

WTC commencement exercises tonight

Associate degrees and certificates will be presented in the 20th Western Texas College commencement program at 7:30 p.m. today in the central courtyard on campus.

Forty-nine students will receive the Associate in Arts degree while 23 graduates will receive the Associate in Applied Science degree. An additional 18 students will receive certificates earned in one-year programs.

Vocational nursing students do

not participate in the spring commencement program since a special ceremony is held for those receiving certificates and those receiving caps.

Presenting degrees and certificates will be Bettie McQueen, dean of instruction. Speakers for the program will be four honor graduates, Kerri Carter of Ira, Paul Davidson of Anson and Peter Natividad and Robert Snedeker of Snyder. John Gibson, chairman of the Fine Arts Divi-

sion, will give the faculty response.

Visitors will be welcomed by Carl Williams, member of the board of trustees. Dr. Harry Krenak, college president, will introduce special guests. The invocation will be given by Dr. Tim Griffin, pastor of the First Christian Church, and the benediction will be given by John Bill Hendrick, pastor of the Union and Ira United Methodist churches. Ushers will be members of the

campus chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. Patsy Martin will present the processional and recessional music on the Sears carillon.

A reception to honor the graduates and their families will be held in the Student Center following the ceremonies.

The following is a list of those receiving degrees and certificates.

Associate in Arts
Summa Cum Laude: Stephany Drummond and Janice Nor-

thern of Snyder, Paul Davidson of Anson, Erlinda Mayfield of Weinert, Bobby Sparks of Colorado City, Kerri Carter of Ira and Denise Rea of Sweetwater.

Magna Cum Laude: Stacey Logston and Susie Hale of Snyder, Kristi Carter of Ira, Dianne Hearn of Colorado City, Jeff Hicks of Muleshoe and Kenn Kern of Hurst.

Cum Laude: LaTrix Gladson, Bobbie Sue Earnest, Nicole Overman and Gigi Tharpe of Snyder,

Beth Hawkins of Aspermont, Kyle Cain of Bryan and Kristy Martin of Roby.

Others are Lisa Meloy of Animas, N.M., Brandon Benedict of Bartlesville, Okla., Jill Forrest of Bay St. Louis, Miss., Kraig McMillan of Colorado City, Jeff Shelley of Dallas, Shawn Tibbs of Dupree, S.D.; Derrick Bruton of Frankston, David Smith of Garland, Bradley Stewart of (see GRADUATES, page 10)

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Ask Us

Q—Has Western Texas College scheduled its success seminars for freshmen who will attend school in the fall?

A—Yes. Those dates are June 13, July 18 and Aug. 8. Advance reservations must be made by calling 573-8511, extension 394.

In Brief

House plan

AUSTIN (AP) — The chairman of the House Redistricting Committee says he anticipates voting on new House district lines May 20.

Rep. Tom Uher, D-Bay City, said the committee's proposal would be unveiled Friday, with three days of public hearings planned on it for next week.

"We will attempt to consider every proposal," Uher promised House members.

The Legislature is drawing new district lines for the state House, state Senate, Congress and the State Board of Education based on results of the 1990 Census.

Soviet unrest

ARTZVASHEN, U.S.S.R. (AP) — Surrounded by tanks and fearful of attack, residents of this mile-high Armenian town in the rugged mountains of Azerbaijan reluctantly gave up their weapons to the Soviet army and were left in peace.

Local

Boy Scouts

Boy Scout Troop 27 will hold its annual White Elephant and Garage Sale Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the West Fire Station on El Paso.

Proceeds will go to help defray the cost for boys attending summer camp. The troop will be accepting donations of saleable items. Call 573-0070 after 1 p.m. to donate items.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Thursday, 84 degrees; low, 58 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Friday, 68 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1991 to date, 3.62 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of mainly evening thunderstorms. Low in the mid 60s. Southeast wind 10 to 20 mph. Saturday, early morning low cloudiness, then partly cloudy with a less than 20 percent chance of mainly afternoon thunderstorms. High in the upper 80s. Southeast wind 10 to 20 mph and gusty.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:29 p.m. Sunrise Saturday, 7 a.m. Of 129 days in 1991, the sun has shone 124 days in Snyder.



RETIREMENT RECEPTION — Wanda Falls, assistant director of continuing education at Western Texas College, talks with Jerry Dennis during a reception honoring her Thursday in the board room at WTC. (SDN Staff Photo)

Officials continue to work on intragovernmental pact

Debate over who benefits the most from city and county services and which services should be included in their intragovernmental contract sparked a sometimes intense discussion between members of Scurry County Commissioners Court and Snyder City Council Thursday night.

The two local governments were meeting in a work session in the board room of Western Texas College to discuss their agreement.

County officials contended that the county provides services not currently in the contract which benefit all residents of Scurry County — including city residents — such as the county library and the county-maintained parks.

"Some of the services we provide are mandated by the state. There are others that we feel are of great benefit to the citizens of Scurry County as well as the

citizens of Snyder," said County Judge Bob Doolittle.

"It's hard to equate who benefits the most," continued the county official.

Mayor Troy Williamson stated that city residents and businesses make up 52 percent of the county tax roll, contending city residents were already paying for services provided by the county.

"I don't think that's a fair way," commented Judge Doolittle.

"If the county did not provide some of these services, such as the library and parks, the city would have to pick them up...It's to your benefit that we provide these services," Judge Doolittle told the council.

Under the present agreement, formulated in 1984, the county pays the city \$100,000 annually. City provided services in the contract include fire protection and

Booths are available for July 4 activities

Arts and crafts booth spaces are still available for the July Fourth celebration, chamber officials said during a meeting of the event's planning committee Thursday afternoon.

Also discussed were the fireworks that conclude the day-long events. Tom Roy, chamber executive director, said that a contract is currently being worked out with the company the chamber has used for the last several years. He noted that chamber would be receiving a substantial amount of credit because the company failed to ship all of last year's fireworks.

A chairperson to raise monies to fund the show is expected to chosen this month.

Travis Bunch, July Fourth celebration chairperson, reported that 10 portable toilets for Towle Park could be rented for \$500. The proceeds from admission charges to the Arts and Crafts Show will fund the rental.

Absent this year will be live

musical entertainment. Officials explained finding live musical entertainment is difficult. Instead, this year recorded music can be heard through a public sound system.

Assistant principal hired; morning athletics ok'd 4-3

Snyder Public Schools trustees named a new assistant principal at the high school, accepted a proposal to institute morning athletic periods in the seventh and ninth grades by a 4-3 vote,

approved three resignations and hired four teachers Thursday evening.

In other business, Place 3 incumbent Terry Martin and new Place 2 Trustee Geraldine

Parker were sworn in as board members and Sam Robertson was elected board president. Martin will serve as vice president.

Trustees unanimously approved hiring Ron Henderson as the new assistant principal at Snyder High School and set his salary at \$42,000. Henderson has 27 years experience in the teaching field, received his bachelor's degree from Lamar University and his master's from Prairie View A&M. He served as a history teacher and coach from 1964 through 1981, as a counselor with the Alief ISD from 1981 through 1986, and has been in administration since. He is currently high school assistant principal in Dayton, Texas.

The board approved a recommendation from Superintendent Dalton Moseley to institute a morning athletic period for grades 7 and 9 by a 4-3 vote. Voting for the proposal were trustees Robertson, Ann Walton, Luann Burleson and Glen Clarady. Martin, Parker and Billy Bob McMullan cast votes against the recommendation.

Both McMullan and Parker spoke out against the proposal, charging that placing athletics in the morning would take away a "prime period of the day" for academics. Burleson pointed out that a number of elective courses are currently offered in the early morning, including band, ceramics and others.

Parker asked Supt. Moseley if the newly hired junior high principal Wendell Sollis had been consulted concerning the proposal. He responded that Sollis was (see ATHLETICS, page 10)

Group proposes \$1,500 teacher salary increase

Representatives of a teacher support group proposed a \$1,500 pay increase for Snyder Independent School District instructors Thursday, telling trustees, "This

is vital if Snyder is to retain its teachers and attract effective teachers in the future."

The spokespersons received a standing ovation from a crowd of approximately 75, made up largely of teachers.

Drew Bullard and Carolyn Glaves appeared before the board on behalf of the group, Teachers for Effective Schools. The group has been running advertisements in the newspaper for several weeks which compared salaries at Snyder ISD to other area school districts.

"If salaries were raised \$1,500 so that we were \$2,500 above base, a figure which would put us solidly in the middle of the area pay scale, that would be a budget increase of somewhere in the neighborhood of \$355,000," said Bullard, who pointed out that Snyder ISD has a budget of \$12 million. "Surely, given the huge investment in our schools already in place, we can prioritize the budget in order to (see TEACHERS, page 10)

Bingo is discussed in tourism meeting

Snyder Chamber of Commerce tourism/retirement committee members discussed several upcoming events during their meeting Thursday.

Tom Roy, chamber manager, noted the desire of the Texas Teenage League to have a baseball tournament here in July. At the present there are only two regulation parks available for the league to use, he said.

The condition of the promotional signs along the highways leading into Snyder were discussed and the committee will begin to take necessary steps to

renovate and reward them with plans to add the phrase, "Home of the AJRA National Finals," on each one.

Other discussion centered around a decision to recommend to the chamber board to investigate the possibility of bringing bingo to Snyder to help generate monies for the community's benefit.

Art Feinsod commented on the success of surrounding cities having bingo and stated, "Snyder might be missing the boat." He said that the Big Spring facility, sponsored by the Lions Club, was making \$3,000 a day. Shirley Leftwich stated that the museum in Big Spring had recently added a wing as a result of having added income other than taxes. The legal aspects were to be looked into and Roy said that he would take it before the chamber board.

Roy also said there were plans for a stock show to be held in July.

The committee commended Leftwich on her appointment as president of the Permian Basin Museums Institute. She asked to clarify that the local museum is not county owned, but focuses on the history of Scurry County and some funding comes from the county for employees.

Attending the committee meeting were Bernard Bartels, Jack Denman, Don Patten, Gay Hickman, Bill Davies, Feinsod, Leftwich and Roy.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The best thing about the future is that it only comes one day at a time."

Keeping tabs on our neighbors: O.G. Nieman, in the Hereford Brand, quoted a Panhandle attorney who was representing a defendant in a nasty divorce. Marriage is the only union that cannot be organized. Each side thinks it is management."

Larry Crabtree, publisher of the Vernon Daily Record, has a son in Texas Tech who this year serves as president of the Tech student body.

Crabtree says the lad is enjoying himself. Like parents of many college students, a graduation date is more important to mom and dad than to the student.

Crabtree also will soon have a daughter in col-

lege and dad was noting reports of rising costs of a college education. He also read that economists have concluded that a college education adds many thousands of dollars to a person's lifetime income.

Moaned Crabtree, "They'll need the extra money to send their kids to college."

Stephen Henry, publisher of the Levelland News-Press, already has a daughter at the University of Texas. He said his daughters learned lasting lessons back in kindergarten.

"The first thing they learned at school was that other kids got allowances."

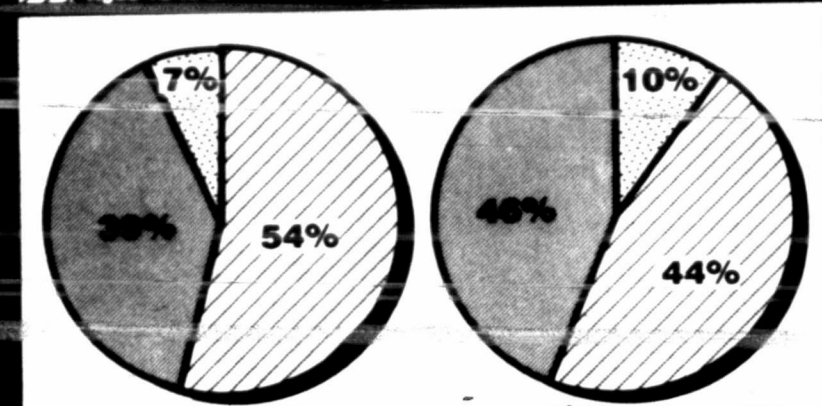
Over in Rotan, editor Kim Pease had this to say about the quality of life.

"True religion is the life we live, not the creeds or affirmations we profess."

'Day of Infamy' remembered

MATURING MOVIEGOERS

Moviegoers by age in 1984 and 1990



Source: Motion Picture Association of America NEA Graphics

A few years back, the movie market was dominated by teen-agers. But Hollywood has begun to rediscover adult viewers. In 1990, the over-40 movie-going audience rose 24 percent; the under-21 audience fell 4 percent.

AUSTIN (AP) — Nearly 50 years after the surprise attack on Pearl Harbor, hundreds of people have gathered at a three-day symposium here to probe the lingering questions that surround the strike.

The meeting, which began Thursday, is focusing on uncertainties about the day that claimed more than 2,400 American lives, such as whether the attack was a total surprise to U.S. commanders and why the Japanese hit at all.

"For anyone who is old enough, the most vividly remembered date in American history is Dec. 7, 1941," said Walter Lord, author of "Day of Infamy," which details four missed chances American forces had to learn of the attack beforehand.

A panel of ten American and Japanese veterans described their role in the invasion on the

first day of the symposium, sponsored by the Admiral Nimitz Museum.

Among them were Air Force Col. Sam Grashio, a survivor of Bataan death march, and Lt. j.g. Saburo Sakai, a Japanese ace who shot down an estimated 64 enemy aircraft during the war.

The pair met in the air over Clark Field in the Philippines, in an attack that Sakai said was supposed to have occurred simultaneously with the Pearl Harbor invasion but was delayed several hours by fog.

Grashio's plane was hit by fire from Sakai, but Grashio landed safely. Sakai called the escape "nearly perfect."

"He put a pretty good hole in the left wing, but fortunately I was able to outdive him. I gave it full throttle, put the nose to the ground," Grashio said. "I didn't

want to be his 65th victim."

The men, who met for the first time this week, shook hands, laughed and embraced, leaning their heads together.

"Fifty years ago, Col. Grashio was my enemy," Sakai said in Japanese, daughter Michiko Smart translating.

"Today, I want to let Col. Grashio know ... I always knew during the war he too was a gentleman. His life has been always as meaningful as my own is, and as every others are," he said.

"I really hope that Japan and the U.S. will always be allies with a strong sense of trust to enjoy a time of peace," Sakai said.

Also on the veterans' panel was Brig. Gen. Kenneth Taylor, who received the Distinguished Service Cross after becoming the first American pilot to fight in

World War II. He and another pilot were able to get their planes in the air and shoot down several Japanese aircraft during the attack.

One of the Japanese pilots flying that day was Zenji Abe, who also was on the panel.

"I've been thinking how fortunate it is I met Mr. Abe here on the plains of Texas rather than the sky over Pearl Harbor," Taylor said.

American veterans also listened intently as Kazuo Sakamaki, the lone survivor of the five midjet submarines that attacked Pearl Harbor, described his version of the attack.

Sakamaki's sub was stranded on a coral reef and unable to join the attack, although he said he "tried many times to enter but failed to enter Pearl Harbor."

Victims urge tighter rules on products

WASHINGTON (AP) — Eight-year-old Jared Arming, his voice wavering as he was called to speak to a crowded hearing room, got straight to the point: "I am interested in lawn care chemicals because I get sick from them."

Jared said he must have tutors at home because he can't go to school, and he complained that he often can't even go outside and play on nice days.

"I get nasty when I am around lawn care pesticides," the cowed boy said, fidgeting next to his mother as he read his testimony Thursday to the Senate Environment subcommittee on toxic substances.

"I can't think. I get depressed. A lot of other stuff happens to me like I don't listen, I salivate more, my nose runs, I get swollen glands and my ears hurt. When I am around pesticides, I do not eat and I get diarrhea."

Jared, who is from Baltimore, was one of four witnesses at the hearing who described the misery that lawn chemicals have brought to their lives.

The panel also heard from a woman who had to give up her career as a concert pianist after being sprayed with pesticides; a college student who sometimes lives in her car to avoid pesticide spraying near her home; and a man whose health was ruined by the interaction of a lawn care chemical with the prescription drug he was taking.

Chinese revolutionary leader Sun Yat-sen died in 1925.

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Mom living with HIV-infected man gets custody of son, three

CLEBURNE, Texas (AP) — A woman will retain custody of her

3-year-old son even though the man with whom she now lives is a hemophiliac who has tested positive for the virus that causes AIDS, a jury ruled.

A six-woman panel ruled unanimously Wednesday in favor of Donna Williams, 33, of Cleburne. Her former husband, Richard Hewett, 34, of Keefe had sought custody of their son on grounds the boy was in danger of getting AIDS.

The jury, the first all-female jury to hear a case in Johnson County, also found that, because Hewett and Ms. Williams lived together after their divorce, a common-law marriage still existed between them.

County Court-at-Law Judge Tommy Altaras, who heard the case, granted a divorce immediately after the verdict was returned.

That nullified Ms. Williams' marriage to Steve Williams, 41, a free-lance newspaper reporter. But Williams said they will remarry next month after a 30-day waiting period required by law.

Hewett declined comment on the decision. His lawyer, Jim Ferguson, said he didn't know if Hewett will appeal.

Ms. Williams said she wasn't surprised by the ruling, the first of its kind in Texas, and said she will permit Hewett to visit their son.

Williams, although testing HIV-positive, said he has shown no symptoms of AIDS. He testified Tuesday that he believes he contracted the virus in 1983 from a blood transfusion while undergoing an operation.

Williams testified he met the Hewetts while counseling them as a volunteer at a Cleburne family crisis center about a year ago. He said he became close friends with the couple, and he told them he tested positive for HIV. He said the Hewetts' relationship deteriorated, they fell in love with Donna and they married in January.

Ms. Williams also has an 11-year-old son, who has a different father and whose custody wasn't at issue, and a 13-year-old daughter who lives with a grandmother in Fort Worth.

Ms. Williams' attorney, Jean Hopkins, tried to show Hewett as an unfit father who suffered from panic attacks.

But much of the testimony centered on the child's chances of contracting HIV from Williams. The AIDS virus is transmitted by body fluids, especially sexual secretions and blood.

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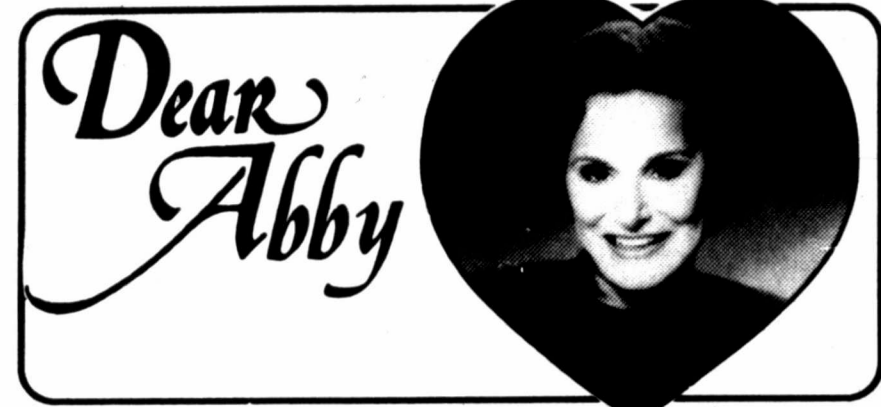
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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
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Borrowed Advice May Help Mother Get Her Loan Back

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I never thought I would have to write a letter like this, but I need someone to help me, and I thought of you.

One of my daughters and her husband borrowed \$7,000 from me almost five years ago. They promised to pay me back within a year, but so far I haven't seen a dime of it.

This daughter and her husband both have good jobs and seem to have money for everything else. I am 77 years old, live in a senior citizens' apartment house and am doing without a lot of things I need.

I am sorry to say that I don't have any proof that I loaned them the money. I guess I should have asked them to sign a note for it, but I didn't think it was necessary.

Now what should I do?

TRUSTING MOTHER

DEAR TRUSTING: Without written evidence showing that your daughter and her husband borrowed \$7,000, it will be very difficult to collect. You might try the following, suggested by a reader in an earlier column, as a solution to an identical problem:

An elderly couple had loaned their son \$5,000. He promised to repay it in 90 days. They foolishly had nothing in writing. Four years passed, and not a cent did they receive, so his mother wrote him a letter asking if he could please make even a partial payment on the \$7,500 he had borrowed.

Quick as a flash he wrote to say that he did not owe them \$7,500 — it was only \$5,000. Mission accomplished! They got it in writing.

DEAR ABBY: You frequently remind your readers to make sure their children are "buckled up" in seat

belts when they get into a car. But no one mentions the fact that pets can just as easily be thrown from a vehicle and injured.

It makes me sick to see a dog loose in the back of a pickup truck or hanging out of a car window. All it would take is one quick stop or a sharp curve to send that animal flying into the street.

My dog loves to go for rides with me. He sits in the passenger seat and I buckle the seat belt around him. For smaller pets, there are carriers one can attach to the seat to provide safety for one's pet. I hope you feel this is important enough to put in your column.

LIZ IN CALIFORNIA

DEAR LIZ: It is. So, dear readers, listen to Liz. And if you're lucky enough to own a pet who adores you, the next time that dog or cat follows closely on your heels when you head for the car, remember: Pets rely on their owners to protect them, so don't let yours down. Inquire at your local pet shop about car seats for pets.

CONFIDENTIAL TO M.C.D. IN SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ.: Whether she nags because he drinks or he drinks because she nags is not the issue. Nudging irritates only the giver. Drinking irritates the liver.

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DOE conceded final price tag actually higher

WASHINGTON (AP) — A high-ranking Energy Department official acknowledges the "final" \$8.25 billion price tag for the superconducting super collider didn't include expenses that could push the total cost above \$9 billion.

Internal DOE documents also indicate the agency has serious doubts about being able to win significant foreign contributions, which would lessen the cost to taxpayers of building the giant atom smasher.

Reps. Howard Wolpe, D-Mich., and Sherwood Boehlert, R-N.Y., chairman and ranking member of the House Science, Space and Technology subcommittee on investigations and oversight, released the documents Thursday at a five-hour hearing on the SSC.

Sherwood accused the DOE of playing fast and loose with the

facts after wrangling with high-ranking officials over the cost of the project and sources of funding. He also accused the SSC's Texas backers of attempting to discredit witnesses who suggested there may be significant risks in producing one of the collider's key components.

Boehlert complained the DOE's cost estimates were "changing by the hour, depending on who's talking."

Under questioning by Boehlert and Wolpe, DOE official Joseph Cipriano acknowledged the \$8.25 billion cost, billed as the final price tag just four months ago, did not include expenses that could push actual costs to \$9.1 billion.

Those expenses include \$506 million to operate the SSC Lab during construction of the 54-mile underground ring south of Dallas, \$110 million for spare

parts, and \$219 in contingency funds.

DOE officials also acknowledged that the agency was paying the expenses of scientists from India while they are in the United States working on the particle accelerator. India has pledged \$50 million toward the SSC but no money has been received by DOE.

The Energy Department has been working for the past couple of years to secure foreign contributions to lessen the cost to U.S. taxpayers, but India is the only country to sign up. Texas is also kicking in \$875 million toward the costs of building the project, with another \$125 million for research and development or related expenses.

But DOE documents released by Wolpe and Boehlert indicate the agency has strong doubts

about being able to meet its goal of raising \$1.7 billion from foreign countries, especially if Japan doesn't contribute significantly.

The collider does not have the complete support of the Japanese physics community and there is no strong incentive or domestic lobby driving the government to make a decision, according to an October 1990 status report on the SSC for the White House.

The DOE report also notes that Japanese participation is highly unlikely without intervention on the part of President Bush with Prime Minister Kaifu.

DOE considers the Soviet Union its next major contributor, the document said, but the country "as worrisome domestic and infrastructure problems."

The major European nations have indicated that their budgets

are already strained to support the demands of their own high energy physics projects and national programs, DOE said, while "substantive funding" for construction is not expected from Canada.

"The U.S. may, therefore, with Texas support, need to carry most of the cost of constructing the SSC for several years," the DOE document said, noting that "significant foreign contributions may not be forthcoming through the mid-1990s."

"Seems to me like we're operating on wishes and prayers," said Boehlert. Added Wolpe: "This is one of the most dubious kinds of propositions I've seen in a long time."

But Garry Gibbs, acting associate director of the DOE office of the SSC, said officials had been engaged in "sensitive negotiations" to win foreign support.

"These things take time. It's not something that happens immediately," Gibbs said.

Community Calendar

FRIDAY

Storytime; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.; 4 and 5 year olds. Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral. Overeaters Anonymous; 1 p.m. Park Club at Winston Park. For information, call 573-8322, 573-7705 or 573-9839.

Free blood pressure clinic; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment by calling 573-9742 or 573-2763.

Al-Anon; Park Club at Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-2101, 573-3657 or 573-3956.

Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-9410. (Last Friday of the month is open birthday meeting).

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; Snyder Savings & Loan Community Room, 27th & College; 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

Alateen Step Study Group; Park Club at Winston Park; 2 p.m. For information, call 573-8929 pr 573-5164.

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 information, call 573-8626 or 573-9410.

Couples Golf; Snyder Country Club; call 573-7101 by 12:30 p.m.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.

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

Black Women's Assoc.; community room of Snyder National Bank; 5 p.m.

Bridge By Phillip Alder

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South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	3 NT	All pass
Opening lead: ♦ J			

map most carefully. Count your tricks and try to judge the best road to take. Place your thumbs over the East-West cards and decide how you would play in three no-trump against a spade lead, won with dummy's queen.

It isn't often you will end in three no-trump with 29 points and find that you haven't got nine top tricks. But here you have only eight instant winners, and the struggle is for the ninth.

The hearts look tempting. You could make the percentage play for three tricks: Cash dummy's king, and lead the six back to your ace and the eight toward the jack. This will fail to produce three tricks only when East has Q-10 or Q-9 and at least two other cards. Here you are unlucky.

Well, not so unlucky. That was a 77 percent line, whereas the diamond suit provides a 100 percent guaranteed ninth trick. At trick two, you should cash dummy's diamond ace, just in case East has a singleton honor.

If an honor appears, you dislodge the other honor. If only low cards appear, lead a low diamond back toward your jack. However the suit is distributed, you will eventually collect a second diamond trick and your contract.

True, you might survive by playing hearts first and finding them unfavorably distributed, but not if the cards are as in the diagram.

Why did West lead a spade rather than a club? Because he had a weak hand and knew declarer to be short in the majors.

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Arriving at the crossroads

By Phillip Alder

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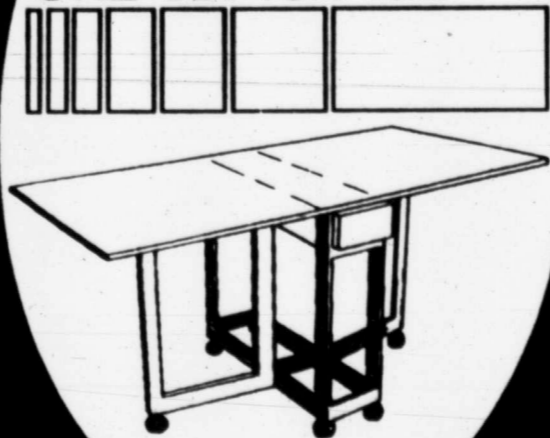
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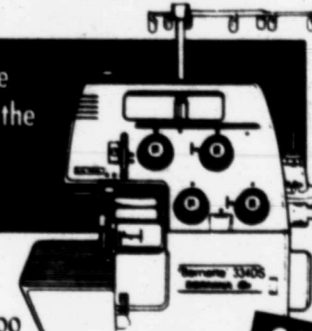
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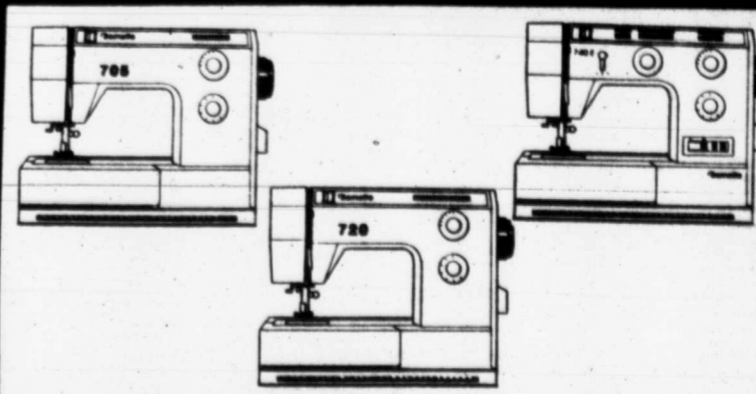
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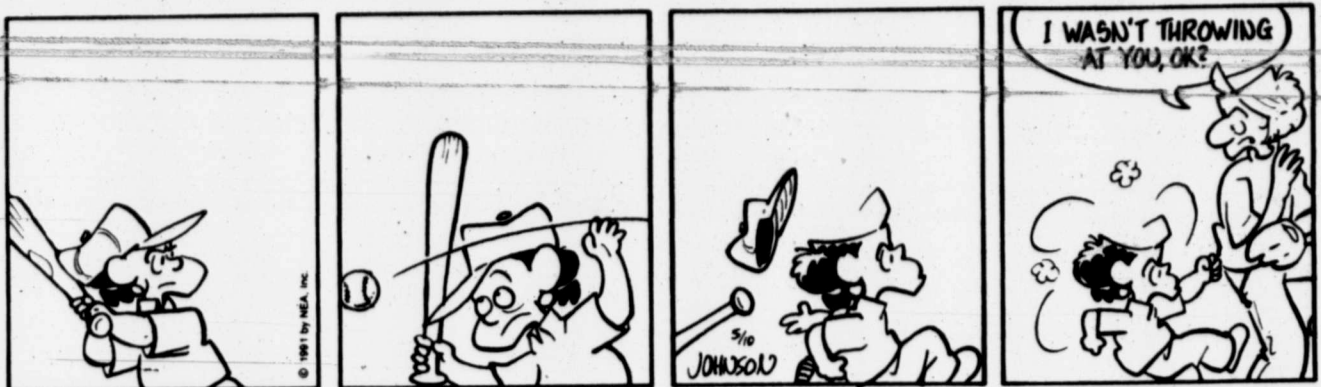
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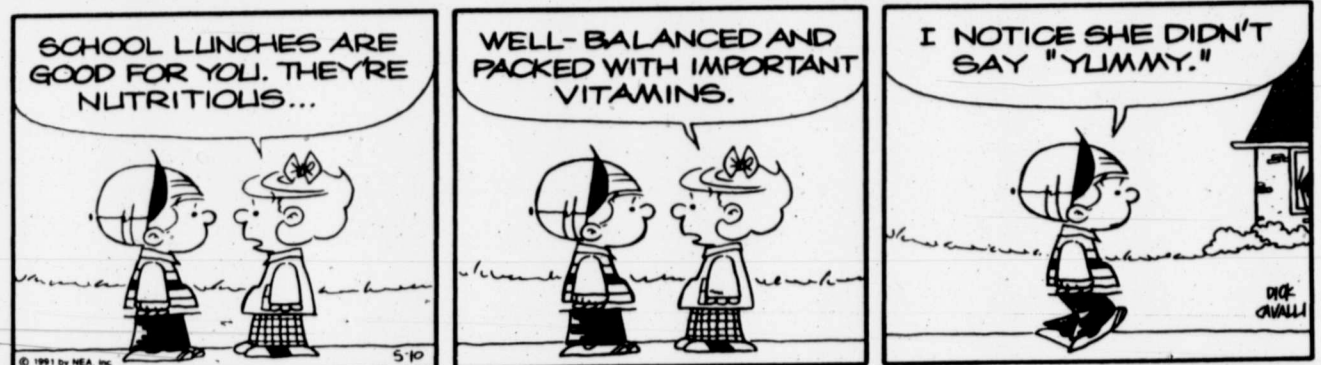
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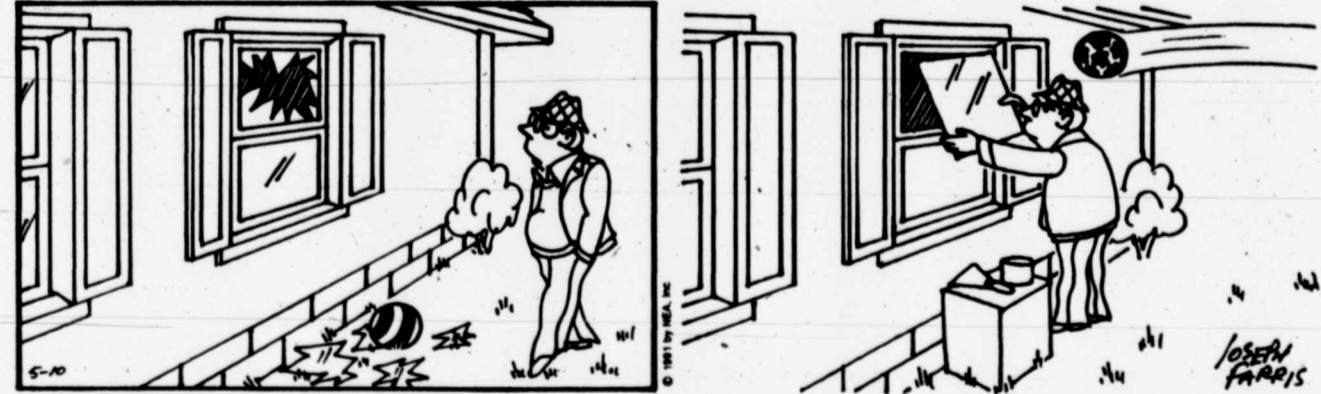
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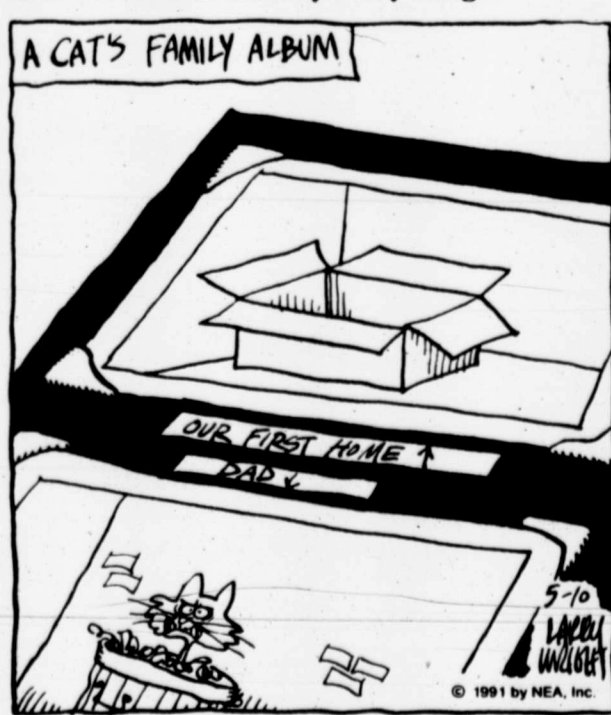
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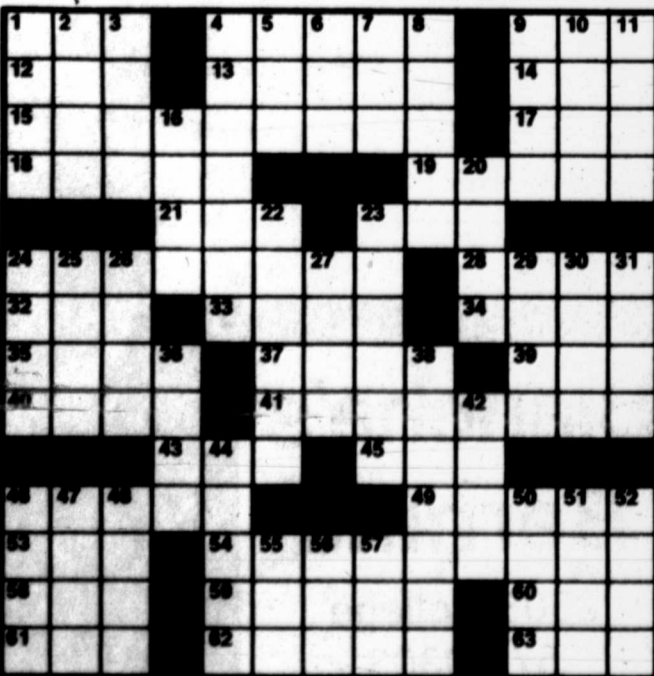
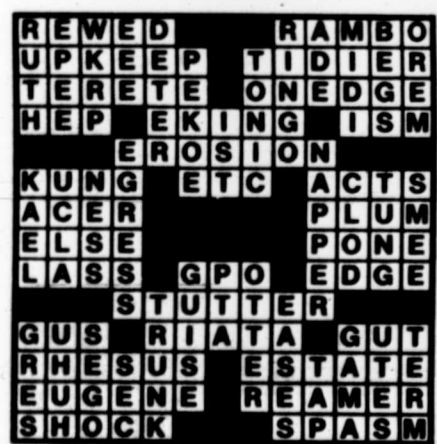
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- 2 — a-brac
- 3 Answered summons
- 4 Speech hesitation
- 5 Kind of lettuce
- 6 Kin of mono (2 wds.)
- 7 Smart —
- 8 Goals
- 9 Variety of cheese
- 11 In present condition (2 wds.)
- 16 Step —!
- 20 New Testament book
- 22 Wore away
- 23 Painful
- 24 Lighten
- 25 Sharp projection
- 26 Actor Kruger
- 27 No man — island
- 29 Brook
- 30 Plains Indian
- 31 Fishing aids
- 36 Being
- 38 Earliest
- 42 Wizard of Oz author
- 44 In debt
- 46 Spoke
- 47 Gator's kin
- 48 Actor — Julia
- 50 Horse's gear
- 51 Snooty person
- 52 Chemist's burner
- 55 One of the Three Stooges
- 56 Calif. summer time
- 57 Flower necklace

Answer to Previous Puzzle



Senators tentatively approve equal rights bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate has tentatively approved an equal rights bill, which includes a provision that prohibits same-sex marriages.

A final Senate vote was needed to send the measure to the House.

"I've always thought that this was what America was all about. We are all children of God. We are all supposed to be equal under the law and enjoy non-discriminatory treatment in all aspects of our lives," Sen. Gonzalo Barrientos said Thursday.

Barrientos, D-Austin, said his

bill would prohibit discrimination on the basis of color, race, disability, religion, sex, national origin or age "during any part — or in any aspect of contractual agreement."

The bill was designed to handle gaps in federal protection where an employer cannot refuse to hire someone on racial grounds but may fire an employee on racial

grounds without liability.

Another example is that private schools must admit people of all races without racial discrimination, but may require people of one race to sit at the back of the classroom, according to a bill summary.

"It clearly states that all us — no matter what our race, religion or other personal characteristics — have equal rights under the

laws of the state of Texas," Barrientos said.

Under the bill, victims of discrimination could sue in state court, and they could collect full monetary relief for employment discrimination.

"We need to send a message that Texans will not abide discrimination in any form," Barrientos said.

He was asked if the bill might

be interpreted to allow two people of the same sex to obtain a marriage license.

"No way. That is absolutely not my intent," Barrientos said.

Asked the same question by

another senator, Barrientos replied that the bill "in relatively plain English does not say two people of the same sex will be allowed to get a marriage license."

Washington today...

An allied forces leave?

WASHINGTON (AP) — The slippery slope beckons in Iraq. President Bush would like to turn over to a United Nations police force the job of protecting Kurds from further reprisals from Iraqi President Saddam Hussein.

That would send 8,151 allied troops, including 3,286 Americans, home from northern Iraq. But U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar relayed to Bush on Thursday the "very clear rejection" of the proposal.

And while a senior administration official was telling a group of reporters that Saddam might come around to accept the police force, Bush's chances of withdrawing from the mess worsened.

In fact, Perez de Cuellar also told the president that a new U.N. Security Council resolution would be needed to establish a police force unless Iraq acquiesced.

That could pose another problem for Bush. The Soviet Union and China are hardly in favor of expanding U.N. intervention in the country, so that could mean trouble in the form of a veto.

The upshot is that the American, British, French and other allied forces now in northern Iraq may be there for some time even though Bush's first inclination was to end the war against Saddam quickly and get out.

The spectre of Vietnam rose

over the White House as victory approached in February, and even the sad flight of hungry Kurdish refugees did not cause the president to get "sucked in," as he put it.

AP analysis

Human considerations prevailed, however, and Bush's resistance to getting involved in Iraq's civil war gave way to the creation of refugee enclaves under the protection of allied troops.

The last American troops rolled out of southern Iraq on Wednesday. But the U.S. forces remain in the north to shelter, feed and clothe hundreds of thousands of Kurdish refugees.

The administration contends a U.N. police force could be set up without either Baghdad's permission or further action by the United Nations.

But Perez de Cuellar challenged that view in his meeting with Bush, participants said.

"His thought on a peacekeeping force was that another resolution was necessary. ... That's something we're going to have to discuss further," said John R. Bolton, assistant secretary of state for international organization affairs.

"I don't think we can give you a date" for withdrawing U.S. forces, Bolton said.

Astro-Graph
By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

May 11, 1991

Temptation to make basic alterations in your lifestyle could be prevalent in the year ahead. All changes should work out well, though, provided they are not based upon impractical thinking.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Under most conditions, you are a determined individual. But, friends could talk you out of doing what you know you should be doing today, and you may later feel guilty. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail \$2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Disappointment is a possibility today — if you predicate your expectations upon an unrealistic premise. Try to see things for what they are, not as you wish them to be.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you're too indecisive today, nothing worth bragging about is likely to be accomplished. In fact, the inability to make up your mind could also annoy companions.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may spend so much time worrying about how well individuals with whom you're involved are handling things today that you might not have time to do a proper job yourself.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Just because a certain tactic worked well for a friend doesn't mean you'll see similar results. If you attempt the same thing, you may wind up empty-handed and confused.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Try to steer clear of involvements where you have no say in the decision-making today; the judgments rendered may not serve your best interests.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You could lose points with others today — if you don't hold yourself accountable for things done incorrectly. Try not to blame someone else for your mistakes.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Time is a critical factor in your productivity today. Your chances for accomplishing your desires lessen in direct proportion to the time you spend dilly-dallying.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If there is something important that you and your mate are having difficulty deciding upon today, try to work it out between yourselves rather than discussing it with outsiders or in-laws.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) In order to spare the feelings of another today, you may rework the facts a bit in regard to what you have to say. Unfortunately, when the truth is later revealed, your pal could become angry.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Share fairly today with people who helped you acquire something of value, but, by the same token, don't feel obligated to make a payoff to someone who has done nothing.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Others could have difficulty discerning your motives today, and there is a chance that one of your well-intentioned gestures might produce the opposite effect for which you were hoping.

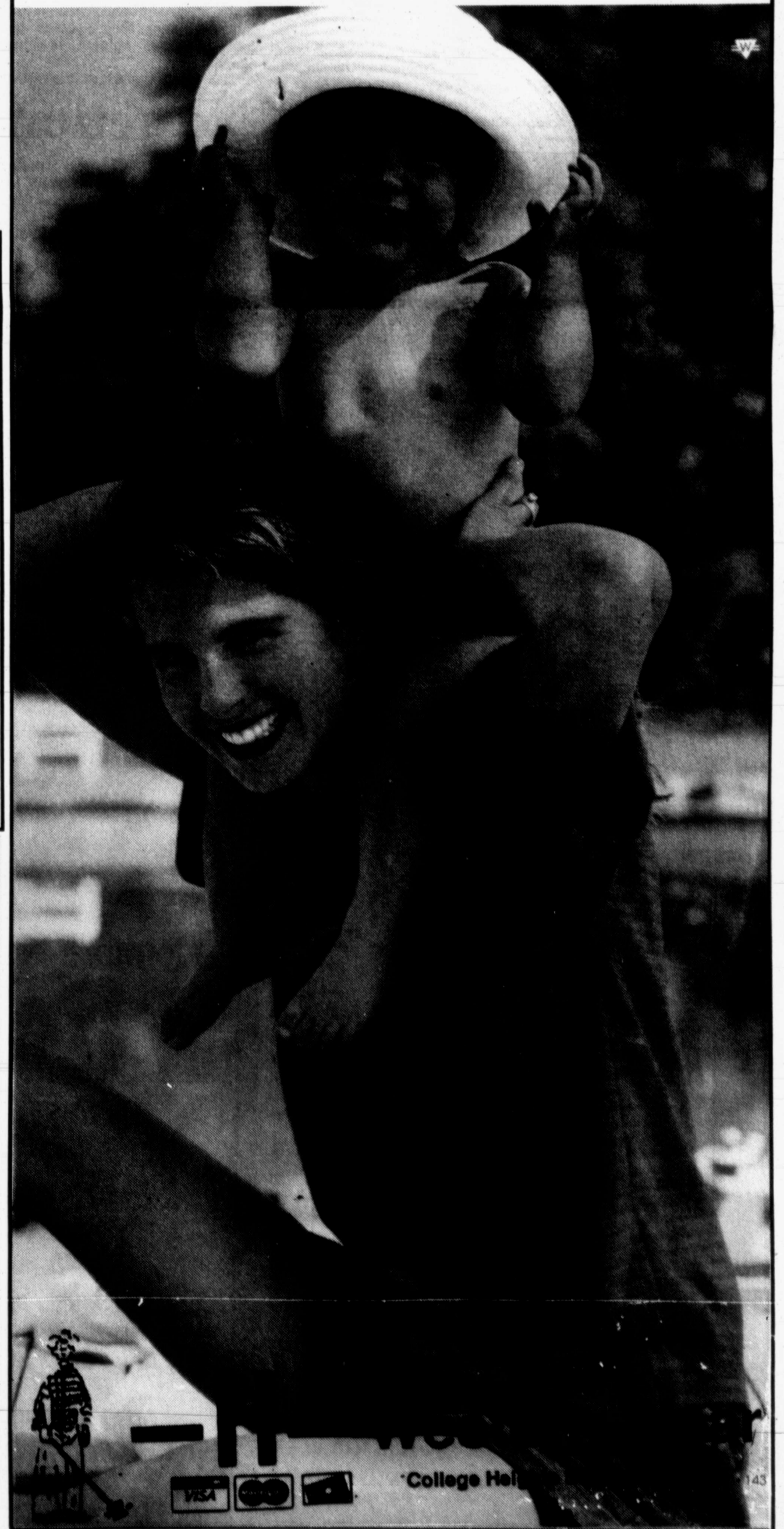
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Black prosecutors upset about remark in training session

HOUSTON (AP) — Some Black prosecutors in the Harris County District Attorney's office say they were offended by a fellow prosecutor's remark about the selection of blacks on juries.

The remark was made last week during a training session by Prosecutor Ira Jones, head of the district attorney's major narcotics offenders squad.

Prosecutors say Jones kept the audience laughing by saying he tries to keep women in "fandango dresses," men with earrings and folks with bleached hair and too many children off his juries.

But no one was laughing, they said, after Jones touched on the subject of jury selection.

"Probably the very best jurors are Oreos, black on the outside, white on the inside," he said, lauding blacks for being tougher than whites when it comes to dope defendants. "Don't let race affect you."

Virtually all of the black prosecutors were unhappy about the remarks when interviewed this week by the Houston Chronicle.

District Attorney John B. Holmes Jr. said Thursday night he was left with mixed reactions when he learned of the remark.

Holmes said that for one thing, the tape of the training session shoots down a widespread perception that his office encourages young prosecutors to summarily eliminate all blacks from juries.

Holmes also said the remarks were, overall, flattering to blacks. But the use of the word "Oreo" caused great offense.

"I'm forced, for the first time

in all my years here, to make amends for something somebody else said," Holmes said. "It's really unfortunate that he said what he did."

"It was offensive," a senior black felony prosecutor said Thursday. "I didn't say anything when I heard him say it because I thought he was making a joke."

"I heard about it two or three days later," said another black prosecutor, "and it really bothered me — deeply. It bothered a lot of people."

"I didn't say anything when he said it," a black misdemeanor prosecutor said. "But when I was a defense lawyer I talked to him once about my client, who'd never been in trouble before."

"Ira looked at me, and he said, 'You mean there's a black man in Harris County who's never been in trouble with the law?' I've never paid much attention to anything Ira's said since then."

"It made me mad," a black female felony prosecutor said. "I finally went and saw the videotape of the training session just to see what he'd really said."

Dr. Gott
Peter Gott, M.D.

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'd like information on adhesions, their cause and symptoms. Is there any treatment other than surgery for relief?

DEAR READER: Inflammation and injury almost always lead to the formation of scar tissue. Surgery, being in the most fundamental sense an injury, is no exception. Operations, especially in the abdominal cavity, usually heal uneventfully but, during the healing process, strands or webs of scar tissue may appear. These filmy scars are called "adhesions" because they adhere to various abdominal organs. No one knows why some patients are particularly prone to adhesions and others are not; this biological tendency is not predictable.

Although many post-operative patients may develop adhesions, this tissue does not ordinarily lead to symptoms or health problems.

Nevertheless, in some people, the strands of scar may interfere with intestinal movement by wrapping around portions of bowel or otherwise obstructing the passage of intestinal contents. This causes partial or complete blockage, leading to severe abdominal pain, fever, vomiting and intestinal swelling. In short, what surgeons call "an acute abdomen." Under these circumstances, further abdominal surgery is necessary to lyse (break up) the adhesions and relieve obstruction.

Adhesions may cause unexpected symptoms many years after the original operation (or infection). Because there are no tests to distinguish intestinal blockage due to adhesions from other, dangerous causes (such as intestinal abscess or kinking), surgery is always necessary to establish the diagnosis and treat the condition. To my knowledge there is no non-surgical therapy (such as diet, exercise or medicine) to prevent or treat adhesions.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "An Informed Approach To Surgery." Other readers who would like a copy should send \$1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 91369, Cleveland, OH 44101-3369. Be sure to mention the title.

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Teacher stabbed before she can retire

BAYTOWN, Texas (AP) — A school teacher was in a Baytown hospital at the time of her scheduled retirement party after she was stabbed by a pupil she had told to sit down.

"I'm lucky because my rib deflected the blade," Julia Tromblee, 65, said Thursday night. "It went in a couple of inches, just missing my lung."

Ms. Tromblee was taken to San Jacinto Methodist Hospital in Baytown for treatment of a stab wound after she was stabbed Thursday as 20 pupils in her seventh-grade science class at Highlands Junior School watched.

"It's a pretty good wound, but it didn't hit anything vital," she said. "The doctor wants to keep

me here a few days just to make sure it didn't nick a lung."

Ms. Tromblee was only 15 school days from retirement when she was attacked by the 14-year-old boy with a folding knife, school officials said.

The teacher said that in her 27 years of teaching in Baytown's Goose Creek Consolidated Independent School District the worst violence she had seen was a fistfight.

"I know I've seen a big change in kids since I first started teaching. It must be the times," she said.

She remained concerned about her pupils, including the one who stabbed her.

"I feel sorry for the young man. He has troubles, and I want him to get help," she said. "I'm also concerned for the other students and don't want to let one student's behavior reflect on them."

The boy, whose name was withheld because he is a juvenile, was taken to the Harris County Juvenile Detention Center in Houston, sheriff's Sgt. Skip Oliver said. He said officers intend to charge him in juvenile court with aggravated assault with a deadly weapon.

The youth was upset because Tromblee had ordered him to return to his assigned seat, Oliver said.

The investigator said that when several attempts to corral the youth failed, the teacher said, "I'm a little tired of your behavior."

"I'm tired of you, too!" the youth replied, Oliver said.

"He had been talking back," said investigator Robert Tonry. "But students said that the teacher had been rather nice and polite. The students were real upset because they seemed to have a good opinion of the teacher."

The teacher said that as she

left to go to another classroom for help, the attacker threw his knife at her. It glanced off her back, leaving only a superficial cut.

"He followed me from the room, but the teacher next door slammed the door in his face. He didn't try to enter after that," Tromblee said.

A male teacher persuaded the boy to give up the knife and the pupil was held for authorities.

Ms. Tromblee said she is not sure whether she'll be able to return to her classroom but hopes to be back for the last day of classes, at least.

Her retirement party will be rescheduled.

No action on handgun bill

AUSTIN (AP) — The Senate failed to take action on a bill to allow Texans to carry concealed handguns.

The measure was tentatively approved Wednesday, but the author of the bill, Sen. Gene Green, D-Houston, said he didn't have the necessary votes Thursday to win final approval.

"I haven't been doing the polling that I needed to do. I want to shore up my votes," Green said.

The bill needs two thirds of those senators present to be considered.

Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock said, "Thank goodness he didn't bring it up."

Bullock said other senators have legislation they are anxious to get passed in the final weeks of the session, and that it was only fair that Green wait. The session must end by May 27.

Under Green's bill, a person would have to be 21-years-old, and a lawful resident of the United States and Texas to be eligible for a license.

No one ever convicted of a felony or of a Class A or Class B misdemeanor within the preceding five years could obtain a license.

Anyone charged with a felony or Class A or B misdemeanor would be ineligible, as would

anyone chemically dependent or of unsound mind.

Green said he thought the bill would save lives.

He said statistics show that in other states which have gun permit laws there is less criminal activity.

The biggest concern among law enforcement associations is that the bill would increase the number of weapons on the street, but Green said he did not think that would happen.

The Department of Public Safety would administer the law, including setting handgun license fees that would cover costs.

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Portland holds off Jazz rally

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — The Utah Jazz almost pulled off one of the biggest comebacks in playoff history.

In the NBA, though, almost doesn't mean much.

Thanks to Terry Porter's inside basket with 3.6 seconds to play, the Portland Trail Blazers escaped with a 118-116 victory Thursday night to take a 2-0 lead in their best-of-7 Western Conference semifinal series.

"Things kind of snowballed down the stretch and nothing went right for us," Portland coach Rick Adelman said after his team blew a 23-point fourth-quarter lead. "But the bottom line is we have two wins."

In another Thursday game, the Boston Celtics defeated the defending champion Detroit Pistons 109-103 to knot their best-of-7 Eastern Conference semifinal series at 1-1.

Tonight, Chicago is at Philadelphia and the Los Angeles Lakers travel to Golden State.

Karl Malone scored a career playoff high 40 points for the Jazz, half of them in the final quarter and 20-for-22 for the game.

"Every time Karl touched the ball, it seemed like he went to the line," Portland's Jerome Kersey said.

Porter, who bruised a left thigh in a collision with Mark Eaton earlier in the game, came off a pick on the game-winning play and found himself alone inside.

Clyde Drexler got him the ball with a bounce pass, one of Drexler's career playoff high 15 assists.

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"(Mike) Brown deflected it and I had to go and get it," Porter said. "It went around the world, but it went in."

Porter's status for Saturday's third game won't be determined until just before tipoff, the Blazers said. Portland reserve Mark Bryant also is questionable because of a sprained left ankle.

The Blazers won Game 1 by 20 points, and through the first 1½ minutes of the fourth quarter, Game 2 looked like an even big-

ger blowout. "Everybody thought the game was over, including Portland," Malone said.

The rally gave the Jazz reason to believe things will be better when the series moves to Salt Lake City. Still, coming close wasn't good enough, Malone said.

"We didn't come back to say we were in a good fight. If anything, it's frustrating," he said.

Celtics 109, Pistons 103
Larry Bird was back, but the Celtics found a new hero in rookie Dee Brown, who scored 15 of his 22 points in the final period at Boston Garden. Brown matched his regular-season scoring high, had a game-high eight assists and grabbed a key rebound in the final minute.

Bird, who missed Detroit's 86-75 series-opening win with back spasms, had 16 points and eight rebounds in 42 minutes.

Reggie Lewis led Boston with

23 points, while the Pistons were paced by Joe Dumars with 29 and Mark Aguirre with 24.

Detroit played without guard Isiah Thomas, who sprained his right foot when Brown landed on him late in the opener.

The next two games in the best-of-7 series are scheduled Saturday and Monday at Auburn Hills, Mich., where the Celtics are winless in eight games.

NBA playoffs

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Conference Semifinals
Monday, May 6
Chicago 112, Philadelphia 100, Chicago leads series 2-0
Wednesday, May 8
Golden State 125, LA Lakers 124, series tied 1-1
Thursday, May 9
Boston 109, Detroit 103, series tied 1-1
Portland 118, Utah 116, Portland leads series 2-0
Friday, May 10
Chicago at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.
LA Lakers at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Saturday, May 11
Boston at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Portland at Utah, 3:30 p.m.

Bosox take win from Gossage

BOSTON (AP) — For years, as the ace of the New York Yankees' bullpen, Rich Gossage thrived on pitching against the Boston Red Sox.

The current edition of the Red Sox knows little of Gossage's past performances, though, and the 39-year-old Goose no longer is golden.

Gossage, who nailed down the Yankees' victory in Boston in the only divisional playoff in AL

history in 1978, couldn't retire a batter as the Red Sox rallied for five runs in the seventh inning Thursday night for an 8-4 victory over the Texas Rangers.

In the only other American League games on Thursday, Toronto beat Chicago 2-0 and Detroit beat Minnesota 3-0.

After starter Scott Chiamparino gave up a leadoff double to Luis Rivera and reliever Mike Jeffcoat walked Wade Boggs — the only batter he faced — Gossage, 3-0 in 11 previous relief appearances this season, got the call.

Baseball glance

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Chicago	13	11	.542	3
Seattle	15	13	.536	3
California	13	14	.481	4½
Texas	11	12	.478	4½
Minnesota	13	15	.464	5
Kansas City	9	17	.346	8

Thursday's Games
Boston 8, Texas 4
Toronto 2, Chicago 0
Detroit 3, Minnesota 0

Only games scheduled
Friday's Games
Oakland (Welch 3-2) at New York (Cary 1-3), 7:30 p.m.
Texas (Witt 1-2) at Boston (Young 1-1), 7:35 p.m.

California (Langston 2-1) at Cleveland (King 3-2), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Fernandez 2-3) at Toronto (Boucher 0-2), 7:35 p.m.
Detroit (Terrell 1-3) at Minnesota (Guthrie 1-2), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Saberhagen 2-3) at Milwaukee (Bosio 3-3), 8:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Ballard 2-3) at Seattle (Bankhead 2-2), 10:35 p.m.

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W	L	Pct.	GB	
Pittsburgh	18	9	.667	—
New York	15	11	.577	2½
St. Louis	14	13	.519	4
Chicago	14	14	.500	4½
Philadelphia	13	15	.464	5½
Montreal	12	15	.444	6

West Division

W	L	Pct.	GB	
Atlanta	13	11	.542	—
San Diego	15	13	.536	—
Cincinnati	13	13	.500	1
Los Angeles	13	13	.500	1
Houston	11	15	.423	3
San Francisco	9	18	.333	5½

Thursday's Game
Philadelphia 9, San Diego 6

Only game scheduled
Friday's Games
Cincinnati (Browning 4-1) at Chicago (Sutcliffe 1-3), 3:30 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 1-3) at Pittsburgh (Smiley 4-1), 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Tewksbury 2-1) at Houston (Jones 3-1), 8:35 p.m.
Montreal (Barnes 0-1) at San Diego (Whitson 2-3), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Grimsley 1-3) at Los Angeles (Ojeda 1-3), 10:35 p.m.
New York (Gooden 3-2) at San Francisco (Black 2-3), 10:35 p.m.

Youth Baseball Results

8-9 Year-Old League

Athletics 13, Cubs 12

The Athletics moved to 3-0 on the young season Thursday behind Toby Trammell's two doubles and single, and a four-hit effort by Josh Heaton that included a two-bagger.

Davidson Burnett added a double and a single, Kevin Taylor and Ben Rollins each smacked an extra-base hit, Tyson Dever lashed three singles, Dwain Allred and Justin Rosson had two each and Lane Umsted, Jeremy Goodlett and Zach Allred each managed a hit for the winners.

Bebos Martinez paced the Cubs (2-1) with a homer, two doubles and two singles on the night. Ryan Grady and Moses Williams each accounted for a double.

Teammate Heath Pinkerton slammed four hits, Mike Martinez clobbered three, Robert McDaniel, Eric Perez, Allen Smith, Brice Wilkins and John Martinez lifted two each and Matthew Billings and Robert Stanley popped a single apiece.

Pirates 6, Yankees 2

The Pirates used a three-hit night by Thomas Rinehart and Josh Levens to move to 2-1 on the campaign.

Matthew Grimmett punched a pair of singles for the Pirates while Brandon Casey, Kenneth Poland, Kevin Marshall, Clint Nabors, Justin Green and Jeff Blackwood each ripped a base hit.

Arthur Garza's two singles led the Yanks. R.J. Hernandez, Joshua Woods, Martin Villareal, Paddy Vantine, Dustin Woods and Seth Rosson also got hits.

Farm League

Yankees 12, Cardinals 6

The Yanks came up with four runs in the top of the second inning Thursday to take the lead and added six more in the third to beat the Cardinals.

Jonathan Tovar rapped a double and Cory Trujillo managed a pair of singles to pace the Yanks.

Teammates Mark Cave, Matt Davis and Cory Chesser were credited with a base rap each.

A Jay Callaway double and a single from Banks Alexander were the only hits for the Cards.

Athletics 13, Cubs 5

The Athletics, led by Josh Gonzales with a triple and two singles and Chris Jones' three-sacker, scored nine runs in the first two innings and coasted to the Thursday win.

Chris Halburt added two hits, one a double, and James Wesley and James Tatum each rapped two singles in the winning effort.

Getting a single apiece for the A's were Geoffrey Loper, Matt Hammond and Justin Logston.

Ty Jones had a homer for the Cubs followed by Troy Botts' double, Matthew Miles with two hits and a single each by Caleb Callaway and Jimmy Murphy.

Little League

Cardinals 15, Yankees 1

The Cardinals moved to 2-1 on the season Thursday behind winning pitcher Chris Hernandez, who also managed three hits on the night.

Jeremy Skellenger also contributed three hits for the Cards trailed by two from Trevor Thompson and one each by Jerry Burton, Scott Sanders, Wesley Wilson, Jeremy Clifton, Jason Sealey and Aaron Stansell.

Clay Berryman, D.J. Garcia, Tino Vasquez and James Allen Shields each lashed a single for the Yankees.

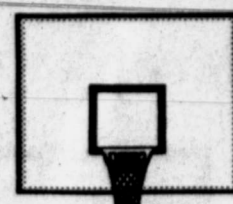
Cubs 12, Athletics 2

Cubs pitcher David Smith shut-out the A's until the fourth inning while his teammates, led by Chris Ramirez with two triples and Patrick Jordan with a three-bag effort and two base hits, scored 12 runs in the win.

Luke Green added a triple and a single for the winners followed by Richard Canas' two hits and one each from Smith, Trey Gorman, Eric Gard and Kelly Gentry.

The Athletics got three hits in the game, a single apiece from Kevin McCasland, Brandon Martinez and Jerrod Rinehart.

Sport Shorts



Senior League registration slated

Senior League Baseball signups continue through Saturday at Snyder Athletic Center.

The league is for players 16-18 years of age who will not turn 19 before Aug. 1.

Registration fee is \$30 and players should bring their birth certificates.

For more information contact coach Levon Webb at Snyder High School.

Frenship notches playoff victory

PAMPA — Brad Douglas blasted a three-run homer that capped a five-run sixth inning for the Frenship Tigers Thursday, en route to an 11-5 come-from-behind win in Class 4A bi-district baseball action.

The game had been postponed Tuesday because of bad weather with Pampa holding a 3-2 lead and bases loaded in the last of the third inning.

Brad Cade, pitching in relief of starter B.J. Krier, went four innings Thursday, shutting out the Harvesters.

District 1 champ Pampa ends the season with a 20-4 record while FHS, runner-up in District 2, moves to 22-8.

Softball opening ceremonies set

Opening ceremonies for Snyder UGSA softball and a field dedication in honor of long-time girls' softball supporter Dale Cates are scheduled for today.

Introduction of the girls' teams is set to begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by the field dedication at the softball complex in Towle Park.

Raider baseball camp scheduled

Texas Tech Red Raider assistant coach Frank Anderson will direct this June's three sessions of the 1991 Red Raider baseball camp.

The camp, to be held at Tech's Dan Law Field, will begin with a four-day session June 3-6, followed by camps June 9-13 and June 24-27.

For more information contact Anderson at (806) 742-3355.

Irvin draws foul in basketball game

DALLAS (AP) — A man who volunteered to serve as a referee for a charity basketball game said two off-duty police officers and two Dallas Cowboys teammates had to restrain wide receiver Michael Irvin after the player hit him in the face.

Willie Summerling, 42, filed a complaint Thursday, alleging Irvin punched him in the mouth during the contest Wednesday night, splitting his lower lip and shattering his dental plate.

Detectives investigating the incident said a Class A misdemeanor assault charge may be filed early next week against Irvin. The charge carries a maximum penalty of one year in prison or a \$2,000 fine.

Irvin declined Thursday to discuss the incident.

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Workers' comp law declared unconstitutional

EAGLE PASS, Texas (AP) — Supporters of the Texas workers' compensation system said they are confident the Texas Supreme Court will overturn a state district judge's ruling declaring the law unconstitutional.

But critics of the new compensation system said the ruling by Judge Rey Perez of Maverick County exposed the law as the unfair statute it is. The Texas AFL-CIO and several workers filed the suit.

"The court declares the entire enactment unconstitutional and void," Perez said in his decision Thursday. The judge said the law

uses "arbitrary and unreasonable" impairment guidelines for injured workers and limits employees' access to the courts.

Attorneys for the state immediately gave notice they would appeal to the Texas Supreme Court.

Attorney General Dan Morales said his office anticipated the ruling and believes the state's position will be upheld by the higher court.

"My office is not just defending the specific details of the new workers' comp system in Eagle Pass," he said. "We are defending the integrity of legislative intent and seeking to avoid dismantling the progress made in addressing the crisis in workers' comp rates."

The Texas Legislature passed the business-backed workers' comp reform bill in 1989 after two grueling special sessions. Then-Gov. Bill Clements signed the measure into law.

House Speaker Gib Lewis, D-Fort Worth, said he was disappointed by the ruling. "I think it's a good bill and should be constitutional. I think the appellate court will find that also."

The Texas AFL-CIO filed the lawsuit in Maverick County on the Texas-Mexico border, where

there is a large population of seasonal farm workers. The labor group contends those workers are among those discriminated against by the new law.

"Obviously we're very elated by the ruling. It feels like it vindicates the position we've taken

Police record two PI arrests

Two arrests were among activities recorded by Snyder police Thursday.

Two females were arrested on public intoxication charges. At 8:05 p.m. a 33-year-old female was arrested in the 2400 block of Ennis Creek. A second arrest came at 11:56 p.m. in the 1600 block of College Ave. where a 37-year-old female was charged with PI. Both subjects were taken to Scurry County Jail.

Police activity earlier included a call at 11:20 a.m. from Cone Merritt who reported finding syringes near a dumpster at 30th St. and Ave. Q. An officer was dispatched and picked up the paraphernalia.

Nellie Rodriguez notified police at 2 p.m. that she had lost her purse in the College Ave. area.

In county activity, Scurry County sheriff's office is in-

vestigating the rural theft of tools. At 7 p.m., Howard Hogue advised that some tools had been stolen from a barn west of the city. A report for theft was filed.

Athletics

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aware of the proposal and did approve it. The proposal has also been endorsed by next year's high school principal, Gary Paterson.

In approving the proposal, the board agreed to a one-year trial period with a review to take place in March of 1992.

Trustees on Thursday also accepted resignations and recommendations to hire four teachers. Retiring from the school system are Jo Ann Littlepage, second grade teacher at Stanfield; Jo Ashley, junior high librarian; and Bernard Weems, Northeast physical education instructor.

Hired were junior high history/coach instructors Scott Lambert and Michael Holmes; high school English teacher Dustee Solis; and junior high science teacher Matthew Glenn. Glenn will also coach high school girl's golf.

In other action, the board voted 6-1 to seek bids for video equipment for the high school athletic department. The equipment will allow Snyder ISD to exchange films with other District 2-4A members next year. Snyder is currently using 16 millimeter film and the rest of the district is going to video tape. Filming supplies are costing \$4,600 annually now. It is estimated that once the new equipment is paid for, at a cost of about \$15,000, annual expenses will be only several hundred dollars.

Parker voted against seeking bids for the equipment.

The board also gave its okay for the district to advertise for bids for copy paper and janitorial supplies, and a one-year extension of the food services contract.

Bob Hand, ag instructor, was given approval to rebuild ag pens at the school farm and employ two student helpers. Materials for the project are estimated at \$4,600.

In other action, the board approved two TASSB policies regarding campus performance objectives and equal access, granted a request to utilize the high school baseball field for a baseball camp and heard a junior high school campus improvement plan.

The board also approved payment of bills and past minutes. All board members were present for the meeting.

Graduates

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Glenpool, Okla., Tracy Edmunds of Hawley, Therisa Jenkins of Hermleigh, Jacoby Garmon of Huntsville, Russell Merchant of Madisonville, Laini Ann Hollifield of Midkiff, Ken Critton of Pullman, Wash., Richard Onofre and Michelle Scott of Sweetwater, and Becky Bynum, Kevin Dollins, Charles Downing, Jimmy Hammond, Denise Hood, Alvah Jones, Charles Kittles, Jennifer Lee, Jeffrey McKenzie, Latoya Sims, Thance Springer, and Stacie Thompson of Snyder.

Associate in Applied Science Summa Cum Laude: Peter Natividad and Robert Sneedeker of Snyder, Charles Ivie of Dunn and James Newkirk of Levelland.

Magna Cum Laude: Mary Frances Williams of Snyder.

Cum Laude: Jeanette Hagins, Rene Castillo, Russell Blakey and Sandra Terese McCormack of Snyder, Leatha Welborn of Lamesa, Earnest Lance Parker of Abilene and Shane Guldbransen of Toogoolawah, Australia.

Others are Jeffrey Rorie of Baird, Leonel Longoria of Floydada, Samuel Cunningham and Melinda Moncada of Sweetwater, and Randy Alarcon, Glenn Beaver, Teresa Brown, Brice Key, Hugh Reed Mathews, Keith McCormack and George Tovar of Snyder.

Cosmetology Debra Alvarez and Diane Gregory of Colorado City; Margaret Beaver of Fluvanna; Terri Reed of Justiceburg; Julie Sanchez of Lorraine; Karen Gruben of Roby; Lori Garcia, Diann Ochoa, Teresa McArthur and Pam Vaughn of Rotan; Anita Hernandez, Amanda Loyola, Melissa Kay Mitchell, Shann Pierce and Brenda Tovar of Snyder; and Joyce Rasco of Sweetwater.

Diesel Mechanics Jackie D. Richey of Big Spring and Hilario Segura Jr. of Jayton.

Contract

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that services should not be cut if avoidable.

"We all like the total package we get. It's up to us to do the best job we can do to keep the package," said council member Jackie Greene.

"What it comes down to is how do you do it. How do you divide it? Some cities and counties get to the point where they can't come to agreement. We don't want that," said the mayor.

The point is what is fair to the taxpayer, he continued.

Because both entities are entering budget preparations for 1991, Mayor Williamson suggested, with the approval of commissioners, that the present contract stay in place so that budgets could be set accordingly.

The two will meet again June 13 at which time they are expected to exchange estimated values of service, both included and excluded, in the present contract.

City council members present were Mayor Williamson, City Manager John Gayle, and council members Greene, Mike Thornton, Jack Denman and Joe Coronado.

County officials attending were Judge Doolittle and commissioners Gray, Roy Idom, Duaine Davis and Jerry Gannaway.

Teachers

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find the funds to maintain a competitive school system. Furthermore, a lot of this money will be funneled back into the community through increased local spending by Snyder teachers.

Glaves suggested that the board "take a critical look at every area in our budget." She asked, for example, "Are all present programs returning the academic progress for which they were intended? Could a change in the school calendar from a five-day spring break to five Fridays reduce the necessity of hiring excessive numbers of substitutes? Are chartered buses the most economical means of transportation? Are we conservative in our restaurant selection? Have we set a 'cap' on meal expenses per student, per event? Are we able to reduce administrative travel, teacher professional travel and student travel allowances in any way?"

She also suggested the administration make sure it was "tapping" into federal and state grants available and asked the board to reconsider the district's policy of rejecting donations from local businesses.

Glaves said teachers expressed regret over the decline of pride in teachers in Snyder. "Pride in our profession has greatly diminished," she said, referring to comments from a canvas of Snyder teachers. She said that with an average cost of living increase of five percent a year, teachers who have had their salaries frozen for seven years have lost 35 percent of their purchasing power.

It was also noted that the group desires a salary increase to include all support personnel, including secretaries, aides, computer proctors and maintenance employees.

In making the presentation to the board Thursday, Glaves noted that teachers salaries "are only a small part of the morale issue. Tonight, however, is not the appropriate time to bring this issue to your attention. The Committee for Effective Teachers...desires the opportunity to present these views in a separate forum. We respectively request the presence of members of the school board, Mr. (Dalton) Moseley (superintendent), Dr. (Tom) Scannicchio (assistant superintendent), and Mrs. (Janice) Brown (director of curriculum and testing) at this forum."

Glaves added, "We realize you have a responsibility to taxpayers but taxpayers must also accept the fact that without the best educational opportunities, we will see an increase in future state taxes to pay for our dropouts in terms of alternative schools, welfare and more prison facilities. Your greatest responsibility as a school board member is to provide every child in Snyder with the most effective teachers possible."

Following the presentation, board president Sam Robertson thanked Bullard and Glaves, and said, "I can assure you this board will put the salary of our teachers as a top priority item when we consider the budget this year."

Supt. Moseley said he would schedule a time to meet with teachers in a forum to discuss morale.

workers. This court trial has exposed this legislation as the special interest scheme that it was," Parker said.

Gov. Ann Richards said through her press secretary, Bill Cryer, she knew when the law was passed there were problems with it. Cryer said the appellate process probably will take a year.

"In the meantime, we're going to be working to overhaul workers' compensation," Cryer said. "There'll probably be some Band-Aid approaches to workers' comp, maybe even in this (legislative) session."

Perez said the new law provides for a "mechanical application" of the American Medical Association Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment. Perez said the AMA guides were not intended to be used as they are and that the Texas Legislature never sought AMA advice on using the guidelines.

Among the witnesses for the plaintiffs was St. Louis-based Dr.

Alan Engelberg, editor of the AMA guides, who said the state is using them inappropriately.

Perez also said the law limits injured workers' access to the courts and "was intended to discourage attorneys from representing injured workers."

And, the judge said, the workers' comp law calculates benefits differently for seasonal workers and does not address the issue of worker safety.

Business groups were quick to criticize his ruling.

An attorney for the Texas Association of Compensation Consumers, which joined the state defending the new law in court, said the law should stand.

"This is a situation that I believe and I'm confident the Supreme Court will rectify," lawyer Shannon Ratliff said.

The Texas Association of Business declared the workers' compensation system "alive and well" despite the ruling.

Markets Middy Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)	High	Low	Last	Change
AMR Corp	65 1/4	64 1/4	64 1/4	+ 1/4
AlliedSignal	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	+ 1/4
ALLTEL Cp	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	+ 1/4
AmStores	87 1/2	87 1/2	87 1/2	+ 1/4
AmerT&T	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2	+ 1/4
Ameritech	60 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	- 1/4
Amoco	54 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	+ 1/4
AndarkPtr	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	+ 1/4
Arka	18 1/2	18 1/2	18 1/2	+ 1/4
Armoelinc	4 1/2	4 1/2	4 1/2	+ 1/4
AIIRichld	120	120	120 1/2	+ 1/2
BakerHugh	30 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	- 1/4
BancTexas	36 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2	+ 1/4
BellAtl	47 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	- 1/4
BellSouth	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	+ 1/4
Beth Steel	15 1/2	15 1/2	15 1/2	+ 1/4
Borden	37 1/2	36 1/2	36 1/2	- 1/4
Caterpillar	52 1/2	52 1/2	52 1/2	+ 1/4
CentSO	35 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	- 1/4
CentSO West	45 1/2	45 1/2	45 1/2	+ 1/4
Chevron	77 1/2	77 1/2	77 1/2	+ 1/4
Chrysler	13 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	- 1/4
Coastal	35 1/2	35 1/2	35 1/2	+ 1/4
CoocaCola	56 1/2	55 1/2	55 1/2	- 1/4
Colg Palm	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	+ 1/4
ColgP w/	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	+ 1/4
ComEd	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	+ 1/4
Cyprusam	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2	+ 1/4
DallSemin	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	+ 1/4
DeltaAir	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	+ 1/4
DigitalEq	66 1/2	66 1/2	66 1/2	+ 1/4
Dillard	121 1/2	120 1/2	121 1/2	+ 1/2
DowChem	51 1/2	50 1/2	51 1/2	+ 1/4
DresserInd s	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	+ 1/4
DuPont	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	+ 1/4
EastMan	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	+ 1/4
EljerdInd	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	+ 1/4
Enersrch	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	+ 1/4
Exxon	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	+ 1/4
FITyBep	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	+ 1/4
FlowerInd	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2	+ 1/4
FordMotor	33 1/2	33 1/2	33 1/2	+ 1/4
GTE Cp s	30 1/2	30 1/2	30 1/2	+ 1/4
GrDynam	39 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	- 1/4
GenElec	73 1/2	73 1/2	73 1/2	+ 1/4
GenMills s	58 1/2	57 1/2	57 1/2	- 1/4
GenMotors	38 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	+ 1/4
GnMotrE s	48 1/2	47 1/2	47 1/2	- 1/4
GalPac	48 1/2	48 1/2	48 1/2	+ 1/4
GlobalR n	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	+ 1/4
Goodrich	39 1/2	38 1/2	38 1/2	- 1/4
Goodyear	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	+ 1/4
GMCPac	45 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	- 1/4
GMStuT	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	+ 1/4
Haliburtn	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	+ 1/4
Hanson	20 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	- 1/4
Houstitnd	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	+ 1/4
IBM	106 1/2	104 1/2	105 1/2	+ 1/2
IntlPaper	65 1/2	65 1/2	65 1/2	+ 1/4
JohnsJn	95 1/2	94 1/2	94 1/2	- 1/4
K Mart	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	+ 1/4
Kroger	22 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2	- 1/4
LTyTV Cp	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2	+ 1/4
Litton Ind	84 1/2	84 1/2	84 1/2	+ 1/4
vjLoneStar	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	+ 1/4
Lowes	33 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	- 1/4
Lubys s	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	+ 1/4
Maxus	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2	+ 1/4
MayDSI	55 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	- 1/4
Medtronic	115 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2	- 1/4
Mobil	69 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	+ 1/4
Monsanto s	64 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2	- 1/4
Motorola	65 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	- 1/4
NCNB Cp	37 1/2	37 1/2	37 1/2	+ 1/4
Navistar	3 1/2	3 1/2	3 1/2	+ 1/4
Nyxex	70 1/2	69 1/2	69 1/2	- 1/4
OryEngy	34 1/2	34 1/2	34 1/2	+ 1/4
PacTelesis	40 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	- 1/4
PanECp	12 1/2	12 1/2	12 1/2	+ 1/4
PennyJC	55 1/2	54 1/2	54 1/2	- 1/4
PepBoys	13 1/2	13 1/2	13 1/2	+ 1/4
PhilpDod	65 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2	- 1/4
PhillipPet	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	+ 1/4
Polaroid s	26 1/2	26 1/2	26 1/2	+ 1/4
Primerica	29 1/2	29 1/2	29 1/2	+ 1/4
ProctGamb	83 1/2	83 1/2	83 1/2	+ 1/4
Pub NwMx	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2	+ 1/4
SFEpacP n	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2	+ 1/4
SaraL	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	+ 1/4
SearsRoeb	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2	+ 1/4
Shrin s	23 1/2	23 1/2	23 1/2	+ 1/4
SmithBchm	68 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	+ 1/4
SmithBch eq n	59 1/2	59 1/2	59 1/2	+ 1/4
Southern Co	27 1/2	27 1/2	27 1/2	+ 1/4
SwtAir s	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	+ 1/4
SwtBell	50 1/2	49 1/2	49 1/2	- 1/4
SterlingChm	5 1/2	5 1/2	5 1/2	+ 1/4
SunCo	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	+ 1/4
TNP Ent	20 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	- 1/4
Tandy	32 1/2	32 1/2	32 1/2	+ 1/4
TemplInl	41 1/2	41 1/2	41 1/2	+ 1/4
Tenneco	45 1/2	44 1/2	44 1/2	- 1/4
Texaco	69 1/2	68 1/2	68 1/2	- 1/4
TexasInd	19 1/2	19 1/2	19 1/2	+ 1/4
TexasInst	40 1/2	40 1/2	40 1/2	+ 1/4
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Less wheat crops may brighten price during future sales

WASHINGTON (AP) — Reduced wheat harvests in the United States and some other countries may be brightening the price outlook for producers, according to new Agriculture Department figures.

The U.S. winter wheat crop was estimated Thursday at less than 1.5 billion bushels, down 26 percent from last year's harvest of 2.03 billion bushels.

Based on May 1 indications, the average yield was put at 36.9 bushels per acre, down from 40.7 bushels in 1990. Further, the area for harvest, at 40.5 million acres, will be down from nearly 50 million acres last year.

A preliminary analysis said the global wheat crop in 1991-92 also will be down from this season's record level and that total grain production and consumption may be "roughly in balance" in the coming year.

Overall, it said, 1991-92 world wheat production may drop 6 percent, with the United States accounting for almost half the decline.

The drop in foreign wheat production will be led by a reduction

in this year's Soviet harvest, and "substantial declines are expected in Canada, Australia and Eastern Europe," the report said. "Partially offsetting these declines are larger wheat crops in the (European Community), India and a few other countries."

Domestically, farmers were required to idle more wheat land in 1991 to qualify for price-support benefits — 15 percent of their crop base in USDA's "acreage reserve program," compared with only 5 percent for the 1990 crop.

But there have been weather problems, too, in the winter wheat areas, including winterkill in the Pacific Northwest and dry weather in many parts of the country. In others, too much rain has been a problem.

In Kansas, the largest producer, the winter wheat crop was estimated at 367.2 million bushels, down from 472 million last year. Yields are expected to average 34 bushels per acre against 40 in 1990.

The state is expected to have 10.8 million acres for harvest, a drop of one million from last year.

Winter wheat is planted in the fall and harvested the next year. It accounts for about three-fourths of U.S. wheat production. The remainder is planted in the spring.

USDA's first official estimate of 1991 production of all wheat will be issued July 11. The first estimates for corn, soybeans and some other major spring-planted crops are scheduled for release Aug. 12, along with revised figures for wheat.

No official estimates of total 1991 wheat output based on field surveys were included in Thursday's report.

However, in their "highly tentative" projections, analysts said total U.S. wheat production this year could be about 2.07 billion bushels, down from a near-record 2.74 billion bushels in 1990.

Projections for all wheat and some other crops were based on yield trends and an assumption that the crop would have normal weather the remainder of the growing season.

Christopher Columbus concluded his second visit to the New World in 1496 as he left Hispaniola for Spain.

Donna citizens group takes case to Supreme Court

DONNA, Texas (AP) — A citizens group seeking to recall a South Texas mayor has taken its case to the Texas Supreme Court.

United Citizens for Donna in March presented a petition to recall Donna Mayor Hector Casiano. But City Secretary Eileen Ayala told them she could not determine the number of registered voters in the city. She refused to accept the petition with 1,564 signatures.

UCD then took its case to the 13th Court of Appeals in Corpus Christi, but the appeals court declined to hear the case. So on Wednesday they sent it to the Supreme Court in Austin, said UCD Chairman Lonnie Flores.

UCD contends the petition contains about 250 signatures more than the 20 percent of registered voters required to force a recall election.

McAllen attorney Jim Selman III, who represents UCD, has said the group wants to remove Casiano because they believe he abuses power and is "soft on the drug problem in Donna and rendered the police department ineffective."

Casiano was elected to a four-year term last year. He has accused the group of using "negative propaganda."

Donna, located near the Mexican border in Hidalgo County, has about 12,000 residents.

Flores said UCD waited until after the May 4 election to take the case to the Supreme Court. Two UCD candidates defeated two Casiano-backed candidates for seats on the city commission.

Beauchamp will speak at Dunn

Brenda Beauchamp of Utah, former Snyder resident, who has been visiting her family at Dunn will be the special speaker at the 11 a.m. Sunday morning service at the Fluvanna Baptist Church.

Ms. Beauchamp is a special worker in the Ogden and Clearfield, Utah, Baptist churches. She is the daughter of Allie Beth Beauchamp and Arthur Beauchamp and is a Snyder High School graduate.

The members of the Fluvanna Baptist Church and their supply preacher, Cone J. Merritt, invite everyone to this special service.



GOLDCOAT WELCOME — Several Goldcoaters were on hand to welcome NTS Communications with a grand opening ribbon cutting ceremony at 3903 College Ave Tuesday. Area manager of the long

distance company Elaine Githens, pictured at center, was presented a membership plaque from the Chamber of Commerce. Visitors registered for a phone to be given away by NTS. (SDN Staff Photo)

William Smith charged in alleged rape in Palm Springs

PALM BEACH, Fla. (AP) — William Kennedy Smith, charged with raping a 29-year-old woman at the Kennedy family estate, says he's worried and sad. But he also expresses confidence he'll be exonerated.

"I'm very confident that when this thing is resolved that I'll be

able to stand by my original statement, which was that I didn't commit an offense of any kind," Smith said Thursday in Washington after charges were filed in Florida. A nephew of Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, Smith, 30, is a medical intern at Georgetown University.

Smith's lawyers told police he plans to surrender next week.

Smith told reporters he was "very tired because I've been in the hospital all night taking care of people who have real problems ... but obviously I'm very sad about the events today and I'm worried about my family and ob-

viously my future, my friends."

On Thursday, Florida State Attorney David Bludworth capped six weeks of investigation by filing charges of sexual battery and battery against Smith for the alleged assault, which the woman said occurred March 30.

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Western theme park to be auctioned

WILMER, Texas (AP) — Well off the beaten track, amid fields of wheat and lazy cattle, a man in plaid shirt and plastic cowboy hat patrol the Main Street, casino, saloon and bordello of a 1980s ghost town.

"Yep. They robbed the bank every day at noon, hung the robbers over there at that gallows and had shootouts all the time in the streets," says Bob Corder, 59, caretaker and sole resident of Big D, Texas western theme park.

"When they sell this place," said Corder, clad in a hat with "Jesus" inscribed on the crown in felt-tip pen, "it'll be kind of an

empty spot in my heart. I've had a lot of good times here."

At 11 a.m. Saturday, Big D — built in 1981 and billed in its heyday as an authentic 1880s Texas town — will go to the highest bidder at a public auction hosted by Joe Maas International Inc., a national auction firm based in Rochester, Minn.

Auction Manager Dewey Day expects buyers from all over the Southwest to bid for the 104-acre park — sold with its 37 buildings as a single lot — as well as a rodeo ring, horse-drawn buggies and hundreds of artifacts and antiques.

Like a lot of things in Texas,

Big D was ambitious, nostalgic, a little tacky... and went bust in a big way in the mid-1980s.

Auction officials say owner Bill Windsor's debts simply caught up with him. Others who were around mention the high cost of staffing the park with gunslingers, cowpokes, cottoncandy salesmen and a phony madam named Miss Trixie.

Windsor could not be reached for comment.

It's been several years now since Big D was open to the public, and five years since the site was repossessed by Town North National Bank of Dallas.

The past few years have seen a

succession of concerts and corporate parties at Big D accommodating as many as 5,000 revelers, as well as other unusual functions Corder is delighted to recount.

Oddest, by far, was the filming of an obscure sci-fi movie called "Aurora Encounters," in which a UFO visits a Texas town in the days of the Old West. Corder remembers it fondly.

"It had a UFO with a little green man 4 feet tall," he says. "It's great. It shows the town in its full glory. And it's supposed to be a true story — y'know that? Happened in Waco. They even called in the Texas Rangers."

The UFO's aluminum hulk, incidentally, rests toward the back of the property, near the gallows. And it's for sale.

Slow recovery said predicted

HOT SPRINGS, Va. (AP) — Top U.S. business leaders, struggling to cope with their first recession in eight years, hope the slump will end soon but they are generally pessimistic about the economy's growth potential once the recovery begins.

The heads of such corporate giants as American Telephone & Telegraph and General Electric said they agreed with the Bush administration's assessment that the economy will begin growing again around midyear.

The business leaders gathered today at a mountain resort for the start of the spring meeting of the Business Council, composed of the chief executives of 100 of the nation's largest companies.

At the two-day meeting, they were to hear from Washington policy makers and assess prospects for the recovery from the 10-month-old recession.

Briefing reporters before the sessions began, many of the corporate executives took issue with the administration's more optimistic forecasts of a fairly rapid return to robust growth rates.

They said the huge overhang of government, corporate and personal debt from the 1980s was likely to depress economic growth for some time to come.

"It will be a rather slow and painful recovery out of this recession," said H. Brewster Atwater

Jr., the head of General Mills.

While the business chiefs said they believed a recovery was at hand, they conceded that this outlook remained only a forecast because the consumer, who accounts for two-thirds of total economic activity, has not begun spending.

John F. Welch Jr., chief executive of General Electric, said the hoped-for rebound in consumer spending following the Persian Gulf War had yet to materialize. But he said the seeds of a recovery were present in rising consumer confidence and lower interest rates.

"That will get housing and autos back up and that will get some of those 2 million people laid off in the last 18 months back to work," he said.

But Welch said "fragile" is an appropriate word to use in describing the current economic situation.

Roger Smith, who stepped down last year as head of General Motors, said the auto industry had been "rather severely" hurt by the economic downturn with sales of cars and trucks in 1991 running more than 15 percent below last year's pace.

"I think we are going to come out of this thing (the recession), but we aren't going to come shooting out," he said.

Howard P. Allen, the chairman of the executive committee of

Southern California Edison Co., said he did not believe California would emerge from the recession until the end of 1991.

Both he and S.D. Bechtel Jr., chairman emeritus of the giant construction firm, the Bechtel Group, said worried consumers were making the recession worse.

"We talked ourselves into this downturn to a great extent and we will have to talk ourselves out of it," said Bechtel, adding that his own company's fortunes were on the upswing, in part because of contracts to help rebuild oil facilities in Kuwait.

The administration is counting on continued strong foreign demand to offset weak domestic demand. But some of the corporate chiefs said economic weakness is hurting Europe, one of America's major foreign markets.

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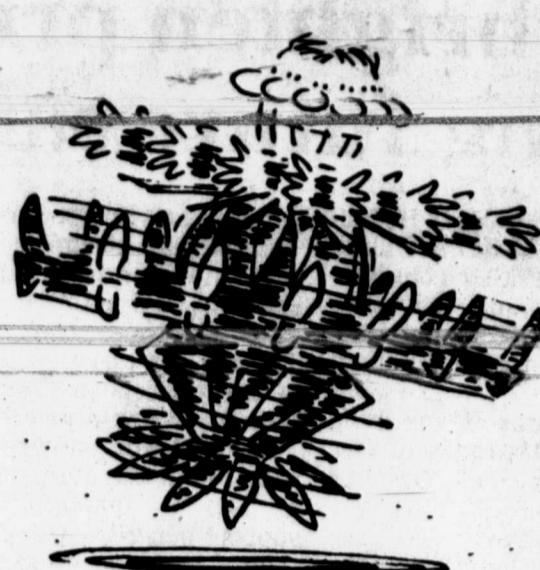
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