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Ask Us

I-20 sign targeted...

BCD to endorse 'retire' in Snyder as new promotion

The Board of County Development Wednesday voted to begin a promotional emphasis on Snyder as a good place for retired people to live, beginning with a renovation of one of the two billboards on Interstate 20 which feature Snyder.

Chairman Jack Denman suggested the plan, noting Snyder offers such things as an outstanding senior citizens' center and numerous recrea-

tional attractions.

The board authorized Chamber of Commerce manager Bill Moss to spend about \$1,000 for the BCD's half of the billboard renovation, with the city paying the other half.

The "message" will be changed to mention Snyder as a retirement center.

The other I-20 billboard features Snyder as along the route to Carlsbad Caverns.

Other business in the noon meeting at Snyder Country Club included passage of a resolution similar to one recently approved by the county commissioners court and city council, to register opposition to the installation of an industrial waste disposal site in Fisher County.

Board members Eddie Johnson, Jack Smartt, Max von Roeder and Denman attended the meeting. Bill Parker was absent.



J.V. CHEERS — Junior varsity cheerleaders at Snyder High School this year are, from top left, Emily King, Shelby Hildebrand, Kristi

Prather, Melissa Neves and Christin Stokes. (SDN Staff Photo)

Pleas conclude jury trial

Issues date to 1987 jury trial

A pair of plea bargain agreements Wednesday in the aggravated perjury case of a local suspect cleared up two cases pending against him as well as an appeal he currently had on file with the Texas Court of Criminal Appeals and a criminal jury trial which began here Monday.

The net effect was that Jimmy Trevino, 26, now of Lubbock, pleaded guilty to both criminal charges against him and accepted two probated prison terms equaling a maximum of six years.

Trevino was sentenced to a five-year prison term after being found guilty of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon on Feb. 18, 1987 by a 132nd District Court jury. Because his attorney had failed to properly file an application for probation, that jury could not consider the possibility of a probated sentence.

The charges against him stemmed from his allegedly shooting a .22 cal. rifle into an Ave. Q residence following a dispute with two Snyder men on Nov. 29, 1986.

An appeal to that sentence was later filed by Trevino, citing ineffective assistance of counsel. An appeals court later overturned the sentence while letting stand the jury's guilty verdict in the case.

Trevino had filed also a second appeal, still pending, to the guilty verdict in that case.

The jury trial which began Monday alleged perjury, citing testimony Trevino gave on the stand during the 1987 trial that indicated he did not fire the shots into the residence.

The jury seated for that case found him guilty Tuesday evening of perjury. Wednesday morning, Trevino waived a jury sentence for the punishment phase of the trial and, Wednesday afternoon, agreed to the two plea bargain arrangements offered by District Attorney Ernie Armstrong.

He agreed to a five-year probated sentence for the charge of assault with a deadly weapon and a six-year probated sentence to the perjury conviction.

In addition, he agreed to drop the second appeal still pending in the assault case.

Both of his probated terms will be served concurrently.

Trevino was defended in the See PLEAS, Page 11

United Way drive 'ready' for pickup

All packets for the 1988 United Way campaign have been distributed and workers will now be picking these up, directors for the effort were told Wednesday.

The drive was listed at 22 percent complete with \$18,692 received. The goal this year is \$85,000.

United Way President Jack

Gorman noted, "The important thing now is to work the packets. To not let them sit there but to get out and get them back in."

Of the nine United Way divisions, the first 100 percent-plus effort was noted, the division's rural campaign which targets the residents of Scurry County living in the rural com-

munities.

That effort has to date generated in excess of \$2,100 with a campaign goal of \$1,700. A "generous" gift of \$2,000 from a donor who asked to remain anonymous boosted the rural effort, Gorman noted.

Other division totals quoted Wednesday were \$8,883 for the

Pacesetter division; \$3,278 from royalty owners; \$2,696 from the National division; and \$1,679 from Special Contributions.

The 25-member board of United Way will meet weekly throughout the campaign, which traditionally runs through October and into November.

See DRIVE, Page 11

'Noises Off' to open at WTC Friday night

The Western Texas College theatre department production of "Noises Off" will open a four-performance run Friday at 8 p.m. The show will be performed at the same time nightly through Monday in the Fine Arts Theatre.

The production is billed as a "dessert comedy" since the audience will be served a dessert buffet during intermission.

Tickets will be \$7.50 for adults and \$5.50 for students for both the show and buffet. These may be reserved by calling the box office at 573-8511, ext. 234.

"Noises Off," written by Michael Frayn, is a three-act farce which includes a play within a play.

Its performance on Broadway produced such favorable reviews as Clive Barnes in the New York Post, who wrote, "Michael Frayn's English farce is so hilarious that it must make critics wish they had never used the word hilarious before."

The play is under the direction of Jim Rambo, WTC drama instructor.

Family practitioner to relocate from Snyder

Local family practitioner Dr. Neil Gibson has notified his patients that he will be closing his local practice effective Nov. 9 for a planned move from Snyder.

His leaving will mark the third loss of a practicing physician here this year, to include Dr. Harold Miller and Dr. Mark Pate.

To offset these losses, this week Cogdell Memorial officials announced the affiliation of a Sweetwater surgeon who has begun daily office hours in Snyder. Newly named on staff here is Dr. Thomas Aycock. He

has assumed Dr. Pate's office facilities here.

Miller left Snyder to join Shamrock Clinics in San Angelo and Pate has joined a group practice, the Southern Clinic, in Texarkana.

Gibson will be joining a group practice of physicians in Stamford.

Gibson arrived in Snyder under the medical school scholarship program implemented by the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary. He fulfilled his commitment under that plan during the first few years he was in Snyder.

Amendment to offer state fund 'cushion'

(This marks the second in a series of three articles profiling amendments to be decided by Texas voters Nov. 8.)

Proposition 2 on the November ballot would establish an economic stabilization fund in the state treasury to offset unforeseen shortages in state finances.

It would consist of 50 percent of any unencumbered and unused general revenues remaining from the previous fiscal biennium, 75 percent of any amount of state revenues from oil and gas production that was in excess of the amount received in 1987, interest and investment income credited to the fund and additional amounts appropriated to

the fund by the legislature.

The state comptroller would be authorized to adjust the amounts transferred into the fund in each biennium so that the total fund amount would not exceed 10 percent of all amounts that were deposited into the general fund in the preceding biennium.

Proponents argue that the fund would create a cushion for times when the comptroller overestimates future income and cash revenues cannot meet appropriated purposes.

Opposing arguments include the contention that the fund would be too small and created too late to be of major assistance.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A good way for your daughter to be popular is for you to be rich."

Every teacher and every parent knows the frustration of the situation where the youngster nods in the affirmative that they "understand perfectly" your instructions.

Often, when the task is done without consideration to the instructions, the reply could be, "But you never told us that."

A couple of Snyder High School teachers were discussing this teenage phenomenon. Science teacher Thomas Strayhorn told co-teacher Nancy Peterson that he had taken great pains to explain how to do a correct bibliography.

When the assignment was turned in, there was almost a 100 percent moan to the points counted off for the improper bibliography. There were lots of "You didn't explain that to us."

Mrs. Peterson told Strayhorn she had encountered a similar misinformation about foot-

notes and bibliography. "One student thought bibliography was a course on the geography of the Holy Lands."

Junior High Principal Charles Anderson provided us with some other gems collected from his encounters with parents, students and teachers.

Last year, just at the start of hunting season, one mother called about a seasonal illness. "My son always gets buck fever this time of year."

A student sent this note to the principal: "I don't want to take any 'exzelerated' classes. I want to be a 'regaler' student."

Last spring the junior high office took this urgent telephone call. "It's raining and I just had my hair done. Couldn't you send an aide or someone to pick up my kids?"

While an elementary principal, a teacher called him to deal with a stubborn kindergarten pupil. Argued the student, "I don't want to color pictures. That's all I've done all my life."

In Brief

Drug bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — House-Senate negotiators have agreed on crucial law enforcement issues in a compromise anti-drug bill, as they race to complete the single measure keeping Congress in session this election year.

Many senators seeking re-election are already campaigning in their home states, while colleagues writing the drug bill stay behind.

Mother helps

DALLAS, Ore. (AP) — A woman went undercover for six weeks, often wired with a microphone, to help police nab the suspected drug dealers who sold drugs to her daughters, authorities said.

The woman, a 44-year-old bartender who asked that she be identified only as Pat, helped break up a major methamphetamine operation in Polk County on Wednesday, said Dallas Police Chief Jim Harper.

Car bomb

METULLA, Israel (AP) — Israeli leaders vowed today to punish the Iranian-backed Hezbollah for a suicide car bomb that blew up at a border crossing in Lebanon, killing seven Israeli soldiers and wounding 10 others.

Local

GOP event

A breakfast for Beau Boulter, Republican candidate for the U.S. Senate, is planned at 7:30 a.m. Saturday at Willow Park Inn.

Reservations may be made by calling 573-4825 or 573-4829.

Xmas items

The Church of God ladies auxiliary will have a Christmas Bazaar Saturday from 7 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Towle Park Barn.

Christmas items and baked goods will be offered.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 77 degrees; low, 47 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 56 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1988 to date, 20.30 inches.

West Texas: Mostly cloudy tonight with a slight chance of showers and a few thunderstorms south of the Panhandle. Mostly cloudy Southwest Texas Friday with a chance of showers and thunderstorms, fair to partly cloudy Northwest Texas. Not as warm Southwest Texas Friday. Lows tonight mid 40s to near 50 Panhandle, mountains and South Plains with mid 50s to lower 60s elsewhere. Highs Friday in the 70s except near 90 Big Bend.

AIDS reaching most isolated populations

IXTAPA, Mexico (AP) — In the streets of Khartoum, capital of the desert African nation of Sudan, seven percent of homeless children test positive for exposure to the AIDS virus.

In northern Thailand, the first positive AIDS tests popped up just this year.

In the jungles of Suriname, reachable only by air or boat, at least five members of a South American tribe are dying of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome.

Steamboats, trucks, family reunions and space rockets have all helped AIDS spread its deadly talons into some of Earth's most isolated populations, according to researchers, sociologists and health workers at the First International Symposium on Education and Communication About AIDS being held here this week.

"There are 40 million street children in the world, and we suddenly realized they're all at risk for AIDS because so many turn to

prostitution," said Peter Dalglish, who founded Street Kids International and ran a program in the Sudan that tested for AIDS.

Dalglish, citing UNICEF figures for the number of homeless children in the world's largest cities, said the deadly disease entered the Sudan via truck drivers and Nile River steamers from central Africa, where AIDS incidence is high.

Poverty, guerrilla war, illiteracy, countrysides empty of televisions or even radios, and lack of resources combine to frustrate workers trying to reach isolated populations.

"We're talking about some countries where a national health budget of one dollar per person per year is a drain on the economy," said Dr. Manuel Carballo, head of the social and behavioral unit at the World Health Organization in Geneva.

All the negative factors affect the jungles of southern Suriname, home to 35,000 Maroons descended from African slaves who escaped from coastal plantations.

Despite their seeming isolation, said Dr. Ruben del Prado, the space age helped ease the path of the AIDS virus when Maroon men travelled to French Guyana to work on roads and on buildings at the European Space Agency's launch facility at Kourou.

"Where they were infected — Suriname or French Guyana — is a sensitive political question," said del Prado, who works for Medical Mission, a private inter-religious organization in Suriname. "But French Guyana is where they went, and there is a

great inflow and outflow of Europeans there" — a factor associated with the spread of the virus.

AIDS is caused by a virus that damages the body's immune system, leaving victims susceptible to infections and cancer.

It is spread most often through sexual contact, needles or syringes shared by drug abusers, infected blood or blood products, and from pregnant women to

their offspring.

The cases detected among the Maroons were not just positive tests or exposure to the virus, which can incubate for years, but advanced cases of the disease itself, he said.

Del Prado, who spent three years among the Maroons, said health workers haven't been able to enter the area for a year because of an insurgency movement against the central Surinamese government.

Dallas-based chemist shares Nobel prize

DALLAS (AP) — A Nobel Prize claimed by a soft-spoken West German for his photosynthesis research with two colleagues was the second associated with the sprawling University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center.

Johann Deisenhofer, Robert Huber and Hartmut Michel shared the Nobel Prize in chemistry, the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences announced Wednesday.

"My reaction was of disbelief," Deisenhofer, a 45-year-old Dallas-based researcher, told reporters. "I am not a quick starter in the morning. It took me about an hour to really be sure that this was not a dream."

Deisenhofer said he was "reasonably wet" and "really upset" when the telephone rang after he stepped into the shower Wednesday morning, but then was elated at hearing of the award.

The trio worked, atom by atom, to determine the crystallized structure of proteins that plants and some bacteria use to convert sunlight to chemical energy through photosynthesis.

The research was conducted between 1982 and 1985, while Deisenhofer studied at the Max Planck Institute for Biochemistry in West Germany.

"What we did was to determine the three-dimensional structure of a key molecule" involved in photosynthesis, he said.

Two faculty members at UT Southwestern, Michael Brown

and Joseph Goldstein, shared the Nobel Prize in medicine in 1985 for their discoveries in cholesterol metabolism.

Deisenhofer, since February, has continued his research at the Howard Hughes Medical Institute on the UT Southwestern campus in Dallas. The institute is one of 30 such research facilities nationwide, funded with monies from the late billionaire Howard Hughes.

"For some time, it was felt that crystallography was something that was too expensive, and universities shied away from that," said Deisenhofer.

"And maybe funding agencies didn't realize that you need certain pieces of equipment to be able to do the job. So, people were poorly funded and they were a little discouraged. Now it's quite different."

Deisenhofer credited two Southwestern officials with attracting him to Dallas: Joseph Sambrook, professor and chairman of biochemistry, and William Neaves, executive vice president for academic affairs.

"It offered the best combination of everything — excellent science, good support by the Howard Hughes Institute and an interesting city," said Deisenhofer. "That did it."

"I enjoy being in Dallas, and I think it's safe to say I've never seen so many nice people in such a small place."

Deisenhofer's colleagues were equally complimentary of him.

"Deisenhofer's arrival has catapulted Southwestern ahead of the competition in structural biology," said Neaves.

Institute employees spoke of Deisenhofer's reserved nature.

Technician Geraldine Williams, who began working with Deisenhofer in May, said: "He's very easy to work with. He makes himself very available, and he's always willing to work with you. He's more of the thinker type, not the talker type."

Institute employees had heard of Deisenhofer's nomination for the Nobel Prize, but the topic was never discussed.

Dear Abby



By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 36-year-old married woman with two children, 11 and 14. I've been married for 16 years to a career Army man. (I'll call him Al.) Al was given the choice of going to Germany for three years with his family or two years without us. Without even discussing it with me, he chose to go to Germany without us.

After 10 months of being alone, I became romantically involved with my chiropractor. (I'll call him Seymour.) Seymour is 34, has never been married, and he treats me like a queen. Never in my life have I been this happy. When Al came home, I told him the truth and asked for a divorce so I could marry Seymour. Al was shocked because all through our marriage, I had been true-blue, while he played around.

Now I'm getting advice from all sides. Al's family has called me every name in the book. My friends who know how much I had to put up with over the years say, "Dump Al, and go for it with the doctor." My 11-year-old says, "Stay with Daddy." The 14-year-old says, "Daddy deserted us when he went to Germany, so marry Doc." What should I do?

ARMY WIFE

DEAR ARMY WIFE: Only you can make this decision. Do nothing while you are still in doubt. You need to sort out your feelings with a counselor to determine whether your marriage can, or should, be saved. Your husband should also be counseled, because unless you both "fix" what went wrong with your marriage, a reconciliation would be only temporary.

DEAR ABBY: About the letter concerning the greed of some women who put on white elephant (or rummage) sales to raise money for charities:

I had a similar experience some years ago, when my late husband and I were living in one of the most affluent communities in the United

States — Rancho Santa Fe, Calif.

As we were preparing to move to smaller quarters in another area, we gave the local garden club a lot of our household goods, and a box of very expensive and beautiful Christmas ornaments to be auctioned off for the club's annual sale to benefit the charities of San Diego County.

The day before the sale was to be opened to the public, I went to where the auction was to take place to drop off a few more nice items. Much to my surprise, I discovered that all my beautiful Christmas ornaments were gone! They had been snapped up by the committee members — made up of the rich ladies of Rancho Santa Fe.

I rest my case.

GOOD MEMORY

DEAR GOOD MEMORY: Your case is well-rested, and shame on those greedy do-gooders — wherever they are.

DEAR ABBY: Your recent article deploring the ignorance of most people concerning geography reminded me of an incident that occurred in my parish a few years ago.

The church had sponsored a trip to Hawaii. One of the parishioners who had signed up telephoned and asked, "What time does the bus leave for Hawaii?"

I explained that the bus left for the airport at such and such a time. Then the would-be traveler screamed, "You mean I have to fly? Cancel me out!"

ANONYMOUS MONSIGNOR

What teen-agers need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, getting along with their peers and parents is now in Abby's updated booklet, "What Every Teen Should Know." Send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$3.50 (\$4 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. Postage is included.

Ex-Miss San Antonio subdues would-be rapist

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A knife-wielding would-be rapist was subdued by a former Miss San Antonio who attributed her ability to fight off the man to recent physical conditioning.

Sylvia Fernandez Barton, 36, who was crowned Miss San Antonio in 1974 and finished as third runner-up in the Miss Texas Pageant, told police she struck the man over the head with a coffee cup and wrestled and attempted to reason with the man for 15 minutes Wednesday before he became exhausted and fled.

The man had threatened to kill her unless she agreed to submit, she said.

"She fought him all the way, she was pretty courageous," said San Antonio Patrolman Eligio Vasquez.

Mrs. Barton, the mother of two daughters, ages 6 and 9, said she

had returned home after taking the girls to school when she noticed the front door of her home, which she had locked, was ajar.

The man grabbed her as she walked into a bedroom, she said.

"He grabbed me from behind and I had a coffee cup in my hand and I hit him on the head and it broke and we started to wrestle," she recalled.

Mrs. Barton screamed at first, then saved her strength to try and fight off her attacker, who had hurled her partially onto the bed. She said he had one hand around her neck, while the other held a knife he had apparently earlier taken from her kitchen.

The woman said she grabbed the knife with her left hand and struggled to keep it away from her.

"I said, 'What do you want?' and he replied he wanted to rape me," Mrs. Barton said.

She said she prayed for strength to fight off the attacker. "I started to yell and scream again and he said, 'OK, I'll leave, I'll leave,'" she recalled.

"I just overpowered him, he was exhausted," she said. "If I'd given up, I'd be dead and I'm just glad it's all behind me."

Mrs. Barton said she recently took up lap swimming and the workouts apparently gave her the stamina to prevail in the struggle.

She suffered a small knife cut to her left knee and various scratches and bruises, but was otherwise unharmed, police said.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
 Weight Watchers of West Texas; basement of First Presbyterian Church; 6 p.m. New members welcome and should register at 5:30 p.m.
 Deep Creek Chapter ABWA; The Texan; 6:30 p.m.
 Alateen; for the children of alcoholics; 7 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.
 Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge; 8 p.m.
 Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

FRIDAY

Story Time for Preschoolers; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.
 Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Snyder Country Club.
 Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.
 Cornelius Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Tiger Shark Swim Club; WTC; 6-18 years of age; 4-5:30 p.m. For more information, call Mike Harrison at 573-8511 ext. 283.
 Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.
 New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

SATURDAY

Diamond M Museum; open from 1-4 p.m.
 People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.
 New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 7 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information, call 573-4870.
 Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.
 Diamond M Museum; open from 1-4 p.m.
 ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge Club; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.



SANDI PAVLIK
...featured guest...

Club hosts hairdresser

The Scurry Charter Chapter of American Business Women's Association held its September dinner meeting at Martha Ann Woman's Club with 28 members present.

Guests were Mae Cole of the Deep Creek ABWA Chapter and Sandi Pavlik, featured speaker.

Introduced by Genetha Payne, Pavlik, owner of Sandi's Hair Design, gave a brief personal history. She has owned her own shop and been a beauty operator for 12 years.

Pavlik has attended nine schools in Europe and the United States as she keeps updated on new styles and techniques in hair

care. She was also Miss Teenage Kansas.

Janet Brown introduced Patricia Wette as the vocational speaker. Wette is employed with the U.S. Postal Service and stated she walks some 11-14 miles per day. She also gave a summary of her other duties.

Irene Brooks, Martha Ann Woman's Club representative, reminded the group of the monthly game day and the annual Tour of Homes set for Dec. 4.

ABWA holiday meetings will be changed to Nov. 7 and Dec. 12.

Faye Layne offered the invocation and benediction for the meeting.

Bridge

James Jacoby

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club king. So he won the ace of hearts and immediately led the club queen out of his hand. West took the king and played a second heart, ruffed. Declarer now led to dummy's ace of diamonds and played dummy's 10 of clubs. When East played low, so did South. That finesse worked, and declarer was still in dummy. He led a diamond, and the king was on side. Later, when the spade suit split, declarer had made five diamonds doubled. But just try to do it without the queen of clubs play at the second trick!

Class of '79 sets planning session

Members of the Snyder High School class of 1979 will meet Nov. 6 at 2 p.m. at the Snyder Savings and Loan Community Room to discuss plans for their 10-year reunion. Anyone wishing to join in the plans are encouraged to attend.

The class needs information which will help to contact the following class members: Helen Kimsey, Deborah Richter, Peggy Carter, Debra Collum, Pamela Crabb, Lisa Fogle, Brenda Gilbreath, Denise Green, Beverly Paulk, Becky Robinson, Max Aucutt.

Others being sought include Richard Crayton, Alvin Dodson, Lynn Edminson, Sid Everton, Terry Everts, Ronnie Farmer, Kent Kaser, Guy Kerrick, Terry Maxwell, Wallace Overby, Gerald Snyder, Tommy Tullis, Richard Vansickle, Del Vickers, Randy Wolfe, and Mike Zedlitz.

Please call Susan Tolbert Blackard at 573-0989, Debbie Myers Roemisch at 573-7880, or Danna Myers Chesser at 573-6148 to offer information.

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BIRTHDAY CELEBRATED — Curtis Corbell, born Oct. 9, 1908, celebrated his 80th year at the Towle Park Barn. The event was hosted by his daughters, Bobbie Rodgers of Snyder and Pat Collins of Abilene, with 29 in attendance. Corbell has 10 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. (Private Photo)

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ATHENEUM MEETS — Atheneum Study Club met Oct. 11 at Martha Ann Woman's Club with Irene Masters (left) giving a book review on "Spiritual Aerobics." Janice Mitchell, Scurry County librarian, explained the current effort to purchase videos for library use and members voted to donate to the project. LaVerne Hood was hostess for the meeting. (Club Photo)

MAWC game day set Wednesday

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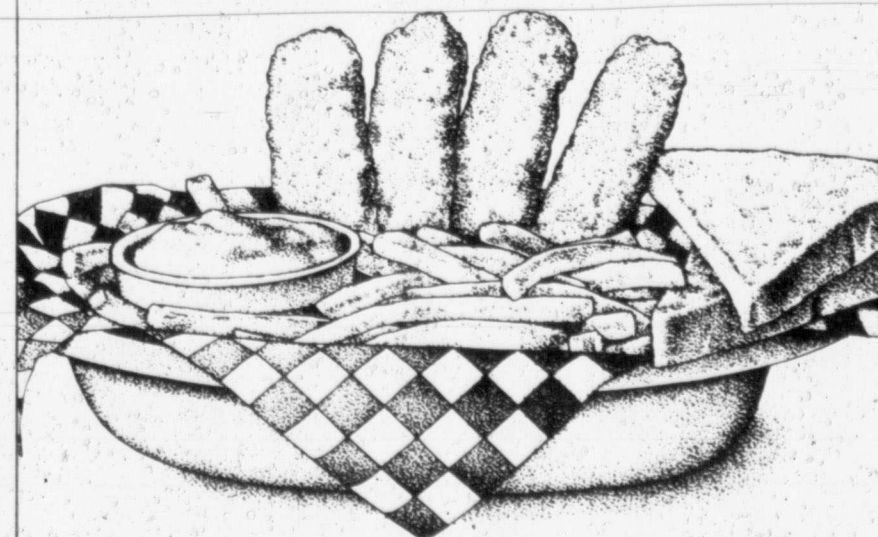
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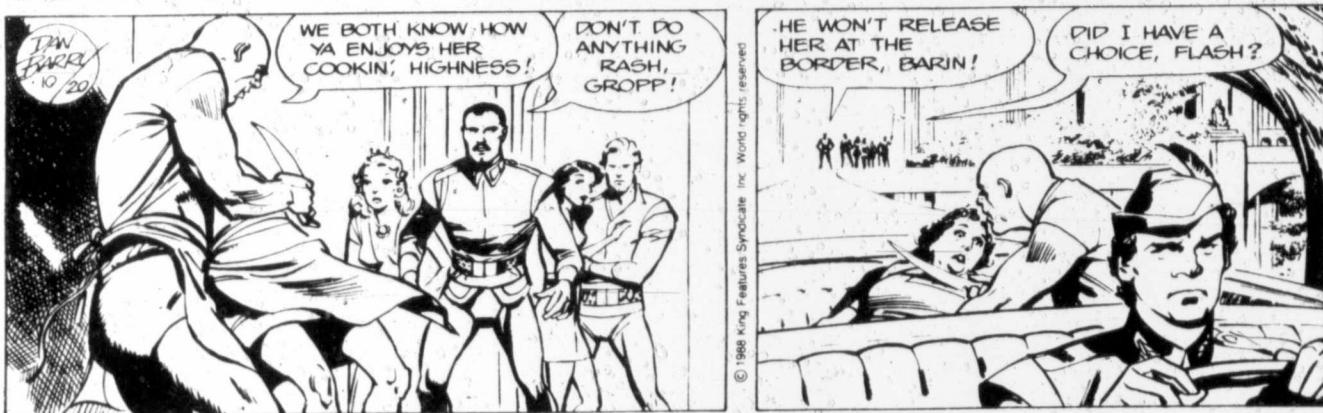


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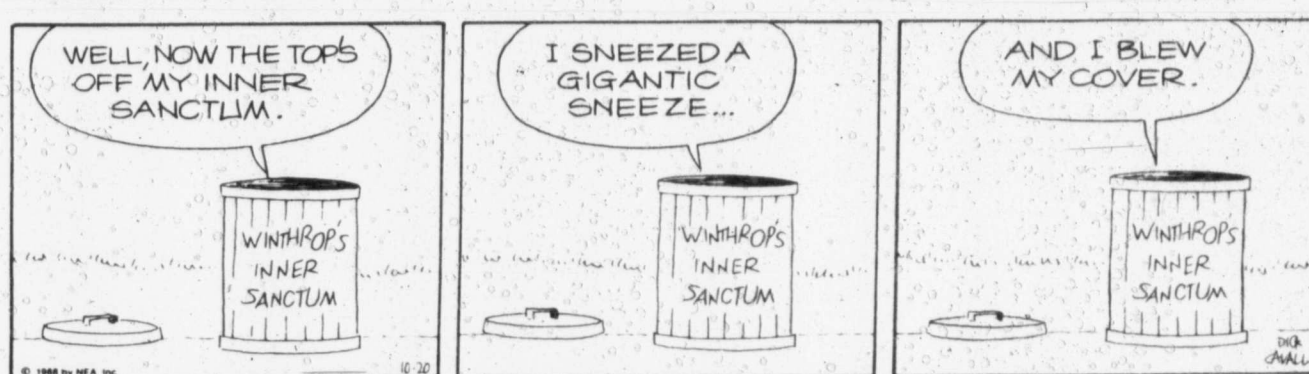


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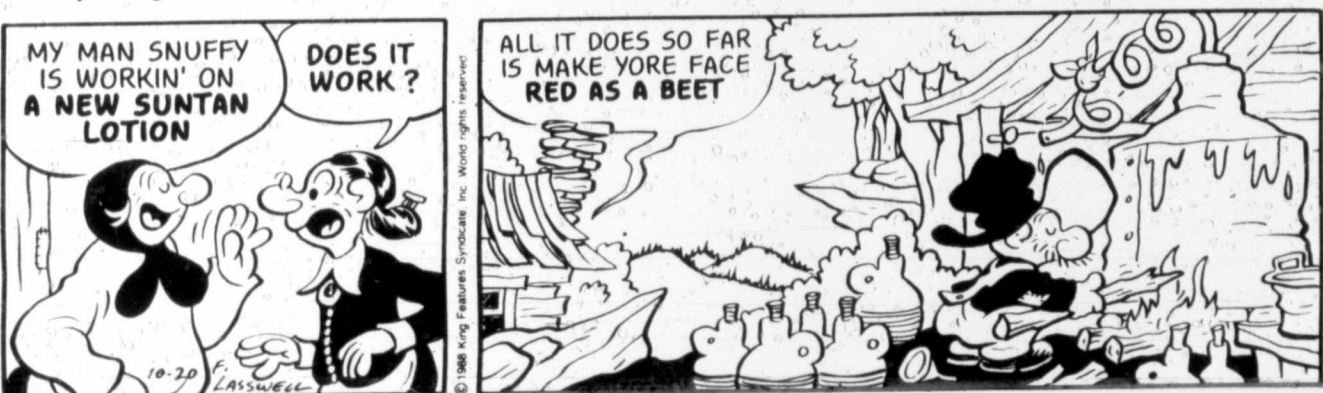


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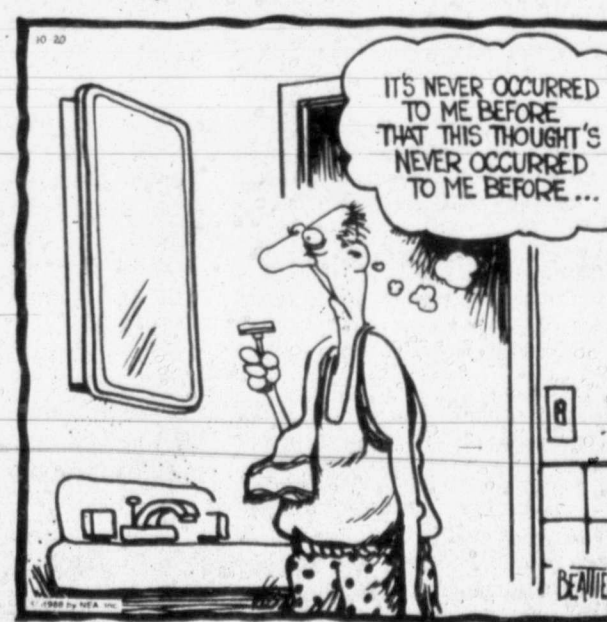
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- 13 Bacchanal's cry
- 14 Actress Hagen
- 15 Peachlike fruit
- 17 Drink like a dog
- 18 In the past
- 19 Resides
- 21 Portrait
- 24 Laundry item
- 25 Poor person
- 27 Swiss mountaineer's song
- 31 Poem
- 32 Actor Montand
- 34 Chapter of Koran
- 35 Infamous Roman emperor
- 37 Part of eye
- 39 Holiday suffix
- 40 Hinder (law)
- 42 Overshadw
- 44 Actor Robert De
- 46 Ancient chariot
- 47 Group of words
- 50 Pasture land
- 51 Medieval poem
- 52 Squeakiest
- 57 Openings
- 58 Acquire by labor
- 59 Bee
- 60 Lair
- 61 Cut
- 62 Harness part

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- 1 Even (poet.)
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- 3 Legendary bird
- 4 Real agent
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- 6 Bird (comb. form)
- 7 Medieval dance refrain

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- 8 Freedom of action
- 9 Invalid
- 10 And others (2 wds.)
- 11 Smashes (sl.)
- 16 Pain
- 20 Epic poem
- 21 Communicating instrument
- 22 Heaven's counterpart
- 23 Open to view
- 24 Modern phono
- 26 Egg (comb. form)
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LAFF-A-DAY



Dr. Gott



Peter Gott, M.D.

Will heating body kill off bacteria?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've read that viruses die in the body if the body temperature rises above a certain degree. Wouldn't it be possible to heat the body to, say, 110 degrees, while keeping the brain cool, to kill viruses?

DEAR READER: In theory, such a scheme makes good sense. If, somehow, the body could be heated — while preserving delicate organs such as the brain — a form of pasteurization could take place. Viruses, bacteria — even cancer cells — could be cooked.

However, from a practical standpoint, body-heating is not technologically possible — it's simply too hazardous. For a time, a similar technique enjoyed some popularity. Coley's toxin, an unfiltered mixture of certain bacteria, caused high fever when injected into the body. It was used to treat selected cases of inoperable cancer. Some people were cured by this method. However, other more effective methods came into vogue and Coley's toxin is no longer used.

The theory of body-heating is attractive but, to my knowledge, it is technically not feasible.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I had several blackouts which eventually I traced to overdoses of caffeine. Medically, why would this drug cause blackouts when it's supposed to be a stimulant?

DEAR READER: I cannot give you a definite answer. Caffeine usually acts as a stimulant. However, certain people may experience idiosyncratic or paradoxical reactions to drugs. For

example, sedatives — such as barbiturates — can cause a form of overstimulation.

Furthermore, when people exceed the full effects of medicine, their bodies may respond adversely in unpredictable ways. That is, the end result of massive overstimulation may be coma or blackouts. Ordinarily, caffeine does not produce such exaggerated responses, but the potential is there. If you haven't seen a doctor about this problem, I suggest that you do so.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband has to get two pints of blood every two to three weeks because of myelofibrosis. How prevalent is this disease and what is the prognosis?

DEAR READER: Idiopathic myelofibrosis (IMF) is a chronic disease, usually of unknown cause, marked by fibrosis (withering) of the bone marrow, anemia and enlargement of the spleen. Probably as a reaction to bone-marrow failure, alternative sites of blood-cell formation appear in the liver and spleen.

IMF is often called agnogenic myeloid metaplasia; it can be the consequence of tuberculosis, X-ray poisoning, polycythemia vera (excess red blood cells) leukemia and other cancers. The disease is unusual but not rare.

Prognosis is guarded; although treatment of the underlying disease (infection, cancer, etc.) may arrest the symptoms of fatigue and weight loss, many cases of IMF do not respond satisfactorily to therapy. Blood transfusions may temporarily alleviate the anemia. However, there is no standard treatment.

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Governor: Texas furloughs are not like Massachusetts plan

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. Bill Clements said the Texas furlough program that allowed murderers to temporarily leave prisons is not like the Massachusetts program for which Republicans have harshly criticized Democrat Michael Dukakis.

"There's a vast, vast difference between the two programs," said Clements, a Republican who co-chairs GOP presidential candidate George Bush's Texas campaign. The governor also said Wednesday that he was not responsible for the Texas program, blaming it instead on "bureaucracy" in the state Department of Corrections.

"We've stopped it, we're reviewing it, and we're going to change it," he vowed.

Clements said that "this business of letting these murderers out for whatever the reason, and like Dukakis did in

Massachusetts let this person out who in our system here in Texas would have been on death row ... to commit additional crimes and so forth — we're not going to tolerate that."

Convicted murderer Willie Horton was furloughed under the Massachusetts program. He did not return to prison and later was convicted of raping a woman and assaulting her fiancée.

Robert Hinkle, a press secretary for the Dukakis campaign, noted that convicted murderers have been furloughed in Texas. About 5,000 felons, including 517 convicted of murder or voluntary manslaughter, have been furloughed in Texas since 1987, according to news reports.

"Murder is, obviously, murder," Hinkle said.

Clements would not discuss a prison-related bill he signed into law last year that included a reference to the furlough program. Furloughs are provided for under a 1977 law that was amended in 1979 to include discretionary furloughs for reasons determined to be appropriate by TDC, the governor's office said.

The program is "under the control and under the jurisdiction of TDC," Clements said. "That's what the legislation says. I don't have any direct control over it. I did not know what was going on. I don't share any responsibility for

it," Clements said.

"The point is that the intent of the Legislature was aborted in my opinion by TDC, in the bureaucracy ... It does have a sort of a generalization in it, and that's what TDC hung their hat on. I didn't know they were doing this. The TDC board didn't know it was done," the governor said.

Charles Terrell of Dallas, TDC board chairman, has placed a freeze on furloughs to convicted murderers and said a board subcommittee is expected to recommend later this month that furloughs be denied to anyone convicted of murder, drug trafficking or rape.

Quebec and Montreal were incorporated as cities in 1831.

'Freak of Nature' title doesn't bother man

DALLAS (AP) — On the midway, one door down from Pork Chops the fat man, sits Grady Stiles the Lobster Man, who calls himself "one of the last legitimate freaks of nature on the road" worth paying a dollar to see.

Stiles, 51, is working the State Fair of Texas, sitting on a pillow under a tent and explaining his body to an audience of eight or 10 people.

"I am known as the Lobster Man because my hands were born shaped as that of a lobster, as you can see," he says for the umpteenth time at sundown on a slow Monday.

"My great-grandfather, my great-aunt and my dad were born like this before me. Instead of feet, I was born with flippers like a lobster. I am married and have four children. I have two that are perfectly normal and two born like I am. We are the only family on medical record to be born like this inherently. Any questions, I will be glad to answer."

No questions from this group, just long stares. The sign out front guarantees \$10,000 if his hands really don't look like lobster claws, and no one is asking for money.

Both hands are deformed, each with a very large thumb and finger that meet at a point. Of the many doctors who have studied him, none have been able to explain the hands, Stiles said.

But he can pick up a plastic cup and a cigarette during his display to the onlookers. He can also give a firm handshake.

And that is how Stiles makes a living, sitting under a tent and allowing people to look at him for

a dollar in Dallas, a little more in New England, where the economy is better.

He doesn't get to keep all of that dollar — many times less than half of it. The rest goes to the fair or someone responsible for contracting the midway operators, Stiles said.

"I make a living," he said. "But I've never been able to make enough money to quit. I've told myself I would quit several times but never have."

But Stiles said he's not an angry man.

He does not feel as if he has been taken advantage of because he is a "freak of nature," he said, quickly dismissing any notion that his business is a cruel one.

Gramm: RAFB won't close if funds are maintained

LUBBOCK, Texas (AP) — U.S. Sen. Phil Gramm says any plans

to close military bases around the country would not affect Reese Air Force Base as long as defense spending is not curbed.

Gramm, R-Texas, said Wednesday he was "categorically promising" that Reese, located 6 miles west of Lubbock, would not be closed.

An Armed Services Committee member, Gramm was stumping in Lubbock Wednesday for the Bush-Quayle ticket at local Republican headquarters.

After a report questioned whether the base would stay open, Gramm said he contacted Air Force and Defense Department officials during the past three days.

"Reese will not be closed," Gramm said. "On the basis of what we're doing today, we're going to have to train more pilots."

Reese handles undergraduate pilot training in the Air Training Command's 64th Flying Training Wing.

In its upcoming Monday issue, U.S. News & World Report published a list of military bases under the heading "Targets for a hit list," saying governmental officials would like to close 20 to 30 military bases and were focusing on those listed by the magazine.

The magazine's list included Reese and Cannon Air Force Base near Clovis, N.M.

After Congress passed a base-closing bill last week, the commission to recommend closing outdated and unnecessary military bases was formed as a non-partisan committee by Secretary of Defense Frank Carlucci.

Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osal



Your Birthday

Oct. 21, 1988

More opportunities than usual should be in the offing to strengthen your financial position in the year ahead. Your prospects look better than they have in years.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Take a chance on your own ideas today before you look to others. What you conceive is likely to have far greater potential for success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Let your natural sense of timing come into play today if you're trying to finalize an important matter. Press for the close when your intuition directs.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Don't be reluctant to ask probing questions today regarding something new you are undertaking but don't fully comprehend. The information is available.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) There are two promising areas at present that could be meaningful financially. One is your regular work, the other is a confidential channel.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This is the kind of day you'll like, because you should be able to do things your own way. If you don't run the show, you'll have only yourself to blame.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Don't be impatient, even if you feel blocked. Surprising things could develop behind the scenes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) In involvements with friends where important issues are concerned, things should work out in ways that will make everyone happy. Do your part.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Even though a goal you'll be striving towards today will be personal, you might be surprised how much support you get from others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) In partnership arrangements today, it should be you rather than your associate, who plays the major role. Assert yourself, don't wait upon this person to make the first move.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may not be in a position to influence changes today, but you will be able to make the most of any shifts that occur. The benefits could be considerable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Conditions are quite favorable today for striking bargains or making deals. Try to do so now, because later influences may be less conducive.

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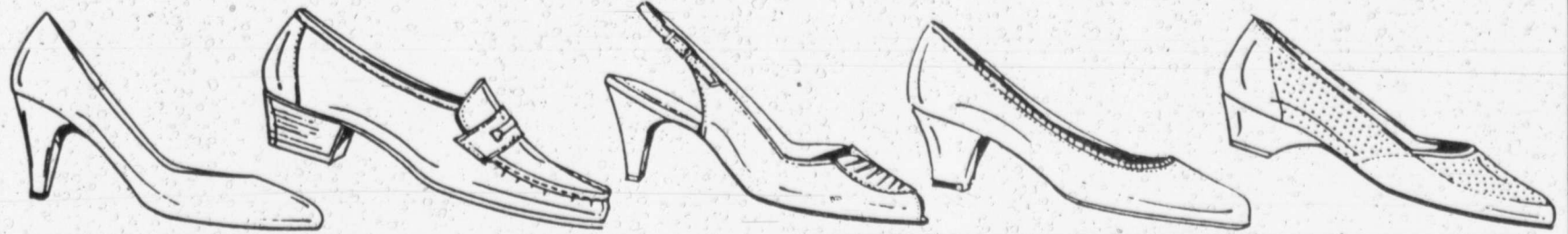
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Injury-riddled Dodgers outlast Oakland

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - The Los Angeles Dodgers may be outnumbered, but the Oakland Athletics are almost out of the

World Series.

The A's had their ace, Dave Stewart, pitching to get even Wednesday night.

But it was Jay Howell, the maligned man of postseason, who got even, and the Dodgers took a 3-1 lead in the best-of-seven

Series with a 4-3 victory over the A's.

"With all our injuries, we're going into tomorrow's game with Orel Hershiser and a chance to win it all," said Dodgers rookie Tim Belcher, who got the victory with 2 1-3 innings of relief help from Howell.

Missing both Kirk Gibson and Mike Marshall, the Dodgers' No. 3 and 4 hitters, Manager Tom Lasorda told his players they'd have to manufacture runs. They did, and the A's helped with two errors and a passed ball that added up to two unearned runs against Stewart.

Already without Gibson, the Dodgers also had to start Game 4 without Marshall, who aggravated a chronic back problem the night before.

Lasorda also learned that he would be without left-handed pitcher John Tudor for the rest of the Series. Tudor strained a ligament in his elbow Tuesday night and might need surgery.

And then, in the fourth inning, catcher Mike Scioscia twisted his knee sliding into second base. He had to leave, leaving the Dodgers with just one catcher, Rick Dempsey.

Both Marshall and Scioscia could be ready tonight, when the Dodgers send Hershiser to the mound in Game 5 against the A's Storm Davis in a rematch of Game 2 - a three-hit shutout by Hershiser.

Rocked in Game 3 for Mark McGwire's game-winning homer in the ninth inning, Howell came back the next night to retire McGwire and end a two-on, none-out threat in the seventh inning.

With a runner on base and one out in the ninth, Howell struck out Jose Canseco and got Dave Parker to foul out for the save.

Without Gibson and Marshall, Lasorda started nine players who had a total of 36 homers during the season - six fewer than Canseco alone. Two of the Dodgers - Marshall's replacement Mike Davis and shortstop Alfredo Griffin - hit less than .200. The Dodgers got two of their runs in the first inning with the

help of a walk, an error and a passed ball.

Steve Sax led off with a walk, and one out later he went to third on a hit-and-run single by Mickey Hatcher. A passed ball by A's catcher Terry Steinbach allowed Sax to score while Hatcher went to second.

Hatcher went to third when A's second baseman Glenn Hubbard booted Davis' grounder for an error, and he scored on John Shelby's grounder.

The A's came back with one in the first off Belcher. Luis Polonia led off with a single, went to second on a passed ball by Scioscia, took third on a grounder to the right side by Dave Henderson, and scored on Canseco's grounder.

The Dodgers made it 3-1 in the third. Franklin Stubbs doubled with one out. With two away, Davis hit a soft liner that hit off the side of the glove of A's shortstop Walt Weiss, and Stubbs scored from second when the ball dribbled into left field.

The A's made it 3-2 in the sixth on Carney Lansford's RBI single, breaking an 0-for-12 string, and the Dodgers chased Stewart as they scored their fourth run in the seventh.

With one out, Griffin walked, and he went to third on a bouncing single to center by Sax. That brought on Greg Cadaret, who gave up an RBI grounder to pinch-hitter Tracy Woodson on a hit-and-run that kept the Dodgers out of a double play.

The A's chased Belcher in the seventh. With one out, Weiss

singled and went to second on a hit-and-run grounder. Henderson, who had four hits, doubled, scoring Weiss and bringing on Howell. Howell walked Canseco, and when Parker reached on an error by Griffin at shortstop to load the bases, McGwire came up.

Western set for TT rodeo

LUBBOCK -- Western Texas College will be among schools in the Southwest Region to enter this week's Texas Tech University Rodeo, which opens tonight in the South Plains Fair Grounds Pavilion.

The collegiate rodeo will be held at 8 p.m. tonight, Friday and Saturday, and at 1 p.m. Saturday.

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OPEN SEASON SATURDAY -- Western Texas College Westerners open the 1988-89 basketball season in Dallas' Reunion Arena this Saturday.

taking on Hill County at 4:30 p.m. Above, WTC's Chawn Cummings fronts an opponent during regular-season action. (SDN Staff Photo)

It's early but Western set to open '89 season

Western Texas College opens the basketball season a little early for 1988-89 - Saturday, in fact - when the Westerners take on Hill County in Dallas' Reunion Arena.

"The kids are working hard. They have a good attitude. They're excited. The coach is apprehensive," laughed Westerner coach Tony Mauldin this week.

Tipoff is 4:30 p.m. for the non-conference ballgame. Fans who see the action will also get to view a 7:30 p.m. NBA preseason contest between the Dallas Mavericks and the Philadelphia 76ers.

Tickets are \$5 and \$10, depending on seating locations for the NBA game. The deadline for acquiring tickets locally through the WTC Athletic Department is Friday at noon.

Coach Mauldin, who begins his second season as WTC coach, said his Westerners will probably look like a team opening the season a week or two earlier than usual.

"Quite honestly, we're not where we want to be right now. I suppose for this time in the season we're as good as we can expect," he speculated.

"We've been trying to put in most things early because we're trying to gear up for conference play. We could probably simplify things and look better Saturday, but we wouldn't be as ready for Midland," he said of the Nov. 28 conference opener with the Chaparrals.

Western welcomed only three players back from last season, including second-team all-conference selection Bobby Spear, a 6-5 sophomore from Albuquerque, N.M. Also return-

ing are 5-11 Keith Hawkins from Morton and 6-0 Chawn Cummings from Richardson.

Other sophomores this season include Bernard Williams, 6-1 from Andrews; Terry Whitcher, 6-4 from Borger; Vladimir McCrary, 6-7 from San Antonio; and Jerry Joyce, 6-4 from Morton.

Freshmen are Mario Williams, 5-9 from Baton Rouge, La.; Tony Joyce, 6-4 from Morton; Cedric Mason, 6-1 from Lamesa; James Jones, 6-2 from Texas City; Lester White, 6-6 from Odessa;

David Smith, 6-4 from Garland; Maurice Harris, 6-8 from San Antonio; and Kenneth Critton, 6-8 from Dallas.

Whitcher is recovering from a groin injury and is doubtful. Coach Mauldin also noted that Critton is nursing a sore ankle. McCrary only recently began workouts after recovering from a knee injury.

Strength inside should benefit the Westerners this season.

"I think as far as strengths early in the season, we've got some strong people inside. I think we've got some pretty good shooters, too, but probably the best overall strength will be our depth," said Mauldin.

All of which Mauldin hopes will help his team Saturday.

"Hill will be well coached. They are always fundamentally sound. Usually they have trouble getting big players but they'll have good 6-4, 6-5 players who are quick and shoot the ball well," he said.

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DECEMBER				
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2-3	WTC-McD Tourney	Snyder	TBA	
8	Odessa*	Snyder	8:00	
JANUARY				
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12	South Plains*	Levelland	8:00	
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19	Howard*	Snyder	8:00	
21	Frank Phillips*	Borger	8:00	
26	Midland*	Midland	7:30	
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Rescuers try to coax whales to open water

BARROW, Alaska (AP) — A huge icebreaking barge began its journey to rescue three trapped whales as scientists worried that plunging temperatures and polar bears would threaten the mammals they have named Bonnet, Crossbeak and Bone.

At dawn, a National Guard helicopter rigged to tow the 185-ton "hover-barge" was to resume the 230-mile trip along the desolate Arctic coast from Prudhoe Bay. It moved about five miles Wednesday through sand bars, mud and shallow water.

Eskimo whalers using chain saws in sub-zero temperatures cut holes in the thick Arctic Ocean ice to help the California gray whales breathe. The 24- to 30-foot-long mammals, whose species is endangered, became trapped in the ice two weeks ago while migrating south.

The tired whales can survive for several more weeks despite being battered and bleeding from grating against jagged ice, said John Lien, professor of animal behavior at Memorial University in Canada.

"They can bleed a barrel and still be fine," said Lien, who has helped free whales from ice for 20 years. "We're talking about a big animal here, between five to 20 tons."

The whales also may have to contend with polar bears. Reporters flying by helicopter Wednesday spotted five prowling the ice a few miles from the whales.

"There are polar bears that are certainly going to be attracted to this," said Ron Morris of the National Marine and Fisheries Service. "If they're going to take the whales, we're not going to stop them."

He said polar bears hunt at night, when biologists are usually the only people near the breathing holes, 18 miles northeast of this Eskimo village.

The whales were named by biologists so the mammals' respiration could be monitored when they surfaced. One was dubbed "Bone" because so much of its snout has been scraped away by the ice. Eskimos have given them their own names: Siku (Ice), Putu (Icehole) and Kanik (Snowflake).

A National Weather Service ice analysis showed no open water in the whales' vicinity. But a lead, or pathway, through the ice had been spotted about five miles from the whales, said Jim Brooks, acting director of the fisheries service in Alaska.

"There are open water leads throughout the Chukchi Sea and Beaufort Sea, out for a long ways. The ice is always moving. It's very dynamic," he said.

Brooks said there was no guarantee the whales could reach open water, about 200 miles southwest, even if they could get to the leads.

"But the hope is that they will be able to make it through the leads via these open leads used by bowheads and belugas in their migration. But the gray whale is

not an ice-adapted animal. It just doesn't seem to be able to contend with the ice as well as other species of whale," he said.

Rescuers sought ways to coax the animals in the direction of open water if icebreaking efforts were successful, including using lights as a lure near two new breathing holes cut for them. But the mammals have shown little interest.

The Rev. R. L. Lathan, pastor of the New Hope Baptist Church, has agreed to conduct the service.

"This is the first time I've had this kind of request," Lathan said. "It's very, very strange and unusual. She wanted to be at her own funeral and she wanted to be alive."

For Munson, who says she spent more than 20 years as a drug addict until she returned to school in her 40s, death is not something to fear.

"I have a message for all these young drug addicts out there, and I have a message for the cancer patients," she said. "The message is why be afraid? We've all got to die."

Although Munson said her cancer is painful, she refuses to let it disturb her "because I'm not the type to give in."

Munson, born in Mississippi, had only a fourth-grade education until she returned to school decades later. She said she is strong because she has been on her own all her life.

"My mother died when I was 3

Woman plans to attend own funeral

MILWAUKEE (AP) — Carrie Munson beat heroin addiction to succeed as a radio broadcaster and social worker. Now that the 62-year-old has terminal cancer, she plans to beat death, too, by attending her own funeral next week.

The music, she says, will be "I Did It My Way." And she plans to enjoy it.

"As long as I can remember, I have always wanted to know when I was going to die so I could put things in order," the Milwaukee woman said Wednesday. "I want to watch the peoples' expressions. I want to see the way they react."

Munson, who has pancreatic cancer and has been told she does not have long to live, sent invitations to her "friends, associates and enemies" and three sons for the Oct. 29 service. Her sons plan to attend.

Munson is writing an autobiography called "Bury Me in My Way and Gown," and said the funeral would be an appropriate way to end her life's story.

"I'll get it all embedded in my mind and when I get home I'll

The barge was not expected to reach Barrow at least until mid-day Friday, officials said.

"We're pretty optimistic," said Pete Leathard, president of Veco Inc., the oil service company that owns the propulsionless air cushion vehicle. "It looks like it will be moving a little faster now that it's cleared most of the mud and sandbars in the harbor."

Munson said she decided to apply to the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, and although she was not qualified, "I had so much enthusiasm they let me in."

Since graduating with a degree in mass communications and journalism in 1975, Munson has worked as the host of a jazz show at a radio station and most recently as a social worker with Wisconsin Correctional Services, where she has helped clients find jobs.

Munson said she would wear her college cap and gown at the funeral service, "which I am very proud of."

"And when I die," she said, "I somebody better put it on me."

and I was the youngest of six," she said. "If I knew one thing, it was that I was not going to be a sharecropper."

She saved enough money from picking cotton to buy a bus ticket to St. Louis and arrived "with nothing but what was on my back and some high-heeled shoes that had the heels cut off."

Once in St. Louis, Munson scraped together enough money to get to Chicago, where she said she was turned on to heroin by an acquaintance.

That, she said, began an involvement with drugs that led to prison terms for crimes committed to get the drugs, including theft, prostitution and forgery.

"It took me 24 or 25 years to get off that darn stuff," she said, "I said to myself, 'Either crawl out

Cosmonauts make spacewalk to fix telescope

MOSCOW (AP) — Two cosmonauts left the orbiting space station Mir today to make a second attempt to repair a Dutch-made telescope, Radio Moscow reported.

Vladimir Titov and Musa Manarov were using new tools and materials brought to the space station by the cargo ferry ship Progress recently, the broadcast said.

Titov and Manarov had tried unsuccessfully in a five-hour space walk June 30 to replace a detector unit on the telescope, which was mounted on an observatory attached to Mir. Components of the unit melted because of exposure to cosmic radiation, Radio Moscow said.

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The undersigned having been duly appointed Independent Executrix of the estate of R.L. McMullan, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by Bobby Goodwin, Judge of the County Court of said county on the 17th day of October, 1988, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said estate to present them to Winona Lee Curfman, P.O. Box 1202, Snyder, Texas 79549, within the time prescribed by law. Executed this 18th day of October, 1988.
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Thousands flee threat of flood

SAN JOSE, Costa Rica (AP) — Thousands fled the Caribbean coast as Hurricane Joan closed in on Central America today with heavy rains and 115 mph winds, threatening to unleash a torrent of flash floods and mud slides.

The storm was moving west after leaving 35 people dead or missing in Colombia and thousands homeless.

Gilbert Clark, meteorologist at the National Hurricane Center in Coral Gables, Fla., said the damage could be severe in the mountainous regions of Central America.

"Unfortunately, they are getting a lot of rain ahead of this storm, which is going to affect the area and cause a lot of mud slides and flash flood in the mountains," he said. "The biggest threat to life will be from flash floods and mud slides."

Max Mayfield, another forecaster at the hurricane center, said the portion of the Caribbean where the hurricane is bound has never experienced a storm of such magnitude.

At 3 a.m. EDT today, Joan was centered near latitude 11.2 north and longitude 79.8 west, about 160 miles southeast of San Andres or 265 miles east-southeast of Bluefields, Nicaragua. It was moving west at about 5 mph with maximum sustained winds of 115 mph.

The Colombian islands of San Andres, Albuquerque and Providencia were under a hurricane warning, and a watch was posted for the Caribbean coasts of Nicaragua and Costa Rica.

At least 12,000 people fled Puerto Limon, Costa Rica's main Caribbean port, and other northeast coastal towns, said Johnny Alfaro, national emergency committee director in Puerto Limon.

"We're sure of one thing: Hur-

ricane Joan will provoke many floods along the Atlantic coast and to a lesser degree on the Pacific coast," Alfaro said.

Hundreds of people lined up for buses to flee the town of 10,000 located 100 miles southeast of San Jose, the capital. Some said they were afraid there wouldn't be enough transportation for everyone.

"We could die," said Alfaro Valverde, 58, as he waited in line.

Public Security Minister Hernan Garron said 1,000 police were sent to Puerto Limon to prevent looting.

In Nicaragua, President Daniel Ortega declared a state of alert Wednesday night. Red Cross officials said they were only waiting for orders to begin evacuating coastal residents.

"If the hurricane fully strikes national territory it could cause severe damages," Agriculture Minister Jaime Wheelock told The Associated Press.

"Our priority is to save lives," he said. "We're prepared for war, but not against hurricanes."

Civil Defense officials in Nicaragua said that they had enough emergency supplies only for "immediate needs." They said the 7-year war with the U.S.-backed rebels known as Contras has drained their reserves.

State-run Voice of Nicaragua radio set up a new channel for news on the hurricane so it could broadcast Wednesday night's World Series game between the Los Angeles Dodgers and the Oakland Athletics.

"If the hurricane stays over water, it is possible its full force will hit Bluefields Thursday morning or Friday morning."



ACCIDENT — Orval Brewer of Rt. 3, behind the wheel, checks his 1981 Chevrolet pickup following a 7:58 a.m. Thursday collision in the 400 Block of College Ave. with a 1980 Buick driven by Paula Brown of Rt. 3, who suffered a possible neck injury and was admitted to Cogdell Memorial Hospital for 23-hour observation. Police said Brewer was southbound on College and Brown eastbound off Peyton Ave. when the accident happened. (SDN Staff Photo)

Oil show proof oil service sector is still hanging on

ODESSA, Texas (AP) — The service and supply segments have been among the hardest hit in the domestic energy industry, and companies that made it say they feel lucky.

"I'm in the business of selling refitted parts and refitted equipment, so I'm fortunate," said Daniel Stevens of Midland-based Precision Flow Inc., which manufactures flow computers and gas well orifice plates.

"We save people money, and that's what they need right now," Precision Flow was among 602

exhibitors at the four-day Permian Basin Oil Show, expected to draw 200,000 visitors from across the United States and several foreign countries, according to the event's organizers.

While most exhibitors on Wednesday's opening tried to downplay the devastating effects of the economic downturn, Ruthco Inc., a Midland-based oilfield service company, wasn't afraid to acknowledge the slump.

"Hey, Oil Patch! Ruthco survived and it's still going strong," read a sign on the company's exhibit.

"These aren't the best of times, but it's been worse," said Ruthco manager James Whitley, adding that the mood among exhibitors and visitors is improved over the 1986 show.

"Things would be better if we could be guaranteed \$18 oil by Christmas," he said.

Oil prices dropped to as low as \$14 a barrel in late summer. Recent prices for West Texas Intermediate, the U.S. benchmark crude, have ranged around \$15.

Drive 'ready' for pickup

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The division workers for this year's effort and the goal's for each include:

—Pacesetters, a goal of \$34,000: Donny Brown, chairman, Jack Gorman, Mike Banta, Linda Scalf, honorary drive chairman, and Paul Gilbert.

—Oil and Industry, a goal of \$11,900: Bill Jacobi, chairman, Rodger Sullenger and Bert Robbins.

—Commercial, a goal of \$11,900: Barbara Figueroa, chairman, Art Feinsod, Bill Moss, Ken Holt, Nancy LaRoux, Jeff Martin, Leatha Ritchie and Dale Williamson.

—Professional, a goal of \$8,500: Lee McNair, chairman, Larry Anderson and Bid Cooper.

—Royalty Owners, a goal of \$5,950: Rex Robinson, chairman.

—Public employees, a goal of \$4,250: Jeanne Johnson, chairman, L.E. (Doc) Griffin and Fran Farmer.

—National, a goal of \$4,250: Blanche Butler, drive coordinator.

—Special Contributors, a goal of \$2,550: Rex Robinson, chairman.

—Rural, a goal of \$1,700: Glen Butler, chairman, and Don Farmer.

Pleas conclude trial by jury

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perjury trial by Lubbock defense attorney James Brennan. District Judge Gene Dulaney presided at the trial.

Petroleum prices

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

Refined Products	Wed-Tue	Wed-Tue
Fuel oil No. 2 NY hbr bg gl fob	4325	4150
Gasoline reg. NY hbr bg gl fob	5575	5525
Gasoline unleaded NY hbr bg gl fob	5375	5175
Prices provided by Oil Buyer's Guide		
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Saudi Arabian light	11.70	11.25
North Sea Brent \$ per bbl fob	13.35	12.95
West Texas Intermed \$ per bbl fob	15.40	14.60
Alaska No. Slope del. US Gulf Cust	13.15	12.40

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Protest song latest effort by songwriters

ROBY, Texas (AP) — When newlyweds Kathryn and Randy Farrier moved from Abilene to Roby two months ago, they thought they had discovered a peaceful haven.

Instead they found themselves worrying about a proposed hazardous waste injection well.

"It's real scary," said 35-year-old Mrs. Farrier. "We've got to do something."

To combat the well, the Farriers composed a protest song, "Wasting Fisher County," while climbing a mountain in Big Bend National Park.

"We just write songs, wherever we're inspired," explained Mrs. Farrier. "We were inspired at that point when we were hiking along."

The injection well, proposed by Sweetwater Resources of Dallas, is undergoing technical review by the Texas Water Commission. The well, which some residents hope to prove unsafe, would be located about seven miles south of this West Texas town of 900 people.

The Farriers, who have been married about five months, have penned hundreds of songs together. But the protest song is the first tune they've had professionally recorded, and they spent Sunday and Monday in an Austin studio polishing up the melody.

"We felt a simple, heartfelt appeal would give people the courage of their convictions," Farrier said.

Farrier, 39, is a nurse at Fisher County Hospital. Mrs. Farrier also works at the hospital as a dietitian.

The couple said they plan to send out tapes of the song to coun-

try & western stations around the state, hoping to strike some disc jockey's fancy.

One radio station, Sweetwater's KXOX, has already received the tape. KXOX General Manager Jeff Stein said his station will probably play the melody a few times, since the proposed well is of great interest to listeners.

The song has a Joan Baez-type folksy tune, and includes a chorus that states, "Texas water, Texas oil, the life blood of our land. Nothing left but toxic soil if we don't take a stand."

While the Farriers say they enjoy songwriting, they wouldn't want to do it full time.

"We're not trying to head into the spotlight," Mrs. Farrier said. "We're trying to head the issue into the spotlight."

However, Mrs. Farrier's songwriting ability was good enough several years ago to convince officials at the University of Texas to enroll her — a native of Rye, N.Y. — as a resident.

After receiving a song titled, "Texas, You Found Me," officials did not question her resident status, her husband said.

Also, Farrier said he was one of 10 finalists in an Austin songwriters contest in 1983.

The pair, living about four miles west of Roby in a house surrounded by cotton fields, say they would like to continue their tranquil existence. However, if the well is installed, the Farriers say they'll move.

"If it (the well) were safe, no problem," Mrs. Farrier said. "But that's just not safe to put it here."

Government bans on TV, radio interviews begins

LONDON (AP) — A government ban went into effect today on British television and radio interviews with the Irish Republican Army and 10 nationalist and Protestant groups involved in Northern Ireland's sectarian conflict.

News reports today indicated further restrictions are in the offing to try to curb the recent rise in guerrilla activity.

Sinn Fein, the outlawed IRA's legal political wing, compared the ban announced Wednesday by the government with Soviet bloc censorship. In addition to the IRA, the ban includes Sinn Fein and four Protestant groups.

IRA guerrillas seek to end British rule in predominantly Protestant Northern Ireland and unite it with the Roman Catholic Republic of Ireland under socialist rule. Most Protestants oppose uniting with the Republic.

Home Secretary Douglas Hurd, the Cabinet member responsible for law and order and broadcasting among other matters, on Wednesday told the House of Commons:

"The government has decided that the time has now come to deny this easy platform to those who use it to propagate terrorism."

Junior Home Office minister of state Timothy Renton explained Wednesday night that "the whole aim of this (ban)... is to remove that extra weapon — the ability to go on television immediately afterwards to speak in justification of an explosion or a bomb."

Appearances by Sinn Fein president Gerry Adams and other Irish nationalist leaders on British television in recent years have enraged many viewers.

Adams is a member of the British House of Commons. But

in accordance with long-standing IRA practice, he has never taken his seat since first being elected for west Belfast in 1983.

The Republic of Ireland has banned TV and radio interviews with the IRA, Sinn Fein and other groups since the mid-1970s.

Sinn Fein seeks to convince mainland Britain that British security forces in Northern Ireland cannot curb the sectarian and political violence there, and that British forces should be withdrawn.

The chairman of the British Broadcasting Corp., Marmaduke Hussey, and its director-general, Michael Checkland, said in a joint statement Wednesday night that the ban sets a damaging precedent.

Roy Hattersley, deputy leader of the socialist opposition Labor Party, said the ban was "trivial, worthless and almost certainly counterproductive."

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Arrests include trespass charge

A 20-year-old man was taken into custody on a local warrant for criminal trespass following a 9 p.m. Wednesday incident in the 400 Block of College Ave.

Officers went to the scene after a report of two men carrying flashlights and running down the street. Officers were told by the men that they had been going through a trash dumpster and were running home.

Two 16-year-old boys were arrested for shoplifting at 5:46 p.m. Wednesday at a College Ave. store, and two men were arrested for public intoxication in separate incidents late Wednesday and early Thursday, the first a 49-year-old man at 11:18 p.m. Wednesday in the 300 Block of 28th St.

A 20-year-old man was arrested for PI at 1:48 a.m. Thursday in the 2800 Block of Ave. N.

Injury noted at SHS campus

A 16-year-old girl was admitted to Cogdell Memorial Hospital for observation following a reported fight at Snyder High School Thursday morning.

Police were investigating the incident at mid-morning.

An ambulance was called for at 8:21 a.m. and picked the girl up inside the high school entranceway after she had reportedly hit her head on the floor.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Owen Dickie, Rt. 1 Box 349; Martin Zuniga, Clairemont Rt.; Delraine Ferguson, 3509 Ave. U.

DISMISSALS: David Estrada, Jackie Pevehouse, Peggy Chandler, Rosa McDonald.

Births

Ken and Delraine Ferguson are the parents of a baby boy weighing 9 pounds, 13 ounces born at 7:59 a.m. Thursday in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Chuck and Angela Wheeler are the parents of a baby girl, Casey Juaniece, born at 10:45 p.m. Tuesday in Angelo Community Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds, 10 ounces. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. James Kolb of Aspermont and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Wheeler of Abilene.

Wednesday wreck noted

A 1978 Chevrolet pickup driven by Jimmy A. Cain of Rt. 2 was in collision with a 1989 Pontiac four-door driven by Hermelando Aguirre of 408 29th St. at 11:30 a.m. Wednesday at 24th St. and Ave. E.

SHS yearbooks still need to be picked up

About 50 reserved copies of the 1988 "Tiger's Lair" yearbook have yet to be picked up. These books may be picked up before or after school in Room 229 at Snyder High School. Some of these individuals owe a balance on their book.

People with a book reserved are John Banks, Todd Buchanan, Randy Chesser, Laura Cheyne, Scott Cole, Todd Dodd, Dawn Dodson and Lee Fletcher.

Others are Mike Gandy, Terry Garza, Bobby Grimes, Patricia Grimes, Terry Grimes, Chad Hall, Eddie Hernandez, Danny Hicks, Lissa LaCoe and Roy Lentz.

More are Tery Lewis, Thomas Lowery, Jennifer McCullough, Amy McDaniel, Brett Merritt, Holly Page, Mike Price, Cris Realzola, Tommy Reeves and Tommy Reynolds.

And Priscilla Ruiz, Andrea Shatney, Melinda Short, Dana Smith, Chasity Souther, Maci Taylor, Dessie Ware, Wayne Ware, Jason West, Paul Williams and Timmy Youngblood.

There are nine extra copies which may be purchased for \$25.

Obituaries

Jessie Johnston

BIG SPRING—Services are set for 10 a.m. Friday at Nalley-Pickle Rosewood Chapel for Jessie E. Johnston, 91, who died Wednesday in a Big Spring nursing home. Burial will follow in Mt. Olive Memorial Park.

She was the sister of Houston Quiett of Snyder.

Born in Eastland County, she was a long-time resident of Big Spring. She was a homemaker and a member of the East Fourth Street Baptist Church.

Other survivors include two daughters, Mildred Engle of Big Spring and Norma-Lee Berry of Pritchett, Colo.; a son, Wayne Johnston of Corpus Christi; a sister, Vera Benson of Salyer, Calif.; 13 grandchildren; 31 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

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Dukakis said dangerous on defense

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas Sen. Phil Gramm blasted Democratic presidential hopeful Michael Dukakis as weak on defense, and defended Republican presidential candidate George Bush's criticism of a Massachusetts prison furlough program.

"Michael Dukakis wants to eliminate the SDI program developed during the Reagan-Bush years. George Bush wants to move ahead with that program in protecting America from a nuclear attack," Gramm said Wednesday.

Gramm, his predecessor, John Tower, and Bush's son George W. Bush criticized Dukakis at a news conference at the Balcones Research Center. The center, part of the University of Texas, has a number of contracts related to the "Star Wars" Strategic Defense Initiative.

Gramm also defended vice president Bush's criticism of a prison furlough program in Dukakis' homestate, even though a Texas program allowed

murderers to temporarily leave prisons.

The Republican campaign has hit Dukakis hard for an incident in which a convicted murderer was allowed out of prison on a weekend furlough and escaped, later raping a woman and attacking her fiancé.

The Dukakis campaign has responded to the charges, saying that most states have a similar furlough program, the law was in place before Dukakis became governor, and that Dukakis

changed the law so that criminals like the man who escaped are no longer eligible for furloughs.

But Gramm said: "I just don't see how Michael Dukakis could get off the hook on being soft on crime, by saying that other states do and we ought to clean them up, including our own. But we don't have the opposition in Texas from our governor and from our Legislature to the death penalty. They're for it." Dukakis opposes the death penalty.

Property tax 'relief' proposal aired

AUSTIN (AP) — The state should provide money to local governments when it requires them to provide new programs, says a legislator who promises to introduce a constitutional amendment next year that would require such funding.

Rep. Dan Morales, vice chairman of the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee, said Wednesday there is a widespread feeling among lawmakers that local property tax rates are too high in Texas.

"Texas property tax rates are now arguably among the highest

in the nation," the San Antonio Democrat said Wednesday.

Morales said that during its 1 1/2 years of study, the Select Committee on Tax Equity has heard repeatedly that local property taxpayers "are being asked to bear an unreasonably large portion of the overall tax burden."

In recent months, the lawmaker said, there has been "an unprecedented increase in property tax rates at the local level. Municipalities, counties, school districts and other local taxing jurisdictions have been forced to seek additional revenue

due, in significant part, to state-imposed mandates."

Morales said 14 other states currently have laws which require the state to pay for programs it requires of local governments.

At the present time, a number of counties are protesting that problems with overcrowded state prisons have forced them to house state inmates in their county jails — but the state pays nothing toward those costs.

Morales said his proposed amendment might address such a problem, but he also said he's

not yet certain what form that amendment would take when introduced in the 1989 Legislature.

However, he predicted such a plan would be approved by both lawmakers and voters. "It's extremely likely it would pass," he said.

While such a provision could limit government spending or force state tax increases, Morales said, "Nothing would be more irresponsible than to transform state fiscal difficulties into state and local fiscal difficulties."

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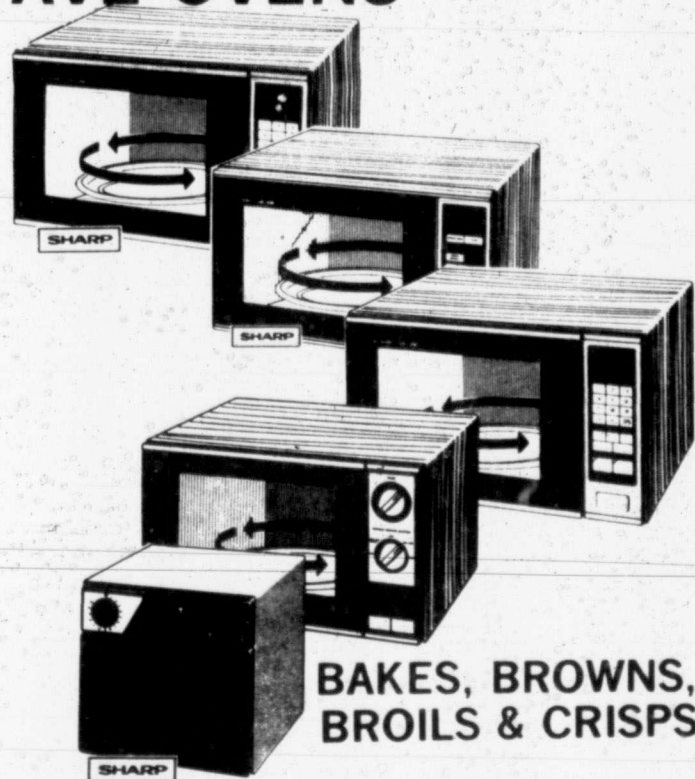
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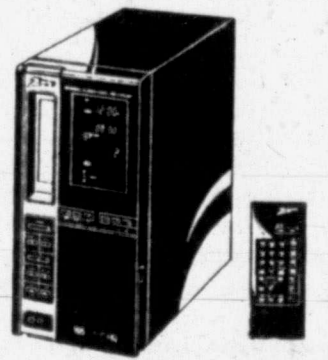
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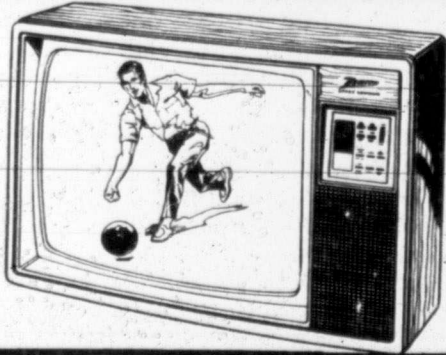
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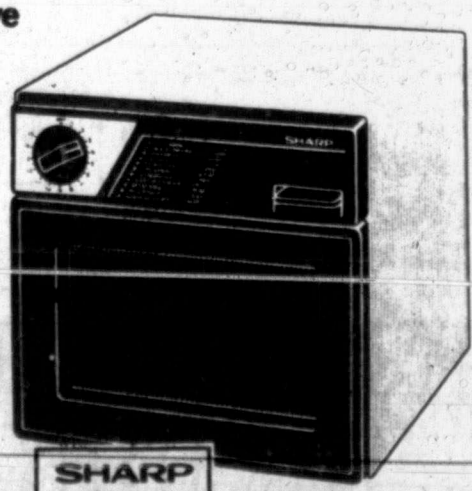


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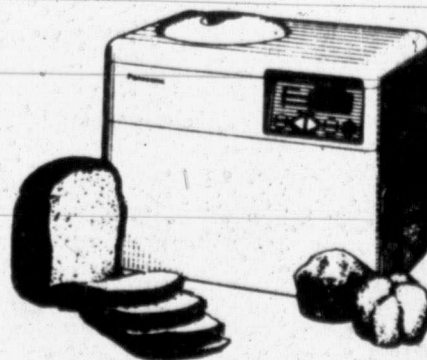
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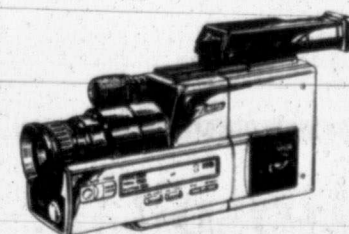
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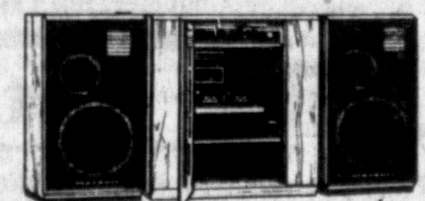


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