Graduation at 7 p.m...

Correctional officer exercises tonight

receive their certification as cor- become eligible for employment rectional officers Thursday in the with the Texas Department of first graduation exercises for the Corrections. new program implemented at Western Texas College.

student center.

Stephens of San Angelo, of personnel at the Big Spring secretary of the TDC board and facility. owner of the Town and Country Food Store chain.

The event will mark the com- well as State Sen. Steve Carriker clude 13 from Snyder. They are

three women and 23 men--will by the graduates. They now

include some of the former in-Graduation will begin at 7 p.m. structors for the class. Those exin the WTC Fine Arts Theatre pected to attend will include Phil and a reception will tollow in the Spears, warden and superintendent of the Big Spring Federal Guest speaker will be Steve Prison; and Van Pacey, director

> Also to attend is Art Moseley, director of personnel for TDC, as

diplomas will be presented by za, Kenny Wayne Harbin, Kevin Bill Wilson, president of the WTC board. The speaker will be in-Special guests Thursday will troduced by Roy McQueen, chairman of the Industrial Development Committee, and Roy Baze, Thomas, Herman Gene Wright WTC board member, will in- and Darlene Fay Yocom.

> mittee; and the benediction by Mayor Troy Williamson.

> Candidates for certification in-

pletion of 120 hours of instruction by the graduates. They now At Thursday's program, Robert Foree, Joe Richard Gar-Alan Harlan, Kyle Ray Herrley, Gary Lynn Holt, John Kyle Layne, Harold Malone, Robert Michael Neeley, Leslie Lee

> The invocation will be offered Goswick of Ira; James Homer by Rev. Miller Robinson, past Jones of Hermleigh; David chairman of the industrial com- Arellano, Sheri B. Hale and Jerry Brian Howell of Colorado City; Eddie Dywaine Beal of Coleman; Keith Dwaine Moore of Aber-

See CEREMONY, page 11



STEVE STEPHENS ...speaker tonight...

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School finance: still on state agenda

though an appeals court has said distribute money to all schools.

finding that the finance system ing about a balanced situation is make that improvement is the

AUSTIN (AP) — The 1989 violated the Texas Constitution, their objective." Legislature probably will ex- but those judges also said the

the current finance system is "Certainly, the Legislature is constitutional, state leaders going to be addressing that issue, and they should," Gov. Bill The 3rd Court of Appeals on Clements said. "The Legislature

Education Commissioner W.N. cuse for lawmakers to do nothing.

Wednesday overturned state is well aware of the inequities improvement of the Texas school ranged District Judge Harley Clark's that might exist and trying to br- finance system and the place to billion.

Legislature," Kirby said.

Sept. 1, 1989 reform deadline set by Judge Clark. Cost estimates Legislature. "There is a need for continued for meeting Clark's ruling had ranged from \$600 million to \$2 wanted a real one. There are a lot

districts that filed the lawsuit Many lawmakers had said they would appeal to the amine public school funding even current system doesn't fairly Kirby, a defendant in the lawsuit, predicted a bloody fight over Texas Supreme Court, but said he hoped the appeals court school finances in the next Wednesday's appeals court deciruling wouldn't be used as an ex- Legislature, which had faced a sion appeared to remove the immediate pressure on the

"It was a moral victory, but we of kids who are going to school in

The property-poor senous ton-meantmenting.



coffee in honor of West Texas State Bank. The coffees are planned on Photo)

remarks Wednesday morning at a chamber of commerce-sponsored—have made significant contributions to the community. (SDN Staff

Outlook is cold, cloudy

From Local, Wire Reports

Cloudy and cold is the forecast for the Snyder area through the weekend as a cold front arrives which was moving southward across Texas Thursday

The mercury Thursday night is expected to drop into the middle 20s with a northeast wind expected at from 10 to 20 mph.

Some snow showers or freezing rain are expected further north, and the National Weather Service says there is a chance for some precipitation here through the weekend

Into Monday, Scurry County skies are expected to be mostly cloudy with a chance of shower activity. For the weekend, the highs should be in the lower 40s to around 50 with overnight lows in the 30s.

During the day Thursday, the cold front was expected to trigger either snow or freezing rain in the Panhandle.

The front was moving southward early Thursday along a line from near Texarkana to

near Del Rio. Some scattered rain fell early Thursday across East Texas and some scattered snow showers were reported over northern sections of the Texas Panhandle.



'Reindeer Romp' Yuletide walk set

of Christmas decorations around the Snyder Goodfellows.

The group will gather at 7 p.m.

School out early Friday

holidays Friday at 2:45 p.m. and out or join the group at any time. students and teachers won't be We may stop along the route for back in class until Tuesday, Jan. refreshments.

Thursday

Thursday morning.

Campus offices will reopen Jan. 3 with registration for the spring term due Jan. 16-17.

Public school classes at Ira and

A Reindeer Romp is being at the Towle Park Pavilion and planned for the night of Dec. 20-- the route will be announced at would like to remind everyone of information about the Reindeer next Tuesday--for residents who that time. Those who prefer may the importance of exercise in a Romp should call Burke at would like to take a walking tour bring a gift which will be given to healthy lifestyle. We would like Western Texas College through

> Participants are encouraged to wear seasonal costumes and to wear bells on their shoes, ankles or wrists to provide "jingle bells." They are asked also to carry flashlights.

"This is a fun program," said Lee Burke, who is helping Snyder public schools will organize the Romp. "There is no dismiss for the Christmas set distance and anyone can drop

'Cost mes would add to the Offices at Western Texas Col- fun, maybe just red or green joglege will also be closed after Friging suits, but we encourage day for the holidays. The last comfortable dress above all. The round of final exams are to be tentative route will take us given to evening students through Bassridge and part of Colonial Hill and is probably no The college dorm also closed longer than three miles at most," Burke said

"We will take the weather into account in planning and emphasize that there is no set Hermleigh will dismiss at the end distance. Those who want to go of the school day next Wednes- only a short way are welcome to start with the group.

give yourself every day.

"In organizing this activity, we Anyone who would like more everyone to remember that the Friday or at 573-4294. Leslie or gift of good health is a gift you Bekky Butler may be contacted

The SDN Column

The feller on Deep Creek says, "You can patch overalls or a reputation, but it's hard to keep it from showing.

Everything changes, even college students. We heard about one father who got an excited telephone call from his son.

"Dad, I finally got one.

"You got an A?" asked the father. 'No, I finally got a parking space.'

Bob Rhodes, the minister at North Side Baptist Church, has proof that folks listen to his sermons. Recently Rhodes was fighting a cold, but figured he could make it through the service.

When he began to speak, his voice cracked. After a few sips of water, he apologized for his cold and went on with his message. By the end, his voice was at a whisper.

At the evening service he was better, and he thanked the congregation for its thoughtfulness

By Roy McQueen

He got three different cold medications in the co! lection plates

Mickey Nunley, owner of Line and Line, is always looking for a good deal. He went out to the crafts exhibit during the Scurry County Fair and decided it would be a good idea not to wait until the last minute to buy wife Jo Ann a Christmas

He saw a jewelry tree and thought it would make a swell gift. Nunley asked, "How much is

"The craftsman asked, "Who's it for?"

"For my wife, of course," Nunley said. "For your wife, huh," the salesman said.

'Well, it was \$7.50 but you can have it for \$25. "That's crazy," argued Nunley. "Why did you

jack up the price?

"Just trying to help. Now, you don't want to give her something cheap, do you?

Thursday

Dec. 15, 1988 Ask Us

Q.--What are the legal qualifications of a county auditor?

A. According to the local government code, the auditor must be of unquestionable good moral character and intelligence, competent in public business details; and he must be a competent accountant of at least two years experience in auditing and accounting.

In Brief

P. O. seige

NEW ORLEANS (AP) -An angry mail handler shot three co-workers in the main New Orleans post office, then holed up in the building for 13 hours with a hostage, firing birdshot at random from under a door

today, authorities said. The gunman, Warren Murphy, surrendered this morning after all-night telephone negotiations with FBI and police, including a cousin who is a police officer.

Nancy Fisher, an FBI spokeswoman.

None of those hit by birdshot from Murphy's shotgun suffered lifethreatening wounds, hospital officials said. One of the wounded was shot in the eye.

Local

Concert set

The Christmas performance of the Midland-Odessa Symphony, accompanied by an 80-member community choir, will begin at 8 p.m. Thursday in Worsham Auditorium with Tom Hostadt of Midland conduc-

Also featured on the program will be an appearance by Santa Claus, who will lead the symphony in its version of "Sleigh Ride."

Tickets are priced at \$8 for general admission and \$4 for students and senior citizens. There will also be reserved seating for \$12 and a "patron" ticket for \$16.

The event is sponsored by the cultural affairs committee of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

Medical fund

A medical fund has been established at Snyder National Bank for the fourmonth-old twin sons of Roger and Kelly Block. The two boys have been diagnosed as having spinal meningitis.

Donations may be made to the Roger and Kelly Block Community Support

Gala tonight

Christmas Gala 1988 is planned at the Scurry County Senior Center Thursday beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The event is the annual Christmas party for center members and invited

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 64 degrees; low, 32 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 32 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1988 to date, 21.24 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy and cold. Low in the middle 20s. Northeast wind 10 to 20 mph. Friday, mostly cloudy and cold with a high near 40. East wind 10 to 15 mph.











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U.S. team flies to Vietnam

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) -A U.S. military team flew today to Vietnam to pick up 38 sets of suspected remains of missing

turnover since the Vietnam War ended, officials said.

During the repatriation ceremony at Hanoi's Noi Bai Airport, the Vietnamese also were to turn over information on 12 other cases of Americans listed as missing in action, or MIA, said Lt. Col. Thomas J. Boyd, a spokesman for the U.S. Pacific Command.

U.S. officials said the remains were not part of a group of 80 remains that U.S. forensics experts have been examining in Hanoi. The United States anticipates that any of those remains appearing likely to belong to missing Americans also will be repatriated soon, they said.

During the airport ceremony, a U.S. military honor guard solemnly loads the remains, each in metal caskets topped with a folded American flag, onto a U.S. Air Force plane for the flight to Guam and then Honolulu. In Honolulu, the Army Central Identification Laboratory analyzes the remains to determine if they belong to any of the 1,747 Americans missing as a result of the war.

Vietnamese officials usually do preliminary analyses, but the army laboratory sometimes finds among the remains those of Vietnamese individuals.

preciates the initiative taken by Vietnam to repatriate these remains and hopes to continue the increasing cooperation to resolve this long-standing issue," Lt. Col. Keith Schneider, a Pentagon spokesman, said Wednesday in Washington.

The Pentagon said it had not received any information from Vietnam on precisely where the latest remains to be exchanged had been recovered or the circumstances surrounding their discovery.

Schneider added, however, "We understand the remains as related to incidents that occurred (during the war) in the northern provinces.

Most missing Americans in the north were airmen shot down on bombing or reconnaissance mis-

All told, the remains of 172 Americans have been repatriated to the United States from Vietnam and subsequently identified by the Army laboratory since the end of the

The previous largest turnover of remains believed to be those of MIAs involved 27 sets handed over April 6. The most recent turnover involved 23 sets repatriated Nov. 3.



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Straight Talk for Teens Is High on Grandma's Gift List

By Abigail Van Buren

DEAR ABBY: I am a grandmother, widowed and living on a fixed income, so you know I don't have a lot of money to spend on Christmas gifts. I have nine grandchildren - five girls and four boys, ranging in age from 11 to 18. Last year, just before Christmas, I saw an ad for your teen booklet. It said, "Every teen-ager should know the truth about sex and drugs and how to be happy." Thinking it might make a nice Christmas gift for my grandchildren, I sent for one, and all I can say is I'm sorry your booklet wasn't around when I was a teen-ager. First, I showed it to my sons and daughters, and they approved, so I sent for eight more booklets and gave them to my grandchildren for Christmas.

Abby, they all said it was the best gift I could have given them! Parents still have a hard time talking to their children about sex, and they're usually too late with the information when they finally get around to it, so you would be doing your readers a favor to tell them about "What Every Teen Should Know," and how to get it.

GRATEFUL GRANDMA IN ENID, OKLA.

DEAR GRANDMA: What every teen should know is obviously a universal problem because I have had requests for my teen booklet from Canada, Korea, Brazil, Egypt and even Japan! To obtain the booklet, 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.

DEAR ABBY: I would like to comment on a very rude practice that is all too common. It's "breaking" into a line in order to join well as the information are someone who is farther up in

What especially irritates me is for someone to get out of a car near a cafeteria entrance, secure a place in line, then be joined by others after many have gotten in line behind

Many times, I have worked all day and want to eat quickly (the reason for patronizing a cafeteria) only to be pushed back as the

"linebreakers" squeeze by. Recently, someone squeezed in

ahead of me in the front of a long line and said, "Excuse me - I'm joining friends."

I replied, "Excuse me - have your friends join you at the end of the Ironically, most linebreaking

occurs after church services on Sunday. **HUNGRY AND IRRITATED**

IN GEORGIA **DEAR HUNGRY: Your retort** to "Excuse me, I'm joining

friends" would be hard to top.

DEAR ABBY: I am writing this with the hope that parents of small children will see it and be careful of what they give their little ones to

My 3-year-old nephew, Chad, was eating a large marshmallow. Nobody paid much attention to him until he suddenly started turning blue! The marshmallow had become lodged in his throat and formed a

glue-like seal in his throat! The poor child could not breathe. They applied the Heimlich maneuver, but could not dislodge the marshmallow. Chad was then rushed to the hospital and was actually pronounced "dead," but they revived him by using a heavy suction pump to remove the marshmallow from the base of his trachea.

Chad is now severely braindamaged. Abby, please print this. Until this happened, no one in our family ever dreamed that such a tragedy could occur because of a marshmallow.

CHAD'S AUNT

DEAR AUNT: Thank you for warning others. Who would ever dream that the innocent marshmallow could harm (or kill) a child? The information I glean from writing this column boggles the mind.

Wedding bells? Wedding bills! Who pays for what and everything else you need to know if you're planning a wedding can be found in Abby's booket, "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send your name and address, plus check or money order for \$2.89 (\$3.39 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. Postage is included.

'Santa Claus' saves young boy's life

PHOENIX (AP) — Five-year- know what to do." old Jamie Clouse believes in Santa Claus. Kriss Kringle, after all, saved his life.

The boy's mother, Robin Clouse, had stopped at a traffic light Tuesday when Jamie began choking on the food he was

"I was Christmas shopping and I was in the middle lane of traffic," said Ms. Clouse, 29. "My little boy was choking and I didn't

Ms. Clouse jumped from the car and pulled Jamie out of the passenger side. 'He couldn't breathe and I was

ready to turn him upside down," she said.

Suddenly a man dressed in a Santa suit got of the van stopped in the next lane and took the child from her arms.

"He performed the Heimlich maneuver," Ms. Clouse said.

The food caught in Jamie's throat dislodged and he was able to breath again. But traffic was backed up, and Santa Claus ambled back in his van and drove

"I didn't get a chance to thank him and I don't even know who he was," Ms. Clouse said.

Jamie does. It was Santa Claus, who was in the van "on his way to the North Pole to get his reindeer for Christmas Eve,' Jamie said. "He saved my life."

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CHOIR FEATURED — The Junior High School choir led by Melanie Smith (left) presented a special Christmas program at the December meeting of Cosmorama Study Club. Colleen Duke, program director, is pictured at right. (Club Photo)

Bridge James Jacoby

place, but I want you to decide." Those partnerships that use the negative NORTH 12-15-88 double at low levels don't give up the **♦** J 10 9 5 ability to punish the opponents for foolish overcalls. When you open the bidding and your partner passes an opponent's overcall, you are usually expected to reopen the bidding with a takeout double. Partner can convert that to a penalty double if he wishes to ♣ A J 10 6 This time, although East announced SOUTH PO73 498754

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Vulnerable: Neither

Opening lead: • 3

Negative double

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a holding of four spades, North and South managed to get into a part-score contract in that suit. The hand is rather dull, but there is one very valid point. Declarer might try to maximize the total of his tricks via a crossruff. If that is the case, the best defense is to cut down on the number of ruffing tricks by leading a trump. Sure enough, an opening trump lead holds declarer to his contract. Without a trump lead, South would simply cash his two red aces and then crossruff, taking four trump tricks in each hand for 10 tricks. Even if the North hand © 1988, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSN contains only three spades and South has a five-card suit, it's certain that When East doubled one heart, he North will be short in either diamonds was saying to his partner, "I have four or clubs, and an opening trump lead spades and probably four clubs, and I will cut down on ruffing tricks in think we can make a part-score some- dummy.

Community Calendar

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

Deep Creek Chapter of American Business Women's Association; The Texan; white elephant gift exchange; 6:30 p.m. Business and Professional Women's Club; MAWC; Christmas din-

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star, Masonic Lodge;

Alateen; for the children of alcoholics; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-2101 or 573-8626.

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 Cornelius Dodson House; open by appointment; 573-9742 or 573-

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.

Iota Psi Sorority; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m. Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more informa-

tion, call 573-2101 or 573-8626. New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 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.

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 Diamond M Museum; open from 1-4 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge Club; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

Ira class offers first cookbook

The 1989 Ira senior class has published the first Ira Senior Class Cookbook. The collection contains 250 quick and easy recipes and family favorites obtained from teachers, family, and friends.

Artists hold party

The Snyder Palette Club met at the clubhouse Saturday for a Christmas dinner with 20 members and guests present. Hostesses for the event were Nettie Faye Gardner and Nena Mit-

Games were played and doorprizes were won by Ty Brunson and LaVerne Lee.

The recipes were published and bound in a colorful spiral collector's cookbook. Proceeds from the publication will sponsor the senior trip.

A limited number of the books are available at Merle Norman Cosmetics and Boutique or in Ira at Sterling's Grocery. Books may be reserved by calling 573-6733 leaving name and number on the answering machine.

The price is \$5 and is just right for last-minute Christmas gifts.

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NEW MEMBERS — Delta Kappa Gamma welcomed new initiates at the society's Christmas dinner celebration. Pictured from left are Gayle Wittie, Elizabeth Conger, and Kelly Starnes. The meeting was held at The Shack. (SDN Staff Photo)

4-H chefs in competition

Winners in the recent county 4- Busby, Mandy Breuer, Anglea H food show went on to compete Breuer, Darla Blackwell, John at the District 2 4-H contest held Saturday at Texas Tech Univer- David Polk.

competed for awards in four food categories and three age divi-

Parties are set

Members of the American Legion and Auxiliary will N.Y., manufactured the first celebrate the holiday season with commercial motion-picture film a covered dish dinner and party in 1885. Friday evening at 6:30 p.m.

A Christmas party for local children will be offered Saturday at 2:30 p.m. with refreshments and games. All parents are invited to bring their children for the festivities.

Busby, Jenise Judah, and John

Scharwz placed second and Contestants from 20 counties Mandy Breuer placed third in their respective age divisions and food categories.

Terry Stephens, senior 4-H Representing Scurry County member, assisted with the con-were Deana Schwarz, Charlie test as a District 2 4-H Council representative.

> The Eastman Dry Plate and Film Company of Rochester,



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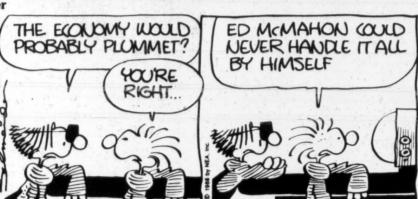


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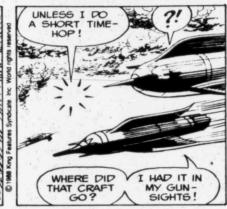


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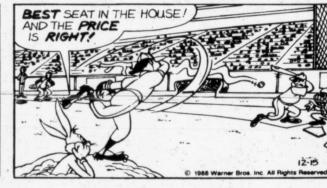


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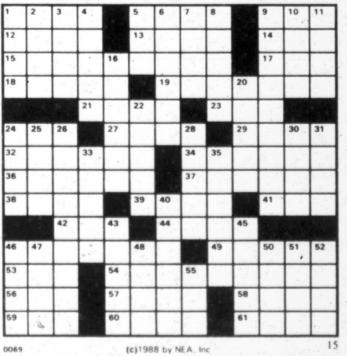
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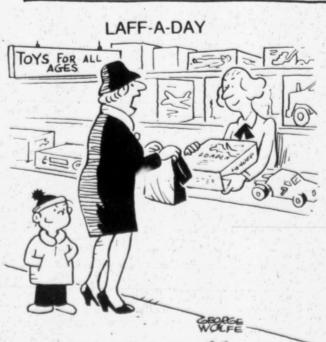
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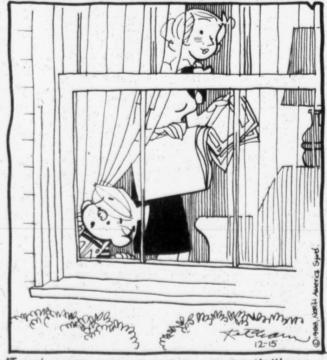
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THERE'S NOBODY OUTDOORS TO PLAY WITH BUT MR. WILSON AN' I DON'T WANT TO BOTHER HIM SO CLOSE TO CHRISTMAS.

U.S. decision sad day for Israel, according to Peres

JERUSALEM (AP) - The surwith the Palestine Liberation now working together," said Organization produced shock to-Hanna Siniora, a PLO supporter Organization produced shock today in official Israeli circles and Arab celebrations in neighborhoods.

Foreign Minister Shimon Peres represented a "sad day for all of us" and one firebomb in the ocend terrorism.

But Peres today was careful to downplay the possible impact on U.S.-Israeli ties, saying, "Our argument is not with the United States. Our argument is with the

The U.S. announcement sparked rejoicing among residents of the occupied territories.

Astro-Graph

Bernice Bede Osol



Past experiences and involvements will play a big hand in shaping your destiny in the year ahead. Conditions that previously bogged you down will be alleviated and workable approaches will be

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your overall financial position should be rather strong in this period, yet there will be days when your extravagance will weaken the limb on which you're perched. This could be one of those days. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences which are governing you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing \$1 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428. Be sure to state your zodiac sign. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If your attitude is negative today, it will have a depressing effect upon your entire family. Subdue grumbling and look for things to laugh about.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Problems in communication are possible today. People with whom you usually get along well might misunderstand you or you might misunderstand them

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A discussion with a friend may be required today to iron out a matter where you either loaned or borrowed something. Don't let it continue unresolved.

volvements today, be careful not to behave in a manner contrary to what others expect from you. Pledges you make must be fulfilled or it could tarnish your

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Guard against tendencies today to turn trifling issues into something more volatile. I you overreact, others will as well, and the results could be unpleasant.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Try to keep everything on a high level when dealing with friends today, especially if money is involved in some manner. Serious misunderstandings could develop if anyone

easy to win associates over to your point of view today if they think you are pushing too hard. Ease off and allow everyone freedom of choice.

one of your better days for trying to do work that is purely of a mental nature. Mistakes you would normally spot at a

aren't apt to be favorable today if you demand things of others that you would be reluctant to do yourself. If you're not respectful of your peers, don't expect

portant how many things you start to-day, what really counts is how many you finish. Don't make more demands on yourself than you can handle.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You'll be an industrious perfectionist today, but this might not be true of people with whom you'll be working. In fact, their involvement could detract from your

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"Thanks to the uprising, the radio, "We can't turn our heads prise U.S. decision to open talks PLO and the United States are and editor of the Al Fajr newspaper published in Arab east Jerusalem.

In the West Bank city of celebrating the U.S. decision marched through the streets cupied territories would "put to shame" Arafat's commitment to end terrorism.

Indicated through the streets through the stree Palestinian state."

> 'For the first time, I feel the Americans are starting to listen to the Palestinian voice, and the voice of peace," said a mosque preacher in the West Bank city of Nablus.

> Siniora and others credited Palestinians' year-long revolt against Israel's 21-yearoccupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip with moderating PLO positions and paving the way for talks with Washington.

"The uprising pressured the Palestinian leadership to take such positions," said Saed Kanaan, a PLO supporter and businessman in Nablus.

Israel army radio called the decision a "historic turning

"Israelis woke up today to a whole new political reality in the Middle East," said army radio correspondent Oz Frankel.

Avi Pazner, spokesman for Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir, said in a telephone interview, "We believe that the United States will realize very soon what and will then realize that its ing Israel has not changed. latest step has not furthered the

away or put our heads in the sand and say nothing happened.'

He said one option of "a convincing peace initiative of our own" would be to sponsor elections to choose leaders in the West Bank and Gaza, home to 1.7 million said the American turnabout Ramallah, dozens of Palestinians Palestinians and 70,000 Jewish

But, he added, "The only way they can be elected is if the shooting stops."

The U.S. move could further divide Israel's two major political camps and upset sensitive negotiations to bring Peres's Labor Party and Shamir's Likud bloc together in a unity government.

One sign of new friction was Peres' renewed an attack on Likud for thwarting his exploratory contacts with Jordan last year, which he said would have prevented the PLO initiative. On July 31, King Hussein of Jordan cut all administrative ties to the West Bank, allowing the PLO to fill the vacuum.

In the 1967 Middle East war, Israeli seized the West Bank from Jordan and Gaza from Egypt.

Peres also warned Shamir indirectly today that he would not join a new government that failed to actively pursue peace.

Likud politicians angrily de-nounced the U.S. move.

Benny Begin, a Likud parliament member and son of former Prime Minister Menachem Begin, said the PLO was known to Israelis as "a bunch of the true policies of the PLO are killers," and their aim of destroy-

"From our point of view, a cause of peace in the Middle snake wearing a jacket and tie is Peres, however, said on Israel nothing but a well-dressed snake," he said.

FIVE-YEAR MEN — City building inspector Vick were among city employees to be recognized at the Chambers, left, and sanitation department annual Saturday night city awards banquet at employee Bennie Anderson, with five years each, Snyder County Club. (SDN Staff Photo)

Fiber-optic cable beneath Atlantic goes into service

few words from prolific science London and Paris. fiction author Isaac Asimov, the voyage of laser beams through a historic trans-Atlantic crossing shark-proof underwater fiber- — this maiden voyage across the

Wednesday and can carry 40,000 than 3,500 miles of cable. phone calls between the United predecessors combined.

the first official words on the will go into service. cable in a three-way video con-

"Welcome, everybody, to this optic cable began a new era of sea on a beam of light," Asimov trans-Atlantic communications. said at 10:30 a.m. EST, his voice first year the company handled The cable, thinner than a instantly flashed as coded pulses child's wrist, went into service of laser light through the more out of the United States.

In a sign of the voracious de-States and Europe simultaneous- mand for communications, the ly, double the capacity of its partners in the \$361 million protrans-Atlantic copper-cable ject expect the fiber-optic cable to start running out of room by Asimov, author of more than late 1991. That's when a new 400 books of science fiction, spoke cable with even greater capacity

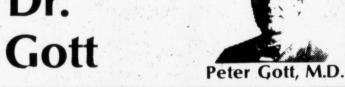
Fiber-optic service to Japan

TIS THE SALE BEFORE

NEW YORK (AP) - With a ference connecting New York, and the Far East will begin next spring, and other undersea fiber links will reach to the Caribbean and the Mediterranean by the early 1990s.

AT&T said 1988 would be the more than 1 billion calls into and

For residential customers, the new cable, called the TAT-8, will mean a continued decline in the price of trans-Atlantic calls. For businesses, it will mean lower rates and greater capacity for the huge volume of computer data they transmit, especially in areas of finance, travel and tourism.



By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm one of those damned fools who just had to smoke kinds of trouble with emphysema. What's the appropriate treatment?

DEAR READER: Cigarette smoking contributes to chronic lung disease in several ways.

First, tobacco smoke is associated with bronchitis, infection of the airways. Smoke actually paralyzes the tiny cilia (hair cells) that propel mu-

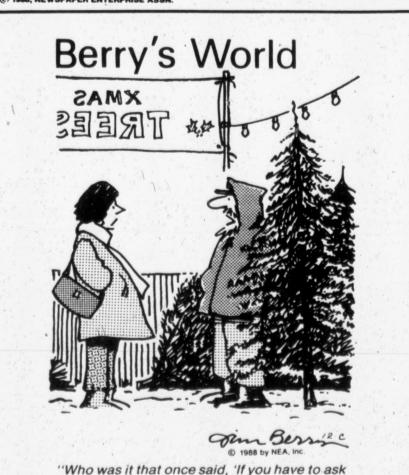
Medicine to open airways (bronchodilators) and antibiotics (to fight infection) can be useful.

Emphysema patients can be helped by learning new, more efficient ways to breathe - for example, by using the diaphragm more effectively.

These techniques can be taught by a physician or inhalation therapist, a technician trained in the treatment of pulmonary disease. Finally, the cautious use of oxygen

supplements delivered through a nasal cannula (plastic tube) from a tank or oxygen concentrator may help many emphysema patients to live more active lives.





Longhorns keep scoring big; Houston rambles past Toledo

by The Associated Press The Texas Longhorns took their scoring machine to California and scored more than 100 points for the fourth time this

streak to six games.

and teammate Travis Mays added 26 Wednesday night to lead the Longhorns to a 117-86 victory over Long Beach State.

In the other game involving a Southwest Conference team, Roger Fernandes and Craig Upchurch scored 17 points each to lead the Houston Cougars to a 73-58 victory over Toledo to give the SWC a 2-0 mark for the night.

Lance Blanks had 20 points and Joey Wright added 17 for the high-scoring Longhorns, now 7-1. It was the third highest point

Coyotes host cage tourney

GAIL -- Coach Bill May's Lady Coyotes, off to a strong start again this season, take on Wellman here today as the Borden County Invitational Basketball Tournament gets underway.

The action includes a girl's and a boy's tournament, both scheduled to get underway at 2

Today's first-round girl's action began at 2 p.m. with Jayton meeting Klondike. At 3:30 p.m., Loop and Westbrook were to take the floor, followed at 5 p.m. by Sands and Borden County JV.

May's Lady Coyotes play Wellman at 6:30 p.m.

In boy's action, Jayton and Klondike were to meet at 2 p.m., Sands and Jayton JV at 3:30 p.m., Loop and Westbrook at 5 p.m. and Wellman and Borden County at 8 p.m.

The tournament continues with championship games set for 6:30 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturday.

The Lady Coyotes, perennial Class A playoff contenders, will take an 11-1 record into tonight's

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total ever for Texas.

Long Beach State, 2-6, was led by Brian Jones with 25 points, 19 in the second half.

Texas, which made 56.9 perseason and boosted their winning cent of its field goals compared to-44.9 percent for Long Beach Alvin Heggs scored 31 points State, built a 48-28 halftime lead and was never seriously threatened afterward.

> The Cougars shot 63 percent during the game and boosted their record to 4-2. Toledo also

High school basketball schedules

SHS LADY TIGERS

1	988-89 BASKETBA	LL SCHEDULE	
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20	Andrews*	Snyder	7:30
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3	Big Spring*	Snyder	7:30
6	Ft.Stockton*	Snyder	7:30
10	Lake View*	SanAngelo	7:30
13	Monahans*	Snyder	7:30
20	Andrews*	Andrews	7:30
24	Sweetwater*	Snyder	7:30
27	Pecos*	Snyder	7:30
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stands at 4-2.

The 17 points was a career high for Fernandes. Fred King paced Toledo with 16 points, including four three-point shots.

Toledo's Chad Keller scored seven of his nine points as Houston fell behind 15-12 early in the game, but a 23-12 surge gave the Cougars a 35-27 halftime lead.

Girls set for Pecos

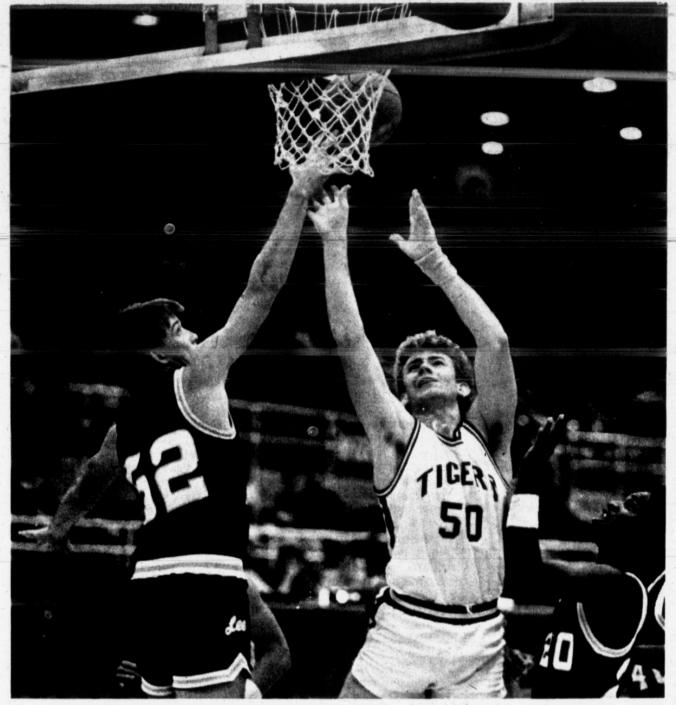
PECOS -- Coach Ken Housden's Lady Tigers, their three-game win streak halted by a loss in their District 4-4A opener earlier this week, try to get back on track here Friday.

The Tigers, 4-6, take on an 8-4 Pecos Eagles team at 7:30 p.m. A junior varsity contest is set for 6 p.m. Tickets are \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

Both varsity squads are 0-1 in district play. Snyder fell 61-35 to Sweetwater on Tuesday while Pecos lost to Andrews, 68-52.

In other 4-4A girl's games Friday, Andrews (5-7, 1-0) is at Sweetwater (9-3, 1-0), Lake View (2-9, 0-1) treks to Monahans (1-8, 0-1) and Fort Stockton (5-6, 1-0) is at Big Spring (10-1, 1-0).

Snyder High School boys open 4-4A play next Tuesday in Andrews. The Lady Tigers will host the Mustangs on the same even-



HOOPS ACTION -- Snyder's Tigers open District 4- this week, will play in Pecos this Friday. Above, Lady Tigers, who begain district action earlier rebound. (SDN Staff Photo)

AP report reveals baseball salaries are climbing again

baseball salaries up again, at a deal. pace not seen since before the Long-term contracts, so far, Press study shows.

NEW YORK (AP) - The chase pitcher with a 66-96 career record teams. Last winter, 22 of 59 swit- wanted back by their former for free agents is driving got a \$3.95 million, three-year

days of collusion, an Associated have been limited to three years, and fewer free agents are swit-Two years ago, stars such as ching teams than before an Jack Morris and Tim Raines owners boycott began in 1985. But received little or no attention. given the tumult in the increase this year probably will benefited. Reliever Jesse Orosco, This year, a .199 hitter got a \$2 marketplace over the last six worried.

> Lou Gorman, general manager of the Boston Red Sox, thought about some of the recent deals and wondered aloud: "How are you going to pay a Roger Clemens or a Dwight Gooden?" Both can become free agents after the 1989 season. In the past month, nine free

agents signed three-year contracts, one more than for all of 1985, -1986 and 1987 combined. Eleven more players got twoyear deals. What has happened in the last

few weeks demonstrated what they did the last three years,' agent Richard Moss said. "They know everybody is looking over their shoulder.

An examination of contracts revealed:

Free agents this offseason have increased their salaries for 1989 by 15 percent, from an average of \$705,638 to \$809,417. They went up 1 percent last year, decreased 15 percent in the 1986-87 offseason and went down 5 percent in 1985-86, when the owners were found by an arbitrator to have begun their collusion. The off-season increase this year is the highest for free agents since 1982-83.

Salaries for free agents changing clubs have risen 37 percent, from an average of \$667,471 to \$916,923. Last offseason, the salaries of free agents switching teams declined 23 percent, from \$718,667 to \$552,500.

- Twenty of 34 free agents signing with major league teams so far this year received multiyear contracts. Last year, 18 of the 54 free agents who signed got multiyear deals; in the 1986-87 offseason, it was eight of 38.

- Of the 38 free agents signing so far this offseason, 13 switched

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season it was 13 of 41, and in 1985- market is open again. 86, it was three of 28. In 1984-85, the last pre-collusion offseason, it was 25 of 56. In 1983, it was 20 of

The percentage of the salary go down and the percentage of ineffective for two seasons, signyers changing teams bably will go up after the final tract with Cleveland. Reliever figures are calculated since Tom Niedenfuer, unwanted by many lesser free agents are still last-place Baltimore, signed with unsigned and some are not

ched teams. In the 1986-87 off- clubs. Clearly, though, the

"This thing has gotten so crazy again this year that it just defies description," Cincinnati general manager Murray Cook said.

Not just the top players have ed a two-year \$1.675 million con

(see BASEBALL, page 6)

Ryan still surprised by Astros' reactions

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) -Nolan Ryan decided if the Houston Astros didn't want him he wouldn't even go back to the. Astrodome to clear out his

Ryan, baseball's all-time strikeout king, tried out his new Texas Rangers' uniform on Wednesday.

He said he wouldn't even be wearing one if Houston Astros' owner John McMullen had really wanted him.

Ryan, who signed with the Rangers for over \$1.5 million with a one-year option, said "the position they (the Astros) took was not realistic. It was John's attitude. He was the one who made the decision.'

Asked if he thought McMullen had created a public relations blunder, Ryan said, "Yeah, I'd say he did. He's had a lot of criticism until Jackie Sherrill took the heat off him (by resigning as athletic director and head. after pitching in the airfootball coach at Texas A&M)."

Ryan, who lives near Houston at Alvin, Texas, said he didn't even go back to the Astrodome to get his equipment.

'The equipment man is a good friend and he cleared out my gear, boxed it up and sent it to me," Ryan said.

Ryan said he was surprised by the Astros' actions.

"I guess John wanted his salary structure to go in another direction," Ryan said. "It's his

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decision. That's the way he runs his business.'

He added, "I think the fans in Houston understand I really didn't want to leave but had no choice under the circumstances. The fans there were great.'

Ryan, 41, said he came to the Rangers although they didn't give him the top money offer.

"(Manager) Bobby Valentine was a teammate of mine," Ryan said. "Also it made it easier on my family to stay in Texas.'

Ryan pitched in the American League nine years ago for the California Angels.

Ryan, the National League's strikeout leader the last two years, is 27 victories short of the magic 300 mark and said "at the end of this year I'd like to be in a position to say I had a good shot at 300. If I help the Rangers next year, then I can.

Ryan said it will be interesting to see if he can handle the July and August heat in Arlington conditioned Astrodome.

'To be honest, I don't know how the heat will affect me,' Ryan said. "Ferguson Jenkins and Gaylord Perry handled it pretty well in the twilight of their careers so I think it's reasonable to say I should be able to adjust to

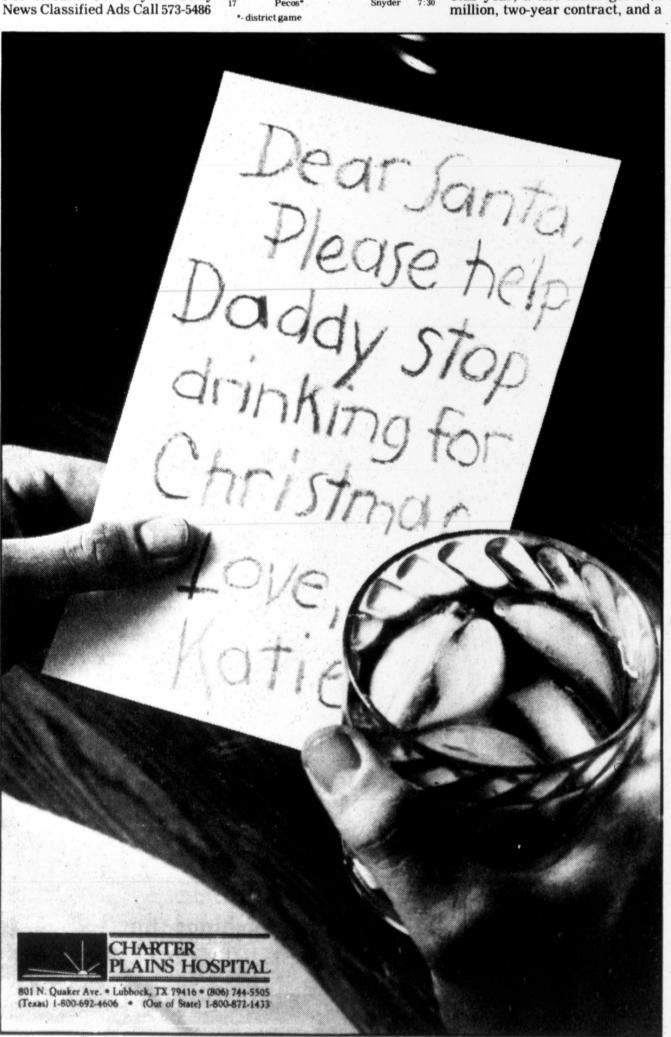
Ryan said he was enthused about the potential of the Rangers, who were the talk of the winter meetings in Atlanta with their wheeling and dealing.

"There's a lot of excitement on this team," Ryan said. "I think the Rangers had reached a plateau where they needed to do something and they did."

"I hope I can have a leadership role with some of the younger

players," Ryan said.

Asked how long he would pitch,
Ryan said "Well, I never anticipated pitching this long. Maybe I can go another three years if a stay healthy. It's hard to predict whether it will be one year or three years. There are a lot of factors.



y-clinched playoff berth

Miami 38, Cleveland 31

Washington at Cincinnati

Buffalo at Indianapolis Detroit at Tampa Bay Houston at Cleveland Miami at Pittsburgh

New York Giants

Philadelphia at Dallas Seattle at Los Angeles Raiders

High school

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Saturday, Dec. 17

Kansas City at San Diego Green Bay at Phoenix Los Angeles Rams at San Francisco

by The Associated Press

Stull takes over at Missouri

Dooley resigns at Georgia

turned Massachusetts into a winner and Texas-El Paso into a bowl team.

To what heights will Bob Stull take Missouri, a football program so rich with potential that Bud Wilkinson once labeled it "a sleeping giant?'

"To tell you how many games we will win next year is Wednesday as Missouri's 29th then turned it around to 7-4 in

After 25 years...

the speculation has ended and

Vince Dooley has resigned as

coach of the Georgia Bulldogs

the school turns its attention to

Dooley announced Wednesday

he would quit as football coach temporarily.

the hunt for a new coach.

we'll win one," he said at a news conference near the Missouri Stadium. "If I say any more than that, I'll set myself up to be fired next year."

Getting fired has never been a danger for Stull, who played center for Vince Gibson's Kansas State teams in the late 1960s and served for more than a decade on Don James' staff at Washington. ridiculous," said Stull, 43, who He went 3-8 at Massachusetts his signed a five-year contract first year as a head coach in 1984.

Jan. 1 date with Michigan State

tators, including the media and

Bulldogs followers that Dooley

would stay on as athletic director

School President Charles

in the Gator Bowl.

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) - He head football coach. "I think 1985 and left for Texas-El Paso, coach. He has proven himself a which since 1974 had won 15 and

> The Miners went 4-8 in 1986 and 7-4 in 1987 and currently stand 10-2 heading into the Independence Bowl on Dec. 23 against Southern Mississippi.

"We feel fortunate to have the opportunity to hire an

and possbily until Feb. 8, the first

official signing date for high

Knapp said he had appointed

separate head football coach and

athletic director. Dooley had held

ble successors to Dooley are Dick

Sheridan, head coach at North

Carolina State; Erk Russell, whose Division 1-AA Georgia

Southern Eagles seek their third

national title in four years on

Among those rumored as possi-

school recruits.

in his office today.

both positions since 1979.

winner."

Stull replaces Woody Widenhofer, who resigned under pressure last month with a fouryear log of 12-31-1. Widenhofer, despite his lack of success on the field, had proven a good recruiter, however. He had carefully redshirted young players, many of whom were outstanding football coach like widely recruited by other Big Bob Stull," athletic director Dick Eight schools, and it is not Tamburo said. "He is recognized thought that Stull is walking into as a bright, innovative young a typical rebuilding situation.

Dooley's name has been men-

"It's obvious I'm not a politi-

and history. Before I would con-

would go around the state, talk to

people, more importantly, listen

to them and find out what the

"Then I'll see if it's a possibili-

tioned as a possible guber-

natorial candidate in 1990.

Dooley said he would probably be contacting them within the

an eight-member search commit-cian," the 56-year-old Dooley

tee to screen candidates and said. "However, I do have a

would meet with the committee strong interest in government

He said the school would have a sider it (a run for governor), I

issues are.

stay until a new coach is hired next few days.

NFL glance

By The Associated Press AMERICAN CONFERENCE

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Indianapolis	8	7	0	.533	337	301	
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Miami	6	9	0	.400	295	340	
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Houston	10	5	0	.667	401	337	
Cleveland	9	6	0	.600	276	265	
Pittsburgh	4	11	0	.267	296	397	
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West

Here are the pairings for this weekend's high school state championship games Class 5A Championship
Dallas Carter (14-0-1) vs. Converse Judson (141), noon Saturday, Texas Stadium, Irving. Class 4A Championship
Paris (12-3) vs. West Orange-Stark (12-2), 2 p.m. Saturday, Kyle Field, College Station. .267 240 340 .267 210 292 .200 214 298 .600 369 277 .600 302 274

Utah

Class 3A Championship Southlake Carroll (15-0) vs. Navasota (12-3), 8 p.m. Saturday, Floyd Casey Stadium, Waco Class 2A Championship Quanah (14-1) vs. Corrigan-Camden (14-0-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Pennington Field, Bedford. Class A Championship White Deer (14-0) vs. Flatonia (14-1), 7:30 p.m

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NBA glance

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Midwest Division

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ty for me," he said. Equipment manager key part int head coach George Haffner. "It has all moved pretty fast in le last 24 hours," Knapp said. of Oiler game plan this week

HOUSTON (AP) - Before the with its frigid temperatures, will accompany the team to Houston Oilers do their work in soggy turf and snow. When asked to provide a list of Cleveland Sunday, equipment manager Gordon Batty has his a chance to win their first warm themselves on the own assignment.

It's Batty's job to prepare the leading candidates, but we will Oilers for Municipal Stadium,

The warm-weather Oilers have American Football Confrence sidelines and the kickers will Central Division title at best or miss the playoffs entirely Sunday against the Browns.

says with Batty's help the Sept. 13, 1981 when they came weather won't beat he Oilers.

"The weather can't beat you," Glanville said. "I think we'll time to beat the Oilers prepare like we did two years ago when we went up there and played emotionally hard.

"I think they kicked a field goal with 16 seconds in overtime to beat us.'

Batty will pack plenty of extra equipment for the warm-weather Oilers to assure they aren't distracted by the weather condi-

"It has to be the worst," Batty said. "We're expecting cold weather, and I'm confident we'll be using the best gear for protec-

tion. I know we'll be ready. The Oilers' equipment truck will have to pull harder to accommodate the added parkas, thermal socks and underwear, gloves and special traction shoes that Municipal Stadium Sunday.

They'll have a heated bench to have over-sized snow shoes to keep their feet warm and dry.

The Oilers haven't won a non-Oilers Coach Jerry Glanville strike game in Cleveland since away with a 9-3 victory.

> The Browns had to go to over-1983 and 13-10 in 1986. Three of those losses came in the November and December. The Oilers also can look to a 3-4

road record this season and the Browns, 9-6, have a four-game home winning streak.

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Newsome had missed the last six games because of a strained Oilers place six calf muscle and aggravated it in Wednesday's practice, prompting him to tell the Fort Worth

by The Associated Press

players on the AFC Pro Bowl behind Boomer Esiason of Cinteam announced Wednesday intime for me to go on and do other cluding repeat appearances by running back Mike Rozier and

> receiver Drew Hill and defensive end Ray Childress are first-time members of the team.

Munchak has made the team linebacker Clay Matthews. four times and Rozier is making

was the lone member of the Dallas Cowboys selected to the NFC squad. Walker leads the NFC in rushing and trails Eric Dickerson of Indianapolis by 42 yards in the race for the NFL rushing title heading into the final week of the regular season.

voting by players and coaches, made the team for the second

Moon was named a reserve cinnati.

"It's definitely a great honor to be selected," Moon said. "It's something that everyone in the league looks forward to. I've had guard Bruce Matthews, wide a lot of help from my teammates to get there.

Matthews won selection along with his brother, Cleveland

years when I was disappointed that I didn't make it," Bruce Matthews said. "I'm glad to finally be on the team.'

Moon is the No. 2 rated passer in the AFC behind Esiason. He has completed 54 percent of his passes this season, thrown 16 touchdown passes and eight interceptions.

the NFC Jan. 29 in Honolulu.

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Irish's Holtz humbly accepts Bryant Award

ATHENS, Ga. (AP) - Now that following the No. 19 Bulldogs'

after 25 mostly glorious years, Knapp told hundreds of spec-

back over Notre Dame's undefeated season, Coach Lou and we're playing the team they Holtz accepted the Bear Bryant Award as the nation's top college coach humbly.

The Fighting Irish, 11-0 and ranked No. 1 in The Associated Press college poll, had some close calls this season.

"You look back and if Miami converts the two-point conversion and if the field goal goes through at Michigan, there were so many things," Holtz said Wednesday night. "So I accept this humbly."

Notre Dame beat Michigan 19-17 and edged Miamia 31-30.

Holtz, who won the award for the second time, beat Miami's Jimmy Johnson, West Virginia's Don Nehlen and Southern California's Larry Smith for the award, presented by the Football Writers Association of America.

Holtz said he and his staff may have done a better job in 1985, Holtz's first at Notre Dame.

"I thought we did a good job our first year at Notre Dame when if it weren't for 14 points we could have won 10 football games," Holtz said. "We were so Newsome could close we had to get over that hur-

"But coaching gives you a chance to win. The athletes have to win it for you."

The Fighting Irish have one game remaining against West Virginia in the Fiesta Bowl before wrapping up a national ti-

"This season has a chance to be special but right now it's not, I can't put it any simpler," Holtz

Nehlen thinks the No. 3 ranked Mountaineers should be national champions if they beat the Irish.

Johnson said No. 2 Miami should get the nod if the Hurricane beats Nebraska in the Orange Bowl and West Virginia things," Newsome told the Fort beats Notre Dame.

Nehlen listened calmly and responded strongly. "Our football team went

through that schedule and never to come to an end."

BASEBALL

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season and got a two-year, \$2

million contract. Second

\$290,000 for Cincinnati in 1988 and

had just 150 at-bats, re-signed

with the Reds for \$1.3 million

over two years. Shortstop Scott

Fletcher, who made \$575,000 last

season for Texas, re-signed for

\$3.9 million over three years

after hitting .276 with 47 runs bat-

ted in and no home runs. That's

\$300,000 more a season than the

Detroit's All-Star shortstop.

bidding wars this winter.

George Steinbrenner to overhaul their roster, signed three free agents - second baseman Steve Sax for \$4 million and pitchers Andy Hawkins for \$3.6 million Seattle for \$1.75 million over two and Dave LaPoint for \$2.575 Shortstop Alfredo Griffin batmillion - to three-year contracts. ted .199 for Los Angeles last Hawkins is the highest paid

While the Yankees signed three baseman Ron Oester, who made free agents this offseason, Angels owner Gene Autry increased the price for pitchers Bruce Hurst and Nolan Ryan, even though he failed to sign them. After St. Louis bid \$5.1 million for Hurst, California raised its offer from \$4.9 million to \$5.5 million. After Texas offered Ryan a potential \$2.8 million deal for one season and an option year, California insalary of Alan Trammell, creased its offer to \$3.3 million for a season and an option.

Three teams who led baseball's free agent revolution a dozen First baseman "Sunny Jim" years ago - the New York Bottomley of the St. Louis Car-Yankees, California Angels and dinals drove in 12 runs in a 1924 game against the Brooklyn San Diego Padres - sparked the Dodgers and set a major league The Yankees, told by owner record.

Dan Reeves and Georgia assistant head coach George Haffner. the last 24 hours," Knapp said. "I'm not aware that we have contacted any individual."

HOUSTON (AP) - Looking was tested," Nehlen said of his 11-0 Mountaineers. "We're No. 3 (Miami) lost to and if we beat that team, I love Jimmy but he's

No. 1 anyway," Holtz said. "I don't have to make the selection so I won't. I'm just worried about

"I haven't figured out who's

Johnson's second ranked Hurricane will play No. 6 Nebraska in the Orange Bowl and No. 5 Southern California will play Michigan in the Rose Bowl.

Philadelphia Eagles is to avoid

The Cowboys, 3-12, snapped a

IRVING, Texas (AP) - Dallas

Cowboys fullback Timmy

Newsome, hobbled by injuries

that forced him to miss the last

six games, says he will probably

Star-Telegram that he likely

for the final game Sunday

against the Philadelphia Eagles.

He will remain on the sidelines

"I just think at this point, it's

Worth newspaper. "Football has

been good to me. I've had a good

"But like anything else, it has

time playing the game.

Yankee pitcher ever.

won't be back next season.

retire at the end of the season.

being blown out early.

turn in helment

Saturday, Denver Broncos coach

West Virginia.

candidates, Knapp said: "It's a most impressive list the media came up with. There's no Cowboys need strong start

against Eagles to avoid loss PHILADELPHIA (AP) - 10-game losing streak last week you do that with a club like ours Dallas Cowboys Coach Tom Lan-dry says the key for his team in They are a two-point underdog we're out of the game right off. Sunday's game with the against the Eagles, 9-6, in a

ped us of the ball and had us

Philadelphia's NFL playoff "For two or three games in a eliminate ourselves right off, row we blew ourselves out in the which made them very good first quarter through our own er- games.'

during a telephone news conference. "The (New York) Giants strip-

Landry said Wednesday

down 17 points or so. The Vikings came along and had us down 21-0 they'll have good rivalries with a right off," Landry said. "When lot of teams," he said.

"The last three games have season finale vital to been very good for us. We've

played Houston, Cleveland and Washington well. We didn't Landry said he doesn't put

much stock in talk that the Eagles and Cowboys are bitter rivals.

"Philadelphia has moved into the level of playoff contenders, so

in NFL Pro Bowl

The Houston Oilers placed six

guard Mike Munchak.

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Prolonged execution angers Texas inmates

The prolonged execution this Houston restaurant owner. week of a Texas death row inmate disgusted several of his fellow prisoners, and one suggested that the state get rid of the previous drug use for the leak. lethal injection method if they can't do it right.

Raymond Landry's punishment Tuesday was delayed when Hughes said. a lethal injection needle inserted dead 40 minutes after being strapped to the death chamber gurney and 24 minutes after the drugs started flowing into his arms.

"I think they screwed it up," inmate Lester Bower said Wednesday of the execution. "I think the word is 'botched,' "

added prisoner Billy Hughes. Two minutes into the prodry's right arm suddenly sprang secret executions. a leak, spraying the solution into the air and halting the execution.

ordered a plastic curtain pulled to block the scene from be a second shot. It's witnesses.

After 14 minutes, and after doors opening and closing, mur- more premeditated.' murs and at least one groan, the appeared motionless and unconscious.

"Witnesses are supposed to be watchers - not listeners,' it's the minute things that will add up after awhile.

I knew Landry, and he was resigned to the fact (of death)," Bower said. "It's almost like TDC (Texas Department of Corrections) is getting one more dig

Landry was condemned to die I would get rid of it," Smith said. Dr. Anthony S. Fauci, director

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — for the 1982 robbery-slaying of a

State officials blamed a mechanical problem caused by Landry's muscular arms and

"It's like they have a card with excuses on it and they decide, 'Let's use this excuse today,'

Witnesses normally are not into his arm sprung a leak. The allowed to watch the insertion of 39-year-old inmate was declared the needle into the inmate's arms and are led into the death chamber when the inmate already is strapped to the gurney. When Landry's needle began leaking, the curtain was pulled so officials could reinsert the needle, prison spokesman Charles Brown explained.

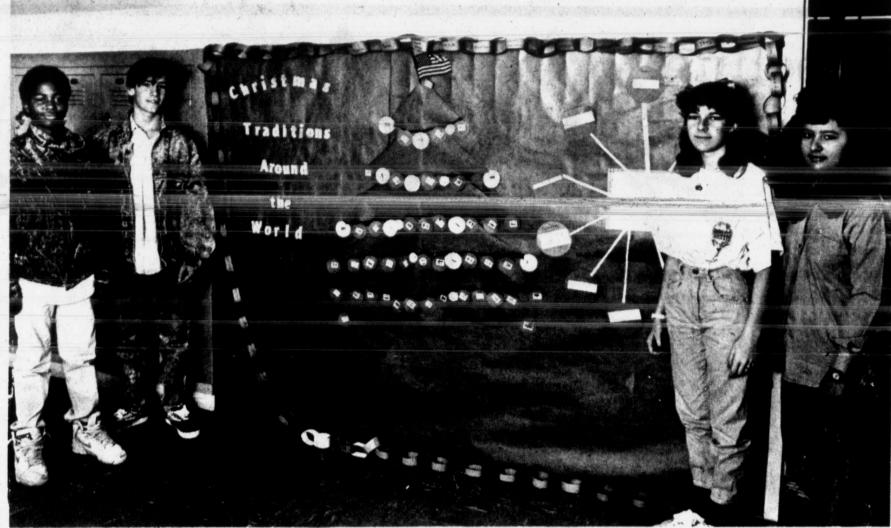
"The public needs to see how it goes," inmate James Beathard said, adding that he feared the cedure, the tube attached to Lan-drawn curtains could lead to

"It did sound kind of strange," prisoner Raymond Kinnamon Warden Jack Pursley then said. "It must have been an act of God. I don't think there ought to premeditated murder to begin with. And once whatever steps witnesses heard the sound of they take fail, then it seems even

Another inmate, James Smith, curtain was opened and Landry speculated the needle problem was deliberate because Landry had accepted his fate.

"If you have qualified medical personnel, you don't botch Hughes said. "But that's what something as simple as putting in they were doing - listening. I an IV," Smith said. "They did it know the public doesn't care, but deliberately or maybe this was a disease in a high-risk, sexually sign they were executing the active population, federal health wrong person.

> somebody, and my form of ex- said the study is to be conducted ecution would be to chop off their among 2,000 heterosexuals in heads, and the handle broke off Newark, N.J., and Brooklyn, the thing when the guy swings it, N.Y., over a five-year period.



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heterosexual contact, but such such as homosexuals or insexual conduct accounts for 30 travenous drug users, who are percent of all AIDS cases among considered to be at high risk for AIDS.

-Those infected or exposed to

WASHINGTON (AP) - A new of the institute, said the purpose heterosexuals with a history of fungal, viral, retroviral, bacterial or parasitic infections that are thought to increase the risk of acquiring AIDS.

Intravenous drug users, a group with one of the highest rates of AIDS infection, are excluded from the study.

Newark and Brooklyn were selected for the study, the NIAID said, "because they are located in inner-city areas populated by large numbers of HIV-infected drug users, a potential reservoir of infectivity for heterosexuals."

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Missing bank officer found

ARLINGTON, Texas (AP) -The father of a woman found naked, bruised and battered at the door of an east Fort Worth pizzeria a month after being abducted says he had almost abandoned hope his daughter would be

"It's certainly going to be the best Christmas present we ever had," said John France.

Catherine Thom, a bank officer, was found shortly after midnight Wednesday leaning against the door of Tenery's Pizza, which already had closed, said Arlington Police Sgt. Sharon

'She wouldn't say anything. She looked to me like she was in shock," said restaurant assistant manager Tammy Brewer. "It took about five minutes to convince her she should come in."

Ms. Thom, 31, was treated at John Peter Smith Hospital in Fort Worth and later was sent home after being treated for a cut over her right eye and bruises on both arms, said Fort Worth police spokesman Doug Clarke.

Although France said he was losing hope for his daughter's return, Ms. Thom's 10-year-old son, Daniel, remained steadfast in his faith.

Cow struck by motorist

A pickup truck driven by a Snyder man hit and killed a cow early Thursday just north of the city limits on the Clairemont

The Department of Public Safety said a 1985 Ford pickup driven by Ricky L. Thompson of Rt. 3 was southbound on Hwy. 208 2.2 miles north of the city limits when the cow came onto the road-

A DPS trooper said Thompson veered to the right but was unable to avoid the animal. The accident happened at 12:35 a.m. Thursday.

City police investigated three traffic accidents Wednesday, the first two involving vehicles that eft the scene after striking park-

An unknown vehicle and driver door owned by Windmill Industries of Amarillo in an incident discovered at 8:56 a.m. Wednesday at the Pizza Hut on College Ave.

Also, an unknown vehicle and driver struck a parked 1982 Oldsmobile four-door owned by Joani Shoemaker of 100 E. 37th St., No. 39, in an incident discovered at 12:08 p.m. Wednesday in the 100 Block of East 37th.

At 4:24 p.m. Wednesday in the 2500 Block of Ave. R, a 1982 Ford four-door driven by Linda K. Jones of 2701 27th St. was in collision with a 1986 Ford four-door driven by Winnie I. Wells of 2505

Obituaries

Tom Branon

LAMESA-Services for Tom Branon, 59, of Lamesa are set for 10 a.m. Friday at First United Methodist Church in Lamesa with the Rev. Newton Starnes of Lubbock and the Rev. Hugh Daniel, pastor of the Lamesa church, officiating. Burial will be in Lamesa Memorial Park.

Branon was found dead Wednesday morning beside a cotton module near FM 2053 about 20 miles north of Lamesa near Welch, according to the Dawson County Sheriff's Office.

He is believed to have died from insulin shock, according to Deputy Becky Norton. However, an official ruling is being withheld by Justice of the Peace Denise Dyess pending autopsy results.

He was reported missing Saturday morning by family members.

Brannon was born Feb. 11, 1929 in Lamesa. He graduated from Lamesa High School in 1946 and attended Texas A&M and Sul Ross University and graduated from Dallas Institute of Mortuary Science in 1950.

Survivors include his wife, Betty; three sons. Tommy and Mike. both of Lamesa, and Jeff of Kyle; one daughter, Sarah Branon Yancy of San Angelo: three step children, Jan Wolk and Thomas A. Jones, both of Huntsville, Ala., and Monroe James of Nashville, Tenn.; one sister, Sally Watkins of Lamesa and nine grand-

children.

The boy said he believed his distraught and withdrawn. mother was still alive because he to keep her alive for her money.

'I have to admit that I guess Danny was the only one that was still convinced that his mother

France. "As the time wore down, I guess our hopes wore down too. We didn't lose our faith. (But) we were sure diminishing by leaps and bounds as the days wore by. After 30 days, it's a long, long time to wait.

Investigators said they are unsure whether Ms. Thom escaped or was released by her captors because the woman has been alternately emotionally

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"Her emotional state is such believed her captors would want she really hasn't been able to tell us anything about the last 30 days," said Arlington police spokesman Dee Anderson.

Three men were arrested Jodnasday manning in Fort Worth and questioned by FBI agents and Arlington officials in connection with Ms. Thom's kidnapping, but were released five hours later.

Ms. Thom, an assistant vice president at First City Bank in Arlington, had last been seen on the morning of Nov. 14 in her car at a drive-in window at First City Bank Central.

Arlington police Detective Helen Schilling-Wallace theorized Ms. Thom was trying to signal bank employees she was in trouble when she wrote a check for

Ms. Thom, who had previously worked as a bank teller supervisor, asked the teller how much she could withdraw and included her driver's license in the transaction for identification, even though she was well-known by her bank's tellers.

"There's a good possibility that someone was in the car with her,

Ceremony set for TDC class

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nathy; Paul Angelo Morales of Jayton; Ramiro Perez Jr. of Anson; Joe Eraclio Rogers of Big Spring; Frank R. Salinas of Sweetwater; Vickie Nell Sargent of Albany; and Benjamin Zapata

Guest speaker Stephens is a resident of San Angelo, where his honors include being named, along with his wife Pollyanna, Citizen Couple of the Year in 1974.

In 1987, the Independent Grocers Inc. presented him the Hometown Partner of the Year Award and, in 1986, the Texas Retail Grocers Association named him Grocer of the Year.

Other honors include the Spirit of America Award in 1986 awarded by the National Grocers Association and, in 1977, the Good Government Award from the Texas and National Retail Grocers Association.

He served as a San Angelo city council member from 1972-74 and, in 1967, he was named San Angelo's "Outstanding Young Man" by the San Angelo Jaycees. In 1971, he was named one of five outstanding young Texans by the Texas Jaycees.

Currently, he is a trustee at Angelo Community Hospital, chairman of the Texas Chamber of Commerce and a director for the West Texas Rehabilitation Center, Texas Association of Taxpayers and the Texas Civil Justice League.

The signup for the second TDC correctional officers class is now underway and will continue through Jan. 10. The WTC campus will close Friday for the holidays and offices will reopen Jan. 2.

Hospital **Notes**

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FHA INSTALLS OFFICERS--The 1988-89 officers for Future Homemaker of America (FHA) at Snyder High School were installed during a candlelight ceremony Tuesday in the home economics living area. Officers installed were, left to right, Kelli Rogers, president; Shanna Veazey, vice-president; Mary Ann Ramos, treasurer; and

Ester Zamarripa, historian. Naomi Gutierrez, secretary, was not present for the picture. The chapter members also enjoyed their annual Christmas party and gift exchange. Advisers for the FHA chapter are Mrs. Carolyn Limmer and Mrs. Carolyn Derouen. (SDN Staff Photo)

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For Results Use Snyder Daily Biggest pricetag estimate yet firm that," Ms. Schilling-Wallace given for failing S&Ls: \$112 billion

WASHINGTON (AP) — A con- rates to climb through the middle largest government estimate yet predictions beyond that. on the price of bailing out the na- The investigative agency, in a tion's failing savings and loans, draft of a report to the House and says the cost could soar even Banking Committee, sharply higher unless action is taken criticized the Federal Home quickly.

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The report noted that the ininstitutions alive through surance fund spends on mergers about 90 percent of what it would GAO said the Federal Savings cost to simply close insolvent inand Loan Insurance Corp., or stitutions and pay off depositors. FSLIC, will need \$85 billion over However, mergers do not always and above the \$27 billion it ex- resolve the problem and, counpects to collect in fees from S&Ls ting tax losses to the government, may well be more costly, it said.

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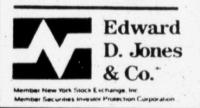
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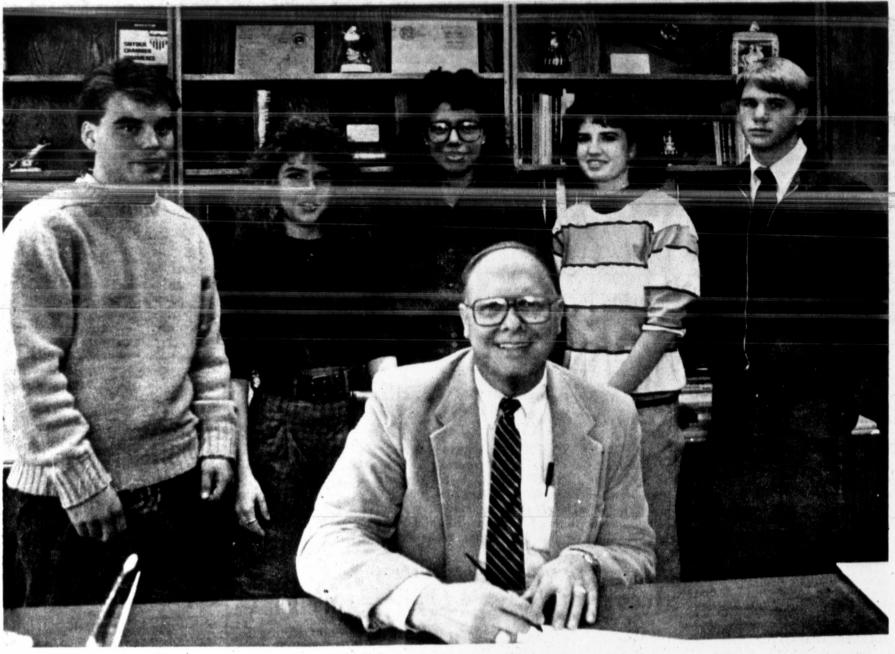
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DECA FREE ENTERPRISE WEEK — Mayor Troy Williamson has proclaimed this week DECA Free Enterprise Week in conjunction with the Distributive Education Clubs of America's annual son. (SDN Staff Photo)

observation. From left are DECA members Donald Anderson, Melinda Short, Andrea Casas, Bobbie Earnest and Stephen William-

Police rely on TV crime re-inactments

SEATTLE (AP) — Many police people needed to report crime their fears, and regain some confew words from Officer McGruff, cautioned "there may be some the cartoon bloodhound who negative consequences. barked "take a bite out of crime.

enactments on television to lure crime, Lurigio said. John Q. Public to the phone.

Stoppers" genre, most familiar police and civic leaders decided cessful. Of 115 fugitives poras 60-second spots on local TV, they needed a new weapon to took a giant leap toward fight increasing crime. The Hollywood last week with broad- premise: grab attention with a casts of "Manhunt: A Chance to End the Nightmare.'

With help from an independent film company, Seattle police investigators created two hours of televised murder, mayhem and mystery in a plea for clues to the country's worst unsolved serial murder case: the "Green River" slayings of at least 40 women in the Northwest.

The syndicated program, distributed to 137 stations nationwide, included a re-enacted murder attempt, real footage of police unearthing a victim, and interviews with grieving relatives. Viewers were urged to turn in a crook — and maybe collect a \$100,000 reward.

"The show was designed to push an emotional button in the viewer," said producer Beth Bro-

It apparently did. The program, broadcast Dec. 7 and repeated during the past week. drew more than 7,600 calls to a toll-free hotline.

Investigators rejoiced at the flood of fresh tips and praised the marriage of sleuthing and the

"It's the most effective tool in law enforcement," declared Detective Myrle L. Carner, director of Seattle's Crime Stoppers program.

The popularity of such programs reflects a "get tough on crime revival," said Art Lurigio, assistant professor of psychology at Northwestern University and co-author of a 1986 study on the programs for the U.S. Justice Department.



"People are looking to have once thought all the motivation some impact on crime, alleviate was a sense of civic duty and a trol," said Lurigio, although he

Offering large cash rewards and anonymity may encourage Not anymore. Police are in-false accusations, and the nightly creasingly turning to cash re-enactments could unrewards and morbid crime re- necessarily increase fear of

Crime Stoppers began 12 years The police-sponsored "Crime ago in Albuquerque, N.M., when televised "Crime of the Week re-enactment, then promise cash rewards and anonymity to anyone reporting any serious

The concept took off. More than 600 U.S. communities now have Crime Stoppers programs, said Tim Kline, a retired Albuquerque police officer and president of "The Unsolved Mysteries pro-Crime Stoppers International, gram was a bombshell." The

which helps set up local pro-show had featured his case Nov.

Crime Stoppers tips have helped solve more than 210,000 felonies and led to the recovery of \$1.3 billion in narcotics and stolen property, Kline said.

In the last two TV seasons, networks and syndicates have created dramatic variations on the Crime Stoppers theme. Not only are the programs popular with viewers, they also are suctrayed on'Fox Broadcasting Co.'s "America's Most Wanted," 55 are in jail, Fox says. NBC says its Unsolved Mysteries broadcast 50 stories and helped solve 11 cases.

On Wednesday, authorities in Nevada arrested a man suspected of bilking investors of up to \$3.5 million after they were tipped off by a maid who found a note in his motel room saying,

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Amateur astronomers tracked Atlantis' spy satellite deployment

TORONTO (AP) — Amateur for satellite watching because stronomers using home com- they are easier to point and have astronomers using home computers and high-powered binoculars were able to track the U.S. space shuttle Atlantis as it deployed a secret spy satellite.

if we could figure it out, you could bet that the Russians figured it out too," says Ted Molczan, a self-described "space enthusiast" who helped organize the tracking.

Although he said the information gathered had little practical use, the project showed secrecy is a rare commodity in the sky.

In Washington, David Garrett of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said, "We don't comment on secret satellite launches.'

Molczan, 35, said in a recent interview that the satellite watchers are hobbyists who work together informally, trading information through telephone calls, letters and electronic mail.

The secrecy of the Atlantis' early December mission made their research challenging and intriguing "detective work," Molczan said.

"As space enthusiasts, for us to see the space shuttle is a very exciting thing," he said, adding that he was thrilled by the rare prospect the shuttle would be visible over Canadian skies.

Shuttle orbits generally are farther south.

Molczan is aloor apartment; a computer and charts lie on his desk, books on the subject cram a bookcase and high-power binoculars sit on a stand near the

are more useful than telescopes

a wider field of view.

Molczan had been in contact with about 150 other satellite watchers from as far away as Australia about the Atlantis' probable orbit. He circulated information including a "test yourself" page to make sure all participants could handle the necessary calculations.

The Toronto skies were cloudy on Dec. 2, the day of the Atlantis' launch, and Molczan was unable to see it passing over. Others did, and the calls started coming in while the craft was on its sixth orbit in the late afternoon.

There were two sightings from the Toronto region and one from Ashtabula, Ohio.

"To get three confirmations like that in the space of half an hour was very exciting,' Molczan said. "We had more than a dozen people in this area looking for it.'

Knowing the times of the sightings allowed him to calculate the height of the orbit and, with the computer, he quickly was able to determine where the shuttle could be seen for the rest of the mission.

Molczan said the watchers sighted only the Atlantis on the sixth revolution, and the satellite was sighted by the seventh revolution three miles ahead of it. Continued sightings showed that for two days the shuttle stayed close to the satellite, which was observed to have a reddish color.

"The mission went the way we The binoculars, said Molczan, hypothesized it would," Molczan



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