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Home Of Gary Gunset

From chamber of commerce...

Western swing festival support draws praise

A huge success is the way last week's West Texas Western Swing Festival is being described by its sponsor, the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

"I could not be any happier with the festival, or the way the local community supported it this first year," said Donna Fowler, executive director of the chamber.

"When we started planning the festival, we did not know whether we would attract two people, two hundred or two thousand each day," said Fowler.

"We figure over the life of the festival that seven to eight thousand people attended the event," Fowler said.

Fowler said all the bills have not been received, so how the chamber stands financially on the festival is yet to be determined.

"The entertainers alone, cost us $50,000, and we had other expenses as well," she said.

"But you have to figure in the success formula what it did to the Snyder business community," said Fowler.

"Every business I talked to noticed festival-goers buying items in their stores."

Fowler said the festival would definitely be held in 2001.

"We viewed this as a two-year project, and we think next year will be even greater," said Fowler.

Fowler said participation from Snyder residents buying tickets certainly exceeded her expectations, but not her hopes."We had 10 times more local folks at the event nightly than the previous festival," she exclaimed.

Fowler said all the entertainers have asked to be included in the festival next year.

"We are especially pleased that we got to show off our local talent such as Cindy Nix, Cow-Jazz, Texas Sand and Jeremy Watkins, grandson of Joe and Marlin Terrell of Snyder and Jean and Jim Summer of Midland," Fowler added.

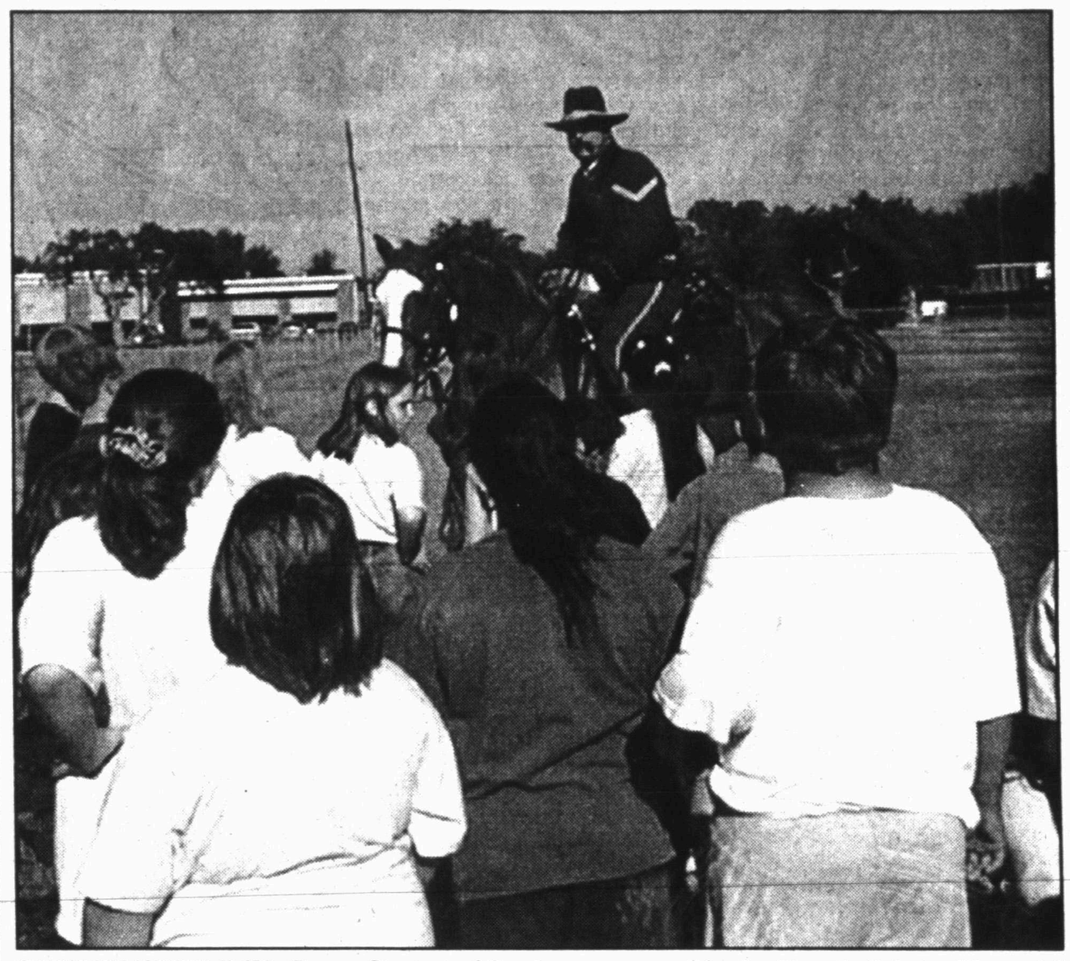
WTC registration starts Thursday

Summer registration at Western Texas College will be held Thursday, and also on May 30-31.

Classes toward an associate's degree in a variety of liberal arts and pre-professional fields will be offered, along with vocational classes in computerized business technology and early childhood education.

Classes just for fun will also be offered, including offerings in ceramics, SCUBA diving, public speaking, introduction to business and computers, or advanced golf.

A schedule may be obtained by calling WTC at 573-8511.



CAVALRY FIELD DAY –Bruce Stewart of Snyder, a corporal in the Fourth Calvary Memorial Regiment of Lubbock, explains frontier cavalry life to Central Elementary third graders this morning. (SDN Staff Photo)

Hermleigh ISD honor students are announced

Hermleigh High School's honor students for 1999-2000 are Randi Kay Herrington as valedictorian and Jared Higgins as salutatorian.

Randi's GPA is 99.70 and Jared's is 98.02.

For the past four years, Randi has been listed on the A honor roll and she has competed on the KTXS Academic Challenge Team. She was voted Miss HHS as a junior, and she was a candidate this year. As a junior, she received the Hardin-Simmons University's Top Junior Award. She has been voted most likely to succeed for four years and most athletic the past two. She has been a cheerleader for four years and was named All American cheerleader the past two years.

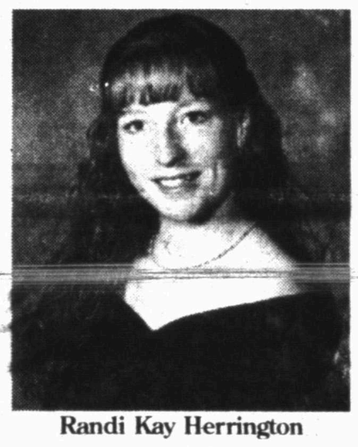
The top-ranking senior has served as class president for the past four years. She is a four-year member of the Beta Club, serving as president this year and vice president last year.

Randi also participates in sports, including basketball where the team won district her freshman and sophomore years. She has won numerous awards in track and has been active in one-act play. She was part of first place group projects at the Big Country Math Fair her freshman and senior years.

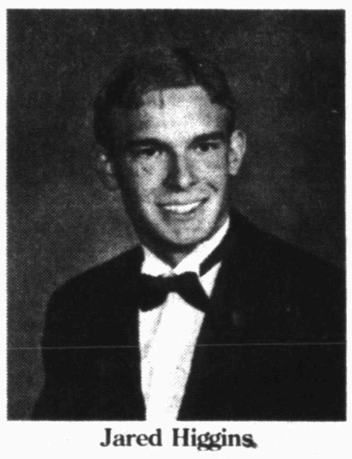
Jared has been a Beta Club member for four years, serving as an officer each year. He has also held a class office throughout high school. He competes on the KTXS Academic Challenge Team, serving as captain this year. He was a FHA member for three years, received the Hardin-Simmons University Top Junior Award, and was voted Mr. Hermleigh High School as a junior.

He competed in UIL and was a member of the one-act play cast. He was named to the zone all-star cast this year.

Jared is also an athlete, participating in football, basketball, track, cross country and baseball, winning numerous honors in football, basketball and track.



Randi Kay Herrington



Jared Higgins

Major transferring from Daniel unit

A farewell luncheon will be held May 31 at the Price Daniel Unit for Major Karl Thomas, who is transferring to the Hughes Unit in Gatesville.

The luncheon will be held from 11 to 11:30 a.m. and invitations will be sent out, Warden Vernon Pittman said.

Major Thomas has been at the Daniel Unit for nine months. He is transferring to be closer to his wife, who is a warden at the Gatesville Unit for women, and his nine-year-old son.

A replacement has not been named. Pittman said TDCJ will post the position and open it up for promotions.

Blood drive starts Tuesday

United Blood Services' first blood drive of the summer gets underway Tuesday with community-wide donations being accepted between 10 a.m. and 7 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center, located at 1701 21st St.

The drive moves to Cogdell Memorial Hospital on Wednesday where staff may donate from noon to 5 p.m.

On Thursday, employees of the Price Daniel Unit will host a drive from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m.

All donors during the drive will receive a special "Summer Lifesaver" T-shirt.

Donors must be at least 17 years of age, weigh at least 110 pounds and be in good overall health. Prospective donors cannot have donated blood within the last eight weeks.

All donors must present identification such as a driver's license, school or work ID, a social security card or a passport.

Donors will also be eligible to receive coupons from Dairy Queen, Whataburger, Taco Johns, Wal-Mart, Long John Silvers, Golden Corral, Gill's Fried Chicken, McDonald's, Burger King, Ken's Chicken and The Shack.

Other coupon donors are Jaramillo's, Spanish Inn, Pizza Hut, Rudy's, Subway, Lota' Burger, Rusty Spur Café, Tiger Health and Fitness Center and Lulu's Beauty Shop.

The drive is sponsored by Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary and the Scurry County Advisory Council for United Blood Services.

Plane crash kills 19; cause being sought

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (AP) — Investigators will focus on why both engines of a chartered plane carrying 19 people from a weekend trip to Atlantic City apparently failed at the same time, federal transportation officials said today.

National Transportation Safety Board member George Black said engines failing simultaneously is "highly improbable" and could indicate some sort of systems failure.

"We'll be looking at fuel systems; we'll be looking at ignition systems, the weather — all of the variables that are associated with the operation of the engines," Black told CBS' "The Early Show" this morning.

Among the possibilities, he said, was that the fuel was somehow contaminated. Investigators were trying to figure out where the plane had last refueled, he said.

Peter Hartt, spokesman for the South Jersey Transportation Authority, which operates the Atlantic City airport, said the aircraft received no maintenance or fuel there after arriving Sunday morning from Republic Airport in Farmingdale, N.Y. A telephone message left at Republic Airport was not immediately returned today.

The Jetstream 31, owned by Executive Airlines of Farmingdale, crashed Sunday in a dense and remote northeastern Pennsylvania forest, killing all those aboard.

National Transportation Safety Board investigators were reviewing the transcript from air traffic controllers who spoke with the crew before the accident. The two pilots can be heard on a part of the tape saying, "we lost both engines."

Black also said that investigators now know that pilots did not indicate there were engine troubles on their first approach to the airport.

The plane crashed while attempting a second approach.

Demos meet to name party's sheriff nominee

Scurry County Democratic executive committee will meet at 6 p.m. today in the county courtroom to discuss steps hoping to ensure Sheriff Darren Jackson serves a second term as sheriff.

Jerry Gannaway, Scurry County Democratic chairman, said the group would be meeting to discuss putting someone on the ballot for the November election.

Gannaway said they are hoping to nominate sheriff Keith Collier.

Jackson cannot run for sheriff on the Democratic ballot.

The unopposed Democratic sheriff, who was seeking his second four-year term, was disqualified as the nominee because he affiliated himself with two political parties by voting in the Republican primary.

That mistake also prevents Jackson from running as a write-in candidate. Since there were no Republican candidates for sheriff, the GOP may not nominate a candidate for the November general election.

It has been discussed openly that Collier will be placed on the ballot as a stand-in for Jackson. Collier has said he is willing to have his name placed on the ballot, but has steadfastly said he will not campaign nor take office.

Gannaway said his hopes are that a strong vote for Collier will send a message to the Scurry County commissioners' court that they want the court to appoint Jackson to the office, which in theory, would become vacant on Jan. 1.

Presently, the court is comprised of three Republicans and two Democrats.

A potential roadblock in that scenario is the possibility of a declared write-in candidate.

Former DPS trooper Joe Salinas has said he has received encouragement to run for sheriff as a write-in, and that he is considering the action.

A write-in candidate would be required to pay a filing fee of $600 and declare for the office between Sept. 8 and Oct. 6. The general election is Nov. 7.

Border Patrol shooting under investigation

BROWNSVILLE (AP) — A Border Patrol agent shot and killed a Mexican man who had just crawled out of the brush after wading across the Rio Grande, U.S. officials said.

A physical fight broke out between the unidentified 25-year-old Mexican national and a Brownsville agent during the Sunday morning arrest, Border Patrol spokesman Ramiro De Anda said. The undocumented worker died of a gunshot wound in the upper chest.

The unidentified agent — in his third year with the Border Patrol — will be on paid leave while the shooting is investigated, De Anda said. Officials are looking for the family of the undocumented worker, whose identity has not been released.

The young man was one of four people who swam north across the Rio Grande in the farm country down river from Brownsville. They waded ashore in the dark, and set off a Border Patrol motion sensor planted in the brush.

The agent, who was patrolling the area, arrived shortly afterward on the river bank alone, and wrestled with the worker.

ASK US

Q—When is the boys state baseball tourney?
A—June 8-9.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 74 degrees; low, 58; high Sunday, 88; low, 61; 7 a.m. Saturday, 66; .01 of an inch precipitation; total for 2000, 7.97 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low near 65. S wind 5-15 mph; Tuesday, partly cloudy, hot. High near 101, SW wind 10-20 mph.

Ashly Anderson
Sunny

Sunset: 8:38 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:44 a.m.
Of 142 days in 2000, the sun has shone 139 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

We must leave our mark on life while we have it in our power...
—Isak Dinesen

MAY 22 2000

Los Alamos gives thanks no one died in huge forest fire

LOS ALAMOS, N.M. (AP) — At Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church, parishioners sat in a church that had been cloaked in smoke only a week ago in this mountain community best known as the birthplace of the atomic bomb.

"I know that you have suffered so much in the past one and a half weeks," said Archbishop Michael Sheehan of the Archdiocese of Santa Fe, "but we can sift through, even through the ashes, to find the good."

Sheehan spent the past week going from shelter to shelter, visiting residents displaced by the fire that ravaged more than 47,000 acres of forest and 200 homes here.

Some parishioners attended church in blue jeans, while others wore ash-stained shoes. But most were optimistic, even those who lost their homes.

"We lost most everything, but we're together," said Steve Greene, a physicist at Los Alamos National Laboratory. He and his wife lost their home when Los Alamos was ordered evacuated in the face of the wildfire May 10. "We're together and we didn't get hurt and we've got plans. We're going to rebuild."

Greene and his wife plan to move to a home in Tesuque while the one in Los Alamos is rebuilt.

He even managed to joke.

"Well, we don't have to move much," he said. "We're already packed."

A week ago, the Rev. Charles Brown and Immaculate Heart of Mary parishioners held Mass in a church in Pojoaque. At home in their own church Sunday, they found out how friends fared when the flames roared through the community's northern and western edges.

The area went up in flames after a controlled burn, started by the National Park Service to clear brush, leaped out of control when winds kicked up.

Diane Dawghton was at the church service with her husband William and three daughters, ages 9, 6 and 4. Their home survived — the one behind and the one in front were destroyed.

"Most of our friends in the community are here," she said, "and it's really nice to hear people say, 'Hey, we're thinking about you.'"

Los Alamos High School, which was not damaged, was to reopen today.

Principal Lynne Saccaro was meeting individually with the freshmen through senior classes because each had students who lost their homes.

She also was letting students know what activities will go on, "the prom, the yearbook — all the things that are important to them."

"I want to reassure them that everybody is here and we're still Los Alamos High School," Saccaro said.

The high school staff returned to work late last week.

"We were finding out where everybody has been," Saccaro said Friday. "We had good laughs and now everybody is ready."

9TH GRADE A HONOR ROLL, TOP 10% — Snyder High School freshmen recognized for making the A honor roll and the top 10% students include (from left) seated, Jackie Beccue, Sara Cantu, Erin Cooley, Taylor Cotton, Christan Curry, Will Davis, Jason Guynes, Amanda Hartzog, Cozy Jones and Whitney Jones; standing, T.J. Jones, Jacinda Judah, Tyler Kerr, Kristina Mayer, Matt McCormick, Cindy Nachlinger, Wendy Proffitt, Brady Reed, Afton Schwertner, Zach Starnes, Aaryn Stewart, Lilli Valdez, Patricia Vargas, Kasey Wemken and Catherine Whitworth. Not pictured, Rachel Cave, Kellie Dodson and Stafford Gray. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Lazio sets whirlwind tour as he enters race

NEW YORK (AP) — Rep. Rick Lazio knows he has a lot of ground to cover to get his nascent U.S. Senate campaign up and running.

So the Long Island Congressman hit the ground running Sunday in a whirlwind tour, determined to overcome the biggest immediate obstacle in his quest to beat Hillary Rodham Clinton: his own obscurity.

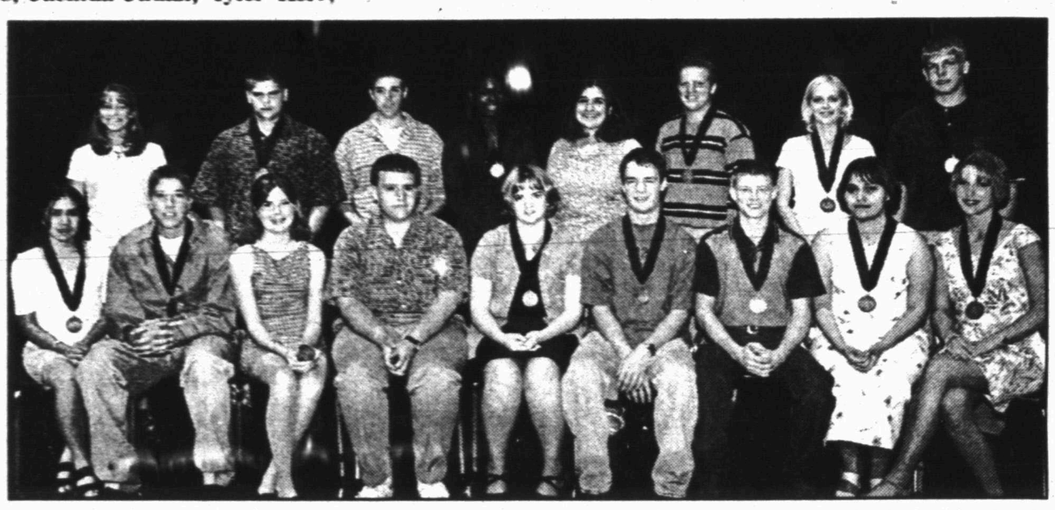
Lazio flew to Buffalo, Rochester, Syracuse and Binghamton on Sunday, stopping for about 30 minutes in each town to rally support for his Senate run. He planned to visit Elmira, Watertown, Utica, Albany and Westchester today.

Early Sunday, Lazio appeared on six television talk shows and gave the commencement address at a Long Island college.

"My challenge is to make sure that people know the real Rick Lazio before the other side gets out and tries to fool the New York people about who I am," Lazio said on CNN's "Late Edition."

While upstate, Lazio told a condensed version of his life story, introduced his wife and two daughters and credited his military parents for instilling "bedrock values" of family, work and responsibility.

He also promised to be a frequent visitor upstate, addressing a concern of voters who complained they did not see enough of the former Republican Senate front-runner, New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani, who has stepped aside.



FRESHMAN OUTSTANDING STUDENTS — Snyder High School 9th graders included in the A-B honor roll are (from left), seated, Ana Arce, Tanner Beard, Kara Brumley, G.J. Burns, Stephanie Crisp, Colby Driggers, Chance Greenwood, Cassandra Guerrero and Laura Hager; standing, Katie Kerley, Josh Knox, Bret McClendon, Kentara McDonald, Natalie Perez, Richard Reed, Afton Sutter and Clay Williams. Not pictured are Jonathan Bell, Sarah Boley, Caleb Durham, Jonathan Garza, Rumaldo Martinez, Alberto Perez, Bobby Sands and Tara Trammell. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Female NRA members try to counter gun-control issue

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — For the women of the National Rifle Association, safety is in guns — not gun control.

With that message, the NRA's female members concluded this year's annual convention by trying to counter the call for stricter gun laws a week ago at the Million Mom March in Washington, D.C.

"I choose to own a gun because I am a good mother," said Maria Heil, an NRA member. "If you care about your children, you should make sure you have the ability to defend them."

Good parenting, gun-safety education and self-defense are valid alternatives to more gun-control laws, the female speakers at the NRA's 129th convention said Sunday.

Barbara Phillips, a member of the NRA's executive board, called the tens of thousands of Million Mom March protesters "misinformed and confused."

"I'm sorry to see such a huge group of women so misled and manipulated," Phillips said. "Moms should do everything possible to allow their kids to face a future in the real world. Moms need to educate their children about firearms and the difference between a real gun and a toy gun."

Sunday's events included a seminar held by the NRA's Women on Target, which helps women join and organize shooting and hunting clubs. The seminar was followed by a reception for NRA women.

Eleven of the NRA's 76 directors are women, as is the second vice president, Sandy Froman. The group doesn't keep figures on how many of the 3.6 million members are women, spokeswoman Trish Hilton said, but she said female membership is growing quickly.

NRA officials point out the prominent role of women in the group isn't new — Marion Hammer served as president in 1996 and 1997.

But it's clear the NRA is concerned about an electorate in which women account for more than 50 percent of voters and the growing divide between men and women on the issue of gun control.

In a Gallup poll earlier this month, three-fourths of women surveyed said they support stricter gun controls, compared with about half of men.

"I am not at all impressed with polls that say women want gun control," Hammer said. "I'll tell you what — women want more than gun control. They want to be safe in their homes."

The 129th convention concluded most of its business Sunday. The executive board was to remain in Charlotte today and Tuesday for more meetings. Actor Charlton Heston was expected to be re-elected today to a third one-year term as president.

On the Net:
National Rifle Association:
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More people worldwide are rejecting the smoking habit

WASHINGTON (AP) — Americans are rejecting the smoking habit at a surprisingly rapid rate, a trend that is going global.

But there are signs of increased smoking in poor countries and among teen-agers and young women in several countries, and deaths blamed on smoking still are rising worldwide.

U.S. cigarette exports are down 25 percent, with 50 billion fewer cigarettes sent abroad in just one year. That is 2.5 billion fewer packs of cigarettes exported each year.

The number of cigarettes sold per person in the United States fell a record 8 percent last year, according to government data and to a Worldwatch analysis that also cites per-capita declines in some of the heaviest smoking countries: France, Japan and, markedly, China, whose 1.25 billion people now smoke one-third of the world's cigarettes.

The anti-smoking campaign credits smoking bans and increased public awareness of smoking's dangers for the decline. The Agriculture Department cites higher taxes, price increases to offset a $246 billion tobacco settlement with several states, and the cumulative impact of 35 years of warnings from the surgeon general's office.

The industry says the decline is directly related to the rising price of cigarettes — up 80 percent from two years ago.

Smoking has been linked in medical studies to more than 25 diseases, including heart disease, strokes, respiratory illness and several forms of cancer.

The World Health Organization plans to seek a treaty to further clear the global air of tobacco smoke and is promoting World No Tobacco Day on May 31. WHO predicts smoking-related diseases will kill 10 million people annually by the 2020s — two and a half times the current toll.

But that projection now is challenged by declines in cigarette production, sales and consumption in the United States and scattered parts of the world.

Smoking in the United States dropped from 2,810 cigarettes per person annually two decades ago to 1,633 last year, a 42 percent drop, according to calculations by Worldwatch, an environmental research group. Globally, the decline was 11 percent.

Exports for unmanufactured tobacco were down 10.6 percent by weight last year and U.S. cigarette exports dropped from 201.3 billion in 1998 to 151.4 billion, according to the Agriculture Department and the Census Bureau.

Some of the decline is due to production shifts by U.S. companies to other countries; global production is believed to be up about 1 percent. With population increases, per capita smoking still fell slightly worldwide, from 929 cigarettes in 1998 to 915 last year.

Lester R. Brown, chairman of Worldwatch, noted the success of advertising in California aimed at demonstrating loss of sexual potency among smokers and the spread of smoking bans and higher taxes.

"The land that gave the world tobacco is now leading it away from tobacco," Brown said.

But not every believes the world is giving up the weed.

"That's a bit of an exaggeration," said Heather Selin, tobacco adviser for the Pan American Health Organization. She said data is incomplete and the smoking cloud still wafts across the Third World.

Pete Burr, tobacco analyst for the government's Foreign Agricultural Service, said drops in exports are occurring mostly to Europe, possibly because U.S. companies are opening plants in Eastern Europe.

Most export markets, particularly Japan, remain strong, Burr said.

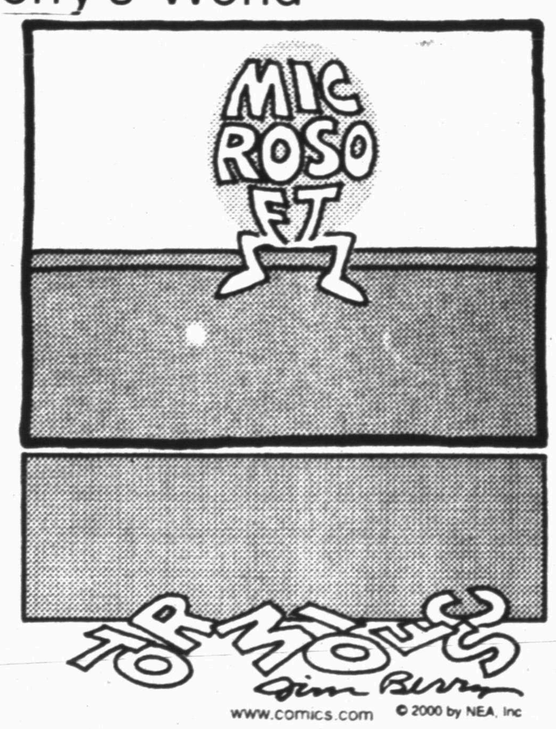
WHO describes a "smoking epidemic" among younger women in Asia, In Spain and Sweden, surveys show more 15-year-old girls smoke than boys.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says smoking among young adults, age 18 to 24, has been rising, for the first time, to the level of those age 25 to 44. High school smoking rates are even higher.

Samira Asma, an international analyst at the centers, said smokers are dying younger and women now tend to take up smoking more than men both in developed and developing countries.

Tobacco companies say price increases are almost exclusively responsible for the declines.

Berry's World



Humpty Dumpty?

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1 Hargrove, a 7,200-foot wildcat located 10 miles northeast of Snyder. Location is in Section 228, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Sharp Image Energy will drill the No. 1 Lake Thomas, a 7,500-foot wildcat located 15 miles southwest of Snyder. Drill site is in Section 74, Block 25, H&TC survey.

Garza County

Yates Energy will drill the No. 3-878 Kirkpatrick, an 8,500-foot wildcat located five miles northwest of Justiceburg. Location is in Section 878, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Howard County

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 3349 B.S. in the Snyder field, seven miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned for a depth of 3,900 feet, drill site is in Section 33, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Irving W. Avery will drill the No. 2-A Texaco Fee, a 4,300-foot wildcat located five miles northeast of Nolan. Location is in Section 69, Block 5, T&P survey.

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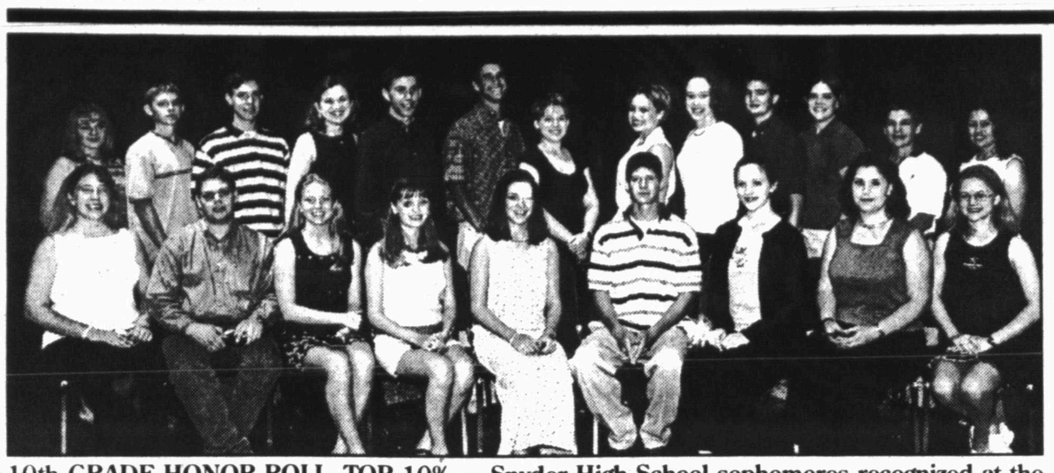

10th GRADE HONOR ROLL, TOP 10% — Snyder High School sophomores recognized at the awards assembly for making the A honor roll and members of the top 10% included (from left), seated, Amber Alexander, Cody Beaver, Laura Billingsley, Stormy Clark, Kasey Collier, Charlie Gorman, Hayli Henderson, Haley Holmes, Melissa Jones; standing, Marci Kruger, Tyson Kubena, Nicholas Landes, Jeremee Lester, Ryan McAnally, Brandon McGuire, Carcie Posey, Jaci Smith, Mary Wesson, Dustin Whitson, Anna Williams, Jason Williams and Kate Wright. Not pictured are Lana Broadwater, Loryn Brown, Bradley Bynum and Stacey Garcia. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

SOPHOMORE A-B HONOR ROLL — Snyder High School 10th graders making the A-B honor roll this year include (from left) seated, Clinton Calmes, Erin Dunham, Kristen Early, Haley Elkins, Lynn Fogleman, Tyler Hunter; standing, Andra Lancaster, Chris McLeod, Wade Pinson, Jay Scott, Bailey Stoker, Justin Stokes and Tate Thompson. Not pictured, Terry Capps, Steven Crain, Justin McBroom, Ryan McKamie, Sidney Owen, Cindy Sanchez and Katie Voss. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

New drug might stop cancer by targeting a genetic flaw

NEW ORLEANS (AP) — A new drug that focuses on the precise genetic mutations that make cancer tumors different from healthy tissue has shown promise in early tests on humans.

The medicine, one of many in development that attempt to shift cancer treatment away from a broad attack on all rapidly dividing cells, helps halt the growth of tumors and makes them more vulnerable to chemotherapy.

Many of these new drugs attempt to interfere with tumors' use of epidermal growth factor, one of the chemical signals that plays a crucial role in their survival.

On Sunday, researchers presented data on experimental use of one of these drugs, codenamed IMC-C225. The drug was discovered by Dr. John Mendelsohn at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center in New York City and is being developed by ImClone Systems Inc., which is financing the research. Mendelsohn is now president of the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston.

Although studies are still in early stages, the drug shows potential in victims of colon cancer and head and neck cancer who have failed standard treatments.

By itself, the drug appears to make tumors stop growing. This, in turn, leaves them open to the killing power of standard chemotherapy drugs.

"It's a two-hit hypothesis," said Dr. Mark S. Rubin. "The one-two punch takes the cancer down."

Doctors say that almost every pharmaceutical company has drugs in testing that are intended to stop tumor growth by exploiting this and similar targets. The first drug in this category to reach the market was Genentech's Herceptin, which was approved in 1998.

Both Herceptin and IMC-C225 are antibodies that block epidermal growth factor receptors. These are spots on the cell that receive chemical signals prompting them to divide. Because of a genetic mutation, many cancer cells have extra copies of these receptors, which help fuel their out-of-control growth.

Herceptin blocks a growth factor receptor that is commonly found on breast cancer cells, while IMC-C225 is aimed at one found on a variety of other tumors.

Rubin, who is in private practice in Bonito Springs, Fla., was the first to test IMC-C225 against colon cancer. His first patient, treated a year ago, had failed to respond to standard chemotherapy, and her cancer had spread to her liver and abdomen.

On a combination of IMC-C225 and the chemotherapy drug Camptosar, the woman's spreading tumor shrank by 80 percent. The remnants of her cancer were then surgically removed, and she now appears well and free of all signs of the disease, although doctors cannot say how long the remission will last.

Doctors at several hospitals plan to test the drug in 125 colon cancer patients and in 98 with head and neck cancer. All have cancer that has failed all standard treatment.

Samuel D. Waksal, ImClone's president, said the treatment appears to have shrunk tumors by more than half in 12 patients with head and neck cancer and eight with colon cancer. This represents about 30 percent of the head and neck patients and 20 percent of those with colon cancer who have taken the drug long enough to make a difference.

The company also plans to sponsor experiments with the drug in victims of cancer of the pancreas, lung, ovaries and esophagus.

Dr. James Abbruzzese of the University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston is using the drug experimentally on patients with pancreatic cancer, which is especially difficult to treat. He said that while doctors are enthusiastic about the potential of this approach, he cautioned: "It's very preliminary. We don't want to overstate what we are seeing until we have an adequate amount of follow up time."

Nevertheless, Dr. Lori Goldstein of the Fox Chase Cancer Center in Philadelphia predicted that most cancer studies will soon involve similar treatments that go after the specific genetic disruptions that cause cancer to grow out of control.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Gold Star Wives spread word on benefits for widows of vets

DEAR ABBY: Over the years, you have honored the men and women who have served our country in military service. As the widow of a military man, I want to express my gratitude. For the past two years, I have taken part in the ceremonies in Arlington Cemetery and at the Wall in Washington, D.C., and found them emotionally moving. Our country is free because young men and women in the service sacrificed their lives for their beloved America.

So often the "forgotten" ones are the wives and children left behind by the death of the military person. After World War II, four war widows felt the need to establish an organization called Gold Star Wives of America for widows whose husbands died on active duty, or who died as a result of disabilities incurred while on active duty. It was incorporated in the state of New York in December of 1945. The organization has worked to preserve and to institute government programs pertaining to the welfare of the widows and their children.

We need to reach the widows who have married again, and lost a second husband, with some good news. Their benefits can be reinstated by contacting their state director of veteran affairs.

Abby, will you be the bearer of these good tidings? It could be beneficial to thousands. — FLORANCE B. HERBERT, NATIONAL PRESIDENT EMERITUS

DEAR FLORANCE: That's important news, and I am pleased to pass it along.

For further information, military widows may write: Gold Star Wives of America Inc., 5510 Columbia Pike, Suite 205, Arlington, VA 22204. Please enclose a long, stamped, self-addressed envelope. The organization also has a Web site: www.goldstarwives.org.

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DEAR ABBY: "Joel," my husband of 40 years, and I sleep in different bedrooms because he snores. He has a job that requires him to get up at 4 a.m. After he showers and gets dressed, he comes into my room to say goodbye.

Abby, in the process of saying goodbye, Joel feels for my face to kiss me and ends up leaning on my throat, poking me in the eye or pulling my hair. I naturally become frightened and jump, which causes him to clunk me again!

I have asked him countless times to allow me to sleep, but he still comes in to adjust my covers or rub my feet, both of which WAKE ME UP! I have tried locking my door, but then he plays with the dog outside my door, causing her to bark, and that WAKES ME UP!

I have tried getting up early with him, but I just can't function the rest of the day. I told him that waking me up early is a form of abuse, but he refuses to listen.

Any ideas? — **SLEEPLESS IN NEW JERSEY**

DEAR SLEEPLESS: Face it. Your husband is doing this deliberately. He resents your not getting up to be with him. Since he wakes you anyway, perhaps you should get up to see him off, and then take an afternoon siesta.

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CONFIDENTIAL TO "AFRAID TO BREAK OUT OF MY RUT": The biggest human temptation is ... to settle for too little." (Thomas Merton, 1915-1968)

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TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1807, former vice president Aaron Burr was put on trial for treason in Richmond, Va. He was acquitted in the fall of 1807.

On this day in 1934, Rep. Mary Teresa Norton was elected chairman of the Democratic State Committee of New Jersey. She was the first woman in the United States to head the state committee of a major political party.

On this day in 1992, Johnny Carson appeared as host of the "Tonight" show for the last time.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Richard Wagner (1813-1883), composer; Mary Cassatt (1844-1926), artist; Arthur Conan Doyle (1859-1930), writer; Al Simmons (1902-1956), baseball great; Laurence Olivier (1907-1989), actor; Charles Aznavour (1924-), singer, is 76; Richard Benjamin (1938-), actor-director, is 62; Susan Strasberg (1938-1999), actress; Morrissey (1959-), singer, is 41.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1936, Rushaway, ridden by Johnny Longden, won the Illinois Derby.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Joy is not in things, it is in us." — Richard Wagner

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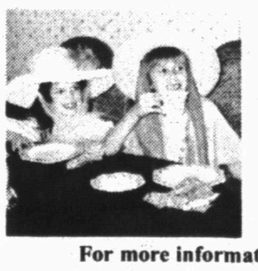

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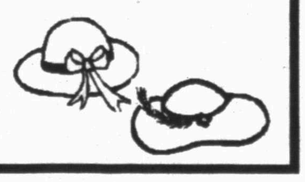

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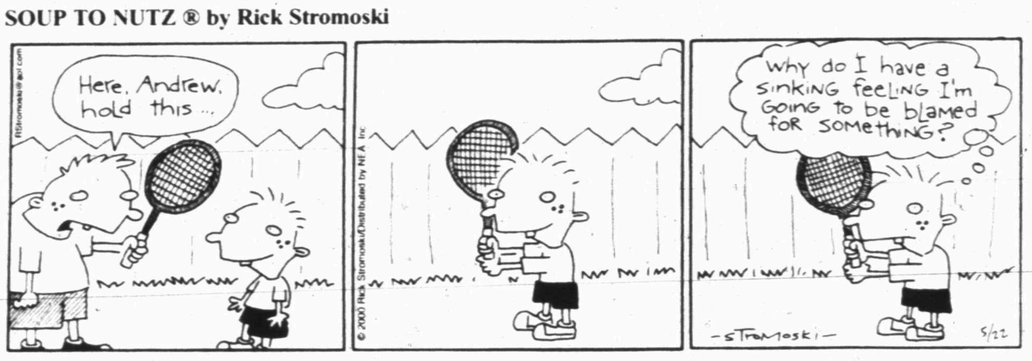

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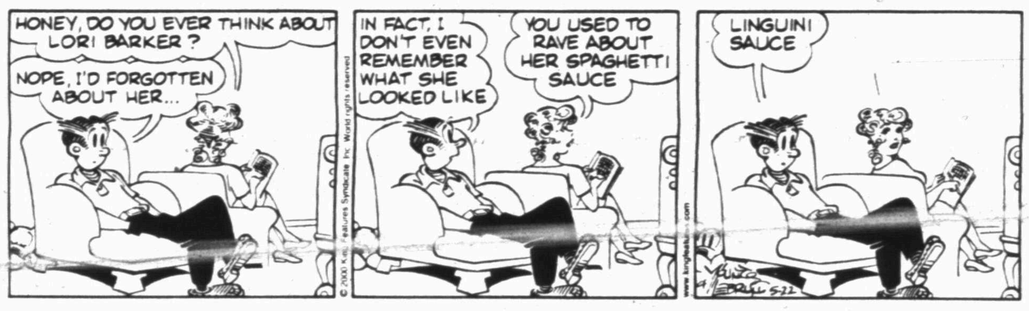

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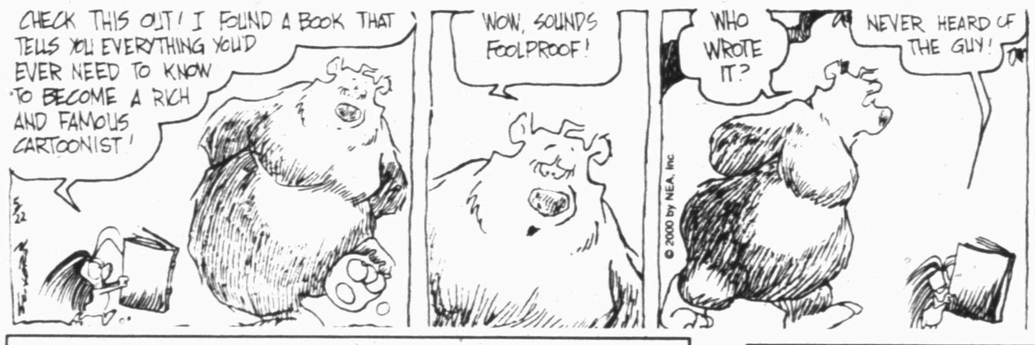

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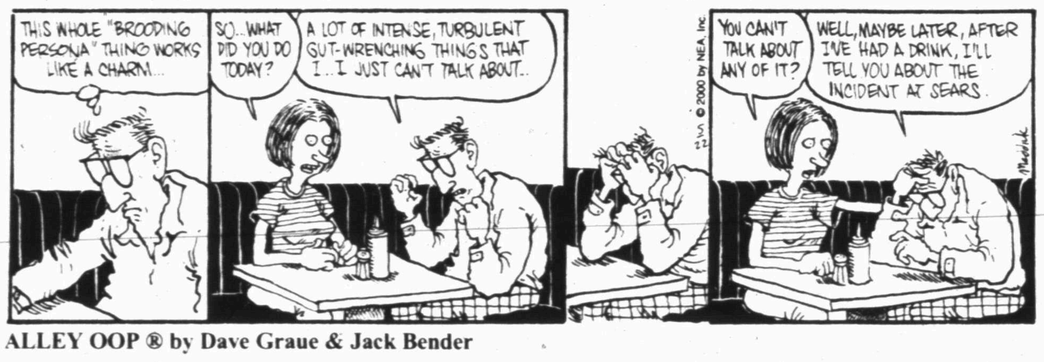

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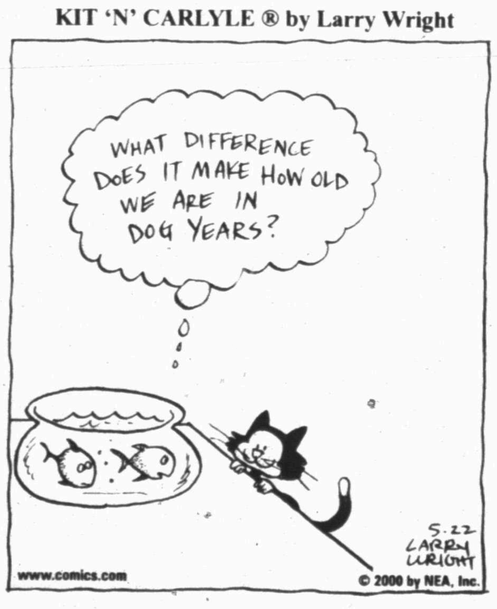

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1 Make broader
6 Actor Tamiroff
10 Movie stars' employees
12 Moves gently and smoothly
14 "Faust" author
15 Assert without proof
16 AARP members
17 Feline
19 Producer Norman —
20 Amasses
23 "The Pied —"
26 "— — my brother's keeper?"
27 "Awesome!"
30 Advertising company
32 Have aims
34 Envoy
35 Of nerves
36 WWII area
37 Writer Fleming
39 Overturn
40 Economizes
42 Bushy hairdo
45 Knicks' org.
46 CEO's deg.
49 Downward leap
51 Woody
54 Depended (on)
55 Mrs. Marcos
56 Costly
57 Snake

DOWN

1 Witty ones
2 Composer Stravinsky
3 Almost failing grades
4 Med. specialty
5 — degree
6 Everyone
7 Destroys
8 — fixe (obsession)
9 Million (pref.)
11 Subgroup
12 Estate worker
13 Sun. speech
18 "Eureka!"
20 Actress Rowlands
21 — Ocean
22 Revolt (2 wds.)
23 Colorless
24 "By the time — — to Phoenix"
25 "— — My Heart"
27 Cable
28 Algerian seaport
29 Join (metal)
31 Pined
33 Poodle babies
38 Calligrapher's item
40 Actress Braga
41 Long skirt
42 IRS mo.
43 Ran away
44 Act like a king
46 Shape
47 Wait
48 Hebrew month
50 Neighbor of Fr.
52 Entertainer Sumac
53 Guided

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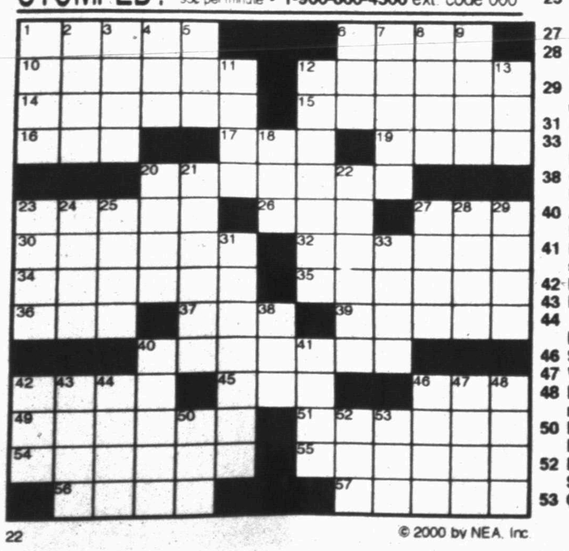

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Snyder Daily News Comics

DENNIS THE MENACE ® by Hank Ketcham

"I CAN'T UNTIE MY SHOE. I THINK I INVENTED A NEW KNOT."

SPORTS

Ira captures bi-district series, 2-0...

Bulldogs batter Marfa, 10-1

CRANE — As expected, the Ira Bulldogs' pitching staff was too much for the Marfa Shorthorns to handle.

But Ira didn't rely solely on its pitching, because the Bulldogs sparkled with their gloves and bats, as well.

Ira pounded out 12 hits and committed only one error Saturday to close out its bi-district series with a 10-1 victory over Marfa at Crane Field.

Ira, which posted a 5-3 win in the series opener that went 13 innings, advances to face Cross Plains in the area round Thursday and Friday at Albany.

"Our guys are mentally tough," said Ira coach Bubba Edwards. "Even after the long game on Friday, we came out focused and ready to play. I think that was a big difference. We put some pressure on Marfa, and they had a hard time making the plays."

After scheduled starters Jase Olvera and Jerek Brown worked long stretches in Game 1, the Bulldogs sent freshman Eric Dickerhoff to the mound on Saturday.

Dickerhoff picked up where his team had left off on Friday, surrendering only two hits before leaving with two outs in the fifth inning.

In the sixth, Marfa posted its only run and had the bases loaded when Edwards decided to make a change.

"When I went to the mound, I asked Jerek and Jase which one felt better," Edwards stated. "Jerek immediately pointed at Jase, so that's who I went with."

It proved to be a wise choice, as Olvera struck out Coy Jennings to end Marfa's threat in the sixth.

The Shorthorns didn't fare any better in the seventh. Olvera allowed two base runners, but struck out three Marfa batters to end the game.

Ira built its lead steadily throughout the day.

The Bulldogs took a 1-0 lead in the opening frame when Brown belted a triple, then scored on a wild pitch.

Ira extended its advantage to 4-0 in the third on a Dickerhoff single, an Olvera double, and five Marfa errors.

In the fourth, Brown blasted a double to plate Todd Wall and Nathan Smith, extending the Bulldogs' margin to 6-0.

Singles from Smith, Drew Wall and Jenson Gainer, along with a double from Seth Sterling, added three more runs in the fifth.

Ira capped the scoring in the sixth when Gainer lined a single to center field to drive in Olvera.

"We were pretty aggressive at the plate and on the base paths," said Edwards. "We wanted to force the action and keep the pressure on. We hit the ball well all the way through the line-up, and that's what you need to win games in the playoffs."

The Bulldogs improved to 16-4 on the season and captured their second consecutive bi-district title. Ira knocked off Marfa in last year's first round, before falling to Ranger in an area match-up.

In this year's area round, the Bulldogs will square off with Cross Plains in a three-game series at Albany. Game 1 is set for 6 p.m. Thursday, with action resuming at 5 p.m. Friday.

Garza-Sanchez duo wins Pumpjack title

Competition was tight as usual, with one stroke separating four teams in the Pumpjack Partnership at Snyder Country Club.

Adolph Garza and Knobby Sanchez fired a 65-66—131 to hold off three teams by one stroke Sunday to take the Pumpjack title.

Garza and Sanchez were in second place heading into the final round, one shot behind Steve Mills and Brandon Hicks.

Mills-Hicks closed with a 68 to finish in a three-way tie at 132. Mills and Hicks earned second place in a playoff, with David and Bubba Stobaugh taking third. Randy Waterhouse and John Burnett also posted a 132 and finished fourth.

Robert Deleon and David Arrendo captured top honors in the President's Flight with a 70-72—142. Shaun and Kelly Ragland took second place with a 149, followed by B.W. Harris and Jim Blume at 151.

In the First Flight, Sam Davenport and Ray Neartherly grabbed first place with rounds of 73 and 74 for a 147. James Caldwell and Barry Blackmon carded a 149 to earn second place, with Donnie Phillips and Buddy Compton placing third with a 150.

Sid Lee and Clem Johnson tallied a 150 to win the Second Flight, holding off Lee and David Maddox by two strokes. Jeff Minor and Nolan vonRoeder turned in a 154 for third place.

In the Third Flight, Don Sasser and Red Black captured the crown with rounds of 76 and 82 for a 158. Four shots back was the second-place team of Bill Hartsfield and Dutch Stehley. Sam and Dayton Robertson were third after turning in a 163.

Pumpjack Partnership

Championship flight: Garza-Sanchez, 65-66—131; Mills-Hicks, 64-68—132; Stobaugh-Stobaugh, 66-66—132; Waterhouse-Burnett, 67-65—132; Sharrock-Brock, 66-69—135; Lindsey-Phillips, 67-69—136; Glaspie-Finch, 74-69—143; Patterson-Powell, 68-79—147.

Presidents flight: Deleon-Arrendo, 70-72—142; Ragland-Ragland, 73-76—149; Harris-Blume 80-71—151; Rodriguez-Martin, 74-77—151; Pollard-Lee, 82-73—155; Reed-Daniell, 80-75—155; Cherry-Haney, 80-76—156.

First flight: Davenport-Neartherly, 73-74—147; Caldwell-Blackmon, 75-74—149; Phillips-Compton, 77-73—150; Perry-Henderson, 77-74—151; Alderete-Rainwater, 77-75—152; Glasscock-Levens, 80-73—153; Key-Owen, 77-79—156; Sherridan-Hall, 79-78—157; Patterson-Greene, 79-81—160; Hill-Hill, 84-82—166.

Second flight: Lee-Johnson, 78-72—150; Maddox-Maddox, 74-78—152; Minor-vonRoeder, 80-74—154; Ross-Ross, 77-77—154; Raschke-Powell, 79-76—155; Williams-Ratliff, 79-82—161; Hardin-Shannon, 82-79—161; Downing-Merket, 86-81—167.

Third flight: Sasser-Black, 76-82—158; Hartsfield-Stehley, 81-81—162; Robertson-Robertson, 81-82—163; Harrell-Juarez, 85-82—167; Greene-Greene, 86-89—175; Tyrrell-Smith, 91-84—175; Ferguson-Hardin, 89-90—179.

Sports Briefs

Basketball clinic scheduled

The Sam Tipton 2000 Basketball Camp will be held June 20-23 at Snyder High School.

The co-ed division is open to incoming third through sixth graders and will run from 9 a.m. until noon. Seventh through ninth grade girls only will be from 1 until 4 p.m.

Cost is $60 and includes a camp T-shirt. Deadline to register is Friday.

For more information, call Coach Tipton at 573-6301 ext. 30, or 573-4437.

WTC sets junior golf clinic

The WTC Junior Golf Clinic will be held June 5-9. Ages 8-12 will meet from 8 until 10 a.m, while ages 13-17 will run from 10 a.m. until noon.

Snyder High School golf coaches Matt Glenn and Ricky Hunter will cover the full swing, short game, putting, trouble shots, rules and etiquette. Video swing analysis will also be provided.

The camp will be limited to the first 50 players to sign up. Cost is $75.

Players can register in person June 4 from 1 to 3 p.m., or by calling the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

Baseball camps scheduled

Snyder Baseball Camp will begin next Monday and run through June 2 for ages 7 and up. Sessions will run from 9 to 11 a.m., and will stress the fundamentals of throwing, fielding, hitting and base running. Cost is $40.

Snyder Advanced Baseball Camp will be June 5-9, and cost is $40.

For more information, contact Coach Herrera at 573-1355, or Coach Bollinger at 573-5734.

WGA holds play day, swingers

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its weekly play day at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be guess your score.

Also, swingers' play will be at 5:30 p.m. each Friday, and couples' play will be held at 1:30 p.m. the first Sunday of the month.

SCC holds weekly events

The Men's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold a Tuesday evening scramble and a Thursday MGA event. Play starts at 5:30 both days.

Horseshoe pitching held weekly

Snyder Slingers Horseshoe Club has league play at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the courts adjacent to the coliseum.

For more information, call T.C. Nunn at 573-6710 or Terry Duncan at 573-5589.

Sealy killed in accident

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — Minnesota Timberwolves swingman Malik Sealy was killed early Saturday morning when a pickup truck going the wrong way on Minnesota Highway 100 in St. Louis Park collided head-on with Sealy's sport utility vehicle. Sealy, 30, was pronounced dead at the scene.

Nets have first pick

SECAUCUS, N.J. (AP) — The New Jersey Nets won the NBA draft lottery and have the No. 1 pick in next month's draft. The Vancouver Grizzlies have the second pick, and the Los Angeles Clippers have selection No. 3.

Red Bullet wins Preakness

BALTIMORE (AP) — Red Bullet, with Jerry Bailey up, ran off with a 33/4-length victory over Kentucky Derby winner and 1-5 favorite Fusaichi Pegasus in Saturday's $1 million Preakness at Pimlico.

Before a crowd of 98,304, Red Bullet was the 6-1 second choice in the field of eight. Trainer Joe Orseno won his first Triple Crown race in his first attempt.

Mickelson wins Colonial

FORT WORTH (AP) — Phil Mickelson, who began the final round six shots back, closed with a 7-under-par 63 to win his third PGA Tour event of the year at the Colonial.

Mickelson ended with a 12-under 268 total, two strokes ahead of Stewart Cink (71) and Davis Love III (68), for his 16th career victory. Mickelson collected $594,000, the largest check of his nine-year career. He has won $2.3 million this season, surpassing the $2 million mark for the first time.

Tiger Woods is the only other three-time winner on Tour this year.

At the Colonial...

Final-round rally fuels Mickelson's victory

FORT WORTH (AP) — Phil Mickelson thought he might have done enough to get into a playoff at Colonial when he capped his 7-under-par 63 with a long birdie putt at the 18th hole.

What he actually had Sunday was the lowest final round by a PGA Tour winner this season, and his third victory of the year, after Stewart Cink and Davis Love III struggled down the stretch.

"It was weird to be finished, watching the tournament on television and still be in it," Mickelson said. "I thought there was an outside chance I would get into a playoff."

Mickelson instead finished Colonial at 12-under 268, two strokes ahead of Cink and Love. He joined Tiger Woods as the only three-time winner on the PGA Tour this season.

After sinking his final putt from more than 20 feet, his fifth birdie on the back nine, Mickelson had to wait about an hour for Cink and Love to finish their rounds.

During that time, Cink had bogeys on three of the last four holes and Love was unable to recover from earlier problems. That allowed Mickelson to get his 16th PGA Tour victory without picking up another club.

With two victories and two other top-10 finishes in his last six events, Mickelson is ready to turn his attention to next month's U.S. Open, during which he will turn 30.

Last year, Mickelson was the runner-up to the late Payne Stewart, whose 20-foot putt on the 72nd hole was the longest ever made on the final green to win a U.S. Open.

Mickelson, who also won the Buick Invitational and the BellSouth Classic this year, plans to take the next two weeks off the tour. He will play at the Buick Classic the week before the Open.

Mickelson began his final round at Colonial six shots behind Cink, who was trying to follow up his victory in the MCI Classic last month.

Huskers roll to Big 12 crown

OKLAHOMA CITY (AP) — Nebraska's baseball team came to the Big 12 tournament expecting to do well, and why not? The Cornhuskers had finished second during the regular season and were highly ranked.

Then they fell immediately into the loser's bracket, losing 12-10 to Missouri.

"We thought we were going to hang around for a while, and we were one game away from going home early," coach Dave Van Horn said. "I think the guys were just determined not to go home."

That determination showed itself in a five-game run through the loser's bracket, capped Sunday with an 11-3 victory over Baylor that gave the Cornhuskers their second straight Big 12 tournament title.

As they had in a doubleheader sweep of Oklahoma on Saturday, the Huskers (47-15) got another strong pitching performance Sunday. This time Chad Wiles came through, throwing 5 1/3 hitless innings.

Wiles, who before the tournament had not won since Feb. 18, was 2-0 in the tournament. He threw 10 1/3 innings, including two relief stints, and gave up seven hits and just four runs.

Wiles (4-2) hit the third batter he faced, then retired the next 14 before giving up back-to-back walks and an RBI single in the sixth. He allowed a solo homer to Ron Zboril and three straight singles in the seventh before being replaced with an 8-3 lead.

Sunday's effort by Wiles was Nebraska's third straight strong performance by a pitcher not normally in the rotation.

On Saturday, Scott Fries threw a complete game five-hitter in a 3-1 victory over Oklahoma. The Cornhuskers had to beat OU again to reach the title game, and R.D. Spiehs came through with 7 2/3 solid innings in a 6-1 victory.

"I couldn't have expected all the guys to do as well as they did," Van Horn said. "It figures somebody would have a bad outing. But what we're talking about is Fries had his best outing, Spiehs might have had his best outing, and Chad had definitely his best outing of this year, given the number of innings and that he was coming off two relief appearances this week."

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	30	13	.698	—
Montreal	24	17	.585	5
New York	24	20	.545	6½
Florida	22	23	.489	9
Philadelphia	15	27	.357	14½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	25	18	.581	—
Cincinnati	24	19	.558	1
Pittsburgh	19	23	.452	5½
Milwaukee	17	25	.405	7½
Chicago	17	28	.377	9
Houston	15	26	.366	9
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	27	16	.628	—
Los Angeles	24	17	.585	2
Colorado	21	20	.512	5
San Francisco	19	22	.463	7
San Diego	17	26	.395	10

Saturday's Games
Cincinnati 5, Chicago Cubs 3
N.Y. Mets 8, Arizona 7
Colorado 4, Philadelphia 3
Atlanta 10, San Diego 6
St. Louis 19, Pittsburgh 4
Montreal 8, Houston 7
Milwaukee 7, San Francisco 0
Los Angeles 12, Florida 6

Sunday's Games
Los Angeles 12, Florida 3
N.Y. Mets 7, Arizona 6
Atlanta 12, San Diego 6
Chicago Cubs 4, Cincinnati 2
Montreal 8, Houston 3
St. Louis 7, Pittsburgh 5
Philadelphia 4, Colorado 3
San Francisco 16, Milwaukee 10

Monday's Games
Houston (Reynolds 5-0 and Gross 0-0) at Milwaukee (Woodard 1-4 and Bere 2-3), 2, 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Rusch 1-4) at San Diego (Clement 4-3), 10:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Neagle 4-0) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 2-0), 10:10 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
N.Y. Mets (Leiter 5-0) at San Diego (Spencer 1-1), 5:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Millwood 4-2) at Milwaukee (Wright 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Wolf 3-2) at Houston (Holt 1-6), 8:05 p.m.
Florida (Dempster 5-2) at St. Louis (Kile 6-2), 8:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Wood 1-2) at Colorado (Arrojo 1-4), 9:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (J.Anderson 1-1) at Arizona (B.Anderon 3-0), 10:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Fernandez 0-0) at Los Angeles (Gagne 0-2), 10:10 p.m.
Montreal (Pavano 4-1) at San Francisco (Rueter 2-2), 10:15 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	25	15	.625	—
New York	24	16	.600	1
Toronto	22	23	.489	5½
Baltimore	17	25	.405	9
Tampa Bay	14	28	.333	12
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	25	17	.595	—
Cleveland	23	17	.575	1
Kansas City	22	21	.512	3½
Minnesota	20	25	.444	6½
Detroit	14	26	.350	10
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	23	18	.561	—
Texas	23	20	.535	1
Anaheim	22	22	.500	2½
Oakland	22	23	.489	3

Saturday's Games
Detroit 2, Boston 1
Cleveland 3, N.Y. Yankees 2
Minnesota 3, Oakland 0
Chicago White Sox 6, Toronto 2
Tampa Bay 4, Seattle 3
Texas 2, Baltimore 1
Anaheim 9, Kansas City 8

Sunday's Games
Cleveland 6, N.Y. Yankees 1
Chicago White Sox 2, Toronto 1
Detroit 7, Boston 5
Oakland 13, Minnesota 4
Kansas City 10, Anaheim 6
Seattle 8, Tampa Bay 4
Texas 6, Baltimore 5

Monday's Game
Chicago White Sox (Parque 3-2) at Toronto (Munro 1-0), 1:05 p.m.
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Tuesday's Games
Cleveland (Colon 4-1) at Detroit (Nitkowski 2-7), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Meche 1-4) at Baltimore (Rapp 3-2), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Carpenter 3-5) at Boston (P.Martinez 7-1), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Olivares 3-4) at Tampa Bay (Eiland 1-1), 7:15 p.m.
Texas (Helling 6-1) at Kansas City (Batista 2-1), 8:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Schoeneweis 4-2) at Minnesota (Mays 1-5), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 4-3) at Chicago White Sox (Wells 2-3), 8:05 p.m.

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Saturday, May 20
Philadelphia 3, New Jersey 1, Philadelphia leads series 3-1
Sunday, May 21
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Monday, May 22
New Jersey at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, May 23
Colorado at Dallas, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, May 24
Philadelphia at New Jersey, 7 p.m., if necessary
Thursday, May 25
Dallas at Colorado, 8 p.m.

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CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
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CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7)
Saturday, May 20
L.A. Lakers 109, Portland 94, L.A. Lakers leads series 1-0
Monday, May 22
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.
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Their clients range from America Online and Time Warner, who are seeking federal permission to merge, to the American Association of Health Plans, the group of managed care organizations trying to defeat legislation giving patients the right to sue.

The story is much the same for Bush's Democratic rival, Vice President Al Gore, whose inner circle draws heavily on the advice of former government officials-turned-lobbyists.

It's all part of the modern political arena, where former government officials command big bucks as lobbyists and then are summoned back during elections by presidential candidates needing their experience.

Along the way, the lobbyists' clients often become involved by making big donations to the parties of their presidential nominees.

"If George W. Bush wins, (the Republican lobbyists) all put their children and their grandchildren through college because of this windfall," said Charles Lewis, head of the Center for Public Integrity, a government watchdog group.

"They will become the most powerful, popular lobbyists in Washington and they will stand to make millions of dollars because of their perceived closeness to power."

On the Democratic side, the lobbying firm of Peter Knight, a former top aide to Gore and manager of President Clinton's 1996 re-election campaign, was paid $1.5 million last year by such clients as Lockheed Martin, the International Olympic Committee and Schering-Plough. In 1995, Tennessee developer Franklin Haney, trying to get the Federal Communications Commission to move to his Portals development in Washington, paid Knight $1 million.

Knight's firm has since disbanded and he is no longer lobbying.

One lobbyist advising Texas Gov. Bush said his effort is about being a good Republican, not an effort to improve his business.

"There are millions of Republicans supporting Governor Bush. I am proud to be one of them," said Edward Gillespie, a former top aide to House Majority Leader Dick Armey, R-Texas.

At least a half-dozen other registered Washington lobbyists also are on Bush's team. They include former Reps. Vin Weber and Bill Paxon, former Republican National Chairman Haley Barbour, ex-White House aides Kenneth Duberstein and Rick Davis and longtime Washington political operative Charles Black.

Weber, Duberstein and Davis switched their allegiance from Sen. John McCain after the Arizona Republican withdrew from the presidential race.

Gore's inner circle also relies heavily on lobbyist-advisers.

Nutrition By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

Can ginseng help diabetics?

DEAR DR. BLONZ: Could you comment on research concerning ginseng and diabetes? If I am not mistaken, the report explained how taking ginseng is good for diabetics. I am a borderline diabetic and was wondering if I should be taking ginseng. — **M.Q., Edmonton, Alberta**

DEAR M.Q.: Ginseng is commonly used in traditional Chinese medicine to help treat diabetes, and there is some research that affirms ginseng's potential benefits for diabetics. It is important to know that there are at least three different types of ginseng, and not every variety has the same effect. Perhaps the most commonly used species is Asian ginseng, which is also called Korean or Chinese ginseng (panax ginseng), but there is also American ginseng (panax quinquefolius).

In 1995, a study in "Diabetes Care" reported that 200 milligrams per day of Asian ginseng, taken for eight weeks, lowered fasting blood glucose levels, improved mood and physical activity, and lowered body weight. This was a double-blind, placebo-controlled study, which is considered to be the gold standard of research methodologies.

The most recent study was published in the April 10 issue of the "Archives of Internal Medicine," a journal published by the American Medical Association, and it used American ginseng.

This small study found that volunteers with non-insulin dependent (type two) diabetes who took 3 grams of American ginseng either with or 40 minutes before getting a hefty dose of glucose (25 grams, or about 10 sugar cubes of pure glucose) were better able to handle the glucose load. Their blood sugar levels didn't rise as high as those taking the placebo, and their blood sugar levels returned to normal at a more rapid rate. Non-diabetics who were in the study also experienced beneficial effects, but only if they took the ginseng 40 minutes before the glucose load.

Aside from the fact that these studies used different species of ginseng, a major difference between the two studies is that the first used 200 milligrams of Asian ginseng per day for eight weeks, and the second used one-time doses of 3 grams of the American ginseng that was taken only 40 minutes before or with the large dose of glucose. (NOTE: The use of a large one-time dose is sometimes used in research experiments; do NOT attempt it unless specifically instructed to do so by your physician.)

It is premature to recommend that all type-two diabetics take ginseng, but it is encouraging that both of these studies concluded that ginseng had potential to assist non-insulin dependent diabetics.

Be advised that ginseng can interact with certain medications, and it is also not recommended for those with high blood pressure (hypertension). If you are a diabetic who is considering ginseng, you should understand that your insulin dose might need to be adjusted. It is always best to exercise due diligence, and touch base with your health professional before you start.

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Dear J.B.: Reasons to avoid milk and milk products might include having an allergy to milk protein or negative side effects from the lactose carbohydrates found in milk (symptoms include gas or other digestive upset, usually when the milk product is consumed on an empty stomach). This latter reason would mainly apply to liquid milk and not so much to yogurt and cheeses.

Some individuals might be consuming high-fat diets that lack sufficient fruits, greens grains and fiber. In such cases, consuming full-fat milk and milk products would not be advised. This, however, is a balance issue, not a condemnation of milk.

Assuming you are not a vegan — in which case you would avoid all animal products — there are few objective reasons to avoid milk. I wouldn't call milk "nature's most perfect food," and it is not an essential, but it does have much to offer nutritionally. There are many people spreading all sorts of twists on the "milk is bad" message, but the negative allegations, thus far, have failed to stand up to the light of science. I hope this helps.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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Students who were enrolled in Grade 12 in the spring of 2000 are considered enrolled students, not out-of-school examinees.

Exit Level TAAS Writing tests will be administered July 11. Exit Level TAAS Math will be given July 12 and Exit Level TAAS Reading tests will be taken July 13.

TAAS out-of-school examinees must register by the June 5 deadline in order to test. These summer registration packets are available in Snyder High School's counselor's office.

For more information, contact Charlene Light at 574-6049 or Melissa W. Jones at 573-5401.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 05-22-00
♠ Q J 10 9 8 4
♥ K
♦ 2
♣ K J 9 4 2

West
♠ 2
♥ A J 10 7 2
♦ Q J 6 5
♣ A 7 5

East
♠ 7 6
♥ Q 9 6 5
♦ 10 9 8 7 4 3
♣ 6

South
♠ A K 5 3
♥ 8 4 3
♦ A K
♣ Q 10 8 3

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Dbl.	4 ♠	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ Q

From the good old English days

By Phillip Alder

Maurice Harrison-Gray was an architect of the Acol (pronounced like atoll, not acorn) system. He was one of England's top players, and an excellent writer too. He contributed for many years to Country Life magazine, and the best of those articles were published in 1972, four years after his death. Edited by Raymond Brock, that book reappeared last year under the title "The Best of Gray" (Five Aces).

Although you have to accept the Acol auctions (four-card majors and weak, 12-14, no-trumps), the vignettes contain lots of sage advice, and there are many photos from the early days of English bridge.

Gray was a believer in natural is best. So, one of the 12 chapters is devoted to bidding misunderstandings. What's your best guess for South's five-club rebid in this deal?

I cannot tell you why West doubled; unless it was conventional (Gray didn't say it was, but he didn't say it wasn't either), it was bizarre. If West had merely passed, North's response of four spades would have been a transfer to clubs. (That's a new one on me.) South assumed that the same agreement applied over the double. And note how incredibly lucky he was. First, four spades by North surely fails after a club to the ace, a club ruff, a heart to the ace, and a second club ruff. Yet five clubs, which might have been a worse fit, was untouchable.

In case you think these were lucky beginners, the deal occurred during the 1968 World Team Olympiad in Deauville, France.

The book is $28.95 postpaid from Baron Barclay Bridge Supplies. Call (800) 274-2221 to order

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Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	32 9-16	31 9-16	31 9-16	— ⅜
AT&T Corp	36¼	35	35¼	— 7-16
Albertsons	36⅛	35¼	35¾	+ 7-16
Alltel	61¾	60⅛	60 3-16	— 9-16
AmerOnline s	53⅞	50⅛	51 1-16	— 2½
AndarkPtr	52 1-16	51 5-16	52	+ ¾
ATMOS Egy	16 3-16	15⅞	15 15-16	— 3-16
Aviall	5 15-16	5 9-16	5 9-16	— ¼
BP Amoco s	54⅞	54¼	54 13-16	+ ⅛
BakerHughes	35 9-16	34¾	34 15-16	— ¾
Bank of Amer	50 5-16	49½	50⅛	+ ⅜
BellAtl	52⅞	51 7-16	51⅞	— ¾
BellSouth	47 1-16	45 3-16	45⅝	— 1 3-16
Beth Steel	4 11-16	4 9-16	4 9-16	+ 1-16
BurlNoSFe	25 7-16	25 1-16	25¼	+ ¼
Caterpillar	40½	39 13-16	40⅛	+ 1-16
CenSoWst	21 15-16	21 5-16	21 15-16	+ 11-16
Chevron	94⅞	93 5-16	94 5-16	+ 1
Citigroup	61½	59⅝	60 3-16	— ¾
Coastal	59½	58¼	58¼	— ⅝
CocaCola	50 1-16	49 7-16	49 15-16	— ⅛
ColgatePal	57⅝	56½	56 11-16	— ¼
ComclMetals	28⅞	28⅝	28⅝	— ⅜
Cooperin	34⅝	34 3-16	34 9-16	
DaimlrChry	54 11-16	54 7-16	54 11-16	+ 1 7-16
DallSemicn s	38	35 7-16	36 1-16	— 2
DeltaAirl	54 5-16	53⅝	53⅞	+ ⅝
Dillards Inc	14⅞	14	14 7-16	— 7-16
DowChem	116⅛	113⅜	114½	+ 1 11-16
DuPont	52 13-16	51 9-16	51 9-16	— ¼
EastmanChem	54⅝	52 15-16	54 1-16	+ 1 3-16
EstKodak	57⅝	56 13-16	57 7-16	+ ⅜
EDS Corp	62⅞	58⅞	60⅛	— 1 1-16
Entergy	27 13-16	26¾	27 9-16	+ ⅝
ExxonMobil	83⅛	82 5-16	83⅛	+ 1⅜
FstBksAm	17⅜	17⅜	17⅜	
Flowers	18 3-16	17 11-16	17¾	— ½
FordMotor	52 15-16	51 7-16	51 13-16	— 1⅝
GTE Cp	63¼	61 7-16	61 13-16	— 1¼
GenDynam	57⅛	56 3-16	56¼	— 9-16
GenElec s	51⅞	49	49⅝	— 2¼
GenMills s	39⅜	38 9-16	39⅜	— 9-16
GenMotors	79⅜	76 5-16	76⅞	— 10⅛
GaPacGP	38⅜	37⅜	37 15-16	+ 5-16
GlobalMar	26 13-16	25 13-16	26⅛	— ¾
Goodrich	34 15-16	34⅛	34½	+ 3-16
Goodyear s	24 13-16	24 5-16	24⅝	+ 5-16
GtAtlPac	18 13-16	18 9-16	18¾	+ 3-16
Halliburtn	49 15-16	48¾	49¼	— 1⅝
Hanson ADS	35⅜	35 3-16	35¼	— 9-16
HarteHanks	24½	24⅛	24⅛	— ¼
HomeDepot s	51 15-16	49 15-16	50¾	— 13-16
HoneywellIntl	54½	53 5-16	53½	— ¾
IBM	106¼	104 5-16	105⅛	— 1½
IntlPaper	39½	38 13-16	38⅞	— ⅜
JohnsonJn	89 11-16	87 13-16	87 13-16	— 15-16
K mart	8⅜	7 15-16	8	— 3-16
Kroger Co s	20⅜	19⅞	19⅞	— 3-16
Litton	41 11-16	40 13-16	40 13-16	— 9-16
LockheedM	24 11-16	23⅞	24 1-16	— ¼
Lowes Cos	48½	47⅛	47 11-16	— 7-16
Lubys	10 5-16	10⅛	10 3-16	+ 3-16
LucentTech	55 13-16	53⅛	54⅛	— 1 5-16
MayDeptStr	29 15-16	29½	29⅝	+ ⅛
MediaOne	66¼	65¼	65¾	— ⅜
Medtronic s	52 1-16	50	50 7-16	— 2 7-16
MorganJP	130 11-16	128⅞	129⅛	— 3-16
Motorola	91⅜	86	86 15-16	— 3
Motorola wi	30⅜	29⅜	29⅜	— ¾
NCR Corp	37	36¼	36 9-16	— 7-16
Navistar	34 1-16	32⅞	33½	— ⅜
Penney JC	18 3-16	17⅞	18	— ⅛
PepBoys	7½	7⅛	7 5-16	— 3-16
PepsiCo	39 11-16	38 9-16	39 11-16	+ 7-16
Pharmacia	55 15-16	54⅜	54 7-16	— ½
PhelpDodge	52⅝	51 11-16	52	— ¼
PhilipPet	53 11-16	53 3-16	53 9-16	+ ⅜
PilgrmPrd B	8 1-16	8	8 1-16	
Polaroid	18⅜	17 9-16	18	+ 11-16
Praxair	47½	45¾	45 13-16	— 1-16
ProctGamb	65⅜	64 5-16	65 1-16	
PubS NwMx	16⅜	16 3-16	16⅜	+ 3-16
ReliantEngy	28 3-16	27 5-16	28 1-16	+ 1¼
RoyalDut	63 5-16	62¾	63	+ 3-16
SBC Comm	43⅜	41 15-16	42⅛	— 9-16
SaraLee	17 13-16	17⅜	17½	+ 3-16
Scripps EW	47⅞	47	47 1-16	— ⅜
SearsRoeb	38¾	37⅝	37 13-16	— 3-16
SherwinW	26¼	25 11-16	25 13-16	+ 7-16
SmithkiBchm	67¾	66½	67⅜	+ ⅝
SouthernCo	26 3-16	25 13-16	26 1-16	+ ½
SwstAirl s	20 5-16	19 11-16	19 15-16	— ⅜
SprintFON	54 7-16	53 1-16	53 7-16	— 15-16
SprintPCS s	52¼	49½	50⅜	— 1¾
Sunoco Inc	32 13-16	32½	32 11-16	+ 7-16
TXU Corp	34 15-16	34¼	34 13-16	+ ⅝
Tandy s	46	44¾	45 9-16	+ 7-16
TempleInland	55½	54 1-16	54 9-16	+ ½
Texaco	57 7-16	56⅝	57	— ¼
TexInd	32¼	31 9-16	31 9-16	— 11-16
TexasInst s	138¼	131¾	133	— 6½
Textron	62 13-16	61⅜	61½	— 1 1-16
TriconGlbR	31 1-16	30½	30⅝	— ¼
TrinityInds	23	22 13-16	22 13-16	— ¼
TritonEngy	33 3-16	32 1-16	32¼	— ⅝
TylerTech	4 5-16	4 3-16	4 3-16	— ⅛
US West Inc	72 5-16	69 9-16	69 13-16	— 2 1-16
USX-Marathn	25 11-16	25	25 5-16	— 1-16
USX-USS	26⅜	26	26 3-16	+ 1-16
UnCarbde	59⅝	58¾	58⅞	+ ¾
UnionPacif	45½	44⅝	44⅝	— ¾
UnitedTech	63	61⅞	61 15-16	— 7-16
Unocal	38 3-16	37⅜	37½	— ⅜
Venator Grp	11⅛	10⅞	10 15-16	— ¼
WalMart	57 11-16	56 5-16	56⅝	— ⅜
WellsFargo	43 13-16	42 13-16	43 5-16	+ 3-16
WstnGasRs	21½	20¾	21 5-16	+ 5-16
WinnDixie	16⅛	15 13-16	15⅞	+ ⅛
Xerox Cp	25⅝	25 1-16	25 1-16	— 15-16

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Dell	44 9/16	-2 3/8
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GTE	61 9/16	-1 1/2
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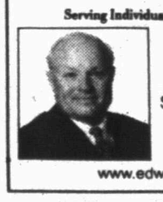
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Mill owner blames Clinton for demise of his business

DINUBA, Calif. (AP) — The owner of a 50-year-old California lumber mill is locking the front gates and forcing 105 workers into unemployment. He blames President Clinton for his decision.

Officials at Sequoia Forest Industries walked through their Dinuba mill last week handing out lay-off notices to the entire staff. The announcement came less than a month after Clinton ordered the formation of a national monument that will halt commercial timber sales, mining and some recreational activities in the Sequoia National Forest, about 30 miles to the southeast.

After the workers received their pink slips, someone nailed up a large hand-painted sign in front of the mill's office: "Clinton-Gore Closed This Business."

"This is one of the most painful decisions our family has ever had to make," said mill owner Glen Duysen. "For most of our employees, these are the only jobs they've ever had."

Dinuba is an agricultural town of about 15,000 surrounded by the orchards and fields of California's Central Valley. Besides the low-wage seasonal field work and school system jobs that require a college education, the lumber mill is one of the largest employers in town.

Clinton's plan is intended to protect the forest habitats surrounding the giant sequoia redwoods that measure up to 80 feet in diameter. The trees are some of the oldest living things in the world.

The Duysen family has two mills, where towering industrial machinery reduces massive trees to two-by-fours for California's booming housing markets. They take about 40 percent of their lumber working in the newly created Sequoia National Monument, and the rest comes from the Sierra National Forest and private lands that are not included in the President's proclamation.

While the other mill in Terra Bella, about an hour to the south, will remain open, Dinuba's layoffs begin in mid-July, and the mill will shut down completely by summer's end, said Sequoia Forest Industries general manager Gary Rogers.

"In my mind, they traded our mill for the green vote in L.A. and San Francisco," Rogers said.

But Clinton administration officials insist they left enough lumber on the 330,000 acre monument to support both mills until the laid-off employees can find new jobs.

"It's unfortunate anytime somebody loses a job and we have acknowledged all along that there will be an impact on the timber harvest down the road," said Elliot Diringer, spokesman for the White House Council on Environmental Quality.

"But we were very careful to ensure that there would be a sufficient supply for about 2 1/2 years," he said.

Critics accuse Clinton of desperately seeking an environmental legacy on which to build his future aspirations and those of presidential candidate Al Gore. The declaration gave Clinton perhaps the best conservation record in the Lower 48 states since Theodore Roosevelt, generally regarded as the father of the national park system. Clinton already had carved out 2.8 million acres as federal monuments in Utah, Arizona and California.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

TUESDAY, May 23, 2000

Something very nice could happen for you relating to your career or occupation in the year ahead. It will come about through the good actions of another.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Share what you know with a friend who you know has great need of some information or knowledge you presently possess. Don't let him or her have to beg you for it. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) In order to attain a special objective you have in mind, you might have to scrap your original game plan today and go after it from an entirely different angle. With imagination, it can work.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Be a team player because you could be a valuable contributor today, capable of inspiring others to new mental heights in any collective endeavor you enter into.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) It's possible today that you could make up for lost time where achievements are concerned — if you focus your mental and physical efforts on the goals that have eluded you thus far.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) When asked for your thoughts and suggestions by associates today, take a serious interest. You have the ability to reshape their unworkable ideas into something advantageous for immediate use.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Factors over which you have no control actually work for your benefit today, so don't fight shifting conditions. March with the flow of events, not against them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) In order to accommodate you today, companions or associates will be prepared to readjust their plans. Try to be just as cooperative and flexible with them — now and in the future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you are properly motivated, your possibilities for fulfilling your ambitious aims are excellent today. Give yourself the stimulus needed to strive for financial success.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Members of both sexes are likely to be seeking your companionship today. Much attention will be focused on you wherever you go today because your popularity is presently at a high point.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) A domestic matter can be resolved today, owing to developments none of the players conceived of or implemented. It'll put the issue to rest once and for all.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) There are two parties you know personally who each need what the other has to offer, yet don't know each other. You can do a good deed today by introducing them to one another.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Your financial trends are running in favorable peaks and troughs through tomorrow, so concentrate on ways to make or save money, and think profit today.

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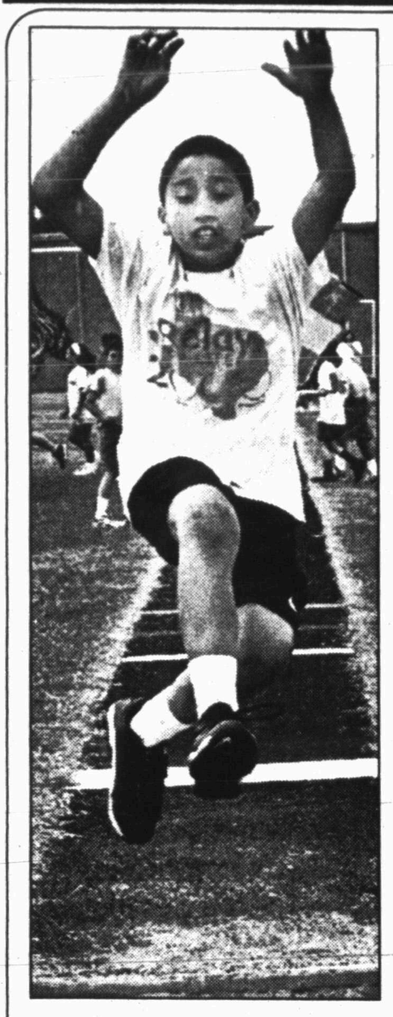


Long jumpers are Roman Romero, (top) and Tyler Everett (bottom).

Primary field day runners are Angel Guerrero, Juan Ruiz and Timothy Paternostro (from left).

Northeast Field Day

Conger's class wins

Following a recent morning of fierce competition, Elizabeth Conger's class won Northeast Elementary's annual Field Day competition.

The students racked up 210 points for first place. Teresa Wall's class was close behind with 200 points, and second place honors. Two classes tied for third with 186 points each. They are Susan Scott and Ann Uptergrove. Fourth place went to Triesta Lilly's students who earned 184 points. In fifth place, was the class of Barbara Owen with 180 points. Donna Farley's class had 179 points for sixth place.

Overall winners:

Boys 400-Yard Dash: Fernando Carrillo (Conger), 79.98 seconds

Girls 400-Yard Dash: LaCree Tippens (Shaw), 84.93 seconds.

Boys 100-Yard Dash: Jonathon McDonald, (Thornton), 17.21 seconds.

Girls 100-Yard Dash: Kendra Burns (Lilly) 15.88 seconds.

Boys 50-Yard Dash: Terrence Wells (Uptergrove), 6.30 seconds. (new school record.)

Girls 50- Yard Dash: Candace Lee (Wall), 6.32 seconds (new school record)

Boys 200-Yard Dash: Matthew Pesina (Conger), 34.39 seconds.

Girls 200-Yard Dash: (tie) Aspen Mann (Uptergrove) and Kaitlyn Greenlee (Scott), 33.95 second each.

Boys long jump: Andrew Dupree (Farley).

Girls long jump: Ashley Luecke (Farley).

Boys softball throw: Ricardo Olvera (Conger).

Girls softball throw: Heather West (Owen).

Boys shot put: Charone Hill (Taylor).

Girls shot put: Christina Martinez (Doyle).

Frisbee Throw: David Yanez (Lilly).

Football throw: Ricardo Olvera (Conger).

Frisbee throw: David Yaniz (Lilly).

Football throw: Ricardo Olvera (Conger).

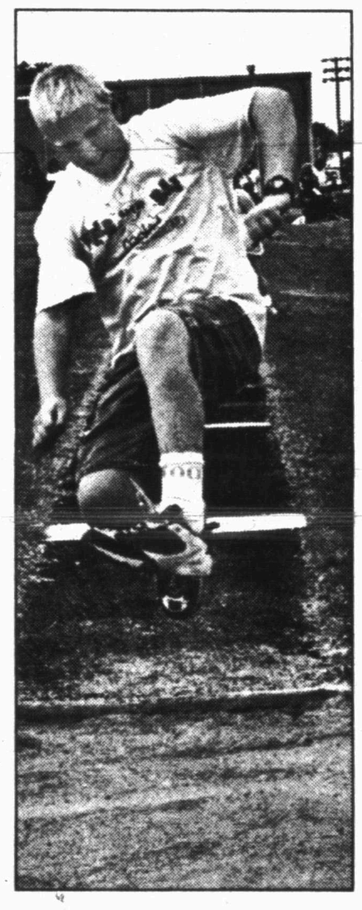
Boys 400-relay: Owen (Matthew Schoolcraft, Brian Villarreal, David Gomez, Ricky Sanchez), 1.07.31.

Girls 400 relay Ember Proffitt, Roxanna Scott, Cassie Mhoon, Candace Lee (Wall), 1.07.42.

400 mixed relay: Nicole Presley, Felicia Guzmon, Terrence Wells, Brandon Hagins (Uptergrove), 1.08.24.

800 mixed relay: Candace Lee, Ember Proffitt, Cody Reed, Tyler Driggers (Wall), 2.27.52.

Hula Hoopla Relay: Terrence Wells, Michael Valadez, Dalton Cole, Monte Crooks, Juan Ramirez, Joseph McGough, Sonia Estrada, Stephanie Castendada (Uptergrove), 107 passes.



Softball competitors are Chelsea Drummond, Candace Rice and Christina Espinoza (front to back).

SDN Staff Photos

By Shirley A. Gorman

Amber Hildreath gets ready to throw the softball.

FIELD DAY CHAMPIONS — Elizabeth Conger's students are the Field Day champions at Northeast Elementary. Back row, from left, are Josh Keller, Dillon Matthies, Kunal Bhakta, Jeremy Rodriguez, Tyler Everett, Fernando Carrillo, Donald Jeffery, Matthew Pesina, Joe Fitzgerald, Conger; front row, from left, Jada Bilano, Tosha Ball, Shannon Mangis, Amber Hildreath, Chelsea Hackfeld, Marcella Torres, Erissa Sanchez, Amy Sauceda. Ricardo Olvera is not pictured.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Painkiller may be causing pain

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've had gall bladder surgery and an operation to repair a disc in my back. Now I have heartburn and abdominal discomfort. I take ibuprofen for arthritis. Could the pain be related to a pinched nerve in my back?

DEAR READER: Possibly, yes. But I think this is unlikely. I'd be more suspicious of the ibuprofen, which commonly causes stomach irritation. You should check with your doctor about this. Along with causing heartburn, ibuprofen and similar medicines can lead to intestinal bleeding, a serious consequence of therapy. In my view, your physician should focus attention on your intestinal tract.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Ever since I had the flu this winter, I've lost my sense of taste and smell. What can I do to correct this?

DEAR READER: Virus infections, such as influenza, usually are associated with a significant degree of sinus blockage, which can lead to loss of smell and taste. On occasion, such infections can invade the sinuses and become chronic. In such instances, antibiotic therapy is in order. Ask your doctor about this. While he may urge you to be patient, I believe that a course of antibiotics should be considered.

If no sinus infection is present, you should — in my opinion — be examined by an ear-nose-and-throat specialist to make sure that you don't have chronic irritation, polyps or some other abnormalities that interfere with your ability to taste and smell.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 63-year-old husband was recently diagnosed with an "intracerebral aneurysm." What is this? He has hypertension and he smokes. Are these factors that ought to concern him?

DEAR READER: An intracerebral aneurysm is a bulging, weakened position of an artery within the brain. When such an aneurysm leaks blood or ruptures, stroke can result. Aneurysms are probably due to a genetic defect in an artery, but they can be caused by high blood pressure as well.

You don't mention whether your husband's aneurysm has bled. If it has not, he probably should be considered for a surgical procedure to repair the artery.

On the other hand, if the aneurysm has bled, aggressive medical management is a must. He should stop smoking and make sure that his blood pressure is kept under control with medication, in order to prevent further bleeding. The precise cause of aneurysms is unknown, but the relation to hypertension is particularly clear. To give you further information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Hypertension." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 32017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention this title.

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Amtrak resumes daily schedule

FORT WORTH (AP) — When Amtrak decided to add daily service on the Texas Eagle route, the railroad company made Bill and Ann Barker of San Antonio happy.

On Sunday, the Barkers were perched on their suitcases at the downtown Amtrak station, waiting to go home after visiting their daughter, son-in-law and new grandson in Fort Worth. The days of planning their visits around Amtrak's four-day-a-week schedule are over.

"Before, we'd have to come up on Thursday to spend a weekend and go home Sunday night. This will give us more leeway," said Bill Barker. "It'll be nice for us."

On Sunday, Amtrak marked the resumption of daily service for the Texas Eagle, which Amtrak tried to kill in 1997. Amtrak President George Warrington, Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, R-Texas, and a slew of officials from Texas towns rode the first train from San Antonio to Fort Worth — part of the Eagle's route to Chicago.

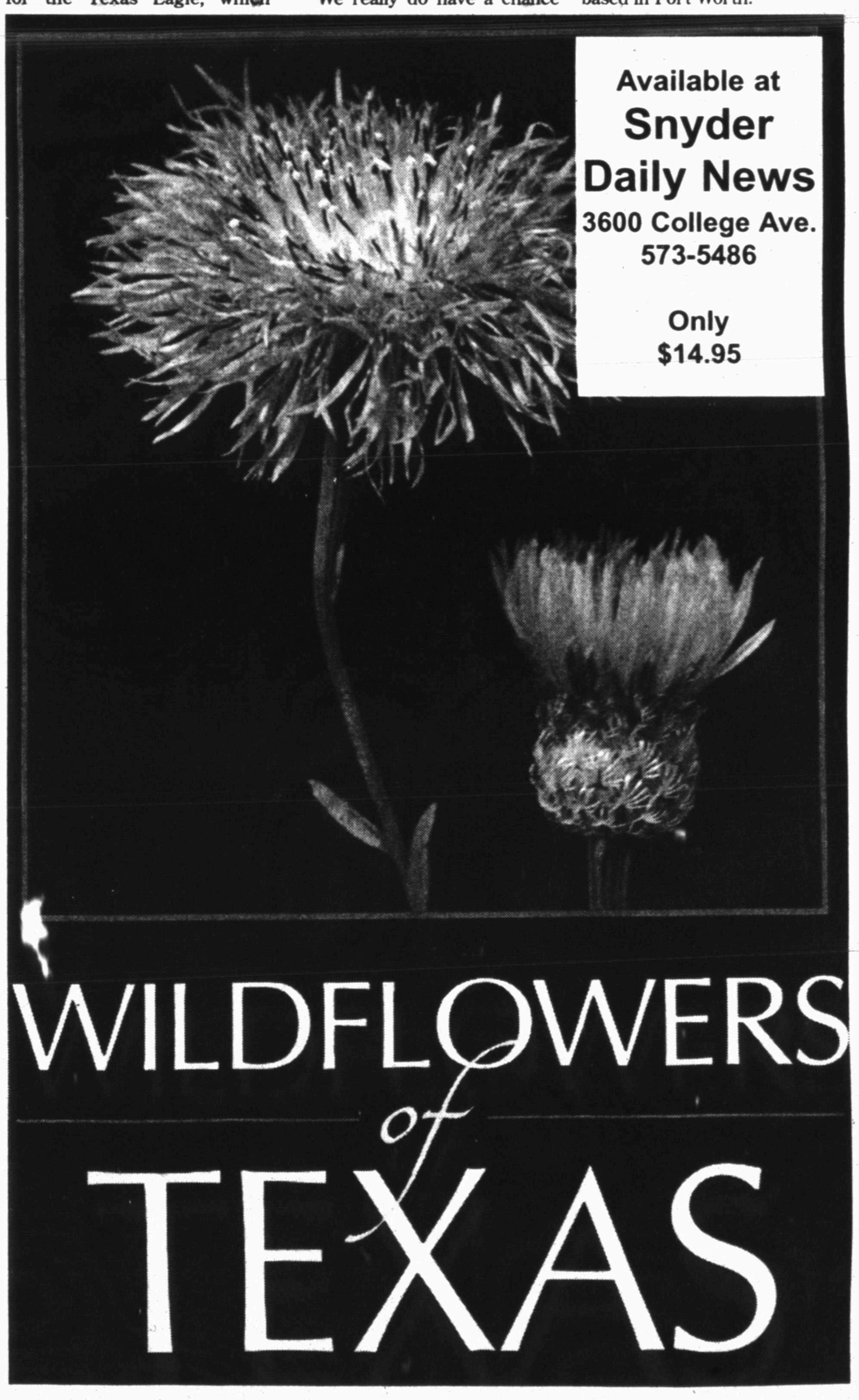
Although the train was nearly two hours late — a spokeswoman said the delay was caused by a broken track near San Antonio — the passengers were greeted with cheers, cowboys on horseback, a jazz band playing "Don't Get Around Much Anymore," and barbecue.

Hutchison said the daily service will help everyone from college students to grandmothers by providing an alternative to cars, planes and buses.

"We really do have a chance now to show what an important option rail service is for our state," said Hutchison, who led the drive to keep the Eagle running.

Three years ago, Amtrak announced it would drop the route. An 11th-hour, $5.6 million loan from the state Legislature kept the train going three days, then four days a week. Now the train is part of Amtrak's announced plans to turn Fort Worth into a hub, including a stop on the Florida-Los Angeles Sunset Limited and on Amtrak's mail and shipping business from the East Coast.

"By making Fort Worth an Amtrak hub, that's jobs," said Joy Smith, general manager of Amtrak's Southwest business, based in Fort Worth.



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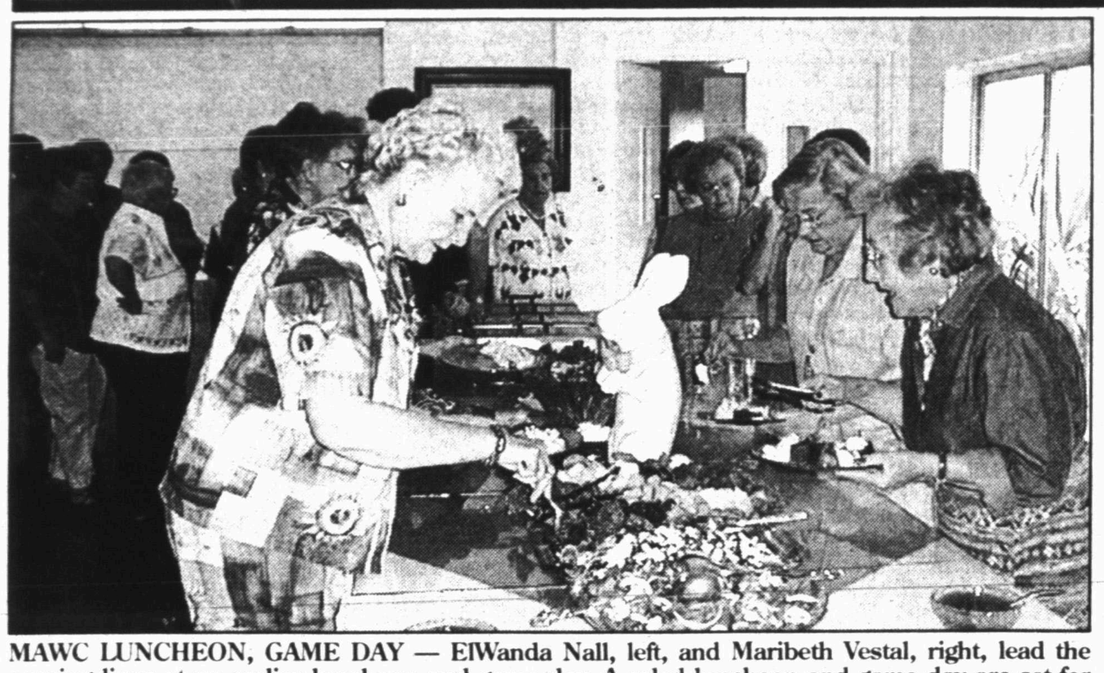

MAWC LUNCHEON, GAME DAY — ElWanda Nall, left, and Maribeth Vestal, right, lead the serving lines at an earlier luncheon and game day. A salad luncheon and game day are set for Wednesday at 11:30 at the Martha Ann Woman's Club for $7.50 and reservations are necessary by 5 p.m. Tuesday by calling 573-3427. Games of choice will be played throughout the afternoon. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

More lawmakers beginning to take stand on China trade

FORT WORTH (AP) — The biggest name on a shrinking list of undecided lawmakers, Rep. Martin Frost, D-Texas, says he expects some labor unions to take revenge on Democrats who vote for a permanent trade agreement with China.

"My guess is when it's over, people who wind up voting for it, there will be some international unions that will not be active in their campaigns," Frost, the third-ranking House Democrat, said in an interview.

He cited the Teamsters and the United Auto Workers, although he added they have not threatened him.

UAW spokesman Paul Krell said the union "will be looking at people's overall records" in doling out campaign help. He said the union might still actively support lawmakers who vote for the China deal if their November opponent is "vehemently" anti-union. Teamsters officials did not respond to a request for comment.

Frost himself is an example of a Democrat facing conflicting pressures over easier trade with China.

Corporations based in his Dallas-area district, including American Airlines, Texas Instruments and Electronic Data Systems Corp., have lobbied him to support the bill. But labor leaders, including AFL-CIO President John Sweeney and Teamsters chief James P. Hoffa, have pressed him to vote no.

"It's a close call. China is the largest country in the world, the largest potential market for us. You have to take that into account," Frost said. "You also have to take into account the treatment of their own people and also the concerns of labor."

Opponents say the trade agreement threatens the jobs of American workers and strips the United States of leverage to improve human rights in China and press the Chinese to keep their international commitments.

Free speech violated, high court decides

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress violated free-speech rights when it sought to protect children from sex-oriented cable channels like Playboy Television, the Supreme Court ruled today.

The 5-4 decision said Congress went too far when it required cable TV systems to restrict sex-oriented networks to overnight hours if they do not fully scramble their signal for nonsubscribers.

"If television broadcasts can expose children to the real risk of harmful exposure to indecent materials, even in their own home and without parental consent, there is a problem the government can address," Justice Anthony M. Kennedy wrote for the court. "It must do so, however, in a way consistent with First Amendment principles.

"Here the government has not met the burden the First Amendment imposes," Kennedy said.

In other action, the court:

—Ruled, 5-4, that people injured before the federal government required air bags in cars could not sue automakers for not having installed the devices earlier.

—Agreed to review a federal appeals court ruling that blocked the Environmental Protection Agency from enforcing tough 1997 clean-air standards.

Obituaries

Bee Burklow

1915-2000

SWEETWATER – Bee Burklow, the brother of former Snyder resident Arlie Rodgers, died Saturday, May 20.

Funeral service for Mr. Burklow, 84, was set for 2 p.m. today in the McCoy Funeral Home Chapel. Larry Fluitt and Mike Ensminger were to officiate, and burial was to follow in the Sweetwater Cemetery.

Born in Stephenville, he was a 1934 graduate of Divide High School. He married Dora Mae Bardwell in 1938 in Colorado City.

A resident of Sweetwater since 1941, Mr. Burklow, from 1946-1999, was the owner of Sweetwater Poultry and Egg.

Survivors include his wife, Dora Burklow of Sweetwater; a daughter, Wanda Sue Snow of Sweetwater; a son, Billy Burklow of Lubbock; three sisters, Arlie Rodgers of Abilene and formerly of Snyder, Jewell Dale of Graham and Madeline Hankins of Goldsmith; a niece, JoAnn Burney of Snyder; four grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Vera Mobley

1914-2000

MONAHANS – Vera Mobley, a native of Scurry County, died Saturday, May 20, in Ward Memorial Hospital.

Graveside service for Mrs. Mobley, 85, is set for 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Monahans Memorial Cemetery with the Rev. Craig Rhoton officiating.

Born in Snyder, Mrs. Mobley was a longtime resident of Monahans.

Survivors include her husband, Leon Mobley of Monahans; two sons, Bob Mobley of Monahans and Jerry Mobley of Chesterton, Ind.; two brothers, Willis Sisson of Houston and R.D. Sisson of Aztec, N.M.; and one grandchild.

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Eight subjects jailed during weekend period

Weekend law enforcement activity included the arrest of eight subjects on charges ranging from public intoxication to no driver's license.

A 50-year-old woman was taken into custody by officers at 4:09 p.m. Saturday in the 4400 block Avenue U for public intoxication.

At 4:57 p.m., Department of Public Safety troopers arrested a 28-year-old man in the 800 block of Avenue X for misdemeanor possession of marijuana and a Denton County warrant for theft by check.

DPS took a 33-year-old man into custody at 9:25 p.m. Saturday on U.S. Hwy. 84 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

A charge of Class A assault sent a 27-year-old man to jail early Sunday. Officers arrested the subject in the 2900 block of Avenue X at 3:40 a.m.

A 19-year-old man was taken into custody by officers at 4:33 p.m. Sunday for Class B possession of marijuana. The arrest was made in the 4500 block of College.

A warrant for criminal trespass resulted in the arrest of a 37-year-old man at 9:50 p.m. Sunday. Officers took him into custody in the 200 block of North Avenue T.

Officers arrested a 52-year-old man at 10:24 p.m. Sunday in the 4400 block of Avenue U for public intoxication.

Also at 10:24 p.m. Sunday, DPS troopers took a 48-year-old man into custody for no driver's license and no liability insurance.

In addition, a juvenile male was taken into custody at 10:35 p.m. in the 900 block of Avenue Q following a disturbance. The subject was later transported to the juvenile detention facility in Sweetwater.

In other weekend activity, Alex Lopez contacted officers at 1:39 p.m. Sunday in reference to someone throwing a rock through his windshield. A criminal mischief report was taken.

A report for family violence was submitted at 4:41 p.m. Sunday.

A clerk with Town & Country on North College reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $17.02 at 7:15 p.m. Sunday. An offense report was filed for Class C theft.

Three accidents were investigated over the weekend period.

At 11:16 p.m. Friday, officers worked an accident at the intersection of Hwy. 180 and the U.S. 84 access road. Involved were a 1994 Nissan driven by Lloyd Jordan, 73, of Odessa and a 1996 Freightliner towing a 1995 flatbed semi-trailer driven by Robert Bolser, 44, of Gainesville. Snyder EMS transported Jordan to Cogdell Memorial Hospital where he was treated and released.

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 3:29 p.m. Saturday in the 4100 block of College. Involved were a 1999 Pontiac driven by Peggy Ann Segura, 26, of 309 31st Street and a 1993 Ford driven by Bobby Garza, 29, of 4400 Avenue U, Apt. 3B11. Garza and a passenger, 21-year-old Elizabeth Garza were transported by private vehicle to Cogdell where they were both treated and released.

Officers investigated a two-vehicle mishap at 5:33 p.m. Saturday at the intersection of Hwy. 180 and McCowen Drive. Involved were a 1993 Corsica driven by Camelia Luna Sosa, 22, of 2405 30th Street and a 1999 Ford pickup driven by Sidney Ray Franklin, 27, of 3545 CR 132.

Two passengers in the Corsica, 21-year-old Jessica Roacha and 3-year-old Naudia Gonzales, were transported to CMH by private vehicle where they were treated and released.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: May 20— Lorenzo Larralde, Virginia Warren; May 21 — Susan Banks, David Guzman, Nell Hammit and Randy Underwood.

DISMISSALS: May 20 — Ysidro Estrada, Ronald Hines, Lorenzo, Doris Comer; May 21 — Alexander girl, Kelly Alexander, Betty Monroney, Bernadine Walker, Wilson boy, Misty Wilson and Angelea Carey.

CENSUS: Med/Surg.-9, Long-term Care-25, OB-2 and Nursery-2)

Births

Maria Rubio and Ruben Lopez announce the birth of their son, Alberto Favian Lopez, weighing eight pounds, 5 ½ ounces. Alberto was born at 5:55 p.m. on May 17 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Grandparents are Eli and Ector Rodriguez of Snyder and Estela and Ruben Lopez of Sweetwater.

Marilla Flores of Snyder announces the birth of her six-pound, 9 ½-ounce daughter at 6:11 a.m. on May 21 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Terry and Theresa Stephens of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter, Abbey Marie Stephens, on May 19 in Covenant Lakeside Hospital in Lubbock. Abbey weighed eight pounds, six ounces and was also welcomed by a brother, Brantley.

Grandparents are Milton Stephens and Jerry and Suzette Martin, all of Snyder.

A 7 lb., 1 1/2-oz. girl was born at 9:35 a.m. Friday, May 19, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Parents are Olga and Jessie Medrano Jr. of Snyder. She was also welcomed by a sister and brother, Jessica Medrano and Jessie Medrano III.

Grandparents are Elie and Ector Rodriguez, Linda Sanchez and Jessie Medrano Sr., all of Snyder.

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ONGOINGS

Project Graduation 2000

Anyone interested in making donations of cash or merchandise for Project Graduation for the SHS class of 2000 may call 574-6080 for additional information.

Retirement reception

A reception will be held for retiring SISD employees Helen Mock, Dorothy Kayser, Donna Farley and Maria Ramirez from 3:45-5:30 p.m. today at the First Baptist Church Garden Room.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. Tapes to be shown at 7 this evening are " Understanding the Godhead," followed by "Overcoming Alcohol Dependency."

Cancer board meeting

The Scurry County unit of the American Cancer Society will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday in the board room at Cogdell Hospital.

55 Alive defensive driving

A defensive driving course for persons over 55 is set today and Tuesday at the Senior Citizens Center. Cost for the two four-hour sessions is $10. To register, call 573-4035.

Parent education class

East Elementary is hosting a series of parent education classes from 6-7 p.m. each Tuesday in the school library. The next topic is "Harmony at Home." Refreshments are served. For more information, call 573-1769.

GED exams

GED examinations will be administered Thursday in the testing center at WTC. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 573-0284 or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

FBC worship service

The First Baptist Church Sunday morning worship service airs at 3 p.m. each Thursday on TV Channel 2.

Kids College late registration

Late registration for Kids College will continue at the Continuing Education office at Western Texas College from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday through June 7. Registration forms and a check may also be mailed to WTC at 6200 College Avenue, Snyder 79549. Kids College starts June 12 and continues through June 22. For more information, contact Liffin Molter, director, 573-8511, ext. 223.

Miller Bros. Ranch centennial

The Miller Bros. will celebrate 100 years of ranching in Borden County beginning at 3 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, at the Gail arena and show barn. There will be bronc riding, roping, cutting, barrel racing and more. Special guest is Bob Tallman.

Vacation Bible School

"Son Zone Discovery Center" is the theme of Vacation Bible School set from 9 to 11 a.m. June 5-7 at the 37th Street Church of Christ.

Good News Ocean Odyssey

Colonial Hill Baptist Church will host an ocean theme Vacation Bible School June 5-9. Children ages five-years-old through this year's sixth grade are welcome. Times will be 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. For more information or to pre-register call the church office at 573-8596.

Weigh Down Workshop Seminar

Orientation and registration for the Weigh Down Workshop seminar will be at 7 p.m. June 5 at the Word Is Life Church, 312 Coliseum Drive. Men and women are invited to learn this new way of dieting. Coordinator is Donna Nehring, 573-7471.

Dermott School reunion

The Dermott School reunion will be June 10 from 8 a.m. until noon at the Dermott School on the grounds of the coliseum.

Biker Sunday

Colonial Hill Baptist Church will sponsor a Biker Sunday, June 11. Services begin at 10:45 a.m. Bike rodeo games will follow. Door prizes will be given away. Free food and live entertainment will be provided, and there is no admission charged. The Christian Motorcyclists Association, a national organization, will operate the bike rodeo games.

Computer courses

A variety of computer courses will be offered this summer by the Continuing Ed division of WTC. Call 573-8511, ext. 390, for a list of classes.

WTC basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at Western Texas College are taught Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon during May and June. Night classes in May only are Tuesday and Thursday from 6-9 p.m. Classes include G.E.D., E.S.L. and refresher courses. For additional information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every da[illegible] charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more inf[illegible] Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5[illegible] leave message on answering machine.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn [illegible]aturday [illegible] the Texas Lottery, in order:

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Lotto Texas

No ticket(s) correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket would have been worth an estimated $4 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 8-29-30-9-21-28.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $6 million.