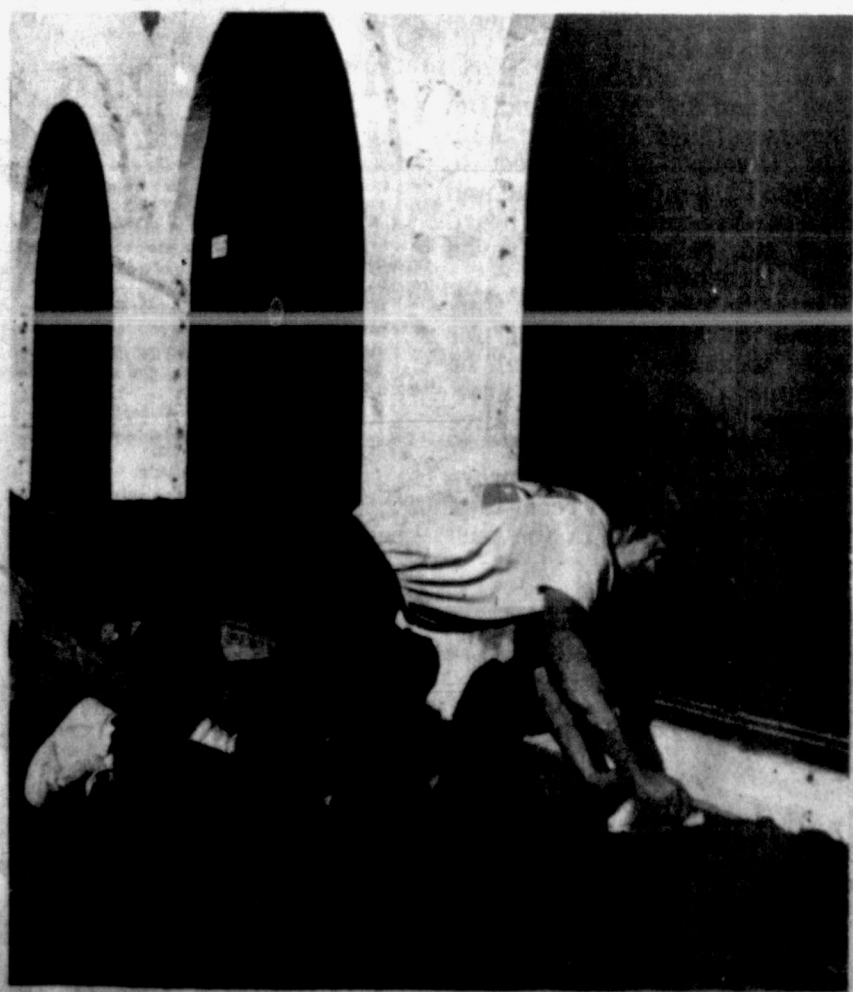
the penalty system, the accounting firm predicted that the current budget deficit leaves little chance that Congress will undertake any action that would substantially reduce the large revenue stream generated by the tax penalty system.

It seems many laws are simply ways to produce revenue, and we suspect that many cities use the state inspection sticker in just that way—a tax.

For example, while the city of Lubbock has some of the worst drivers in the world, their traffic officers are out hunting motorists with expired inspection stickers.

While we're in favor of a system to promote safe vehicles, we doubt that justice is served when the heinous crime of an expired inspection sticker nets a fine of almost 50 bucks.

It sure causes us to wonder if revenue isn't more important than safety.



PREPARATIONS — Price Brothers Construction Co. employee Bryan Crews of Lubbock is one of the workmen who is renovating the old Texas Tacos building at 4212 College Ave. in preparation for the opening of a new business, Taco John's, at that location. (SDN Staff Photo)

Q—Does the college have a fire prevention program? If they have the program, who does the inspection?

A—Spokesmen from Western Texas College said fire extinguishers are checked routinely by the maintenance department and the institution's insurance company makes a complete inspection of the campus on a yearly basis. There are policies as to the use of electrical appliances, particularly in the dorm rooms, which are regularly inspected for cleanliness and fire hazard. Floors are equipped with signaling devices and there are stated procedures for safe evacuation of the buildings.



In Brief

Open records

AUSTIN (AP) — The state's Open Records Act doesn't apply to the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals, and the court doesn't have to make public a contract for a computer-assisted legal research service, Attorney General Jim Mattox says.

The law which provides public access to records of "governmental bodies" excludes the judiciary, Mattox said in a legal opinion made public Monday.

Rural slaying

ACME, Wash. (AP) — A college student who disappeared while jogging alone was found dead in a riverbed three days later after a search by neighbors and residents of this small Northwest town.

An autopsy report was expected today on Amanda Stavik, 18. Whatcom County Sheriff Larry Mount said she was murdered.

The body was found about noon Monday in the shallow South Fork of the Nooksack River, a few miles from Ms. Stavik's family home on Strand Road.

Local

Support group

Survivors of Incest Anonymous, a support group for men and women age 17 and older who have been sexually abused by a family member or extended family member, meets three times a week at Charter Plains Outreach Center here.

The group meets Mondays from 8-9 p.m., Thursdays from 1-2 p.m. and Saturdays from 3-4 p.m. The group also has a hotline number which is 573-1556.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Monday, 67 degrees; low, 31 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 31 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1989 to date, 11.48 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. Low in the mid 20s. Wind northeast 5 to 15 mph. Wednesday, mostly cloudy. High in the lower 50s. Wind east 5 to 15 mph.

Woman sues dogs' owner following premature birth

AUSTIN (AP) — A legal assistant who gave birth to a premature son after being attacked by two dogs is suing the animals' owner.

The lawsuit was filed Monday on behalf of Kathleen MacKenzie by Ron Weddington, an attorney in the firm Friedman, Weddington and Hansen, which employs MacKenzie.

The lawsuit accuses Joseph Chernoff of being negligent by allowing the dogs to run loose,

keeping the dogs in a populated area, and failing to notify proper authorities when he found that his dogs had escaped from his Austin home. Police officers killed the dogs, an Akita Japanese husky and a pit bull terrier.

Ms. MacKenzie, 31, went into labor as a result of the attack early Sunday morning in the parking lot of her apartment complex. Her son was born about four hours later, six days before his due date.

She underwent a "Caesarean section and surgery on her right arm Sunday and was listed in good condition at Seton Medical Center late Monday, said hospital spokeswoman M.A. Bengtson.

Her son, Andrew Scott, was listed in good condition, Ms. Bengtson said.

Cost of travel is revealed

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Tennessee Valley Authority paid \$172,700 to fly a manager between his Tennessee office and his Virginia home for a year because officials believed the man would otherwise quit, a congressional report says.

The study, released Monday by the General Accounting Office, a research agency of Congress, said the authority provided the flights for Steven A. White between Oct. 2, 1987, and Sept. 30, 1988, while he was the TVA's nuclear power manager.

White had been hired when the authority's management was being criticized by Congress, the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and others.

"TVA's board of directors ... believed that the special transportation services were necessary to retain Mr. White's management services," the GAO wrote.

White lived in Charlottesville, Va., and worked in the TVA office in Chattanooga, Tenn., a distance of more than 400 miles. He left the agency Nov. 18, 1988.



ALL FROM VOLLEYBALL — Representatives of Snyder service clubs presented Blanche Butler of the United Way a \$700 check from a volleyball tournament they held Oct. 18 at the Boys Club. From left are Herbert Figueredo of the Kiwanis Club, Danny Engle of the Jaycees and Tom Ritchie of the Rotary Club. (SDN Staff Photo)

El Paso Schools may face rollback election

EL PASO, Texas (AP) — Organizers of a petition drive claim they have enough signatures to force an election to roll back school taxes in the El Paso Independent School District.

A leader of the drive said Monday that nearly 1,000 petitions were submitted on deadline Monday and claimed they had more than the 11,044 signatures needed for force an election.

"We have sufficient numbers,"

tax rollback organizer Lloyd McConnell said. He would not disclose how many signatures the three-month campaign collected.

If the petitions are certified, an election could be conducted as early as mid-January, or as late as mid-March, to let voters decide whether to roll back property taxes, a move that could cost the district up to \$20 million in budget cuts.

The campaign needed at least 11,044 valid signatures of eligible voters, 10 percent of those living in the district, to force a tax rollback election in the 64,000-student district.

"It looks at a glance that they have enough signatures, if all the names are verified," school district spokesman Bob Reynolds said after receiving the petitions.

Organizers of a similar petition drive in the neighboring Ysleta Independent School District were optimistic Monday that they also will have enough names to force a rollback election.

Shuttle astronauts are back home after secret mission

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Discovery's astronauts returned home under a cover of darkness today after ending their secret space mission with a sunset landing at a desert air base where gusts twice delayed the return to Earth.

A news blackout imposed by the military prevented the astronauts from talking about what they did during their five-day mission, but Commander Frederick Gregory did comment on one problem — a malfunctioning restroom.

"The crew performed, I think, flawlessly. Discovery's toilet didn't work, but we fixed it," said Gregory, who was wearing a slipper on one foot and shoe on the

other. He suffered a foot infection while in orbit, a spokesman for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said.

After staying in space an extra day and then an extra orbit because of high winds, the spaceship and its five astronauts landed at 4:30 p.m. PST Monday

Woman seeks ex-husband's official death

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — A woman wants her ex-husband declared dead so she can have a profit-sharing plan he left her before he vanished in 1982.

District Judge Gene Ater is expected to make a ruling sometime in December on whether Lynn Ray Dement is legally dead or not.

According to court records, no one has reported seeing Dement since May 4, 1981 — the day his divorce from Janet Dement was settled. The divorce decree was issued 15 days later. Ms. Dement remained the beneficiary of Dement's profit-sharing plan.

Ms. Dement's attorney, Howard Hunt of Odessa, said the case is unusual in that it involves a disappeared man and an estate of unknown value. BJ Titan Services, the oil-service company with which Dement had a profit-sharing plan, won't reveal the worth of Dement's fund and has refused to award it to Ms. Dement because her husband hasn't been declared dead.

Dement, who would be 55, sent his former wife child-support payments for several months after the divorce, but abruptly stopped in February 1982. Ms. Dement has never heard from him since, Hunt said.

"It was not 'make a couple of payments, and then miss a couple,'" Hunt said. "The payments were consistent."

Efforts by officials of Ector County and the state to find Dement have failed, Hunt said. A tip that Dement had moved to Wichita Falls did not pan out, and his closest friends have not heard from him in more than seven years, Hunt said.

According to Texas law, "Any person absenting himself for seven successive years shall be presumed dead unless it is proved that the person was alive within the seven-year period."

Hunt said he will have to prove to Ater there are no records of Dement's existence in the past seven years.

at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif. As the shuttle made its final approach, the rays of the setting sun shone brilliantly off the orbiter.

"With the sun glinting off the underside of the vehicle, it was really a pretty landing," NASA spokeswoman Nancy Lovato said.

The astronauts, who reportedly released a spy satellite, arrived at their home base here today in the dark hours of the morning, a fitting finale to their hush-hush flight.

Despite showers, about 30 people greeted the astronauts at Ellington Field in Houston.

Gregory, the first black to command a shuttle flight, called the mission a success.

"We did what we were supposed to do. And we did it right and we even got a day yesterday to relax and take thousands of pictures, literally," he said.

"We had a near perfect vehicle," added mission specialist Story Musgrave.

The other crew members were pilot John Blaha and mission specialist Manley Carter Jr. and Kathryn Thornton.

Discovery originally was scheduled to land Sunday, but had to wait a day because of high winds that sent "dust devils" whipping across Edwards.

Mission Control rescheduled the return for Monday afternoon, but winds forced another delay. The winds were not as strong as the 30 mph gusts reported Sunday, but were high enough to make conditions unacceptable for the planned 2:52 p.m. PST landing.

Since conditions looked better for landing late in the afternoon, controllers directed the astronauts to stay aloft another 89 minutes for one more spin around the globe. As predicted, the winds subsided and NASA gave the go-ahead to begin the fiery dash through the atmosphere.

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Tops holds weekly meeting

Tops TX 56 met Nov. 21 at 7 p.m. for their regular weigh-in and meeting. Leader Jean Yearwood called the meeting to order and led the Tops Pledge. Some 25 members were present.

Iva Lea Krop was honored as a KOPS of two years because she has maintained her weight goal. Peggy Vernon gave a short history of the local chapter and how it has been kept active over the years. Tops TX 56 is the 56th chapter formed among over one thousand in the United States and world-wide.

The birthday of the local chapter was Nov. 4, and a paper, wood and shaving cream cake with candles was the center of attention.

Adelia Alarcon was recognized as best loser for the last month. For this achievement, Mrs. Alarcon's dues were paid for one month, and she wore a rhinestone crown during the meeting.

Tops TX 56 meets each Tuesday for weigh-in at 6:30 p.m. A meeting follows at 7 p.m. at 2300 35th. The organization is a support group for people who need to lose weight or maintain their weight. Men, women and teenagers are invited to attend the meetings.

Officers of the local chapter are Jean Yearwood and Mae Cole, co-leaders; Frieda Dever, weight recorder; and Iva Lee Kemp, secretary.

Coterie follows course of study

Musical Coterie held its Nov. 9 meeting at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Guests were greeted by Janelle Hammack, and Regina McNair, piano student of Barbara Tune, played the musical prelude. The hymn of the month was directed by Sedalia Malone and accompanied by Lynn Bethel.

The course of study, "The Enjoyment of Music," was the program for the evening. A chapter of the Baroque period was studied. Special music was presented by Jane Womack and Sam Robertson. Mrs. Womack's selections consisted of "Nymphs and Shepherds," by Purcell; "Rugiadose Odorose," by Scarlatti; "Serve the Lord with Gladness," by Handel; and "Alleluia," by Bach.

Mr. Robertson's selections consisted of "Where'er You Walk," by Handel; "When Thou Art Near," by Bach; and "Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring," by Bach.

A reception was held for guests and members. Following a short business session, the meeting was adjourned.

Rambo addresses penwomen

Jim Rambo, speech and drama director of Western Texas College, was guest speaker at the November meeting of Scurry County Penwomen which was held in the home of Mrs. Roy Burk.

Rambo presented an informative program on how to be more effective in the oral presentation of poetry by developing various voice qualities such as tone, pitch, volume and rate.

He illustrated by reading from the poetry of E.E. Cummings. He also offered helpful suggestions to members who read aloud from their own poetry for critique.

Vice president Janelle Burke presided over the business meeting in absence of Garnett Quiett, president. Club members also planned the annual Christmas party.

Sherry Bryant and Janelle Burk reported on their attendance at the Annual Awards Banquet of the Poetry Society of Texas, which is held each November in Dallas.

Bryant won one first place award, a third place and a sixth place. Burk won two first place awards, three second places, two third places, and several honorable mentions. Garnett Quiett placed fourth in one category.

Poems were entered in 94 categories by more than 250 Texas poets, with a total of over 5,000 entries.

A poetry reading was held following the guest speaker and business meeting, and refreshments were served.

Anyone interested in writing is urged to consider membership in Scurry County Penwomen. Information can be obtained by calling 573-0432 or 573-9708.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

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.
ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m. TOPS TX56; weigh-in and meeting 7-8 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444 or Mae Cole at 573-8628.
Scurry County Genealogical Society; Chamber of Commerce Building; 7:30 p.m.; New members and visitors welcome.
Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.
New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8110, 863-2348 or 573-6820.
Al-Anon; Charter Centre, 4200 College Ave.; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626. (Until further notice, the meetings will be at this location, instead of at the Park Club, Winston Park.)

WEDNESDAY

MAWC Salad Luncheon and Game Day; 11:30 a.m.; \$5 per person; reservations to be made by 5 p.m. Monday; Call 573-3427.
Al-Anon; Charter Centre, 4200 College Ave.; noon.
Free blood pressure clinic; Hermleigh Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
Sparkle City Square Dancers; clogging; old Athletic Center building; 7-8 p.m.
Sparkle City Square Dancers; workshop; old Athletic Center building; 8-10 p.m.
Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-8015 or 573-3956.
THURSDAY
Al-Anon; Charter Centre, 4200 College Ave.; noon.
Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.
Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.
Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Bridge

James Jacoby

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There are subtle nuances in showing strength after an opponent's weak preemptive bid. After West's weak two-heart bid, North could bid three no-trump immediately, but that would suggest that he did not wish to be taken out to a suit contract. When he doubled first, he implied some support for spades. Then he cue-bid three hearts. When South bid three spades, it was correct for North to raise to four. After all, perhaps South held six little spades and nothing else. There might then be 10 tricks in spades when there was no play for three no-trump.

West properly led hearts. (With four trumps, it is almost always better to set up your own suit tricks, keeping your length in the trump suit to inconvenience declarer.) Declarer won the heart ace, then played A-Q-J of spades. Once again (see yesterday's deal) the problem was how to make 10 tricks without being depleted of trumps. The solution to the problem was to now play a low heart. West won and switched to a club. Declarer won dummy's ace, ruffed the third heart with his nine of spades, and picked up West's spade 10 with his king. Now a diamond up to dummy's king established the 10th trick.

James Jacoby's books "Jacoby on Bridge" and "Jacoby on Card Games" (written with his father, the late Oswald Jacoby) are now available at bookstores. Both are published by Pharos Books. © 1989, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN.

Snyder Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY

North-South

1. Lucille Joyce, Dot Casey.
2. Sue Mize, Ena Carroll.
3. Margaret Birdwell, Bonnie McClurg.

East-West

1. George and Shirley Stewart.
2. Joyce Bass, Jonisue Stiff.
3. Jane Hinton, Bessie Collins.

SUNDAY

1. Louise Thompson, Dot Casey.
2. Joyce Bass, Jonisue Stiff.
3. Sue Mize, Dorothy Hudson.
4. Tie: Jane Hinton, Billisue Stuard; Maribeth Vestal, Barbara Yorgesen.

TUESDAY

1. LaVerne Hood, Margaret Birdwell.
2. George and Shirley Stewart.
3. Dot Casey, Tizzy Hall.

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7:00-9:00



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NEW MEMBERS — Recently inducted members of the Scurry Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association are from left, JoAnn Prince and her sponsor, Margaret Easterwood; and Ruby Neves and her sponsor, Faye Layne. (SDN Staff Photo)

Singers entertain ABWA members

The Scurry Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association met Nov. 7 at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Judy Bynum was hostess for the meeting with 20 members and one guest, Nita Brown, present.

WTC music instructor Jane Womack and a women's group provided entertainment. Their class meets at 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Members of the class are Pat Faver, Sherry Jenkins, Chiva Pitner, Nita Brown, Barbara Burney, Doris Spikes, Elaine Givens, Judy McLarty, Charlotte Smith, Kim Fritz and Linda Mize.

Shirley Miller, vocational chairman, introduced Leona Wiggins, Ira postmaster. Leona started out as a clerk in 1970, then became postmaster in 1975. The Ira post office sells stamps, money orders, mint stamp sets and envelopes. Business hours are from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday, and from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday. There are some 100 boxes on Star Route in Ira, and 200 post office boxes.

November's member of the month is Deborah Rodgers, an employee of Keaton Kolor.

Pat Faver installed two new members, JoAnn Prince, owner of Friendly Flowers, sponsored by Margaret Easterwood, and Ruby Neves, an employee of Scurry County, sponsored by Faye Layne.

Barbara Williamson dismissed the group with the benediction.

Ted Bigham

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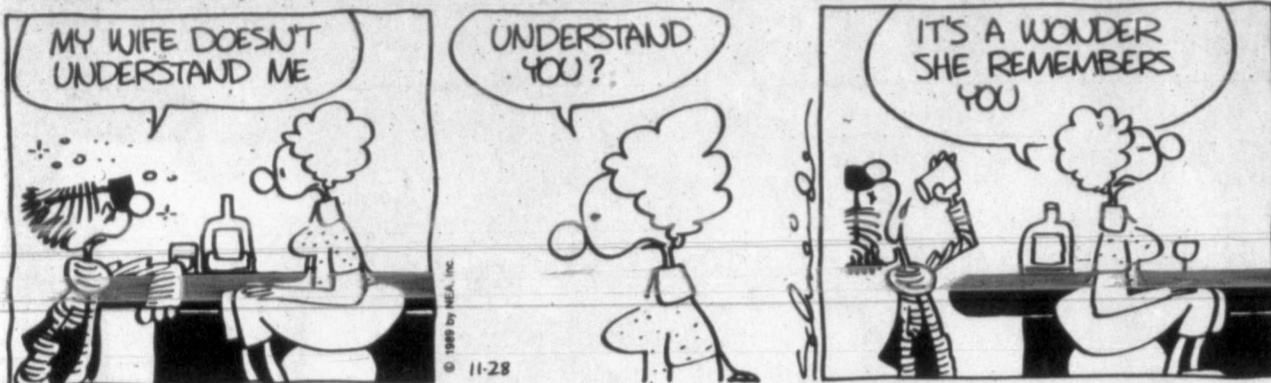
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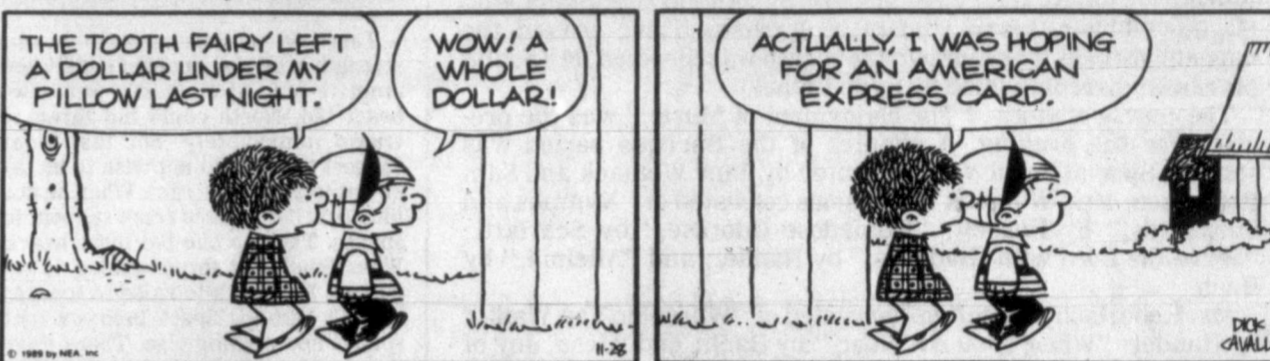
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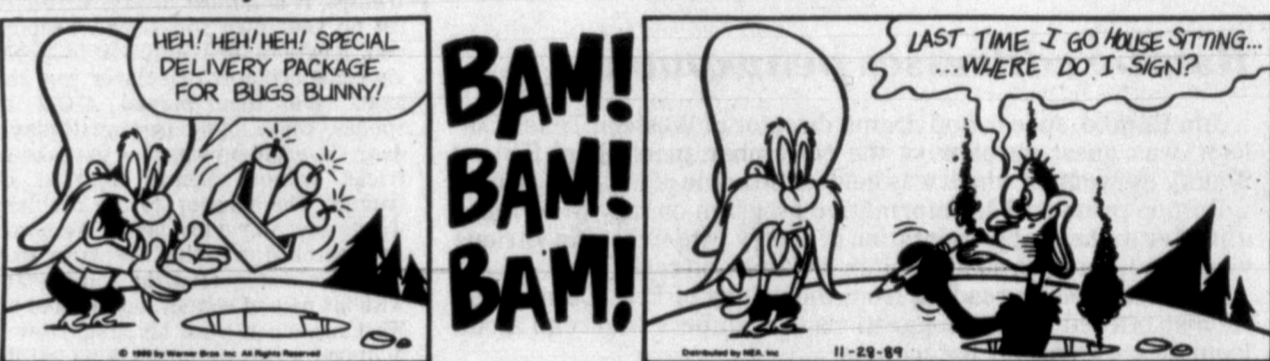
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- Mr. Ziegfeld
- The one here
- Siamese language
- Not in
- Skin injury
- Othello villain
- Theater sign (abbr.)
- Tracing paper
- Hunts for
- Actor Wallach
- Dawn goddess
- 3, Roman
- And so on (abbr.)
- Reject (2 wds.)
- Long times
- Mother of Mile.
- Last queen of Spain
- Author of "Robinson Crusoe"

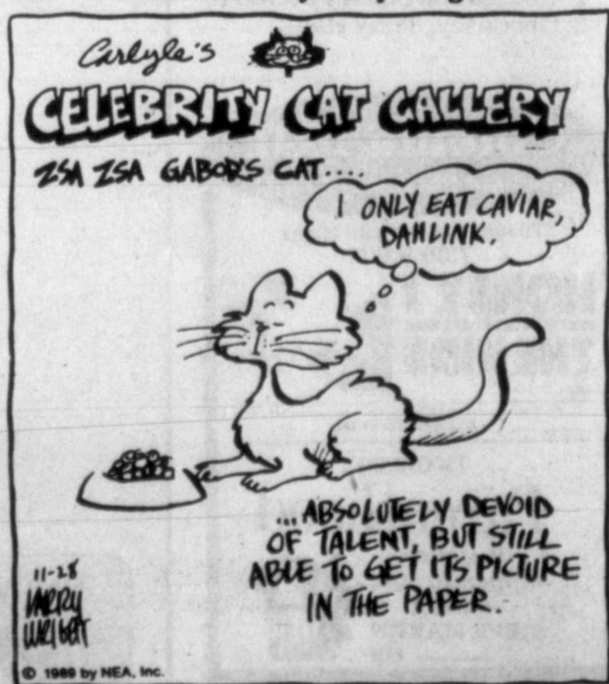
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- Ditch
- Fishing fly
- in the hand
- Memo abbr.
- Make a choice
- Not any
- Breaks into droplets
- Wire measure
- Holiday suffix
- Common ailment
- Small bird
- Objectives
- Attentive
- Enjoyment
- Level
- Needle case
- Motorists' org.
- Direction
- Inflict on (2 wds.)
- Mat
- Marine fish
- Exchange discount
- Charged particles
- Insect egg
- Kith and —
- Apollo's son
- Fair grade
- Government agent
- Center of shield
- Hold in check
- Float
- The Wizard
- Opposite of yep
- Congruals
- Former baseballer Joe
- Sleep stage
- Kippur
- In a row
- Same (comb. form)
- Inhabitant
- Piloted
- Dwell
- Employs
- Late Yugoslav leader
- At a distance
- Hawaiian feast
- Unexpected difficulty
- Powerful explosive (abbr.)
- Pecan, e.g.

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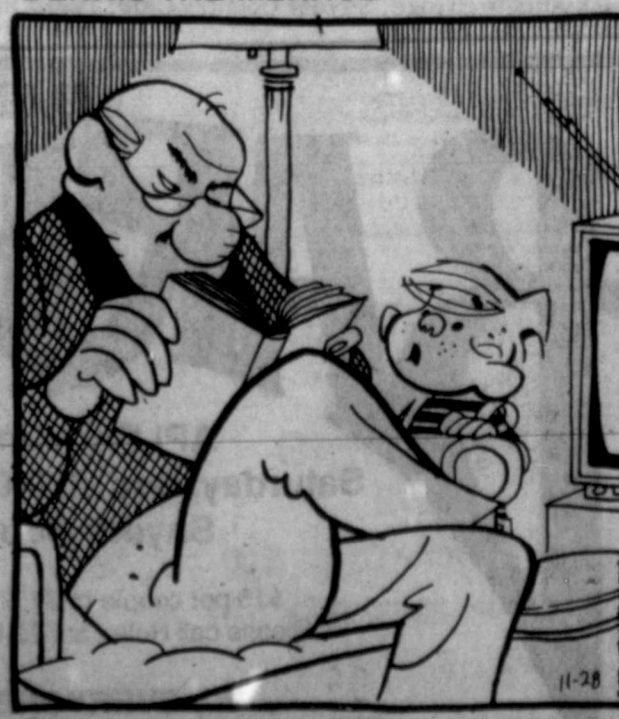
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SNAFU by Bruce Beattie



DENNIS THE MENACE



Snyder, area teams gear up for games

The Snyder Tigers and the Lady Tigers both are on the road today as the basketball season for each squad continues.

The boys' team travels to McMurry College for a contest with defending 7-4A champion Brownwood while the girls go to Wall.

The Tigers are coming off a pair of last second losses, each coming on three-point shots near the buzzer.

First Midland Lee claimed a 55-53 heartbreaker right at the end of the game, and, more recently, Levelland's Darren Watters dropped a three-point goal with just three ticks on the clock to beat Snyder in their home opener Saturday.

Brownwood returns three starters and nine lettermen from last year's 29-5 squad.

Senior Rosavel Duffie of the Lions is a 5-11 senior who was named All-Region last season.

He is joined by All-District second teamer Issac Thomas a 5-7 senior.

Edwin Randle, Brownwood's third returning starter, is listed among the Texas Association of Basketball Coaches' outstanding players in the region.

The Lady Tigers will take their 1-2 record to Wall today to tangle with the Lady Hawks of District 6-2A.

Snyder defeated Odessa Permian in their first outing this year, before falling to Abilene Cooper and Midland High.

Both JV contests begin at 6 p.m. followed at 7:30 by the varsity games.

In other area contests, Borden County is at Loop with both the boys' and girls' squads. Game time there is 6:30 p.m.

Ira hosts Grady in other local cage action. The Bulldogs tip-off at 6:30 p.m. with boys and girls competing.

The Hermleigh Cardinals will also see action as they host Blackwell in both boys' and girls' competition.

Dusters slide past CJC in Monday tilt

Tami Wilson scored 25 points and Bobbie Brown added 13 as

Top 25 hoops

by The Associated Press
The Top Twenty Five teams in the Associated Press college basketball poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 26, total points based on 25-24-23-22-21-20-19-18-17-16-15-14-13-12-11-10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1 and last week's ranking:

| Rank | Team | Record | Pts | Pvs |
|------|--------------------|--------|-------|-----|
| 1 | Syracuse (23) | 0-0 | 1,453 | 3 |
| 2 | Arizona (10) | 1-0 | 1,442 | 6 |
| 3 | Georgetown (9) | 2-0 | 1,411 | 5 |
| 4 | Kansas (16) | 0-0 | 1,286 | — |
| 5 | Missouri | 3-0 | 1,248 | 11 |
| 6 | UNLV | 3-1 | 1,247 | 1 |
| 7 | Duke (1) | 1-0 | 1,089 | 10 |
| 8 | Illinois | 0-0 | 1,026 | 8 |
| 9 | LSU (1) | 1-1 | 1,009 | 2 |
| 10 | Michigan | 0-1 | 1,006 | 4 |
| 11 | Arkansas (2) | 2-0 | 976 | 9 |
| 12 | North Carolina (1) | 2-1 | 947 | 7 |
| 13 | Louisville | 2-0 | 662 | 12 |
| 14 | Indiana | 1-0 | 658 | 14 |
| 15 | UCLA | 1-0 | 648 | 13 |
| 16 | Temple | 0-0 | 505 | 15 |
| 17 | Oklahoma | 0-0 | 484 | 16 |
| 18 | Pittsburgh | 0-0 | 464 | 17 |
| 19 | Notre Dame | 0-0 | 418 | 18 |
| 20 | St. John's | 3-1 | 389 | 25 |
| 21 | Georgia Tech | 1-0 | 351 | 22 |
| 22 | Memphis St. | 2-0 | 329 | 24 |
| 23 | Oklahoma St. | 0-0 | 254 | 21 |
| 24 | Florida | 0-0 | 171 | 23 |
| 25 | N. Carolina St. | 1-1 | 124 | 19 |

Other receiving votes: Texas-El Paso 89, Texas 87, Clemson 81, Michigan St. 71, DePaul 60, Minnesota 59, Alabama 56, Houston 48, La Salle 47, Loyola Marymount 36, Oregon St. 35, Ark.-Little Rock 25, Kansas St. 24, Rutgers 22, Ball St. 21, New Mexico 19, Seton Hall 18, Xavier, Ohio 17, James Madison 14, Iowa 13, UC Santa Barbara 12, Wake Forest 8, Boston U. 6, Georgia 6, Maryland 6, Iowa St. 5, Purdue 5, Hawaii 4, Old Dominion 4, Evansville 3, Mississippi 3, West Virginia 3, N. Iowa 2, Providence 2, Bradley 1, E. Tennessee St. 1, Middle Tenn. 1, Virginia 1.

Boys' varsity cage schedule

| Date | Opp. | Site | Time |
|------|-----------------------|------|------|
| D 1 | Lamesa | T | 7:30 |
| D 5 | Lamesa | H | 7:30 |
| D 8 | Lamesa Tournament | | |
| D 9 | Lamesa Tournament | | |
| D 12 | Seminole | H | 6:00 |
| D 14 | Brownfield Tournament | | |
| D 15 | Brownfield Tournament | | |
| D 16 | Brownfield Tournament | | |
| D 19 | Andrews* | H | 7:30 |
| D 26 | Brownwood Tournament | | |
| D 29 | Brownwood Tournament | | |
| D 30 | Brownwood Tournament | | |
| J 2 | Big Spring* | H | 7:30 |
| J 5 | FT. Stockton* | H | 7:30 |
| J 9 | Lake View* | T | 7:30 |
| J 12 | Monahans* | H | 7:30 |
| J 19 | Andrews* | T | 7:30 |
| J 23 | Sweetwater* | H | 7:30 |
| J 26 | Pecos* | H | 7:30 |
| J 30 | Big Spring* | T | 7:30 |
| F 2 | FT. Stockton* | T | 7:30 |
| F 6 | Lake View* | H | 7:30 |
| F 9 | Monahans* | T | 7:30 |
| F 13 | Sweetwater* | T | 7:30 |
| F 16 | Pecos* | T | 7:30 |

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SPORTS

Colorado gets No. 1 Buffs claim top spot after Notre Dame loss

By The Associated Press

Colorado is No. 1 in college football for the first time in school history. While members of the team said it will be fun to have some "bragging rights," they won't consider their work done until Jan. 1.

That's when the Buffaloes, previously No. 2 behind top-ranked Notre Dame, meet the Fighting Irish in the Orange Bowl

for what could be the national championship.

Colorado moved up in The Associated Press poll on Monday after Miami beat Notre Dame 27-10 Saturday. The Fighting Irish, who had been No. 1 since the first week of the season, fell to No. 5, while Miami rose three places to No. 4.

Alabama, the only other major undefeated team, moved up two

places to No. 2 while once-beaten Michigan remained third after beating Ohio State 28-18. Alabama, which had the week off, finishes its regular season Saturday at Auburn.

The top five teams all figure to have a shot at the national championship. Colorado can win it by beating Notre Dame in the Orange Bowl, but if the Buffaloes lose it would open the door for the other four teams.

"It is going to be our ultimate challenge," Colorado coach Bill McCartney said. "Anyone who knows anything about Notre Dame and its great traditions knows that they will bounce back from the Miami loss. You can count on that."

Colorado players expressed reserved pleasure on Monday.

"It's really not a big deal, because we've still got one more to play," defensive co-captain Michael Jones said. "If we lose, it all goes out the window."

"It's a great feeling," guard Darrin Muilenburg said, "but we know we have to prove it and finish it off with one last game."

"I feel the same as I did when we were No. 9," linebacker Alfred Williams said.

49ers outlast N.Y. in battle of division leading squads

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The tale of this game could be read in the welts on the ribs of Joe Montana and Phil Simms, the swelling in Lawrence Taylor's right leg, the fatigue on everyone's face.

It could be heard in the anger in the voices of the San Francisco 49ers and the New York Giants on the field and in their weary, sometimes bitter words afterward.

For 3½ hours Monday night, the teams with the best records in the NFL played a brutal game of football. In perhaps a preview of the conference championship matchup, the 49ers came away a 34-24 winner.

"I think we'll see them again somewhere down the line," said Giants defensive end Leonard Marshall, still upset by the play that knocked Taylor out of the game in the second quarter with knee and ankle sprains.

"Lawrence Taylor was cut down on a cheap shot," Marshall said. "He was cut (down) from behind."

San Francisco tackle Steve Wallace, who was involved in the play, said that after Taylor went down "there was bad blood. They were saying we shouldn't have cut him ... but it wasn't intentional."

Five turnovers by the Giants — including two interceptions and a fumble on their final four possessions — kept the 49ers from giving away their second straight game.

Mike Cofer, given a reprieve by a penalty, kicked a 45-yard field goal with 4:12 remaining to put the 49ers ahead for good. Cofer had missed badly from 50 yards, but got a second chance because New York's Reyna Thompson had lined up in the neutral zone.

"We made a good comeback, but we made a couple of mistakes at the end of the game and that lost it for us right there," Giants coach Bill Parcells said.

Joe Montana completed 18 of his first 19 passes, including three for first-half touchdowns, to give San Francisco a 24-7 lead. Then, after being knocked out of the game briefly with sore ribs, he returned to conduct a familiar game-winning drive in the final minutes.

"I like to think we're going to win them all, but then there's a game like this where you work and you work and you're still hanging by your fingernails at the end," said Jerry Rice, who caught his 15th touchdown pass. "Nobody likes to play like that, but when it's close we know we can come through every time."

The Giants, boasting the stingiest defense in the conference — 16 points per game — permitted Montana to improve his league-leading 70 percent completion rate, hitting 27 of 33 passes for 292 yards.

But Simms brought the Giants back, engineering two second-half touchdown drives and New York eventually tied the score at 24 midway through the final period.

After Cofer's field goal, however, Simms was intercepted

for the third time, this one by Eric Wright, setting up Tom Rathman's 1-yard insurance touchdown with 1:08 remaining.

Simms completed 25 of 48 passes for 326 yards.

Rookie David Meggett took a swing pass from Simms, raced through the secondary and slipped a tackle by Chef Brooks at the 15 as he completed a 53-yard scoring play to cut the lead to 24-17.

When Carl Banks slapped the ball out of Montana's hands and defensive end John Washington recovered at the New York 13, the Giants had a chance to tie it.

NBA glance

By The Associated Press
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EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|--------------|---|----|------|-------|
| New York | 8 | 4 | .667 | — |
| Philadelphia | 7 | 4 | .636 | 1/2 |
| Boston | 7 | 7 | .500 | 2 |
| Washington | 7 | 7 | .500 | 2 |
| Miami | 4 | 10 | .286 | 5 |
| New Jersey | 3 | 10 | .231 | 5 1/2 |

Central Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-----------|---|---|------|-------|
| Indiana | 7 | 4 | .636 | — |
| Detroit | 7 | 5 | .583 | 1/2 |
| Atlanta | 6 | 5 | .545 | 1 |
| Chicago | 7 | 6 | .538 | 1 |
| Milwaukee | 6 | 6 | .500 | 1 1/2 |
| Cleveland | 5 | 6 | .455 | 2 |
| Orlando | 5 | 7 | .417 | 2 1/2 |

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|-------------|---|----|------|-------|
| Utah | 8 | 3 | .727 | — |
| Denver | 8 | 4 | .667 | 1/2 |
| San Antonio | 6 | 5 | .545 | 2 |
| Houston | 7 | 6 | .538 | 2 |
| Dallas | 5 | 6 | .455 | 3 |
| Charlotte | 3 | 9 | .250 | 5 1/2 |
| Minnesota | 2 | 11 | .154 | 7 |

Pacific Division

| Team | W | L | Pct | GB |
|---------------|----|---|------|-------|
| L.A. Lakers | 10 | 1 | .909 | — |
| Portland | 10 | 3 | .769 | 1 |
| Seattle | 7 | 6 | .538 | 4 |
| Phoenix | 5 | 5 | .500 | 4 1/2 |
| L.A. Clippers | 4 | 6 | .400 | 5 1/2 |
| Sacramento | 4 | 7 | .364 | 6 |
| Golden State | 3 | 8 | .273 | 7 |

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Detroit at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.
Los Angeles Clippers at Portland, 10:30 p.m.

Other receiving votes: Florida 32, Washington 21, Arizona 20, Air Force 14, Fresno St. 14, Oregon 8, Mississippi 5, Oklahoma 4, N. Illinois 2, Georgia 1, Syracuse 1.

NFL glance

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AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

| Team | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|--------------|---|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| Buffalo | 8 | 4 | 0 | .667 | 327 | 257 |
| Miami | 7 | 5 | 0 | .583 | 242 | 274 |
| Indianapolis | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 211 | 288 |
| New England | 4 | 8 | 0 | .333 | 253 | 292 |
| N.Y. Jets | 3 | 9 | 0 | .250 | 219 | 306 |

Central

| Team | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|------------|---|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| Cleveland | 7 | 4 | 1 | .625 | 270 | 173 |
| Houston | 7 | 5 | 0 | .583 | 296 | 213 |
| Cincinnati | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 284 | 225 |
| Pittsburgh | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 177 | 271 |

West

| Team | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|--------------|----|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| Denver | 10 | 2 | 0 | .833 | 289 | 177 |
| L.A. Raiders | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 249 | 213 |
| Kansas City | 5 | 6 | 1 | .458 | 231 | 218 |
| San Diego | 4 | 8 | 0 | .333 | 189 | 215 |
| Seattle | 4 | 8 | 0 | .333 | 177 | 248 |

NATIONAL CONFERENCE
East

| Team | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|--------------|---|----|---|------|-----|-----|
| N.Y. Giants | 9 | 3 | 0 | .750 | 268 | 204 |
| Philadelphia | 8 | 4 | 0 | .667 | 247 | 203 |
| Washington | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 271 | 247 |
| Phoenix | 5 | 7 | 0 | .417 | 220 | 264 |
| Dallas | 1 | 11 | 0 | .083 | 153 | 303 |

Central

| Team | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|-----------|---|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| Green Bay | 7 | 5 | 0 | .583 | 282 | 281 |
| Minnesota | 7 | 5 | 0 | .583 | 235 | 198 |
| Chicago | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 297 | 257 |
| Tampa Bay | 5 | 7 | 0 | .417 | 258 | 318 |
| Detroit | 3 | 9 | 0 | .250 | 200 | 302 |

West

| Team | W | L | T | Pct | PF | PA |
|---------------|----|---|---|------|-----|-----|
| San Francisco | 10 | 2 | 0 | .833 | 342 | 206 |
| L.A. Rams | 8 | 4 | 0 | .667 | 302 | 249 |
| New Orleans | 6 | 6 | 0 | .500 | 279 | 235 |
| Atlanta | 3 | 9 | 0 | .250 | 198 | 309 |

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Speaker hopes comp vote comes this week

AUSTIN (AP) — Speaker Gib Lewis, declaring the House won't accept the Senate version of workers' compensation reform, said he hopes senators will change their minds and agree instead to a business-backed overhaul measure.

The House is scheduled to take up the bill supported by Lewis Wednesday. The House Business and Commerce Committee passed the bill Monday with a 7-0 vote.

The proposal for changing the way workers are compensated for on-the-job injuries was initially authored by Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby in an attempt to break an 11-month stalemate on the issue. However, it was heavily amended by senators before they sent it to the House.

"The bill that left the Senate was probably much, much worse than current law," Lewis said. "We will under no condition accept that bill, or any bill that would resemble that."

Minor, technical Senate

amendments were retained by the House sponsor, Rep. Richard Smith, and some other changes were made. But Smith, R-Bryan, said the bill sent to the full House is essentially that written by Hobby and supported by Gov. Bill Clements.

Lewis said the right plan could end lawmakers' third try this year to overhaul the workers' compensation system. The regular session and an earlier special session failed to end the impasse.

Although he said he has no reason to think votes will change in the Senate, Lewis said he hopes "wisdom will prevail." Opponents have said portions of Hobby's plan are unfair to workers.

The Senate-approved plan sharply differed from Hobby's measure, and from earlier proposals by House members, on the questions of calculating benefits and resolving disputed workers' compensation claims.

Hobby's plan would restrict jury trials in compensation cases. It also would establish a specific schedule of monetary payments for permanent injuries.

Business lobbyists say large awards by juries and high injury benefits have caused increases in employer-paid premiums, which are up 148 percent since 1985 and scheduled to rise another 22 percent by Jan. 1.

The Senate-passed bill would restrict the admission in a trial any issues not raised at the state agency administrative hearing on a workers' compensation case. But senators refused to go along with requiring all potential evidence on every dispute to be presented at the administration level.

The Senate bill also changed the so-called impairment schedule for permanent injuries, adding more flexibility to the plan so benefits could be linked with a person's ability to hold a

job in his field.

One amendment added to the bill by the House committee would allow the Houston Oilers' football team owner to deduct contractual disability payments to players from workers' compensation payments, said Rep. Steve Wolens, D-Dallas.

Lewis said that if Smith's bill passes the House, he hopes the Senate will accept it and avert

the need for a conference committee to work out differences.

"Hopefully, the wisdom of this bill will just kind of overcome the entire East (Senate) side of the Capitol...and we can go home," he said.

The Business and Commerce Committee didn't vote on a proposal by Rep. Jim Parker, D-Comanche, to adopt the workers' compensation bill as passed by the Senate. Parker said he

presented the measure because his constituents want action after months of deadlock.

"The truth of the matter is that the workman's compensation issue in my area of the state has become such a crisis that I'm not sure if I go back home from the Legislature this time without a workman's compensation bill, that I will be allowed to return," he said.

Barbara Bush crowns nat'l Christmas tree

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a nervous Park Service lift operator, first lady Barbara Bush managed to get close enough to the National Christmas Tree to crown it with a white plastic star.

In front of the press corps and preschool playmates of her 3½-year-old granddaughter, Marshall Bush, Mrs. Bush took a bumpy ride in a hydraulic lift to

the top of the 35-foot tree where she used a silver pole to place the star.

When the ride down was briefly halted, Marshall called out cheerfully, but insistently, "Hey, when are we going down? Get me down here!"

Back on the ground, Mrs. Bush took Marshall to pose for a picture with lift operator Kevin Guard.

"I thought she was coming over to chew me out," Guard said later. "She just said thanks."

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On Soviet Central American allies...

President will protest to Gorbachev

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush will protest to Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev during their weekend summit against the "outrageous behavior" of Moscow's Central American allies, but also will be prepared to discuss deeper troop cutbacks in Europe, officials say.

The subject of Central America was assured a more prominent place in Bush's talks with Gorbachev on Saturday and Sunday after the discovery of a shipment of surface-to-air missiles reportedly sent by Soviet-backed Nicaragua to leftist guerrillas in El Salvador.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler on Monday called the arms shipment a "dangerous escalation of conflict" in El Salvador.

White House press secretary Marlin Fitzwater said Bush "will press the Soviets to take action to ensure that their allies cease this outrageous behavior."

Bush and Gorbachev will meet

on warships in the Mediterranean off the coast of Malta primarily to talk about the rapid pace of change in Eastern Europe as hard-line communist regimes are collapsing.

Fitzwater said Bush has been studying "a wide range of military options" involving troop levels in preparation for his meeting with Gorbachev and in planning for a scaled-down defense budget he will submit to Congress next year.

"The president will have in his mind all of the options that are available to him," Fitzwater said. "The president wants to be in a position to discuss the situation with the Soviet leader, to be responsive and to be in a position

to then go to our allies and say, 'Here's what our discussion produced, here are his ideas, here are my ideas, now where do we think we might want to go.'"

After two days of talks with Gorbachev, Bush will fly to Brussels, Belgium, to brief

NATO allies next Monday.

In May, the allies approved Bush's proposal to reduce U.S. and Soviet troop levels in Europe to 275,000 on each side — requiring a 300,000-person cutback in Soviet forces and a 30,000 reduction in U.S. troops.

Fitzwater said Bush and Gorbachev would talk about arms control and military force structure. "Those discussions will bear on future decisions about changes in our own military posture."

He said reductions in Soviet forces beyond the level proposed by Bush would enhance stability, reduce the risk of war and be welcomed by the United States.

"It is only logical that substantial further reductions in Soviet forces would lead to changes in NATO's military posture," Fitzwater said. However, he said any changes would have to take place within the structure of the Vienna-based talks on reducing conventional

forces in Europe.

"Any actions that we would suggest or recommend would only be with the approval of our allies," Fitzwater said.

Meanwhile, the State Department said the United States had lodged a formal protest with the Soviet Union at the embassy in Washington over the missiles that turned up in El Salvador.

Soviet Foreign Minister Eduard Shevardnadze had promised Secretary of State James A. Baker III in September that the Soviets had stopped direct weapons shipments to Nicaragua.

But the State Department has said since then that Soviet bloc weaponry continues to pour into Nicaragua, some of it after shipment through Cuba or Nicaragua.

Privately, U.S. officials said Monday the Soviets may be having trouble restraining Managua and Havana from supporting the leftist rebels.

Places in the News

MALTA: THE SUMMIT

When George Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev meet on Dec. 2 and 3 aboard American and Soviet naval vessels in the Mediterranean, the small island nation of Malta will serve as onshore headquarters for the unusual floating summit.

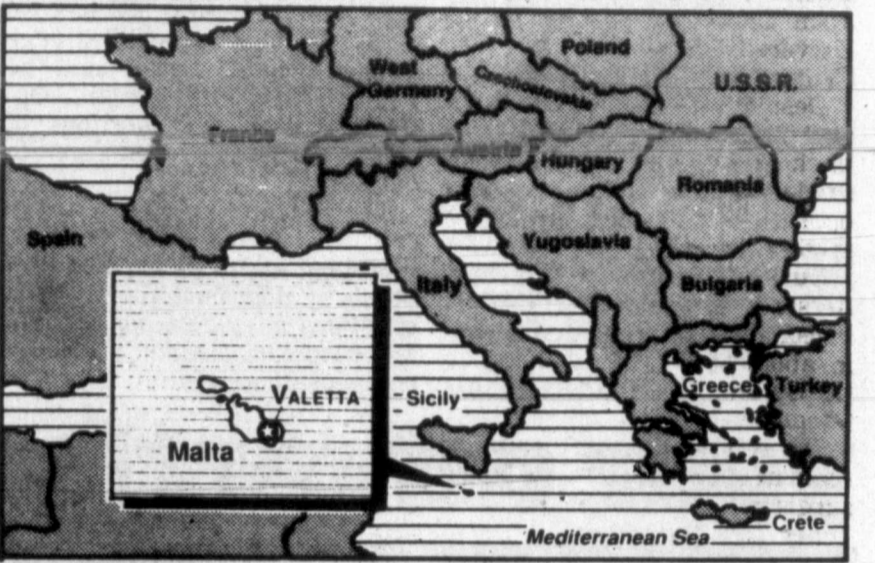
The 122-square-mile island, with a population of about 350,000, lies south of Italy and Sicily and approximately in the center of the Mediterranean.

In ancient times, because of its central location, Malta was controlled by whichever power — Phoenician, Greek, Roman, Arab, Norman — dominated the Mediterranean. From 1814 until it became independent in 1964, Malta

was part of the British Empire. Today it is a democracy, but it still retains very close cultural and economic ties to Britain. The British pound is still its official currency.

The small island is a perfect choice to host the thousands of journalists who will cover the summit. Its major industry is tourism, and the island is covered with large hotels. Its small, bustling airport handles dozens of flights a day from most of western Europe.

Recently, the island has been in the headlines: Investigators believe the bomb that destroyed Pan Am Flight 103 may have originated at the Valletta airport in Malta. They believe it was later transferred aboard the flight in Frankfurt.



Source: The World Almanac and Book of Facts

U.S.-Soviet summit...

Electronic ears expected to be in place

WASHINGTON (AP) — The meeting between President Bush and Mikhail Gorbachev this weekend will be a summit not only for diplomats but also for electronic spies.

Both will bring their best eavesdroppers, newest electronic equipment, most sophisticated encoding machines and most accomplished countermeasure experts to the Mediterranean shipboard rendezvous, according to knowledgeable officials and observers.

"If anybody wants to study antennas, that's the place to go," said James Bamford, author of a book on U.S. electronic spying.

Experts in and out of the government paint this picture of spying opportunities as the two long-time adversaries grow closer together:

—It is possible, but unlikely, that the Soviets could eavesdrop on private strategy sessions between Bush and his aides without U.S. knowledge. It would be tougher for U.S. agents to

listen in on Gorbachev. Either side would be risking big embarrassment if caught.

—The meeting aboard U.S. and Soviet missile cruisers in Malta's Marsaxlokk Bay is more secure from such eavesdropping than any site the U.S. side could have picked except Washington.

—Each president's communications with experts at home will be intercepted by the other side although it appears both are so well encrypted that the other side cannot read them.

—The signals will be preserved, perhaps for years, by both sides in the hope that a defector or a technological breakthrough may one day unlock the clear text.

The toughest trick would be to monitor either Bush or Gorbachev in strategy sessions before and after their face-to-face meetings.

"You would have to get a device on board," said Harold Lipsett, a San Francisco detective renowned for eavesdropping

expertise.

"Maybe you can bug the room," Lipsett said, noting that devices are small enough to be concealed easily on anyone. "But getting the signal out would be extremely difficult, because there's heavy metal surrounding all the rooms on a ship. I would hate the assignment."

Soviet spies may have had more opportunities than U.S. agents to plant a bug since this meeting was proposed last July.

U.S. media reported on Oct. 31 that Bush would stay aboard the U.S.S. Belknap, but both governments probably knew the ship's identity before then.

The Belknap was in the DCAN shipyard in Toulon, France, from August until Nov. 8, being overhauled and getting better communications equipment. The shipyard employs 5,000 civilians, who belong to either a Socialist-led or Communist-led union.

In addition, 12 U.S. sailors have been investigated or prosecuted during the 1980s for espionage-

type activities, but only one, Michael Walker, was aboard ship and under Soviet direction. His father, John, and their accomplice, Jerry Whitworth, had been spying for the Soviets from Navy ships earlier but left the Navy before they were caught.

Three shipboard spies in a Navy with more than 650 ships represents fairly long odds for having someone in the right place to plant a bug, the experts said. On the other hand, no one recalls any U.S. spy caught in the Soviet Navy.

Lipsett said, "It's more secure than any land site, where you have many more opportunities to get in or even to build microphones into the walls."

A former government expert, who declined to be identified by name, said the Secret Service's best technical security specialists will sweep the U.S. rooms regularly, perhaps nonstop, with equipment that generates a spectrum of signals to activate hidden transmitters.

Task force working with set deadline

AUSTIN (AP) — Facing a court-ordered May 1 deadline, another task force on public schools has started working. But some members say they're experiencing déjà vu.

"It seems like in 1977, the problems were (governmental) ethics and education. Here I am in 1989, and the problems are ethics and education," said state Rep. Jim Rudd, a House member since 1977.

"I've been through a number of school reform movements. I hope this time we get it right," added Austin lawyer Camilla Bordie, former longtime aide to Lt. Gov. Bill Hobby.

Since 1983, two select committees have studied public education.

The one that began work Monday, chaired by Houston businessman Charles Miller, was created by Gov. Bill Clements to recommend ways of meeting the Texas Supreme Court ruling that the current finance system discriminates against property-poor school districts.

Sen. Carl Parker, D-Port Arthur, said he has seen "seven or eight or 10 reports from prior select committees on education" during his legislative career.

"We made some major departures ... with House Bill 72 (in 1984). And had we had the grit to follow through with them, we wouldn't be here today in this mess," said Parker, who chairs the Senate Education Committee.

Clements has said he will call the Legislature into session this spring to deal with the problem. The court said lawmakers have until May 1 to fix the system.

Miller said he hoped the committee's final recommendations could be sent to the governor and Legislature by March 1. He said he favors an early March special legislative session to enact reforms before the court-ordered deadline.

Committee member Larry Jenkins, who chaired a 1988 study of public education, said school reform is the most crucial issue facing Texas today and that significant changes are needed.

Friends of woman arrested recently say she was framed

THOMASTON, Conn. (AP) — Many who know Jennifer J. Casolo say she was framed by Salvadoran forces, but the White House said signs pointed to her involvement with a rebel arms cache found buried outside her San Salvador house.

The Los Angeles Times reported today that Justice Department prosecutors and FBI officials met Monday to consider charging the Thomaston native under the seldom-used Neutrality Act, which bars private citizens from taking sides in other nations' wars.

Acquaintances, including the brother of Sen. Christopher J. Dodd, D-Conn., said the church activist was the victim of a grudge in a country "where a grudge can go a long way."

Casolo, 28, was arrested Saturday and Salvadoran police confiscated tons of ammunition buried in the garden of her house. They said the arms were stored there by guerrillas. Casolo had rented the house three months with a roommate who left the country the morning before the raid.

Thomas J. Dodd, a professor of Latin American history at Georgetown University, said he did not believe that Casolo was involved with the guerrillas.

Casolo provided tours of El Salvador as a representative of the San Antonio, Texas-based Christian Education Seminars, to visiting church members and others. Professor Dodd was on one of the tours last month.

"She knew what was going on," said Dodd. He and others who knew Casolo's work said she had a wide range of contacts ranging from high government officials to the poor.

Lawrence H. Fuchs, a Brandeis University professor who remained in touch with Casolo after her graduation in 1983, said his former student was afraid of the government in El Salvador.

Last year, Casolo wrote to Fuchs that she had a misunderstanding with police officials and feared recriminations.

"I am being watched very carefully," she wrote. "I fear the lack of application of the law here. A grudge can go a long way here and lower-level bureaucrats don't like to feel stupid."

Casolo's friends and associates say she is being framed to discredit church workers. Police said her arrest offered proof of church involvement with the guerrillas, a claim that rightists in the Salvadoran government have been eager to prove so they can expel foreign church workers active among the poor.

Rep. Jim McDermott, D-Wash., who has been on a medical fact-finding trip in El Salvador since Thanksgiving Day, said in a statement from Washington, D.C., that he visited Casolo for 45 minutes Monday and informed her that a lawyer was being retained.

Sen. Dodd and Rep. Nancy Johnson, R-Conn., said they had been assured by State Department officials that Casolo was safe and in contact with U.S. officials.

The senator, a vociferous critic of U.S. policies in El Salvador, did not comment directly on the charges but said he was disturbed the Bush administration seemed already to have confirmed Casolo's guilt.

"These are serious charges," he said. "You're in a war zone down there. People are doing crazy things."

In Washington, presidential spokesman Marlin Fitzwater said, "There are indications of her involvement, that's for certain."

"It's fairly clear that these weapons were found there. I mean, we're not talking about a small package of pistols here. We're talking about tons of equipment and mortars and dynamite and rounds of ammunitions and explosives. This is hardly a case of someone having a few things flipped in their shopping bag on the way home," Fitzwater said.

Casolo was in the custody of the National Police, said Jeff Brown, a U.S. Embassy spokesman in El Salvador. He said she was being questioned and had not been charged.

Under the state-of-siege imposed after the rebels launched an offensive against Salvadoran cities on Nov. 11, authorities have up to 15 days to file charges or release someone instead of the normal 72 hours.

Brown said consular officials had been in regular contact with Casolo and she had not been mistreated.

Bell opposes proposed rate cut

AUSTIN (AP) — Southwestern Bell is fighting suggestions that the Public Utility Commission cut telephone rates, saying the agency should instead approve a proposal that is being touted as an economic development tool.

The company on Monday filed testimony at the PUC to defend its "Texas First" proposal against consumer representatives and others who say Southwestern Bell's rates should be slashed.

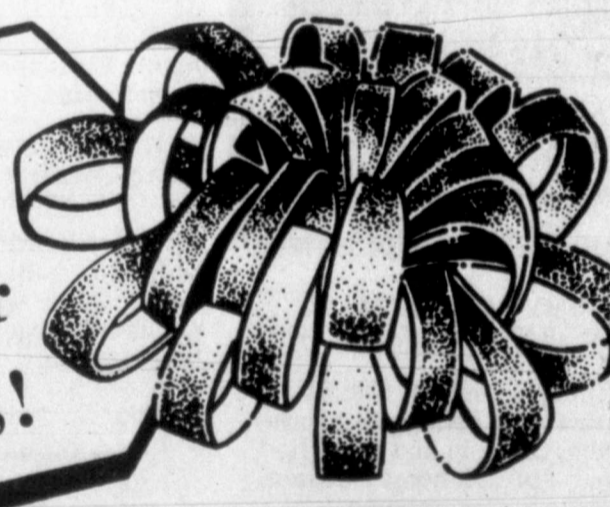
Texas First calls for a five-year freeze in basic local

telephone rates, coupled with a multimillion dollar modernization program for the Southwestern Bell system.

Paul Roth, Texas division president for Southwestern Bell, said the PUC has the option of "choosing growth and progress — or choosing stagnation."

"The \$400-\$700 million in proposed revenue reductions still carry the banner of traditional ratemaking — and they don't consider the competitive nature of telecommunications," Roth said.

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Liver...

Surgeons complete nation's first living-donor transplant

CHICAGO (AP) — A girl who received part of her mother's liver in the nation's first transplant of its kind underwent nearly five more hours of surgery today to stop internal bleeding, hospital officials said.

Meantime, doctors involved in this country's first living-donor liver transplant upgraded the mother's condition to fair, said John Easton, a spokesman for University of Chicago Medical Center.

Despite internal bleeding that sent 21-month-old Alyssa Smith back into surgery, doctors predicted success for Monday's operations on her and her mother, Teresa.

During the night the surface of Alyssa's new liver began to bleed, a complication that occurs in about 30 percent of all liver transplants, Easton said by telephone this morning.

She returned to the operating room at about 4:40 a.m. CST, and surgery was completed just under five hours later, at 9:23 a.m., said hospital spokeswoman Sue Sheerin.

"It's something they should be able to control," Easton said.

Both mother and daughter had been in critical condition in intensive care following Monday's 14-hour dual operations. But Mrs. Smith improved overnight and her condition was upgraded, Easton said. Alyssa was in critical but stable condition after this morning's operation, Ms. Sheerin said.

Monday's procedure was com-

plicated when Mrs. Smith's spleen was damaged and had to be removed. Doctors, however, predicted a full recovery for her.

They planned to monitor Alyssa closely to see how the transplanted segment was working, said Dr. Christoph Broelsch, who led the surgical team in what he said was the first liver transplant from a living donor in this country.

Broelsch pioneered the technique for using segments of donor

livers in 1984 while at the University of Hanover in Germany.

"She's in as good a shape as any child we see" immediately after a transplant, he told reporters.

In three to five days doctors will know if the surgical wounds are healing properly, and in a week they should see whether the body is rejecting the liver lobe. "We're quite confident that this organ will work," Broelsch said.

Hospital board meets

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primary reasons that cash receipts are "up so much" while net revenue is "up so little."

"First, we are managing our accounts receivable more effectively, and second, the large net loss in 1987 was being borne out in the cash flow decline of 1988 and the reduction in 1988's net loss is benefiting our 1989 cash position."

The most discussed item on the agenda — approving staff privileges for Southwest Pathologist Associates — centered around an anonymous telephone call that three board members received prior to the meeting which questioned Southwest's competence in at least one case. Board members conferred with St. Mary of the Plains President Charley Trimble, which also uses the pathology group, and he commented more than once "There is no question they are highly qualified."

Hochwalt told the board that the hospital's current pathology contract ends Nov. 30 and that the matter of finding a pathology group would have to be settled quickly, if not immediately.

Board member Roy McQueen, who made the motion to approve privileges, said "I have a great deal of confidence in what

Charley tells us from St. Mary's, that they are real happy with them."

G.A. Parks seconded the motion and the board unanimously approved privileges.

The contract calls for Southwest to be paid \$100 a month for directing and supervising Cogdell's lab and the hospital will send reference lab work to the associate's lab in Lubbock.

Hochwalt defined reference lab work as "work we can't do here."

Hochwalt also informed the board that the hospital will begin The Healing Touch Program, modeled after St. Mary of the Plains. The program is a patient-employee relations program which will be given to all employees of the hospital. Wilma Dillard and Chris Bane will serve as instructors for the eight-hour, in-service program which will first be given to department managers in December.

Net operating revenue for the hospital in October was \$507,262.58 while expenses were \$502,489.94, leaving an operating profit of \$4,772.64. Year-to-date figures are \$4,088,383.06 in operating revenue and \$4,658,353.29 in expenses, leaving a deficit of \$569,970.23.

In October, the hospital had 101 acute admissions, seven long-term admissions, 41 surgeries, 13 newborns and 608 emergency room visits.

Board President Dan Cotton presided. Other board members present were Jackie Smith, Brenda Hedges, Jim Palmer, Parks and McQueen.

3-vehicle wreck noted

Several motorists escaped serious injury in a 7:05 p.m. Saturday collision involving three vehicles at U.S. 84 and Huffman Ave.

A Department of Public Safety trooper said a southbound 1989 Ford pickup pulling a boat trailer and driven by Raymond D. Vardeman of Slaton was in collision with a 1981 Chevrolet pickup in which Bobby J. Green of Post Rd. was crossing 84 from west to east on Huffman.

Green said he had chest pains and was held for 23-hour observation at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Medical attention was not required for Vardeman, his passenger, Gary Booth of Lubbock, nor a following motorist, Bobby M. Livesay of Lubbock, whose 1983 Ford van hit an electrical line from a power pole that the Vardeman truck had knocked over, the DPS trooper said.

Car fire extinguished

Firemen extinguished a fire in a 1979 Ford this morning in the 2200 Block of O'Neal Ave.

A department spokesman said the car, owned by Dickey Stewart, had heavy damages in the engine compartment and in the interior of the vehicle.

The cause is under investigation, he said.

A grass fire occupied firefighters from 3:40 to 4:50 p.m. Monday in a pasture 12 miles south of town off Farm-to-Market 2835.

Births

Larry Joe and Sonya Bagwell are the parents of a baby boy, Brandon Bobby Joe. He was born at 5:56 p.m. Tuesday at Southwest Memorial Hospital in Houston and weighed 7 pounds, 9 ounces.

Brandon's grandparents are Vera Bagwell and the late Bob Bagwell of Snyder and Evelyn and Joe Hacker of Hereford.

His great-grandparents are Clyde and Sally Bagwell of Sweetwater, formerly of Snyder; Ola Hacker and the late Mr. Hacker of Hereford; the late Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Benson; and the late Mack and Lena Walls.

Pool vandalized

Police are investigating an incident in which the swimming pool at the Kid's Kampus day care center at 111 E. 37th St. was vandalized.

An officer said the lining was torn out of the pool and the sides were "bent up."

The incident was reported at 11:48 a.m. Monday.

Alleged threats, rape investigated

Police established a close patrol of two areas Monday night in connection with threats a Snyder woman said had been made against her family members.

Margaret Arriaga of 1910 Coleman Ave., No. 2, requested the close patrols of the 1908 Coleman apartments and of the 200 Block of 20th St. to counteract what she said had been threats related to the murder last week of Oscar Garza Jr.

Garza, 19, was shot by a Sweetwater man in one of the 1900 Coleman apartments last Thursday.

Marvin Collier of Hermleigh told sheriff's deputies at 4:20 p.m. Monday that his wife had received an obscene telephone call.

Collier was advised of the steps to take to have the telephone company put a "trap" on his phone, to trace obscene calls.

Deputies this morning were investigating a rape case that was reported by a Snyder woman who reported at 10 p.m. Monday that his wife had been raped.

The man told officers at the Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency room, where his wife was being treated, that she had been assaulted south of Snyder near the Colorado City Hwy.

A deputy said the woman had been heavily sedated and was unable to respond to questions, and he said the investigation would be continued today.

Patricia Nix told police at 2:49 p.m. Monday that someone had "kicked in" the windshield of a vehicle parked at 1802 College Ave., where she and her husband Jimmy operated an automotive service shop prior to moving to their new location at 1510 25th St.

Patient shot and wounded after incident at barricade

AUSTIN (AP) — A patient at the Austin State Hospital was in serious condition today after he was shot four times when he charged police following a 30-minute standoff at the hospital where the patient allegedly barricaded himself after attempting to hold up a liquor store.

Police said Christopher Scott Gibson, 19, was in serious but stable condition early today at Brackenridge Hospital.

Police records show that Gibson was admitted to the state hospital in September after attempting suicide by taking an overdose of drugs. He was released from the hospital on a pass for Thanksgiving and was to return today.

Hospital officials said Gibson visited his grandfather, S.N. Lanham, at Austin during the furlough. He had lived with Lanham before his voluntary commitment to the state hospital, police said.

Deputy Police Chief Ken Williams said that during the visit with his grandfather, Gibson took a .45-caliber single-shot handgun called a Thompson Contender, a weapon usually used for pistol competitions.

Police said the gun was used in an attempted robbery at a liquor store in Austin Monday afternoon. No money was taken in the attempt.

After the unsuccessful robbery, Gibson drove a motorcycle to the state hospital, police said.

Williams said Lanham learned of the attempted robbery and called police to say that the teenager was armed and suicidal.

Austin State Hospital superintendent Kenny Dudley said Gibson went to the hospital's Acute Care Unit No. 2, waving the gun and ordering staff members and patients to leave.

Gibson then entered a bedroom of the ward and locked and barricaded the door, Dudley said.

"By the time he got back to his ward, the police were here and all the patients were out," Dudley said.

After police attempted to negotiate with Gibson for about 30 minutes, officers said, Gibson fired twice at officers.

Williams said three officers returned the fire, striking Gibson four times.

"While lying on the ground, he was trying to get another round in," Williams said.

OPEC reaches agreement

VIENNA (AP) — OPEC ministers said today they reached a new production agreement that would raise the group's output ceiling to 22 million barrels a day and maintain a target price of \$18 a barrel.

All 13 members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries would sign the agreement at its Vienna secretariat later in the day, ministers said, as they broke up a main bargaining session in a hotel.

How the increase would be allocated wasn't immediately known. The cartel likely would issue a communique after the agreement was signed.

OPEC's daily ceiling for the fourth quarter is 20.5 million barrels, but analysts say it is producing more than 23 million barrels, with Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates cheating on their quotas.

Iranian oil minister Gholamreza Aqazadeh confirmed a deal was reached and that the new ceiling would be 22 million barrels a day.

Venezuelan minister Celestino Armas confirmed that all the members agreed to the pact.

Hisham Nazer, Saudi Arabia's oil minister nodded yes when asked if the target price would be \$18 dollars a barrel, its current level.

The ministers overcame their differences on the fourth day of their regular winter conference to reach an agreement for the first half of 1990.

They had struggled with demands from Kuwait and the United Arab Emirates for bigger portions of the production.

It was doubtful the United Arab Emirates would abide by any quota agreed to Tuesday. It and Kuwait have been producing 2 million barrels a day each, or double their current quotas.

Earlier, sources, who demanded anonymity, said the tentative plan was for Indonesia and Venezuela to relinquish portions of their shares so that Kuwait could get the bigger percentage it wants.

The United Arab Emirates perhaps would be allowed to produce what it wants, sources said. The other members would get to pump more oil but their shares of the total would remain the same, they said.

Libya and Algeria, in particular, had balked at the plan sources said.

Speaking of the sources' outline, Steve Turner, an oil analyst with the London investment firm Smith New Court, said, "I think it's a very weak agreement."

Such a deal would result in OPEC allowing production of around 24 million barrels a day, more than it is producing in violation of its current ceiling.

Turner estimates demand of 21.5 million barrels a day in the first half of 1990.

"So it looks as though OPEC is going to be producing substantially in excess of the market's needs," Turner said. "In that scenario the oil price would be under continued downward pressure."

Recently, oil prices have been surprisingly strong in face of overproduction by OPEC, and are trading at levels 50 percent above a year ago.

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Gramm

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Gramm said, the senator "will describe how regional drug task forces in Texas, like the West Central Texas Interlocal Task Force, will benefit under these proposals."

Gramm was quoted as saying in connection with his Snyder visit. "For too long, law enforcement officials have had to fight a big battle with a small stick. I am pleased to say that the federal government is finally wading in and giving local officials a bigger stick."

"There was a time when you moved to a place like Snyder to avoid the drug problem," Gramm said. "The sad reality is that the drug problem exists everywhere. There is literally a drug thug at the door of every high school in America."

The meeting will be in the 132nd District Court courtroom on the fourth floor of the courthouse.

Obituaries

Cecil Mills

Graveside services for Cecil Perry Mills, 85, of Snyder Nursing Center, longtime Snyder resident, will be held at 4 p.m. Wednesday at Hillside Memorial Gardens.

He died at 2:50 a.m. Tuesday at Snyder Nursing Center.

Born May 12, 1904, in Blue-jacket, Okla., he was a contractor in the oil business. He was a member of East Side Church of Christ. He moved to Snyder from Coffeerville, Kan. 50 years ago.

Survivors include a stepdaughter, Nora Gray of Dunn; and a stepson, Charles Rhodes of Live Oak, Fla.

Virginia Paden

DALLAS — Services for Virginia M. Paden, 61, of Dallas, formerly of Scurry County, were held Friday at 3 p.m. at Restland Wildwood Chapel with Rev. Thomas Hatley officiating. Burial followed in Restland Memorial Park.

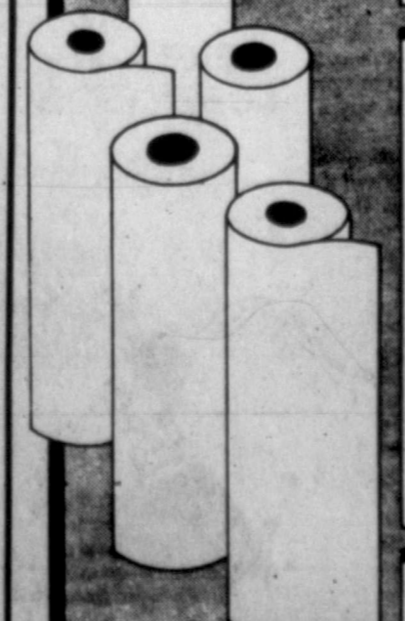
Mrs. Paden, who was raised in Fluvanna, died Nov. 21 in Dallas. Born Aug. 5, 1928, she was the sister of Viola Pylant of Fluvanna and Gene Coonrod of Hermleigh.

Other survivors include her husband, Leonard Paden of Dallas; three daughters, Regina Paden, Brenda Traylor and Janet Gonzales; a grandson, Michael Gonzales; four brothers, Weldon, A.V., Roy, and Dalton Ball; and another sister, Nell Killebrew.

Markets Midday Stocks

| NEW YORK (AP) | High | Low | Last | K Mart | 34% | 34% |
|---------------|---------|---------|---------|---------------|--------|---------|
| AMR Corp | 65 1/2 | 65 | 65 1/2 | Kroger | 14 1/2 | 14 1/2 |
| Ameritech s | 60 1/2 | 60 | 60 1/2 | vJTV Cp | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 |
| AM I Inc | 6 1/2 | 6 | 6 1/2 | Litton Ind | 77 1/2 | 77 1/2 |
| AMI Inc wd | 6 1/2 | 6 | 6 1/2 | LoneSta Ind | 21 1/2 | 21 1/2 |
| Amer T&T | 43 1/2 | 42 1/2 | 43 1/2 | Lows | 29 1/2 | 29 1/2 |
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| Arkl | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | 22 1/2 | vJMCorp | 5-32 | 10 1/2 |
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| BakerHugh | 24 1/2 | 24 | 24 1/2 | Medtronics s | 67 | 66 1/2 |
| BancTexas | 9-32 | 9-32 | 9-32 | Mobil | 58 1/2 | 58 1/2 |
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| Beth Steel | 16 1/2 | 16 1/2 | 16 1/2 | NCNB Cp | 47 1/2 | 47 1/2 |
| Borden s | 33 1/2 | 32 1/2 | 33 1/2 | Navistar | 37 1/2 | 37 1/2 |
| CamronRk | 24 1/2 | 24 | 24 1/2 | Nyxex | 83 1/2 | 82 1/2 |
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| Coastal | 46 1/2 | 45 1/2 | 46 1/2 | PhilipPet | 23 1/2 | 22 1/2 |
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| IBM | 99 1/2 | 98 1/2 | 99 1/2 | WalMart | 43 1/2 | 42 1/2 |
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Bowl appearance 'nightmare'

CHICAGO (AP) — Two pee-wee football teams set out last week for Florida to play in their league's Sunshine Bowl. Countless delays, a stolen bus and two decisive losses later, the players' dream trip had become a nightmare.

"The experience was like something you read in a horror book," said a parent chaperone Russ Hayes, who broke into tears. "It was very traumatic." There was one consolation.

"Well, we got to Disney World," Hayes' 12-year-old son, Michael, said of the Thanksgiving trip. "The worst part was we didn't get much sleep."

On Monday — a day later than their scheduled return — 12 of the 116 players, coaches and chaperones returned to Chicago. Others were expected to straggle in by bus.

"It's been one terrible experience after another," Michael's mother, Jacqueline,

said as she waited at O'Hare International Airport. "It's been a terrible nightmare for all of them."

"We're totally exhausted. We've had a very, very trying five days," coach Rino Liberatore said after stepping off the plane. "We lost the football game, we lost the bus, we lost our money, but hopefully we didn't lose our spirit."

The 1,100-mile bus trip to Florida got off to a bad start

Wednesday night when one of the three rented buses arrived three hours late.

Things went downhill from there.

Once the teams got on the road, two of the buses broke down, filling with exhaust and causing many in the group to fall ill.

Delays for repairs made the players arrive 13 hours late in Orlando, Fla.

The 9- to 14-year-old members of the two Chicago teams had to cut short a visit to Walt Disney World and rest up for the next day's games against two Florida teams.

Then, while they were playing, one of the buses was stolen — along with at least \$3,000 in cash donated to help pay for the trip and many wallets belonging to the travelers.

To make matters worse, the teams lost their games — 22-0 and 48-6.

"I wasn't into the game a lot," said Michael Hayes, a running back from Burlington, Wis. "I was still thinking about the trip."

The players, from the Pop Warner League, earned the money for their trip after winning the bowl invitation in local play.

The teams financed the trip by selling candy and collecting contributions. Local corporations, including the Chicago Bears, matched the sum collected by the youngsters.

Team officials blamed the problems on Falcon Motorcoach Co., complaining that the Chicago company rented them buses that were old and poorly serviced.

Kenneth Arnold, co-owner of Falcon, said two of the three buses had been leased from another company.



By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 52-year-old working woman and thought I knew what was going on in the world, but I guess I must have missed something.

I had always assumed that bridal showers were given for brides who were just starting out. This year, I was expected to attend several bridal showers and give a wedding gift to a niece who had married three years ago — and was divorced last year. I had already attended three bridal showers and had given her an expensive wedding gift for her first marriage. She wore a white gown again (a different one) and had a big fancy church wedding that topped her first one.

A friend invited me to a baby shower for her daughter who is pregnant with her second child. This mother-to-be has a 2-year-old daughter. The sonogram showed that she was carrying another girl. In my day, we saved our baby's clothes for the next child, so why a shower to get more little girl's clothes? Also, I thought showers were given by friends — not relatives. And certainly not by a mother for her own daughter.

A girl at work is finally marrying the man she's been living with for eight years, and I am invited to a shower for her. Abby, after eight years together, what can they need to get started?

Wait, there's more: My nephew was married four years ago and was divorced 14 months ago. Last week, his ex-wife had a baby boy out of wedlock by someone unknown to us. This baby has our family's last name, but he's not related to anyone in our family.

Either the mother doesn't know who the baby's father is, or the father wants nothing to do with them. She sent me a birth announcement with a list of items the baby could use. How could I refuse?

Is all this commonplace, Abby, or is it just the people I know?
CONFUSED-IN SAN DIEGO

DEAR CONFUSED: I regret to say it's not very unusual. When a bride permits shower after shower to be given for her with the same guests invited, one must assume she doesn't mind soaking her friends and family.

As for the baby whose birth

announcement you acknowledged with a gift, you showed genuine generosity and sensitivity, for which I commend you.

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter works very hard as a part-time waitress. She's putting herself through college, and we are very proud of her. We were very upset to learn that she bought her boyfriend a matched set of golf clubs for his birthday. She used most of her savings on this expensive gift and now she's practically broke.

How can we get through to this stupid girl?
HER PARENTS IN NEBRASKA

DEAR ABBY: It's her money and her choice, and if she goes broke, it will be her problem. I know you mean well, but back off, folks.

DEAR ABBY: The story about the 33-year-old woman driver applying mascara, missing a turn, hitting a curb and turning over, killing herself, breaking her son's arm and leaving four young children without their mother, reminded me of two incidents I witnessed on a trip to San Francisco.

Driving down Highway 101 near Sausalito, a woman in the car ahead of me was combing her hair, applying lipstick and eye shadow while driving 60 miles an hour!

The next day, on Rodeo Avenue in Sausalito, I came upon a woman in a car parked in the traffic lane of the street. I stopped behind her and saw her take off her bra without removing her blouse, put the car in gear and move down the street!
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PLO seeks status of nation

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Against vehement U.S. objections, Arab nations plan to push a resolution through the General Assembly this week that would recognize the Palestine Liberation Organization as a nation.

The State Department immediately threatened to cut off all U.S. support for the United

Nations if the General Assembly approves the move. Washington is assessed \$216 million annually — one-fourth of the U.N. budget.

"We feel so strongly about this we would cut off funds," State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler said Monday.

Riyad Mansour, the PLO's deputy permanent observer, said the resolution would be introduced in connection with the General Assembly's debate on Palestine, which opens Wednesday.

"The political significance is that the General Assembly accepts the state of Palestine as part of the U.N. system — at this stage, as an observer," Mansour said.

The PLO has observer status as an organization at the United Nations. The only other observer group is the South-West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO), which this month won pre-independence elections in Namibia, where it had fought South African rule.

If the Arab resolution is approved the PLO will gain national observer status. That would put it on a par with North and South Korea, Monaco, the Vatican, San Marino and Switzerland, which lack voting rights and can only address the assembly by invitation.

The resolution should easily gain the required simple majority of votes in the 159-member General Assembly. Most

members of the non-aligned movement, with more than 100 votes, and communist nations would vote in favor.

In Rome, Arab states are calling on the U.N.-affiliated Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) to cooperate with the PLO in distributing food to Palestinians. That brought a U.S. threat to cut funds to the FAO.

A vote on that issue proposal could be held by Wednesday.

Ms. Tutwiler said, "We strongly support humanitarian assistance to the Palestinian people" and noted the U.S. contribution this year is \$63 million. "The PLO should not be a conduit for international assistance to the Palestinians," she said.

Ms. Tutwiler said the United States was making it clear in notes to various governments and to officials at the United Nations that "any action to change the PLO status will have the most serious adverse consequences."

Mansour said, "Resorting to blackmail in conducting international diplomacy is not useful to anyone."

Company officials fear budget

FORT WORTH (AP) — Federal budget pressures coupled with recent developments in Eastern Europe may cause significant cuts in production of the F-16 fighter plane built by General Dynamics Corp., the largest defense contractor in the Dallas-Fort Worth area, company officials say.

Company spokesman Joe Stout said Monday that the Air Force could cut its planned purchase of 150 F-16s by 20 percent next year and by as much as 28 percent by 1993.

"It's apparent there will be some reduction," Stout said. "It's just a matter now of finding out exactly how much."

Stout said the company's early production projections for the F-16 are based on discussions with Air Force officials.

It is too early to determine how the cuts would affect employment at General Dynamics' Fort Worth division, Stout said. About 85 percent of the company's 30,000 employees in the Dallas-Fort Worth area work on the F-16 project.

The F-16, considered to be the Air Force's top air fighter plane, has been the flagship program of General Dynamics' Fort Worth operations for more than a decade. The company has delivered more than 2,400 of the fighter planes to the U.S. military and 15 other countries.

Stout said the Fort Worth plant now manufactures an average of 22 F-16s monthly, Stout said. A limited number of F-16s also are produced at European plants.

General Dynamics received a four-year commitment this summer from the Air Force, which said it would buy 150 F-16s annually. The contract represented a reduction from the previous Air Force contract for 180 F-16s each year.

The Air Force may cut its F-16 purchases to 120 next year and to 108 by 1993, Stout said. Each plane costs \$13.5 million, but the average price of the F-16 may increase as production volume decreases, he said.

It is not known whether the Air Force would have to pay a fee to General Dynamics for breaking the contract.

Several military programs, including the F-16, have come under increased scrutiny since U.S. Defense Secretary Dick Cheney announced plans last week to cut more than \$180 billion from future defense spending.

Sly Stone to be held without bail

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — Former rock star Sly Stone was ordered held without bail on felony drug possession charges after being extradited from Connecticut.

Stone, 45, whose real name is Sylvester Stewart, had been living under an assumed name on the East Coast after missing court dates in 1987 in California. He was ordered held Monday on drug charges.

He surrendered in Bridgeport, Conn., last month and waived extradition on an unlawful flight charge.

Stone was scheduled to appear in court Wednesday to face felony drug charges in another case. His attorney, Harland Braun, said he would ask a judge to consolidate the cases.

Dr. Gott

Peter Gott, M.D.



By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I had polio, and my doctor says I'm now experiencing PPS (post-polio syndrome). The leg muscles are deteriorating, and I can hardly walk anymore. Is there anything I can do to rejuvenate them?

DEAR READER: Some people who have had polio, a virus infection of the spinal nerves that causes weakness, appear to maintain good muscle function for many years, only to enter a period of progressive decline in middle age. Called "post-polio syndrome," it is a somewhat baffling ailment. Authorities have yet to agree on what causes it.

According to one theory, the polio virus causes muscle weakness to which young people appear to adapt. However, when they enter middle age, these patients suffer increasing weakness in the affected muscles; although normal muscles weaken with age, muscles that are already weak seem to deteriorate faster.

Proponents of a second theory believe that the age-related deterioration is due to a late infection with the original polio viruses.

Regardless of cause, the end result is the same: progressive loss of motor function, particularly in the legs and lower body.

Treatment consists of a program of intensive rehabilitation and physical therapy. Polio patients may, in a sense, have to return to square one: regular exercise under the supervision of physiatrists and trained therapists. For more information, I suggest you contact the International Polio Network at 4502 Maryland Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63108.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've lost control of the anal sphincter. Following eat-

ing, I cannot control gas and am unable to tell when the bowel is completely empty. I take Metamucil once daily, and my doctor has recommended daily exercise using a catheter with balloon to try to "re-educate" the muscle. She claims surgery is complicated and unreliable. Do you have any suggestions?

DEAR READER: This is an embarrassing problem that is difficult to treat. It has many causes, including injury from previous surgery and nerve disorders, such as multiple sclerosis.

If your anal sphincter is weak — as often happens with age — "retraining it" may help you regain continence. On the other hand, if the muscle isn't receiving proper nerve impulses, no retraining program will aid you. The treatment for rectal incontinence depends on the cause.

Unfortunately, many cases do not respond to treatment. Adult incontinence pads will often relieve the uncertainty and mortification of the condition. It's important to keep your bowel movements firm, making control easier; thus, Metamucil is proper treatment, because it is a stool-bulking agent not a laxative. You should be examined by a neurologist to make sure that a nerve disease is not your problem.

Also, you should request advice from a gastroenterologist. Because multiple sclerosis can lead to rectal incontinence, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Multiple Sclerosis." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 with their name and address to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Nov. 29, 1989

In the year ahead you may make a concerted effort to upgrade your relationships. People who do not match or meet your standards could be weeded out. **SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** You'll function best today if you feel you have freedom of action and mobility. Don't get involved in situations that can tie you down or slow you up. Sagittarius, treat your self to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead 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.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Not what you do for yourself, but what you do for others will be the things that give you the greatest gratification today. Let your compassionate inclinations establish your priorities.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Close, personal relationships should prove to be extremely significant today. Friends could do constructive things for you and you could be rather helpful to them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Continue to elevate your sights a bit where your goals and objectives are concerned. What was hard for you to achieve previously could be easier for you now.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Your intuition pertaining to the eventual outcome of events might be more on target than usual today. If you sense something strongly, abide by your insights.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) If there is a special type of favor you require today that can be granted by a person you've helped recently, don't be afraid to state your needs. This individual wants to reciprocate.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) That which you cannot accomplish on your own today looks like it can be achieved through an effective partnership arrangement. Seek allies in areas where you feel weak.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Work you have been neglecting lately can be brought under control today if you have the mind to do so. Being industrious and productive will prove to be gratifying.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Try to break away from your normal mundane routines today and do something lighter that is a bit challenging but fun. A change of pace will be helpful now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Strive to be positive today regarding the outcome of events, because this will have a strong effect upon end results. If you think you can get something done, you can.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Several people who can be helpful to your present interests may confide in you today and give you inside information not revealed to others. Be an attentive listener.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You continue to be in alignment with positive material trends again today. Give matters which can make or save you money as much attention as they require.

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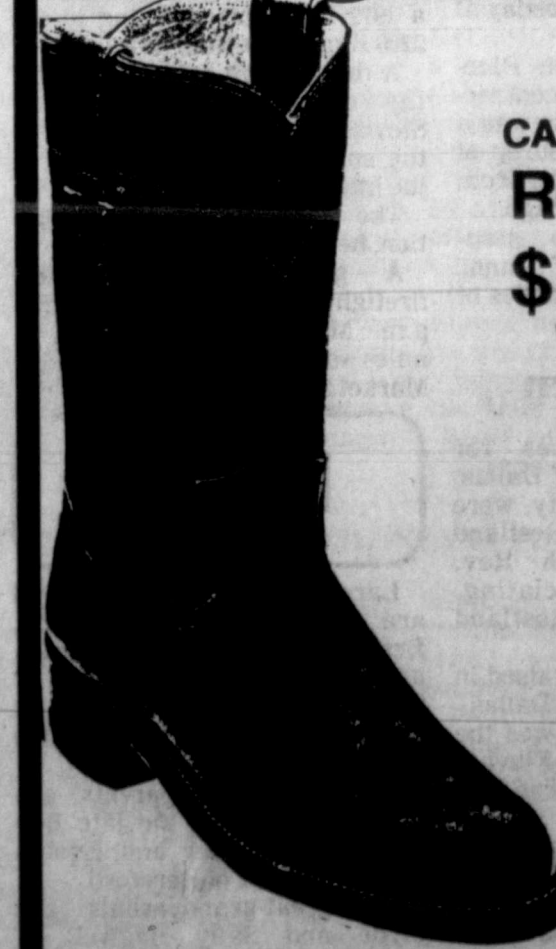


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