

Expansion said needed...

Hospital to delay buying computer

The Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers Thursday night discussed buying a new \$60,000 computer system and decided to research the proposition more extensively before making a decision.

Administrator Tom Hochwalt and representatives of IBM said the current system, purchased in 1982 for \$96,000, is "worn out" and, having reached its maximum capacity, has slowed to what is often a two- to three-minute response time on its 16 video display terminals.

Cogdell controller Padraic White noted, however, that the terminals, which cost about \$3,000 apiece, could continue in use if another IBM system is purchased.

IBM representatives Becky Akard and Judy Wright said us-

ing the same terminals and software would exclude any other company, and the board decided to have Hochwalt investigate the cost of buying new hardware and software and taking bids for a replacement system from several companies.

White said current Medicare regulations apparently would have Medicare pay \$15,000 of the new computer's cost over a four-year period.

The proposal is to replace the existing IBM 34 system with an IBM 36, which would almost double its capacity, with the capability of tripling the initial capacity of the 36.

Other business in the 6:30 p.m. meeting, which lasted until 8:45 p.m., included Hochwalt's report that the hospital's financial con-

See HOSPITAL, page 9



EXPERTISE — Pat Porter of the Texas Education Agency discusses teaching the differences between fact and opinion and other topics during an all-day teachers' conference Thursday at West

Elementary School. Her presentation was part of on-going in-service training here. (SDN Staff Photo)

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Ask Us

Q — There has been much written about the Summer Olympics but I don't remember seeing when they are to be held. Can you tell us?

A — The Olympics are scheduled Sept. 17-Oct. 2.

In Brief

Suspicious fire

HEMPHILL, Texas (AP) — The state fire marshal has been asked to investigate a fire at the mobile home of former police chief Thomas Ladner, authorities say.

Ladner and two other officers were found not guilty last month on charges of violating the civil rights of black man who died after a Christmas night jail beating.

Hemp Hill Fire Marshal Bill Barcheers said Thursday the state fire marshal has been asked to take over the investigation.

The fire destroyed Ladner's mobile home late Tuesday, according to an official who asked not to be identified. Arson is suspected, he added.

Yonkers ruling

NEW YORK (AP) — A federal appeals court today upheld contempt of court fines against the city of Yonkers and four city council members who defied a federal judge's order to vote for an integrated housing plan.

The second U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, however, modified the fines against the city, placing a \$1-million-a-day cap.

Previously, U.S. District Court Judge Leonard Sand imposed fines on the city of \$100 that would double daily, quickly going into the millions and breaking the city's annual budget in less than a month.

Sand also imposed \$500-a-day fines against the four councilmen and ordered their eventual jailing if they continued to balk at complying with his ruling.

Incomes up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans' personal incomes climbed a healthy 0.6 percent in July while consumer spending slowed from its breakneck pace of the previous month, the government reported today.

The Commerce Department said that the increase in incomes matched a 0.6 percent rise in June and would have been even stronger except for a drop in government subsidy payments to farmers.

Personal consumption spending, which includes virtually everything except interest payments on debt, rose 0.5 percent in July, less than half the 1.1 percent rise in June.

Local

Pool closing

Sunday will be the last day the Towle Park swimming pool is open for the summer.

Normal pool hours will be observed, 2 until 8 p.m.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 99 degrees; low, 64 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 70 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1988 to date, 14.36 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy; low around 70 with wind south 5 to 15 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy; hot, high around 100 and wind west to southwest 5 to 15 mph.

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ISD to change to self-insured status

While admitting that it is a "gamble" for the first two to three years of implementation, Snyder school board members Thursday voted to shift to a partially self-funded health insurance plan for district employees.

The bid was awarded to Boon-Chapman of Austin for an annual premium to the district of \$338,400. This is approximately what the district paid last year and, if no change had been made, a 12 to 18 percent increase was

projected.

In their decision, trustees noted they believe the change to a self-insurance type coverage will stop the cycle of companies bidding low to receive the district's business, then coming back 12 months later with substantial rate hikes.

This type occurrence has prompted Snyder ISD to change its health insurance carrier every year for the past three years.

The plan adopted Thursday will also see school personnel

receive additional insurance coverage when utilizing Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

At Cogdell, hospital expenses will be paid 100 percent once the \$300 deductible is met. If other hospitals are used, 80 percent of the hospital room and board expenses will be paid with the patient picking up the additional 20 percent as part of their "co-insurance" responsibility.

This 80 percent hospital expense was the same rate bid by six other companies seeking the

district's insurance business Thursday. A \$300 "calendar year, per person" deductible for up to three persons in a family was also bid by all seven companies.

For a self-insurance plan, one other company, Penn General, had a lower bid, but it did not offer the "preferred provider" stipulation guaranteeing a 100 percent payment for use of the local hospital.

To the school employee, whose premium is paid by the district,

the cost for adding family members and the coverage provided will be almost exactly the same. The one extra benefit will be the 100 percent coverage for using Cogdell Memorial.

Under a partially self-insured plan, the district will pay the \$338,400 annual premium into an account. Insurance claims will then be withdrawn directly from this account with Boon-Chapman serving as the administrator.

The plan is "partially" self-insured. See INSURANCE, page 9.

Canyon Gun Club slates 7th annual weekend gun show

An 86-year-old revolver, presumably once belonging to William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, will be among the offerings at the annual Gun, Knife and Coin Show, held this weekend at Scurry County Coliseum.

The show, sponsored by the Canyon Gun Club, runs from 9 a.m. until 6 p.m. Saturday and from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are \$2 per person. Children age 12 and under will be admitted free with a parent or guardian.

A concession stand, manned by the Snyder Fire Department

Ladies Auxiliary, will offer refreshments.

"I think it will be a nice show, a quality show," said Gene Bowlin, who will be among those showing and selling guns. "There will be some knife dealers as well as gun dealers and some coins and artifacts such as arrowheads and spears."

Enthusiasts are encouraged to buy, sell or trade during the two day event — the seventh annual show put on by the local club.

Among the guns for sale is a .41-caliber Colt Bisley, manufactured in 1902. With the gun is a letter which indicates that it once belonged to famous western showman "Buffalo Bill" Cody. A letter from Colt verifies that it was shipped from the manufacturer to the Colt San Francisco office on Jan. 15, 1902.

Bowlin said a private individual is offering the Bisley, and a number of other guns, for sale during the show.

"This party has about 50 guns to liquidate," said Bowlin, who estimates the total value at about \$25,000. The asking price for the Colt Bisley is \$1,250.

Other guns in the collection include 10 Winchester commemoratives and several Colt commemoratives, five Belgium-made Browning shotguns "in mint condition" and a number of other pieces.

"You don't run into a much nicer collection of guns than this," said Bowlin.

The collection will make up only a part of the show, which will feature new and used guns in all price ranges.

The club will also be offering memberships. Current memberships expire Aug. 31, Bowlin noted. A year's membership is \$20. Spouses of members may obtain a membership for \$5.

The club owns its own gun range, which is available to members. Bowlin noted that the club has also agreed to allow Western Texas College to use the range when it begins its guard training program for the Texas Department of Corrections.



GUN SHOW OFFERING — This 86-year-old revolver, said once the possession of William F. "Buffalo Bill" Cody, will be among the offerings at the annual Gun, Knife and Coin Show this weekend at Scurry County Coliseum. Canyon Gun Club member Gene Bowlin is shown with it. The show, sponsored by the gun club, will be both Saturday and Sunday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Breakfast of interest to cowmen

The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District will have another Scurry County Ranch Breakfast at 7 a.m. next Wednesday at the Jess Everett Ranch 4 miles south of Snyder on Round Top Rd.

Ezell-Key Grain Co. will again provide the breakfast.

Speakers will address breeding for leaner beef and developing a plan to have heifers bred by 15 months of age.

In addition, information will be given on how to manage both the game and the hunters on wildlife leases.

Activities are expected to conclude by 9 a.m.

Dr. Robert A. Long, chairman of the Animal Science Department at Texas Tech University, will discuss breeding principles to produce leaner beef.

Kent Mills, sales representative for Ezell-Key, will discuss a program developed by Ezell-Key to grow weaning heifers to a better body condition to improve conception rates for their first pregnancy.

Also on the program will be Dr. Dale Rollins, extension wildlife specialist with the Texas A&M.

See BREAKFAST, page 9.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Smart is knowing what's going to happen. Educated is knowing what it means."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors

The Dog Days of summer make the average outdoor worker think about looking for an air-conditioned job. James Roberts, in the Andrews County News, told about the roughneck who did just that.

The roughneck had always wanted to be a deputy sheriff. He'd dreamed of wearing a badge, a six-shooter and one of those big white hats.

But the opportunity to make that dream come true had never presented itself. But the uncertain working conditions of the oil patch, combined with the heat and humidity got to him and he vowed that it was time to make his dream come true.

The next day the roughneck told his wife that it was time. He was going down and see the sheriff and make application for a job as deputy—and he did.

He told the sheriff of his life-long ambition and the sheriff was sympathetic.

"We'll be happy to take your application," the sheriff said. "But we'll have to ask you a few questions. For example, what days in the week start with the letter 'T'?"

The roughneck thought for a minute, scratched his head and replied, "Wal, I guess that'd be Today and Tomorrow."

"I guess we can take that answer," the sheriff said. "Now another question, who shot Lincoln?"

The guy scratched his head, muttered and finally said, "I guess I just don't know the answer to that one."

"No hurry," said the sheriff. "Why don't you go home and think on it and we'll get back together in a few days."

Upon arrival at home, an interested wife met him at the door. "How did it go? Did you get the job?"

"Wal, all right, I guess," said the applicant. "They already assigned me a murder case."



PUZZLE

ACROSS

- 1 Jones averages
- 4 Military assistant
- 8 Helps
- 12 Buzzing insect
- 13 Slide
- 14 Irish islands
- 15 Curse
- 17 Solo
- 18 Barks shrilly
- 19 Uncle
- 21 Viper
- 22 Bee
- 25 Defense department (abbr.)
- 27 Beat in a race
- 30 Antenna
- 33 Actress Joanne
- 34 "___" in Cincinnati
- 36 Rodents
- 37 Giant of fairy tales
- 39 Black
- 41 Chinese pagoda
- 42 Leased
- 44 Governor
- 46 Astronauts "all right" (comp. wd.)
- 47 Alutian island
- 48 Beginning socialite
- 50 Ram's mate
- 52 Reeled
- 56 Footless
- 58 Of guardians
- 61 Dissipated man
- 62 Producer
- 63 Agnus
- 64 This (Sp.)
- 65 Abstract being
- 66 Play by ___

DOWN

- 1 WWII event (conr. p. wd.)
- 2 Eugene O'Neill's daughter
- 3 Enclose in paper
- 4 Residue
- 5 Tina Turner's

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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- 45 Sudden breeze
- 47 Yellow fever mosquito
- 48 Take a chance
- 49 Epic poem
- 51 Cloth ridge
- 53 Extensive
- 54 Layer of eye
- 55 Israel's Golda
- 57 Actress Ruby
- 59 Western Hemisphere org.
- 60 Opp. of post

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Pro football roundup...

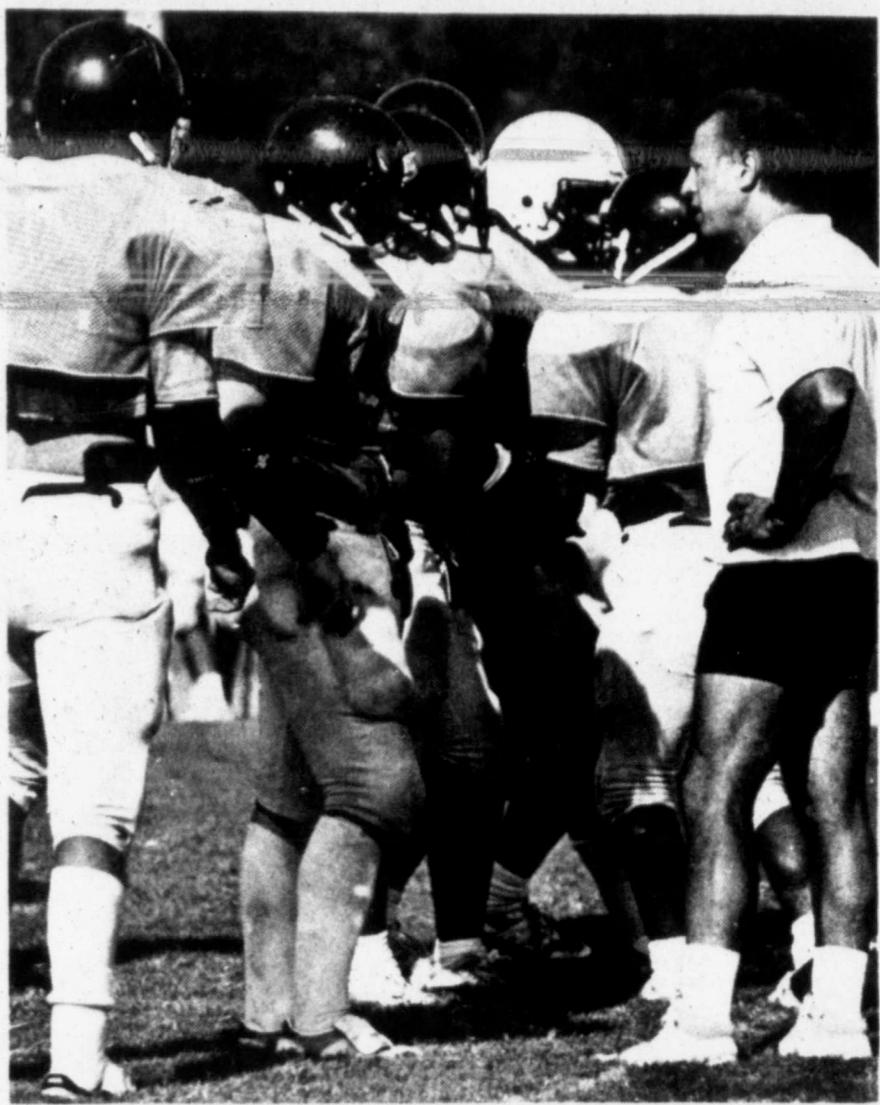
Eagles fly past Lions, 27-9

by The Associated Press
Motown has been Showtown in professional sports recently. The Detroit Pistons, Tigers and Red Wings have been division winners in the last year.

The Philadelphia Eagles, behind the passing of Randall Cunningham and three sacks by Reggie White, routed the Lions 27-9 Thursday night in the final preseason game for both teams.

Right now, we have no continuity or rhythm," Lions quarterback Chuck Long said. On Sept. 4, the Lions open the regular season at home to another struggling squad, the Atlanta Falcons.

flourishing, especially if Cunningham keeps improving. He completed 19 of 25 passes for 245 yards, including a 49-yard TD to Mike Quick in the first quarter.



SCRIMMAGE TONIGHT - Varsity assistant football coach Joe Granato explains what he wants to the defensive line during action last weekend. Tonight, Snyder will host Colorado City in scrimmages at Tiger Stadium. (SDN Staff Photo)

Oilers, Cowboys each hope to end preseason with win

IRVING, Texas. (AP) - The Houston Oilers shoot for their third undefeated NFL preseason Saturday night against the Dallas Cowboys, who are on their best exhibition roll since 1985.

confidence heading in the preseason finale. "The best thing about this team is that it keeps finding a way to win," Glanville said.

time advantage over Houston in the annual exhibition, but the Oilers have won 17-14 and 18-13 the last two seasons.

After Tampa Bay took a 7-0 lead on a 41-yard pass from Vinny Testaverde to Frank Pillow, rookie Thurman Thomas swept seven yards for a touchdown at the end of an 82-yard drive.

High school football poll

Here is the Associated Press preseason high school football poll with first-place votes in parentheses, last season's records and points based on 10-9-8-7-6-5-4-3-2-1:

Table with 4 columns: Class, School, Record, Points. Includes Class 5A (Sugar Land Willowridge), Class 4A (West Orange Stark), Class 3A (Cuero), and Class 2A (Corrigan-Camden).

Table with 4 columns: Class, School, Record, Points. Includes Class 5A (Dallas Carter), Class 4A (McKinney), Class 3A (Daingerfield), and Class 2A (McGregor).

NFL preseason

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, T, Pct. Includes American Conference (Indianapolis, Miami, New England) and National Conference (N.Y. Giants, Dallas, Washington).

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, T, Pct. Includes Central (Minnesota, Chicago, Green Bay) and West (Atlanta, New Orleans, San Francisco).

Coody ready for Classic

LEXINGTON, Ky. (AP) - While Charles Coody isn't a weatherman, he knows what it's like to go through a drought. Coody's last victory on the PGA Tour came 17 years ago when he won the Masters...

Make-up physicals slated for Sept. 1

Make-up physicals for 7th and 9th graders planning to participate in Snyder school athletics will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 1, at the high school main building.

Night golf set tonight

Western Texas College will hold its second night golf tournament this evening, beginning at 9 o'clock. Golfers, playing in four-person teams, will be using lighted balls over the nine-hole course.

SHS will scrimmage C-City here tonight

Players get a chance to make a final impression on their coaches this evening when Snyder football teams scrimmage Colorado City here at Tiger Stadium.

freshman squads. Junior varsity teams scrimmage at 6:30 p.m. Varsity units are expected on the field at about 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball girls open tourney competition

PECOS - Snyder's Lady Tigers were to face Brownfield here this morning in the Cantaloupe Classic, which features 16 of the top volleyball teams in the area.

Seminole and El Paso Andress; in Pool II, Monahans, Midland High, Alpine and Grand Falls; and in Pool III, Fort Stockton, Crane, Ysleta and Midland Lee.

Green drops charges

NEW YORK (AP) - Boxer Mitch Green is offering no reason for dropping assault charges against world heavyweight champion Mike Tyson...

Green arrived at the 25th Precinct in Harlem with his lawyer David Lee at 4:50 p.m. Thursday, told police "I'm dropping the charges," and left, said police spokesman Sgt. John Cliff.

Baseball glance

Table with 4 columns: Team, W, L, Pct., GB. Includes American League (Detroit, Boston, New York) and National League (Los Angeles, Houston, San Francisco).

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Coody joined the Senior Tour last year, competing in 31 tournaments and earning \$93,064. He was six top-10 finishes this year, including second place to Walter Zembriskie in the Newport Cup five weeks ago.

Advertisement for Canyon Gun Club, Inc. - Snyder, Texas. 7th Annual Gun, Knife, Coin Show. August 27th & 28th 1988. Buy - Sell - Trade or Just Look Rare Guns... Knives... Coins.

Advertisement for Saturday Night Dance to Southern Knights. 9:00-12:30 at the American Legion. Members & Public Welcome.

Advertisement for BioGuard pool chemicals. Bring your pool to BioGuard. For your Chemical Needs. SJS Inc. 2210 25th, 573-3576.

Advertisement for Dance To Texas Crossroads Band. Fri., 9-12 VFW. Members & Guests.

Obituaries



A. C. FLOYD SR.

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Services for A. C. "Al" Floyd Sr., 76, of 2907 Avenue U will be at 2 p.m. Saturday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church with the Rev. Miller Robinson, pastor, officiating. Burial will follow at Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

He died at 11:15 a.m. Thursday at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He was born April 3, 1912 in Hutchinson, Kan.

He had lived in Snyder since 1950, moving from Eldorado, Ark. He was an engineer for Phillips Petroleum in 1941 and retired from the Monsanto-Diamond M Gas Plant in 1976. He had been the plant superintendent. He was a member of Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

He was married to Opal Ross in Drumwright, Okla. in 1933. She survives.

He was preceded in death by two brothers and one sister.

He is survived by three sons, Dean Floyd and A. C. Floyd, Jr., both of Snyder, and Phil Floyd of Newcastle, Okla.; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; two sisters, Betty Smith of Jennings, Okla. and Nellie Adams of Ft. Larned, Kan.; and five brothers, Earl Floyd, John Floyd and Mervin Floyd, all of Mannford, Okla., Charlie Floyd of Yale, Okla. and Vern Floyd of San Angelo.

Insurance plan okayed by ISD

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 sured since it includes a separate stop-loss provision whereby another insurance plan is purchased to cover any claims which exceed \$30,000 annually.

The administrator fee for Boon-Chapman as well as the cost for the stop loss insurance is included in the annual premium

quoted.

The risk factor occurs if several substantial claims up to the \$30,000 stop loss level are filed within the first few years, causing all of the \$338,400 placed into the account to be spent and possibly more required.

If the district has a "good history" of claims, a surplus of money can develop and, if this oc-

curs over several years, the district's cost for insurance can actually go down.

Regardless of good or bad years for claims, the employee is covered. The "worst case" scenario, however, is that the district would be required to use reserve funds or require more tax dollars to offset insurance claims.

business manager Lee McNair said Friday. This means that of past insurance premium costs, the actual claims paid amounted to approximately 78 percent of this amount.

The vote to approve the insurance change was 4-0 with trustee Luann Burleson, whose husband is a physician on-staff at Cogdell, abstaining.

Accept the resignation of David Cosby, a diagnostician at the junior high and high school.

Approve the employment of Joy Durham for the diagnostician post and Linda Patterson as an English teacher at the high school.

Purse theft causes arrest

A 21-year-old man was arrested for misdemeanor theft Thursday afternoon in connection with the earlier theft of a woman's purse at Gentle Dove Ministries in the 100 Block of College Ave.

The man was taken into custody at 2:30 p.m. at the police station following the 12:30 p.m. reported theft.

A city detective said \$6 in cash was missing from the purse.

A state highway patrolman arrested a 25-year-old woman for DWI and not having liability insurance Thursday at a location that was not reported.

Grass fire burns some four hours

Aided by two county road-graders, firemen battled a grass fire for about four hours Thursday afternoon 13 miles east of Snyder off the Roby Hwy.

A department spokesman said the call came in at 3:40 p.m. to property owned by Charlie Henderson and that firefighters were occupied until 7 p.m., at one point forcing the blaze back into a pasture after it entered a maize field.

The cause was not reported.

Petroleum prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Petroleum cash prices Thursday as compared with Wednesday's prices.

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Refined Products	
Fuel oil No. 2 NY hbr bg gl fob	4200 4310
Gasoline reg. NY hbr bg gl fob	4900 5050
Gasoline unleaded NY hbr bg gl fb	4700 4825
Prices provided by Oil Buyer's Guide.	
Petroleum - Crude Grades	
Saudi Arabian light	13.05 13.25
North Sea Brent \$ per bbl fob	14.30 14.95
West Texas Intermed \$ per bbl fob	15.30 15.70
Alaska No. Slope del. US Gulf Cst	13.85 14.30

Arrest follows Thursday wreck

A 1974 Oldsmobile Regency driven by Lois Riggins of Rt. 2 hit a parked 1980 Pontiac Firebird owned by Herman Campos of 2911 Ave. J at 7:40 p.m. Thursday in the 2900 Block of J, after which Riggins was arrested for DWI, disorderly conduct and not having liability insurance.

A 1981 Chevrolet Malibu driven by Eddie Hernandez of Rt. 2 was hit by a vehicle and driver who had not been identified in what police said was a hit-and-run incident at 10:50 p.m. Thursday at 37th St. and College Ave.

An unknown vehicle and driver hit a parked 1980 Oldsmobile owned by Al Silmon of 3701 Muriel Dr. in an incident discovered at 5:45 p.m. Thursday in the 3700 Block of Muriel.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Jayne White, Ira; Bennie Sumruld, Fluvanna Rt.; Dennis Reynolds, 1505 20th; RaeDawn Hembree, 2512 Ave. M; Sherry Early, Rt. 2 Box 148; Jeremy Ditmore, Amarillo; Willie Faye Clay, 3409 Ave. L.

DISMISSALS: Benjamin Rodriguez, Petra Martinez and baby.

Births

Jayne and Robert White of Ira are the parents of a baby boy weighing 6 pounds, 13½ ounces born at 11:57 a.m. Thursday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Hospital hears financial report

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 dition continues to improve.

At 27, the average daily population of patients in July was the same as last year. However, the number of surgeries and births increased from 37 and 14 in July 1987 to 43 and 17 last month, while emergency room visits for the year to date have jumped from 501 last year to 585 through July this year.

In other action, the board approved a change in medical staff by-laws to increase courtesy staff privileges from eight patients per year to 30 days of patients' treatments annually, although the hospital has no physicians presently listed as courtesy staff members.

Three new physicians, all affiliated with the Emergicare group that is providing emergency room staffing, were admitted to the medical staff, as was Odessa pathologist Robert Bright.

Policies recommended by Hochwalt for the care of long-term patients were approved, and the board okayed an audit of the hospital foundation by local certified public accountant Jerry Vestal, at an estimated cost of \$1,000.

Attending were board members Dan Cotton, Jim Palmer Roy McQueen G.A. Parks and Jackie Smith. Janet Hall was absent.

Also attending were St. Mary of the Plains Hospital president Charlie Trimble and developmental vice president Dan Griffis, both of Lubbock. A management contract between Cogdell and St. Mary has been in effect since the first of the year.

Billy Bob McMullan, board president, was not required to vote and voting for the measure were Ken Branam, Ygnacio Benitez, Terry Martin and Mike Jordan. Trustee Ann Walton was absent.

In other school-related business, the board voted to: —Renew its contract with Scurry County for the district's tax collections.

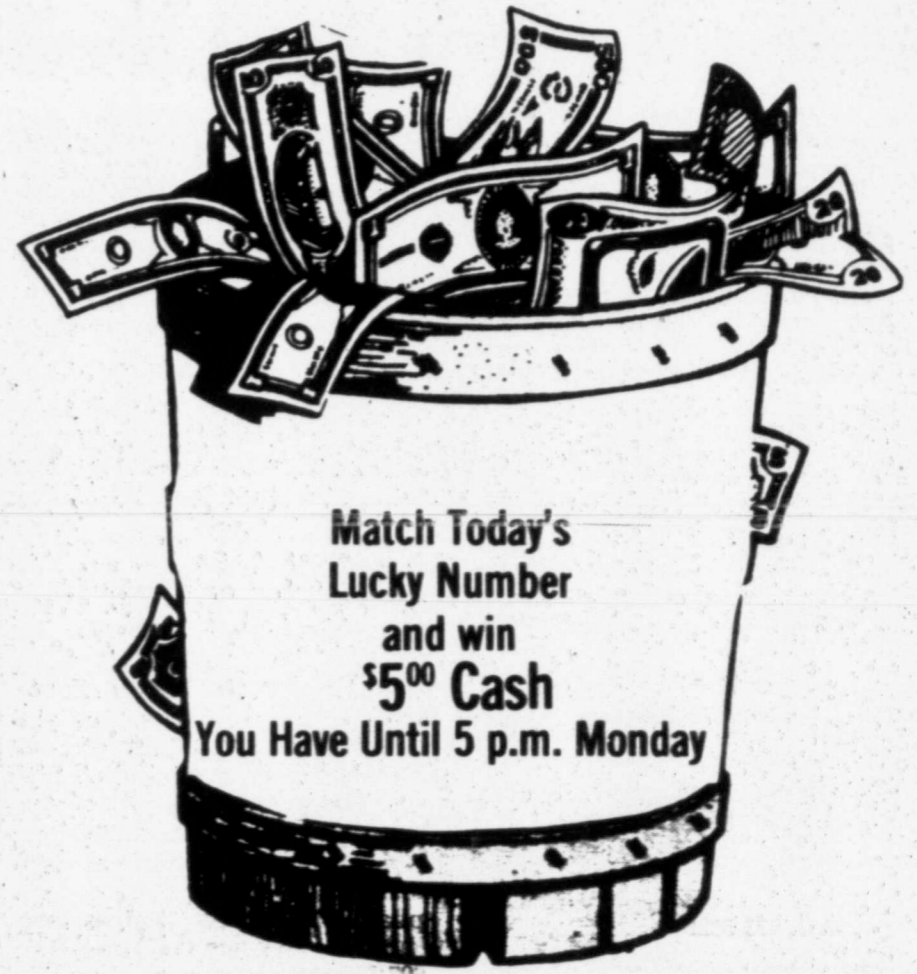
Table pending further study a contract for occupational education instruction, specifically welding and automotive classes, offered through Western Texas College. The board directed Superintendent Dalton Moseley to receive more information regarding the proposed cost to the district.

Breakfast has 'beef' as topic

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 Experiment Station at San Angelo. He will discuss management techniques for improving both the numbers and quality of game on wildlife leases.

Concluding the program will be Skipper Duncan of San Angelo, who will present his approach to management of "hunters on hunting leases." He operates Adobe Lodge Hunting Camp, which attracts hunters from 13 states.

The cooking crew for the ranch breakfast will again include Jerry Baird as head cook with Ricky Linex preparing biscuits in Dutch ovens. The menu will include sausage, bacon, eggs, biscuits, gravy, hash browns, cowboy coffee and juice.



We take Snyder to Heart!

Beginning Thursday, Sept. 1

To Better Serve Our Customers...

NEW HOURS

For Snyder National Bank's Drive-In Facility

Open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Monday thru Friday

Snyder National Bank

Lobby Hours Remain The Same

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Friday

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Blind carpenter builds cradles for grandkids

WACO, Texas (AP) — A few pieces of lumber can be molded into beautiful things with the right touch.

For William D. Haley, the right touch is all-important, since the 90-year-old carpenter lost most of his eyesight in 1986.

"I didn't retire, I just stopped," said Haley, who had worked as a finishing carpenter in Waco since 1940.

Since his last big project, remodeling the miniature house behind the Historic Waco Foundation's Fort House, and laying a

quadrant brick walkway between the houses in 1983, he has made about a dozen miniature early-American doll cradles and two full-size cradles for two of his 13 great-grandchildren.

"The boy liked the cradle better than the crib" because of the rocking motion, Haley said.

Nowadays his carpentry work is limited.

"I've gotten so blind that I have to do things that I can feel, mostly," he said.

Patting his fat tortoise-shell cat named Angel, Haley said he was

in the middle of a carpentry project when he lost his sight.

"I was doing a book cabinet for my grandson, and I began to notice this eye twitching," he said, gesturing toward his right eye.

His left eye suffered from scarring from an old accident and cataracts. Doctors have told him he has less than 15 percent vision now, he said.

"You'd be surprised how much I can read," he said, proudly. "I have vision enough that I'm still reading my sports page and wat-

ching wrestling matches and a few other things."

He declined to be photographed in his shop, a converted garage, because it's "all torn up now."

He mused, "It's quite interesting, the feel of tools."

Haley was an accomplished finishing carpenter at 19. He learned the trade through his father, a contractor, he said. But after several short-term jobs, Haley started work for a power company in Dallas.

"I sent the city of Dallas into darkness for 11 minutes," he

said, chuckling. He explained that he'd made a mistake and put the wrong transformer on some switching equipment, that ultimately cost him his job.

"I'm happy that it happened, now. It was wearing my nerves out," he said of the high-stress job.

After the power company job, he worked for a bus assembly company for a short time before moving to Waco and getting into "piece work" carpentry in 1940.

"Piece work is doing the in-

dividual projects of flooring or roofing or whatever it is," he said.

He joined the Union of Carpenters in 1940 "and I'm still carrying my card at 91," said Haley, who is looking forward to his 91st birthday in the fall.

Jack Yardley, who was a Fort House board member in 1983, said Haley is a master craftsman. "When he finishes making something, it's well done and the corners are square," he said.

Donkeys said smart despite their reputation

FOREST CHAPEL, Texas (AP) — They've been serving man since biblical times, those flop-eared, often stubborn animals called donkeys.

But their popularity seemed to give way to other forms of transportation and animal-power, namely horses and mules. Of course, the mule was a close kin to the donkey, the result of breeding a jack, or male donkey, with a mare.

Now, donkeys and mules are again growing in popularity — as a novelty, for garden plowing, and for the increasingly popular jumping contests at fairs, as guardians of sheep, and as sure-footed mounts for hunting and

traveling in rough terrain. "Donkeys and mules have more sense than a horse," says Al Salomon of Forest Chapel. Salomon, who with his wife, Pauline, run Chisum Optical in Paris, also raises donkeys on his 30-acre farm.

"If you've been to Colorado, you see them riding donkeys and mules around the mountains.... They are a lot more docile and fun to fool with (than horses)," Salomon says.

In addition to donkeys and mules, there are "hinnies," Salomon said. Hinnies, which are not as common as mules and donkeys, are the result of cross-breeding a jenny, a female

donkey sometimes referred to as a jennet, with a stallion. Hinnies are much like mules, but their ears are shorter. The animals, Salomon explains, are very durable and often used in races.

The Salomons now have seven jennies and three colts, and Salomon wants to expand and upgrade his herd in the fall. He's hoping to improve the blood lines, adding large jennies or a Mammoth jack, one of the bigger donkeys.

Salomon now has Cecilian, Spanish and Mammoth donkeys in his herd. The Cecilian donkeys, he says, are those with the line down their back and a line across their shoulders. It is said, he

adds, that the lines on the back of the Cecilian donkeys form a cross, a cross representing that carried by Jesus at the time he was crucified.

The Mammoth donkeys are larger and do not have the cross. They're considered "draft" donkeys due to their size and power.

Donkeys generally have three colors, Salomon says, with the most prevalent being black, gray sorrel or red sorrel.

Salomon is obviously attached to his donkeys, who live on a hillside not far from his comfortable country home. There's Suzy, Sallie, Red, Rosie, Bullet, Speedy and Jessie, all vying for

his attention when he opens the pasture gate.

"I'm the same way with my cats.... I'd rather have some animals for friends as I had some people," he says.

The Salomons like birds too.

Last winter they were putting out 12 pounds of wild bird feed a day as their feathered friends found a virtual gold mine of food. "It costs me more to feed the birds than it did to feed a mare, two donkeys, and a mule colt," he said.

The donkeys are not the only thing that sets the ranch apart. There's the name "Oleo Ranch," followed by the much smaller letters that read "One of the

Cheaper Spreads."

And there's the shop building, filled with harness and custom bridles from the days when Salomon owned Belgian horses, a John Deere buggy dating back to the turn of the century, a "Governess Cart" much like the used by England's royal family years ago, and an old peddler's wagon that traveled up and down Denton County roads with its pots and pans dangling from each side in a noisy chorus.

A native of Dallas, Salomon bought his first donkey, "Festus," about 10 years ago while living in Denton County.

View at beauty salon changes over years

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — Oh, for the days of beehives, the "bubble," and cone-shaped cups.

Hairdressers Dorothy Derington and Alwana Vaughn remember them well, days when women wore their hair piled-high, puffed out and pasted in place.

Back when bigger was better when it came to hair, Odessans led the way, said 67-year-old Ms. Derington, who has been a hairdresser for 48 years — most of them in Midland.

"There's no place in the world that had bigger hair than

Odessa," she said. "The people in Odessa wore bigger hair than in Midland. Sometimes it looked just like a tumbleweed."

When Ms. Vaughn, 46, began her beauty career in 1962, backcombing — the practice of teasing hair until it billowed out — was in full swing.

She remembers sporting a high-rise hair-do with the best of them.

"You can't sell something if you're not wearing it," she said. "The bigger it was, the better it was."

"Backcombing was very

glamorous," Ms. Vaughn said. "I think the lifestyle now has changed that — it's more casual."

These days she wears her blonde hair permed and shoulder length, a style that simply gets blown dry and "scrunched" every morning.

"In the '60s, this would have been very tacky," she said. "I would not have gone out of the house."

Ms. Derington and Ms. Vaughn, mother-daughter hairdressers who operate adjoining beauty shops, agree that regular maintenance was vital to keeping

bouffants in shape.

"In the '60s, in order to look good, you had to go to a beauty salon," Ms. Vaughn said.

The '60s also were the heyday of hairspray or any other mixture that could promise sure-fire hold from one beauty shop appointment to the next.

Ms. Vaughn recalls mixing a special strawberry Jell-O and lacquer setting gel for customers. "You set someone's hair in Jell-O and lacquer, then spray it in lacquer, it's not going to move," Ms. Vaughn said.

Ms. Derington agreed. "It was

just plaster hair."

But even "plaster hair" had to be protected, and women wrapped their heads in hair nets or toilet paper and slept on satin pillow cases to keep their styles in shape.

To keep hair in place, Ms. Vaughn said, "You acted like a lady."

"They just shampooed once a week," Ms. Derington said. "Hardly ever did they put a comb through it."

Odessa cosmetologist Elva Graham said she feels no fondness for days when women went a

week without washing their hair. "Can you imagine seven days without washing your hair?" she said. "I was glad to see that go out."

And Ms. Graham, 37, a hairdresser at Ideas in Hair, said styles stiff with hairspray may have been glamorous, but also artificial. "When our blouse is blowing, your hair should be blowing. I like it to be natural," she said.

Today's women no longer are at the mercy of beauty shop appointments like they were when she got her cosmetology license

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Town feels compassion for strange family

CORBIN, Ky. (AP) — For years, a mother and three grown children in this small town were known as a strange brood: their furniture was upside down, they refused to use household plumbing and shouted at all hours of the night.

But the odd habits of Anna K. Moore, 68, and her children generated only sympathy from townspeople, which deepened when utility workers found the decomposed body of Mrs. Moore's daughter, Dawn, in their house, officials said.

"I feel terrible about this whole situation," said John C. Mullins, the police chief in this southeast Kentucky town of 8,000 people. "To me, the outcome of this is the Moore family is going to be stuck in a mental institution."

Officers on Wednesday arrested Mrs. Moore, her 38-year-old daughter Michella and Michella's twin brother John, police said. They were taken to a Lexington hospital for a medical evaluation ordered by Whitley District Judge R. Blaine Stewart. The family's strange habits

had grown stranger in the last two or three years, according to Mayor Tom Thurston. In addition to the upside-down furniture, shouting and refusal to use plumbing, the house was falling apart and there was no glass in the windows.

On Aug. 5, gas workers checking a meter at the house found 35-year-old Dawn Moore's body in a bedroom after Mrs. Moore asked them if they would like to see her daughter, officials said.

The family had put Miss Moore to bed after she collapsed July 8,

then rubbed her with lotions and flour in an attempt to heal her, authorities said.

Mrs. Moore later said she did not realize her daughter had died until Miss Moore's body turned black.

The woman died of natural causes, said Whitley County Coroner Carl Paul, citing a preliminary autopsy report.

The medical examination of the family was requested by Mrs. Moore's brother, Richard Taylor of Louisiana, after he heard about his niece's death, said his

attorney, Darrell Saunders.

For the people of Corbin, the order that the Moores be examined represents an emotional release, Thurston said.

"We have a community that would have helped, if they had been allowed," said the mayor. "But they (the Moores) were unusually independent and would not accept aid by anybody."

The family was considered harmless, John Moore used to listen to his portable radio while he picked up trash downtown and his sisters sat on a curb and wat-

ched. Mrs. Moore and Michella were arrested as they walked to a grocery store, said police Lt. Pauline Burgan. They did not resist, but did not seem to know what was happening, she said.

"The mother started hollering, 'Don't hurt my daughter,' and that was it," the lieutenant said.

John Moore, arrested in woods behind his house, was handcuffed after he screamed, neighbors said.

Bastrop Hospital to close doors next week

BASTROP, Texas (AP) — A low number of patient stays and federal and state regulations are forcing officials to close the Bastrop Hospital, which lost more than \$120,000 over the last three months, hospital officials say.

The hospital will close at 3 p.m. next Tuesday, hospital authority chairman Jack Griesenbeck said Thursday.

Closing of the hospital will mean that the nearest emergency-room care now will be 12 miles away in Smithville or

30 miles away in Austin. Bastrop is served by one privately owned ambulance and with Star Flight helicopters from Brackenridge Hospital in Austin.

Bastrop Mayor David Lock said a clinic operated by the hospital authority will probably remain open.

The hospital authority is a nine-member governing board composed of four members appointed by the Bastrop City Council and five at-large community members.

Four management firms have

failed to turn a profit at the hospital, even though more than \$500,000 recently was received from the City of Bastrop, which bought 5½ acres from the hospital authority.

"We tried to do everything we could," said Griesenbeck. "It's bad news."

Nursing director Karen Kramer said the hospital "is like a living, human being. For years, people saw people being born and dying here." Kramer said. Shutting the hospital "is like ending a life," she said.

Griesenbeck, a board member when the hospital was opened in 1967, said the hospital was losing about \$45,000 a month.

The 25-bed hospital had eight patients Thursday but was averaging about four a day. A daily average of seven patients was needed for the hospital to break even, Griesenbeck said.

Hospital administrator Joe Rice said current patients either will be released or transferred by Tuesday's closing.

"There is not any danger to patient care," Rice said. "The

employees here did not cause the problem."

Rice told a legislative panel last week that the federal regulation governing Medicaid-Medicare payments is a major reason small-town hospitals are unable to meet costs. Rural hospitals receive less funding than urban hospitals for the same procedures.

Griesenbeck, too, vented some anger on state and federal officials.

"It looks like the federal and state governments are trying to

close down small-town hospitals," Griesenbeck said. "And they're doing a good job."

Charles Bailey, general counsel for the Texas Hospital Association, said eight rural hospitals have closed in Texas so far this year.

Bastrop Hospital has about 60 full- and part-time employees, including four doctors. No announcement had been made Thursday regarding whether any of the hospital staff will stay beyond Tuesday.

Mesa, Amarillo in legal fight over gas supply

AMARILLO, Texas (AP) — A divisive lawsuit between the city of Amarillo and T. Boone Pickens Jr.'s Mesa Limited Partnership and Energas Co. over the city's gas supply may be headed for

court despite attempts by both sides to settle the dispute.

The legal tangle has caused residents who resent the local influence takeover artist Pickens wields to draw battle lines with

others who say good relations with Mesa, which employs more than 400 people, are essential to the city's growth.

Amarillo city commissioners on Thursday approved a

counteroffer to Mesa's offer to lower gas prices, but a top Mesa official said he wasn't optimistic the energy companies would accept the offer.

The city has sued Mesa and

Energas Co. of Dallas, alleging that Mesa removes too much liquid from the gas it then sells to Energas, thereby damaging its heating value. The city also contends it pays too much for its gas,

supplied by Energas. Mesa financial consultant Sidney Tassin, who hadn't seen the city's offer late Thursday, said the sticking point was the degree of reduction in gas prices.

Miller Brewing Co. plans big bash for Texas

DALLAS (AP) — While the two major political parties have been the center of attention this summer, a third party has been taking shape.

In ads featuring actor Randy Quaid, Miller Brewing Co. has invited all of Texas to "Start thinkin' party" and "Stay tuned for more details."

One group staying tuned is Mothers Against Drunk Driving, a nationwide organization that claims more than one million contributors.

"I'm not going to pre-judge what they do. We're not opposed to alcohol advertising," said Steve Lawrence, executive director of MADD.

But he added, "If they're just going to have a beer bash at a rock concert, then people are going to be drinking and driving. We're against drinking and driving."

Miller spokesman Bob Bertini said whatever direction Miller takes on the "We're Having a Party" campaign, it will do so in

a responsible manner. "As a company, we have a long tradition of encouraging responsible use of our product," Bertini said.

But, aside from a date — Sept. 2, 1989 — and a general location — SOMEWHERE, Texas — Miller officials say they are still working out the details for the

party. "We don't know if we'll have a washboard band or the Rolling Stones," Bertini said.

In the ads, Quaid invites Texans to his place for a party and a Miller Lite, but realizes his place is too small when he learns two million Texans drink Lite. "I mean imagine having to go

to the bathroom and there's like 20-, 30,000 thousand people ahead of you," Quaid said.

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