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Home Of Allison Swigert

Lubbock man charged with attempted kidnapping in incident here Monday

By Joyce May
SDN Staff Writer

A 17-year-old Lubbock man remains in Scurry County Jail on charges of attempted kidnapping and unauthorized use of a motor vehicle after trying to steal a van Monday in the United parking lot in Snyder.

The vehicle he attempted to steal was occupied by an 11-year-old Snyder boy.

The incident began unfolding shortly before noon Monday when Sigifredo Saenz, whose address is listed as 2117 8th Street in Lubbock, attempted to steal a 1998 Pontiac transport van owned by Darlene Robbins that was parked in the supermarket parking lot.

Brandon Robbins, Darlene's grandson, was in the van at the time and began screaming for help when Saenz attempted to steal the car.

Sgt. Brian Haggard of the Snyder Police Department said that several people then ran to the van to see what was happening and Saenz fled the scene.

The van then rolled into a parked, unattended 2000 Chrysler Sedan owned by Paula Williams of 2703 38th Street.

Saenz was apprehended at 12:15 p.m. in the 1900 block of 30th Street, near the Deep Creek area behind the Varsity Square shopping center.

John Hardin, fuel manager for United Fuels, witnessed the incident at the supermarket. Hardin said he had seen the subject loitering around the store since 7 a.m. Monday.

"The lady parked the van in the handicapped spot and left it running and went into the store. That guy went over to the van, got in the driver's seat, backed it out and hit another car. The whole time the kid was screaming," Hardin said. "When he hit the car, he jumped out and ran."

Brandon's grandfather, Bill Robbins, said the boy was okay this morning.

"He's fine. I think the guy tried to either hit him or push him when they were fighting for the keys," he said. "He's a little rattled, but I think he is getting over it."

Robbins said that Brandon was in the front passenger seat listening to the radio when the 17-year-old approached the vehicle.

"Brandon had the window rolled down on the passenger's side and the guy walked over and asked him if he was Julie's brother and Brandon said 'no'. The guy walked like he was leaving and then went around to the other side and got into the van in the driver's seat," the grandfather said.

When Saenz started the car, Robbins said Brandon reached over and turned the key off and broke the key chain trying to get the key out.

"Then the kid (Saenz) hit at him or pushed at him, but Brandon wasn't hurt," Robbins added.

"The 17-year-old started it again and Brandon went to screaming and hollering for help. It scared the 17-year-old and he jumped out and took off. At the same time, all these people came up to help."

Robbins said that after Saenz fled, Brandon reached over and turned the keys off again. At this point, the vehicle was rolling back.

"Brandon ran around the car and got in on the driver's side and stepped on the brake to stop it and that's when it hit the other vehicle," Robbins said, noting that the family had just returned from a trip to Fort Worth.

"We just got back from Fort Worth and we worried about it there. We never thought it would happen right here in Snyder."

Saenz' bond has been set at $5,000 on each charge.



SUMMER REGISTRATION — Western Texas College counselor Merry Trammell, right, assists Mary Castillo in registering for summer classes. Registration continues through 5 p.m. Wednesday and classes began today. (SDN Staff Photo)

Holiday slows campaign trail

KILLEEN (AP) — George W. Bush and Al Gore, mostly putting aside presidential campaign issues for a day, focused on patriotism during Memorial Day speeches to audiences composed largely of military veterans.

Bush saluted veterans' sacrifices in Killeen, home to nearby Fort Hood and hub of an area with a high concentration of retired military personnel.

Gore, meanwhile, recalled his own Army days in Vietnam during an appearance in the small town of Elizabeth, Pa., which lost six sons in the conflict.

About 1,000 people braved temperatures that reached into the 90s to see Bush take the flag-filled stage at a downtown amphitheater in his first visit to the community as governor.

Although he was introduced as a former Texas Air National Guard pilot, Bush did not refer to his stateside military service during the Vietnam years. He noted that the area of the state was home to many war heroes.

"Thank you for serving our country. You make us all proud to be Americans," the presumed Republican presidential nominee said. "Whatever it is about Texas that produces these veterans, whatever it is about America, that thing is sacred. We must never lose it. We must always honor it."

Gore, the likely Democratic nominee for president, asked for a show of hand from veterans of the Korean War, World War II and the Persian Gulf War during an appearance before a crowd of about 500 in Elizabeth, a town of 1,600 people in western Pennsylvania.

Speaking directly to the veterans in his audience, the vice president said: "You have that bond with those you served with. You feel the same feelings, thought the same things, you made the same sacrifices. Of course, some sacrificed a whole lot more than others, and today we particularly honor those who made the ultimate sacrifice."

Gore chose to visit Allegheny County because, said Lou Lignelli, district director for Democratic Rep. Frank Mascara, it has one of the nation's highest concentrations of veterans.

Gore, introduced by Army buddy Bob Delabar, spoke of his service in Vietnam, where he spent five months as an Army journalist that he has said included brushes with enemy fire. He said Monday that the duty didn't in any way match what was done by those being honored on Memorial Day.

"I was a reporter, and when I went into the field I carried a pencil and an M-16," he said. "But anybody who has seen those that made the greatest sacrifices and have met their families ... hears the famous phrase that was delivered here in the commonwealth of Pennsylvania by Abraham Lincoln about 'the last full measure of devotion' — you hear that phrase in a different way."

Only 52 votes cast so far in WTC runoff

Voter turnout has been light with only 52 votes so far during the early voting period for the June 8 runoff election for Western Texas College Place 6 trustee between James Hanks and Scott Richburg.

On May 19, the first day of early voting, 21 people cast a ballot, while the total for May 22 through May 26 was 31.

Last week's figures include eight people voting on Monday, nine on Tuesday, six on Wednesday, five on Thursday and three on Friday.

Early voting will take place between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. through Friday at the WTC administration building.

Although the WTC campus will be closed Friday, early voting will still be taking place.

On Election Day, polls will be open from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. at City Hall, Ira Community Center and Hermleigh High School.

In the May 6 election, Hanks garnered 131 votes to Richburg's 109. The third candidate, John Zalman III, polled 66 votes.

Closing arguments begin in O'Hair's murder trial

AUSTIN (AP) — For today's closing arguments in the trial of the only man charged in the mysterious disappearance of famous atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair, attorneys are unchanged from their positions at the start of the trial two weeks and 75 witnesses ago.

Prosecutors must convince the jury that a vast web of mostly circumstantial evidence is enough to convict Gary Paul Karr, 52, with conspiring to kidnap and extort money from O'Hair, her son Jon Garth Murray and her granddaughter Robin Murray O'Hair.

"We do believe Mr. Karr is a very dangerous individual," assistant U.S. Attorney Gerald Carruth said shortly before the trial started. "The crime for which Mr. Karr is presently indicted is a crime of violence."

Prison inmates testified earlier in the trial that Karr told them he was involved the slayings. Federal agents presented hundreds of telephone calls, car rentals, airplane trips and other financial transactions they said implicated Karr in the plot.

But Karr's attorneys will argue that despite testimony that the O'Hairs were killed and dismembered — and entering of a bow saw and knives into evidence — no bodies have been found, leaving open the possibility the O'Hairs are still alive somewhere.

Tom Mills, Karr's attorney, said Thursday the prosecution did not prove otherwise.

"The defense analysis is that the government's case is not factually tight and insufficient in some significant areas," Mills said.

Two people testified for the defense that they saw O'Hair alive during the time prosecutors say she was kidnapped or killed — once during the summer or fall of 1995 in a San Antonio bar and once in a restaurant in Romania in November 1997.

Mills said the prosecution's complex case could be hard for the jury to understand.

"I think there is a lot of evidence for the jury to analyze," he said.

The O'Hairs disappeared in 1995 with $500,000 in gold coins purchased with money from their organization, United Secularists of America.

Investigators believe the trio was kidnapped by Karr, O'Hair's former office manager David Roland Waters and their cohort, Danny Fry of Florida.

Only Karr has been charged. Waters is in prison on federal weapons charges and Fry was found dead in Dallas County in 1995 with his head and hands chopped off.

Registration continues Wednesday at WTC

Western Texas College is registering students for summer school today and Wednesday.

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

Non-credit classes will also be offered, including ceramics, SCUBA diving, public speaking, introduction to business and computers, or advanced golf.

Additional information about summer school offerings can be obtained by calling WTC at 573-8511.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The only other alternative to perseverance is quitting, and that means failure."

We have to assume that Danny Andrews, our editor friend in Plainview, was day-dreaming during the minister's sermon at First Baptist Church.

Andrews explained that the following were Monday morning thoughts, found on Sunday.

—Never be afraid to try something new. Remember that amateurs built the ark. Professionals built the Titanic.

—Love is grand; divorce is a hundred grand.

—Politicians and diapers have one thing in common. They should both be changed regularly and for the same reason.

—There is always death and taxes; however death doesn't get worse every year.

—People will accept your ideas much more readily if you tell them that Benjamin Franklin said it first.

—Anything free is worth what you pay for it.

—I always wanted to be a procrastinator, but never got around to it.

—I am a nutritional overachiever.

—I am in shape. Round is a shape.

—Practice safe eating – always use condiments.

—A day without sunshine is like...night.

—I am not a perfectionist, but my parents were.

—Time may be a great healer, but it's also a lousy beautician.

—Brain cells come and go, but fat cells live forever.

—Age doesn't always bring wisdom, sometimes age comes alone.

—You don't stop laughing because you grow old, you grow old before you stop laughing.

Naaww! The Lovebug didn't strike our computers.

We're more savvy than that. Anytime a newspaper gets mail that screams, I LOVE YOU, you know it has to be a hoax.

It's the law in Argyle.

"Employers shall not make derogatory or disparaging comments about another employee, public official, and/or the City and shall not engage in rumor spreading, or other activity resulting in or demeaning the character of another city employee, public officials, and/or the City except as permitted by the First Amendment.

Asked about the new law, two long-time municipal employees replied, "No comment."

ASK US

Q-Did Larry Scott, the emcee for the West Texas Western Swing Festival, have a heart attack since the show here?

A-Yes, but reports indicate he is doing okay now after heart surgery. Cards can be sent to Scott at 8626 N. Highway 34, Terrell, 75161.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 96 degrees; low, 66; 7 a.m. Tuesday, 72; no precipitation; total for 2000, 8.48 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear, low around 70. S wind 10-20 mph. Wednesday, partly cloudy, high 95-100; S wind 10-20 mph.

Lareshia Carey
Sunny

Sunset: 8:43 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:41 a.m.

Of 150 days in 2000, the sun has shone 147 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Let your heart soar as high as it will. Refuse to be average.

—A.W. Tozer

MAY 30 2000

Device helps heart failure patients get on their feet

WASHINGTON (AP) — Jim Kent was the most avid of outdoorsmen, constantly golfing or fishing or hunting. Then a mountain hike left him gasping for air. Heart failure, doctors said. Within a few years Kent's heart was so weak he was housebound and on the waiting list for a transplant.

Almost 5 million Americans have congestive heart failure, where their hearts gradually lose the ability to pump blood. Drugs help many, but those like Kent whose hearts worsen despite medication have few options.

Now scientists are experimenting with a new pacemaker-like device called a "ventricular resynchronizer" that promises to help these struggling hearts beat more normally.

Kent is one of the few Americans to try one — and today the 60-year-old Louisiana man is back on the golf course and off the heart transplant list. Prompted by such early promising results, scientists are hunting 2,000 more heart failure patients for a study to prove how well the experimental treatment, made by Guidant Inc., really works.

"Right now there's not a lot you can do for these patients," said Dr. Eric Prystowsky, electrophysiology director at St. Vincent Hospital in Indianapolis. "This is very exciting."

Heart failure is not a heart attack. Nor does it mean the heart suddenly stops.

Instead, a heart weakened by age, damage from a survived heart attack or some other disease gets flabbier as it struggles to push blood out to the rest of the body. Lacking oxygen, patients feel dizzy or faint. Eventually, they're pressed even to walk across a room. Their legs swell. Fluid seeps into their lungs, blocking breathing.

Just half of victims survive five years. When medications fail, they have few options.

Enter the ventricular resynchronizer.

It's basically a souped-up and redesigned pacemaker. But it doesn't speed up a sluggish heartbeat like regular pacemakers do. Heart failure causes the opposite problem — the struggling heart beats faster to compensate for weakened pumping. And the heart's two bottom chambers, the ventricles, don't pump together in rhythm like they're supposed to.

The idea: Resynchronize the right and left ventricles so they pump at the same time, making that pumping more forceful. Then the heart might not wear itself out pumping so fast.

Doctors thread three separate pacemaker wires, "leads" that deliver electricity, into a vein near the collarbone. Two leads are popped down to the heart's right side, just like a routine pacemaker implantation. The breakthrough came when scientists figured out how to put a third lead on the more vulnerable left ventricle, so both sides can be sparked to pump together. It's tricky, requiring threading into just the right spot in a vein lying on the ventricle's wall.

It's not a cure. But early results are promising, German scientist Dr. Angelo Auricchio told a recent meeting of the North American Society of Pacing and Electrophysiology. In a study of 42 severely ill Europeans, a single month's use of the device improved the heart's pumping efficiency by 15 percent, and significantly increased patients' ability to walk. Longer use seems to be reducing hospitalizations.

Dr. Scott Higgins of Scripps Memorial Hospital in San Diego has implanted 60 Americans with the Guidant device. He says people once too weak to get out of bed now go shopping and do other routine activities. Kent was his best patient, shooting a hole in one last summer months after the implant.

"They're enjoying life more. That's a key advance."

Indianapolis-based Guidant, which developed the device at its facility in St. Paul, Minn., just began selling it in Europe. The company is recruiting 2,000 Americans at 80 hospitals for the so-called "Companion" study to prove its usefulness here. (Check http://www.guidant.com for information.)

It's a hot field: Medtronic Inc. is developing its own ventricular resynchronizer, also called "biventricular pacing." St. Jude Medical is creating another pacemaker-like device especially for heart failure worsened by the irregular heartbeat atrial fibrillation.

The devices' long-term impact isn't proven. But Kent, the Port Allen, La., man, calls his implant life-changing.

Van Halen is now cancer outpatient

HOUSTON (AP) — Guitarist Eddie Van Halen, co-founder of the rock band that bears his name, was an outpatient at Houston's University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center last week.

The band's Web site said Van Halen, 43, visited the center as an outpatient Thursday and plans to begin outpatient treatment to prevent cancer.





MUSICAL REVUE – East fourth graders in Billie Adams' and Judy Brown's classes recently presented *Rock the Jukebox*, a musical revue. Students in Adams' class (top photo) are top row, from left Marcus Medrano, Ricardo Perez, Alexis Castillo, Brittany Mayes, Nikki Hembree, Tasha Hernandez, Jessica Rivera, Cassi Hernandez; middle row, Zachary Key, Travis Hatfield, Anna Aguirre, Joshua Morrell, Brandon Jones, Benjamin Harrington, Gabby Aguilar, Mark Aguilar; front row, Derek Anderson, Lauren Lunsford. Brown's students (bottom photo) are first row, from left, Josh Ornelas, Josh Ball, Kendra Tidwell, Virginia Rivera, Cayelea Rhodes, Laura Landa; second row, Chase Peterson, Stefphen Rodriguez, Adam Calvert, Marci Pinkerton, Brandee Harbin, Natasha McCoy; third row, Lance Day, Joseph Epperson, Jennifer Free, Jessica Sandoval, D'Andrew Davis, Lanxton Cole. Not pictured: Anthony Martinez. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)



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Date Book

Tuesday, May 30, 2000

Today is the 151st day of 2000 and the 72nd day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1908, the first federal workmen's compensation insurance legislation was approved.

On this day in 1917, the F1, the first successful Navy airship, made its maiden voyage from Chicago to Wingfoot Lake, Ohio.

On this day in 1967, Evel Knievel, driving a Triumph motorcycle, jumped over 16 cars parked side by side. He performed this stunt at the Ascot Speedway in Gardena, Calif.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Howard Hawks (1896-1977), director; Mel Blanc (1908-1989), entertainer; Benny Goodman (1909-1986), musician; Gale Sayers (1943-), football great, is 57.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1993, Emerson Fittipaldi of Brazil won the 77th Indianapolis 500.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "If a guy's got it, let him give it. I'm selling music, not prejudice." — Benny Goodman, on allowing African-American musicians to join his band

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (May 26) and new moon (June 2).

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Auto rates in Texas remain high 5 years after reforms

DALLAS (AP) — Five years after Texas lawmakers enacted lawsuit reforms to help cut automobile insurance costs, the state still ranks 17th nationwide in the average cost of a policy.

Texas ranks even higher, at No. 15, in the average cost of liability protection, according to the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' study.

"This confirms, our findings that while the amount of insurance claims paid out to Texans has decreased, very little of the savings has been passed on to consumers," D.J. Powers of the Center for Economic Justice told The Dallas Morning News in today's editions.

"Insurers are pocketing extra profits while Texas drivers continue to pay the 17th highest premiums in the country," Powers said.

Most affected by the 1995 lawsuit limits signed into law by Gov. George W. Bush was liability coverage — representing more than half the cost of a typical automobile policy. Coverage included bodily injury claims, medical payments, property damage and uninsured motorists.

Earlier this month, insurance companies sought a 10.6 percent increase in the average benchmark rate for the state, while the consumer advocate contended overall auto rates should drop 4.8 percent.

Two administrative law judges, who first heard the arguments in September, have recommended an average statewide increase of 1.9 percent. Texas Insurance Commissioner Jose Montemayor was expected to rule on the new rates within weeks.

Most insurance companies under the benchmark rate system must charge either 30 percent above or below the rate set by the Department of Insurance.

An industry trade group contends that Texas automobile insurance premiums would have increased significantly if not for the 1995 law that made it more difficult to sue for damages arising from a wreck.

"Auto insurance rates in Texas have stabilized over the past few years and that is something we cannot say about the products and services for which we pay, such as mending broken bodies and repairing damaged vehicles," said Jerry Johns of Southwestern Insurance Information Service.

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JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH GROUP — Mrs. Barbara Tune's junior-senior high students presented in recital included (from left), standing, Michael Gibson, Sara Cantu, Andria Nussey, Audra Reneau, Sandra Nussey, Kristina Mayer, Jason Hall; seated, Gretchen Hollis, Whitney Jones, Wendy Proffitt, Aaryn Stewart and not pictured, Isaac Hernandez. (Contributed Photo)



ELEMENTARY GROUP — Piano students participating in the recital, "A Mixed Bag of Piano Music," included elementary grade students, (from left) standing, Brittany Scott, Alayna Alexander, Ember Proffitt, Jacoree Riggins; seated, Ryanna Alexander, Baylee Lewis, Rachel Dupree, Charley Stewart and not pictured, Tanya Adams. (Contributed Photo)

Tune presents piano students in recital

Piano students of Mrs. Barbara Tune were presented a recital "A Mixed Bag of Piano Favorites" on May 13 in the Martha Ann Woman's Club.

Mrs. Tune recognized students who entered various music events through the year. Performing for the Lubbock Sonatina-Sonata Contest in February were Ryanne Alexander, Alayne Alexander, Brittany Scott, Andria Nussey, Gretchen Hollis, Sara Cantu and Jason Hall.

Student performing for the Abilene Piano Festival in April were Ryanna Alexander, Alyna Alexander, Rachel Dupree, Brittany Scott, Andria Nussey, Gretchen Hollis, Whitney Jones, and Isaac Hernandez.

Certificates and pins were presented to students who auditioned in National Piano Guild in May. Those included District, 4 to 6 pieces — Charley Stewart, Baylee Lewis, Andria Nussey, Ember Proffitt, Alayna Alexander, Sara Cantu, Isaac Hernandez; Jazz Hobbyist, 6 pieces — Jason Hall; State, 7 to 9 pieces — Rachel Dupree, Kristina Mayer, Audra Reneau, Ryanna Alexander; National, 10 pieces, Brittany Scott, Whitney Jones, Wendy Proffett and Gretchen Hollis.

Mrs. Tune presented a going-away gift to Audra Reneau who has been taking lessons since 1991, and has entered many contests and festivals through the years making superior ratings. She entered each year in the National Piano Guild Auditions and won awards at previous piano recitals.

Scales Award went to Wendy Proffitt who also received a Composer's Pin for performing a National program of 10 pieces for five years. Her picture will appear in the National Piano Guild Notes this fall.

The highest grade went to Sara Cantu; runner-up for highest guild grade went to Kristina Mayer; progressive award went to Brittany Scott and Whitney Jones; performance award went to Jason Hall; and outstanding student of the year went to Gretchen Hollis and Michael Gibson.

In conclusion, Mrs. Tune thanked the parents and grandparents for their support and student encouragement throughout the year.



HONORED AT SHOWER — A bridal shower honoring Karen McAnelly, bride-elect of Charles Kittles, was held May 6 in the home of Lavada McDaniels. The couple will marry on June 3 in the Snyder First Baptist Church. From left are Misty Haley, sister-in-law of the prospective groom from Athens; Phyllis Haley, his mother; the honoree; Leslie Haley, niece of the prospective groom from Athens; Leida Tidmore, his great-grandmother from Athens. (Contributed Photo)

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

AA Beginner's Meeting-Open; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

Storytime at the Scurry County Library for 4- and 5-year-olds; 10 a.m.

Spiritual Solutions for Living Problems Book Study; Snyder Park Club; 6 p.m.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 574-1292 or 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 574-1292, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; American Legion; 6:30 to 8 p.m.

New Horizon[illegible] AA, closed meeting; for info[illegible] call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center; 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd., Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Just For Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8268, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North	05-30-00
♠ K 4 3	
♥ 10 8 7 5	
♦ Q 2	
♣ K J 9 7	
West	**East**
♠ J 7	♠ Q 10 9
♥ K 2	♥ A Q 9 6 4 3
♦ J 9 8 6 4	♦ A 10 7
♣ 6 5 3 2	♣ 4
South	
♠ A 8 6 5 2	
♥ J	
♦ K 5 3	
♣ A Q 10 8	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			1 ♥
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	4 ♠	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ K

Tuesday, May 30, 2000

It is deceptively difficult

By Phillip Alder

"No man who is occupied in doing a very difficult thing, and doing it very well, ever loses his self-respect." So wrote George Bernard Shaw. Well, here is a chance for you to boost your self-respect — solving a difficult bridge problem. You are in four spades. West starts with the king and another heart. What would you do after ruffing?

Maybe South's three-club gametry looks ambitious to you. However, the hand has only six losers and has been strengthened by knowledge of the spade fit.

There are three top losers: one spade, one heart and one diamond. The worry is South's third diamond. You would like to ruff it in the dummy, but if you immediately lead a diamond to dummy's queen, East will win with the ace and play another heart. Here, as West has only two trumps, this will promote a second spade trick for the defense. And if you draw two rounds of trumps before broaching diamonds, East will cash his spade queen, killing the ruff.

What is the secret? A dummy reversal! Cash the spade ace, play a spade to dummy's king, and call for the diamond two. If East rushes in with his ace, you won't need a ruff in the dummy, so he plays low. After winning with the king, play the club eight to dummy's nine and ruff a heart in hand. Continue with the club 10 to dummy's jack. If East ruffs, you can trump your diamond loser in the dummy; so he discards. Now ruff the heart 10 in hand and continue clubs. If East discards twice more, you have 10 tricks: two top spades, three heart ruffs in hand, one diamond and four clubs.

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Gates Foundation to dispense portions of $1 million grant

SEATTLE (AP) — The Gateses are giving out money again.

This time, three aid organizations will receive portions of a $1 million grant from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for drought-relief efforts in Ethiopia, the foundation said Sunday.

The Seattle-based foundation begun by the Microsoft Corp. chairman and his wife has assets of some $21.8 billion and has funded education, health and other initiatives around the world.

CARE and Federal Way, Wash.-based World Vision each will receive $350,000 from the foundation, and Save the Children will get $300,000.

Some eight million Ethiopians are threatened with starvation following several years of below-average rainfall and a drought this year.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Jerald Smith, Katherine Tovar, Chelsea Hackfeld, Carrie Hart and Velma Hester.

DISMISSALS: None.

CENSUS: 35 (Med./Surg.-9, Long-term Care-25 and OB-1)

Elephants set fashion trend at Knoxville Zoo

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — The latest fashion craze in Knoxville combines simplicity, functionality and a hint of danger: It's elephant wear.

Two pachyderms from the Knoxville Zoo are wearing some custom-made styles by local designers. One sports shiny metal bands that protect his cracked tusks, the other has a boot on her left foot when she's outdoors.

Tonka's injured tusks and Mamie's infected toenail could have been "a life-threatening situation if we let either of those situations go," said Becky Hargis, the zoo supervisor of elephants.

The lightweight aluminum rings that hold Tonka's cracked tusks together were designed and donated by Machine Kinetics of Knoxville, while Mamie's boot was custom-made by Maryville harness maker Cindy Corwin of Wikor Inc. from inner tubing, artificial shoe leather and a bright red belt.

"We couldn't have done these bands," Hargis said Monday. "And it would have taken us forever to try to make Mamie's boot. We don't have the equipment.

The tusk and toe problems were both likely caused by elephant play. Both animals are in good health; Tonka's tusk cracks aren't painful, and the infection in Mamie's toenail is virtually gone.

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"A BELOVED BROTHER"

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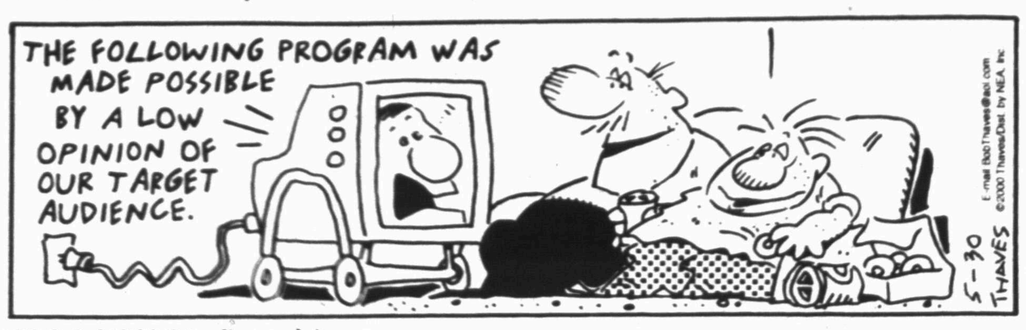
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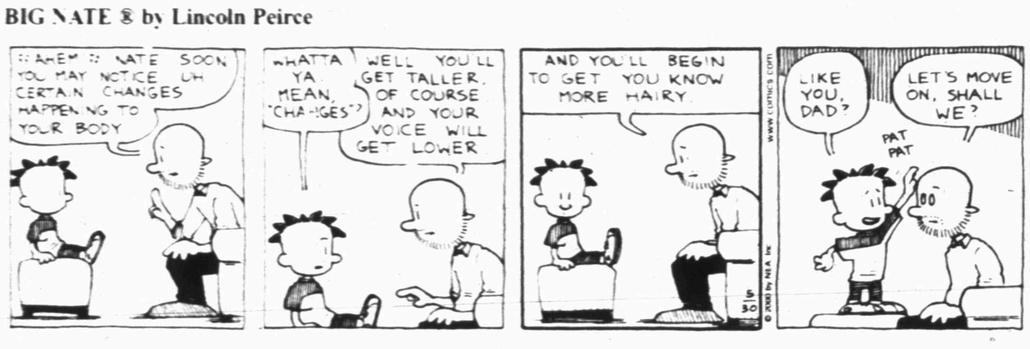
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ACROSS

1 Pie slice
6 Ardor
10 Wing-footed
12 Jitters
14 Japanese robe
15 Troubled state
16 Wide shoe size
17 Revolver, e.g.
19 Greek peak
20 Everlasting
23 Actress Raquel —
26 Unused
27 Cushion
30 Loved
32 Suffering from cold symptoms
34 Star cluster
35 '60s rebel
36 Annapolis grad
37 Genus of rodents
39 Laundry units
40 Joe Torre's team
42 Ezekiel's nickname
45 Nautical rope
46 "Rose — — rose"
49 Work for American Airlines
51 Poems
54 Group of five
55 Eskimo boat
56 Robin's home
57 — out (desires to leave)

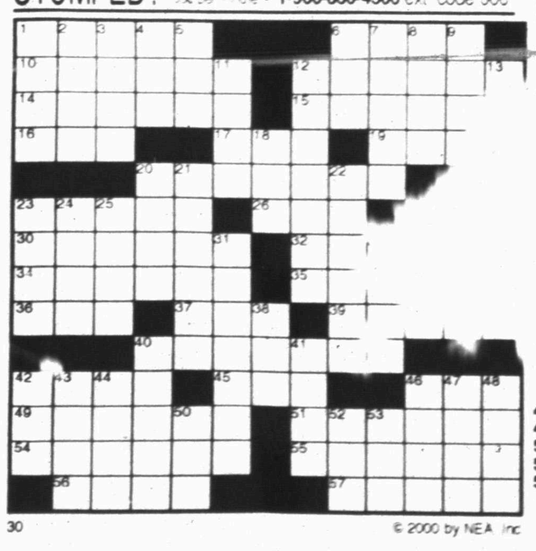
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5 Poetic time
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7 Actor Flynn
8 St. crossers
9 Not so much
11 Venetian official
12 Convent
13 RR depot
18 Fancy vase
20 Light tan
21 "— and Louise"
22 For a short time
23 Decrease in intensity
24 Eve's garden
25 Some tennis strokes
27 Pre-adult insect
28 In the center
47 Barstool, e.g.
48 Interrogates
50 Make lace
52 In what way?
53 Ms. Sumac

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SPORTS

Series gets underway tonight...

Stars, Devils seek Stanley Cup

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. (AP) — Waiting to see who would win the Western Conference finals was an enlightening experience for the New Jersey Devils.

It didn't seem to matter whether the defending champion Dallas Stars or the Colorado Avalanche advanced to the Stanley Cup finals, the perception among the so-called experts was that whoever won was going to take the Cup.

The Devils smile when reminded of that, and they'll note how tough it will be to beat the Stars when the best-of-seven finals gets under way tonight at the Continental Airlines Arena.

The Stars have more experience, their defensive style is tough to beat, they have great skill players in Mike Modano, Brett Hull and Joe Nieuwendyk and goaltender Ed Belfour has allowed only 31 goals on 450 shots, a .931 save percentage. Dallas also won both games in the season series.

New Jersey can match with the goaltending of Martin Brodeur and its defensive system, but it seems to lack star power and experience.

If you know the Devils, that sounds very similar to 1995, when New Jersey met the Detroit Red Wings in the Cup finals.

Everyone picked the Red Wings with their left-wing lock and star-studded cast that included Steve Yzerman, Sergei Fedorov and Mike Vernon.

The result: The Devils swept in winning their first and only Stanley Cup.

"It's a lot like '95," said Claude Lemieux, one of nine holdovers from that team.

"We don't have their experience but we have youth and guys who have been getting better every round."

What makes the comparison to 1995 even more remarkable is the way the seasons went.

New Jersey started out strong both years and then faded down the stretch in the regular season, leaving doubts whether it could make a run at a championship. They played very well in the opening two rounds of both playoffs and then beat Philadelphia in a very hard-fought conference finals, with the difference this year being it took seven games instead of six.

"We feel good about ourselves and we are going to have to play our game," defenseman Ken Daneyko said. "That's what we've done all playoffs, worry about what the New Jersey Devils are doing. If we can execute, we think we have a shot."

Dallas coach Ken Hitchcock isn't buying into the predictions his team is a lock for a second straight title.

"I don't think where they are surprises anybody," Hitchcock said. "I think we should be the favorites because we are the defending champions. That is what makes us the favorites, but that all goes out of the way in the first period."

Six teams fire 63 at SCC Memorial Day Scramble

It took a score of 63 Monday to win the Memorial Day Scramble at Snyder Country Club. It also took a 63 to finish in the top half of the field.

Six foursomes fired rounds of 63, with Shane Robinson, Wes Key, Pinky Ferguson and Judy Moss claiming the title on a scorecard playoff.

Securing the runner-up spot was the team of Penny Perry, Johnny Reed, Dutch Stehley and Daryl Drain.

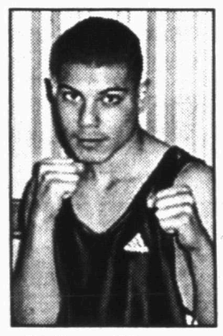
Stacy Reed, Reagan Key, Jack Whitworth and Richard Schulze teamed up to grab third place, with Don Chandler, Dale Jenkins, John Bloom and Ronnie Green taking fourth.

Twelve teams participated in the one-round event.

Memorial Day Scramble at Snyder Country Club

63 — Shane Robinson, Wes Key, Pinky Ferguson and Judy Moss
63 — Penny Perry, Johnny Reed, Dutch Stehley and Daryl Drain
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63 — Don Chandler, Dale Jenkins, John Bloom and Ronnie Green
63 — Ricky Williams, John Reed, Suzy Reed and Don Sealy
63 — Carl Strelecki, Eicke Perry, Dave Strelecki and Joe Williamson
64 — Joe LaRoux, Jim Curry, Suzy Miller and David Hines
65 — Billy Wayne Harris, Randy Glasscock, Mike McLeod and Peggy Hardin
65 — Elliott Cox, Ricky Daniell, Keith Bryant and Juanita Hester
65 — Mike Rodriguez, Gary Martin, Suzy Hernandez and Rick Martin
68 — Curt Rinehart, Les Rinehart, James Henderson and Colin Jones
73 — Wes Wilson, Sam Bedell, Tim Stahl and Mario Gonzales

Vasquez wins state title



Anthony Vasquez

EL PASO — For the second year in a row, Snyder will be represented at the USA Junior Olympic Boxing Championships.

Anthony Vasquez, a sophomore at Snyder High School, notched a pair of victories over the weekend to capture the state title, earning the 15-year-old fighter a spot in the national tournament June 20-24 in Marquette, Mich.

Anthony's older brother, Johnny Vasquez Jr., advanced to the final round in Marquette a year ago.

At the state competition, Anthony drew a first-round bye, before claiming an unanimous decision over top contender Jessie Martinez of El Paso.

In the title bout, Vasquez won a split decision over Garland's George Chavez.

Following the national competition, Vasquez will remain in Marquette for the week-long Junior Olympic National Elite Camp.

Anthony's father, Johnny Vasquez Sr., was selected as a coach for the camp, which is only open to boxers that qualified for the national tournament.

Rockies slip past Astros, 8-7

DENVER (AP) — Todd Helton homered twice for the second time in three days, helping the Colorado Rockies rally past the Houston Astros 8-7 Monday.

Helton homered leading off the second and broke a 7-all tie with a leadoff shot in the eighth off Jose Cabrera.

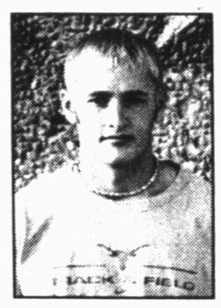
With his fourth multihomer game this season, the 12th of his career, Helton raised his season home-run total to 17 and lifted his major league-leading batting average to .417.

The Astros dropped to 2-14 in one-run games this season. Houston's last four games have all been decided by one run, starting with last Friday's win over Atlanta, the Astros' first one-run victory this year.

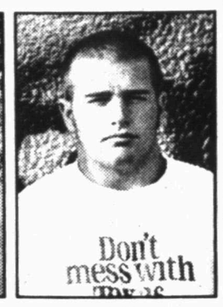
Gabe White (5-0) pitched a scoreless eighth inning and Jose Jimenez survived a two-hit ninth for his eighth save. Colorado has 209 runs in 23 home games, an average of 9.09.

Richard Hildago went 3-for-3 with a three-run double.

Snyder tracksters shine in Arizona



Wade Pinson



Mark Medley



Jared Thornhill

TEMPE, Ariz. — After receiving regional and state recognition, three Snyder High School athletes continued to show their track and field prowess over the weekend, this time on a national level.

Wade Pinson, Mark Medley and Jared Thornhill, competing for the Texas squad, posted three top-10 finishes Saturday at the Great Southwest Track and Field Classic in Tempe, Ariz.

The three athletes qualified for the Texas team based on their performances during the school year.

Pinson, the District 5-4A champion in the 110-meter high hurdles, grabbed fourth place in the event on Saturday with a time of 14.67 seconds.

Utah's Jake Garlik was the only competitor to break the 14-second mark, winning the event with a time of 13.80.

Medley continued to show his strength with a fourth-place finish in the shot put, and an 11th-place effort in the discus.

The upcoming senior at SHS heaved the shot 54 feet, 7 inches, and posted a distance of 151-0 in the discus.

Medley was the district champion in both events and regional runner-up in the shot put this year, earning him a trip to the state meet where he finished sixth.

Thornhill, who is also an incoming senior, cleared 14-0 to come in seventh in the pole vault.

The SHS vaulter was the 5-4A champion and regional runner-up, finishing sixth at the state meet.

Texas was among eight states competing in Tempe. Also represented were Utah, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Nevada, Colorado, Nebraska and Arizona.

Great Southwest Track & Field Classic at Tempe, Ariz.

110 hurdles: 1. Garlik, Utah, 13.80; 2. James, Colorado, 14.22; 3. Gardner, Utah, 14.41; 4. Pinson, Texas, 14.67; 5. Winget, New Mexico, 14.71; 6. Runyan, Arizona, 14.72.

Shot put: 1. Post, Arizona, 59-2 ¼; 2. Sims, Oklahoma, 57-4 ¼; 3. Snider, Oklahoma, 56-6 ¼; 4. Medley, Texas, 54-7; 5. Starks, Arizona, 54-5 ½; 6. Accilien, New Mexico, 53-8.

Discus: 1. Arrhenius, Utah, 202-8; 2. Sims, Oklahoma, 183-1; 3. Ocampo, New Mexico, 172-6; 4. Moore, Nevada, 161-2; 5. Snider, Oklahoma, 160-8; 6. Chaves, Colorado, 158-0; also, 11. Medley, Texas, 151-0.

Pole vault: 1. Chappell, Nevada, 15-6; 2. Davis, Texas, 15-0; 3. Cameron, Arizona, 14-6; 4. Portor, Arizona, 14-6; 5. Landreth, Oklahoma, 14-6; 6. Taylor, Utah, 14-0; 7. Thornhill, Texas, 14-0.

Rangers hold off Tigers, 3-2

DETROIT (AP) — Third baseman Mike Lamb short-hopped Deivi Cruz's hard grounder with the bases loaded and started a game-ending double play, and the Texas Rangers held off the Detroit Tigers 3-2 Monday night.

Kenny Rogers (4-5), helped by home runs from Luis Alicea and Rafael Palmeiro, won for the first time in a month. The Rangers ended a three-game losing streak.

John Wetteland relieved Rogers to start the ninth. Singles by Dean Palmer and Bobby Higginson, a sacrifice and an intentional walk loaded the bases.

Lamb fielded Cruz's one-hopper and stepped on third base. Lamb then threw home to catcher Ivan Rodriguez, who tagged Palmer for the final out.

Wetteland got his 13th save in 16 chances. The Rangers won for just the second time in six games after a season-best seven-game winning streak.

The Tigers, who have lost four of five, played without Juan Gonzalez. He missed the game against his old team with a recurrence of a foot injury he developed over the weekend.

Sports Briefs

Tiger softball camp scheduled

The Tiger Softball Camp for incoming first through ninth grade girls will begin Monday and run through June 8 at Cates Field. The camp will be from 9 a.m. until noon each day.

Fielding, throwing, hitting, base running and individual techniques will be stressed, and players must bring their own equipment.

Cost is $50 and includes a camp T-shirt. Registration forms can be picked up at Cates Field, Snyder High School main office, or Coach Tipton's office.

PDU hosts hoops tourney

Price Daniel Unit will host a 3-on-3 basketball tournament Saturday, with proceeds benefiting Special Olympics. Teams will be divided into adult and children's divisions.

Cost is $50 for adult teams, and $35 for children's squads. All teams will meet at Snyder Junior High at 9 a.m. the day of the tournament for game time and location. All entries are due by Friday.

For more information, call 573-1114.

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.

Baseball camp scheduled

Snyder Advanced Baseball Camp will begin Monday and run through June 9. 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. Wednesday. Format will be bingle, bangle, bungle.

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.

Sampras ousted at French Open

PARIS (AP) — Pete Sampras lost 4-6, 7-5, 7-6 (4), 4-6, 8-6 to Mark Philippoussis in the first round of the French Open, the only Grand Slam tournament Sampras has never won.

Sampras, seeded second, was one of four seeded players eliminated on the first day at Roland Garros.

No. 15 Jennifer Capriati sustained her fourth consecutive defeat since late March, losing to Fabiola Zuluaga 6-3, 7-5, while two other Americans ousted seeded players. Meghann Shaughnessy upset No. 12 Julie Halard-Decugis, 7-5, 6-4, and Jan-Michael Gambill beat No. 8 Nicolas Kiefer 6-3, 7-5, 6-1.

Woods wins Memorial

DUBLIN, Ohio (AP) — Tiger Woods shot a 2-under-par 70 for a 19-under 269 total and a five-stroke victory in the rain-delayed Memorial Tournament at Muirfield Village.

Ernie Els (65) and Justin Leonard (68) wound up tied for second.

Velarde turns unassisted triple play

NEW YORK (AP) — Oakland Athletics second baseman Randy Velarde turned just the 10th unassisted triple play in regular-season history during a 4-1 loss to the New York Yankees.

WNBA Glance

All Times EDT
Monday's Game
Houston 84, New York 68
Tuesday's Games
No games scheduled
Wednesday's Games
Orlando at Washington, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
New York at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Seattle at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Houston at Portland, 10 p.m.
Utah at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	34	16	.680	—
New York	28	23	.549	6½
Montreal	25	22	.532	7½
Florida	24	28	.462	11
Philadelphia	18	31	.367	15½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	29	21	.580	—
Cincinnati	27	22	.551	1½
Milwaukee	22	29	.431	7½
Pittsburgh	21	28	.429	7½
Chicago	20	32	.385	10
Houston	19	31	.380	10
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	32	18	.640	—
Los Angeles	27	21	.563	4
Colorado	26	22	.542	5
San Francisco	23	25	.479	8
San Diego	22	28	.440	10

Monday's Games
Atlanta 1, Chicago Cubs 0
St. Louis 3, Arizona 0
San Francisco 7, Philadelphia 2
Colorado 8, Houston 7
Los Angeles 4, N.Y. Mets 1
Pittsburgh 10, Florida 4
Milwaukee 8, San Diego 3
Only games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
Florida (Cornelius 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Benson 4-5), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Armas 0-2) at Cincinnati (Fernandez 1-0), 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Mulholland 4-4) at Chicago Cubs (Quevedo 0-2), 8:05 p.m.
Houston (Elarton 3-1) at Colorado (Jarvis 1-1), 9:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Ankiel 4-2) at Arizona (Daal 2-5), 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (D'Amico 2-2) at San Diego (Eaton 0-0), 10:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Jones 1-1) at Los Angeles (Gagne 0-3), 10:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Ashby 2-5) at San Francisco (Hernandez 3-5), 10:15 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Atlanta at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
Florida at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Montreal at Cincinnati, 7:35 p.m.
Houston at Colorado, 9:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Arizona, 10:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Los Angeles, 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	28	18	.609	—
New York	28	19	.596	½
Toronto	27	25	.519	4
Baltimore	22	26	.458	7
Tampa Bay	16	33	.327	13½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	28	22	.560	—
Cleveland	25	22	.532	1½
Kansas City	25	24	.510	2½
Minnesota	23	28	.451	5½
Detroit	17	30	.362	9½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	26	22	.542	—
Anaheim	27	24	.529	½
Texas	26	24	.520	1
Oakland	25	26	.490	2½

Monday's Games
N.Y. Yankees 4, Oakland 1
Anaheim 3, Cleveland 2, 10 innings
Baltimore 5, Tampa Bay 1
Texas 3, Detroit 2
Seattle 5, Chicago White Sox 4
Only games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
Texas (Loaiza 3-2) at Detroit (Moehler 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Schoeneweis 5-2) at Cleveland (Burba 4-1), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Redman 3-0) at Toronto (Escobar 4-5), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Appier 4-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Mendoza 5-2), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Suppan 2-4) at Boston (Fassero 5-1), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Ponson 2-2) at Tampa Bay (Yan 2-2), 7:15 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 7-1) at Seattle (Abbott 1-1), 10:05 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Chicago White Sox at Seattle, 6:35 p.m.
Texas at Detroit, 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Toronto, 7:05 p.m.
Oakland at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Boston, 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Tampa Bay, 7:15 p.m.

NHL Playoffs

All Times EDT
STANLEY CUP FINALS
(Best-of-7)
Tuesday, May 30
Dallas at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
Thursday, June 1
Dallas at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
Saturday, June 3
New Jersey at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Monday, June 5
New Jersey at Dallas, 8 p.m.

NBA Playoffs

All Times EDT
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7)
Saturday, May 27
New York 98, Indiana 95
Sunday, May 28
L.A. Lakers 103, Portland 91, L.A. Lakers lead series 3-1
Monday, May 29
New York 91, Indiana 89, series tied 2-2
Tuesday, May 30
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 9 p.m.

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Farmers leery of high interest rates

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Farmers who are not enjoying the nation's economic boom are having a difficult time with Federal Reserve interest rate increases that are meant to keep the economy from overheating.

"It's just become another expense," said Dan Wiltse, who farms near Lisbon. "It's one of those things that subtract from the bottom line, and with low grain prices you don't even know if you have a bottom line."

The Federal Reserve has increased interest rates six times since last June in an attempt to keep inflation in check. The most recent increase, a half-point jump, brought the prime lending rate to 9.5 percent, the highest level since January 1991, when the country was in a recession.

The prime lending rate, which is the benchmark rate for millions of consumer loans, was at 7.75 percent before the Fed started raising rates last summer.

The higher rate would amount to about a $3,000 increase in interest costs on a $200,000 loan to buy farmland or finance operating costs.

"For some growers its a real concern," said Brian Sandvig, a business and agriculture lender at Norwest Bank in Moorhead, Minn. "For others there isn't much of an impact. And for others it's an opportunity."

Farmers who are heavily dependent on banks and credit unions for operating capital are most worried about the increases, Sandvig said. Farmers who have cash reserves will feel little effect or will make money on their cash deposits, bankers say.

"It's a two-edged sword," said Roger Monson, president of the Citizens State Bank in Finley. "It's been very positive for our (certificates of deposit) customers. They've seen a noticeable increase in their rate."

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AT&T Corp	35 13-16	34 13-16	35 11-16 +	1½
Albertsons	37 1-16	36 9-16	36 9-16—	⅝
Alltel	62⅜	60 11-16	61 13-16 +	1 13-16
AmerOnline s	51⅛	49 7-16	51 +	2 5-16
AndarkPtr	50	49 3-16	49 9-16 +	½
ATMOS Egy	17	16 9-16	16 15-16 +	⅜
Aviall	5¼	5 3-16	5¼	
BP Amoco s	53¾	53 1-16	53⅛ +	⅝
BakerHughes	34⅞	34	34 11-16 +	1
Bank of Amer	55 3-16	54 11-16	54⅞—	7-16
BellAtl	52½	51 15-16	52⅛ +	7-16
BellSouth	47 15-16	47⅜	47⅞ +	15-16
Beth Steel	3 15-16	3 13-16	3⅞ +	1-16
BurlNoSFe	24½	24 5-16	24 7-16 +	1-16
Caterpillar	38¾	38 3-16	38 7-16 +	5-16
CenSoWst	21⅜	20¾	20 13-16—	5-16
Chevron	91 7-16	90 9-16	91⅜	
Citigroup	59 15-16	59¼	59⅞ +	1⅝
Coastal	58 9-16	58 3-16	58½—	½
CocaCola	55	53½	53⅞—	11-16
ColgatePal	56¼	54¼	54½—	1¼
CooperIn	33¼	32⅝	33⅛ +	½
DaimlrChry	56 3-16	55⅝	55 11-16 +	1 5-16
DallSemicn s	41	39⅜	40 15-16 +	1 7-16
DeltaAirl	50 15-16	50¼	50¼ +	1-16
Dillards Inc	14 11-16	14 1-16	14 11-16 +	9-16
DowChem	105½	102⅝	105 5-16 +	2¼
DuPont	50⅛	48 15-16	50 1-16 +	1⅜
EastmanChem	49	48½	48¾—	¼
EstKodak	61	60 1-16	60⅞ +	1 1-16
EDS Corp	64 13-16	62⅜	64⅜ +	⅝
Entergy	28½	28 3-16	28¼—	1-16
ExxonMobil	83 1-16	81 13-16	83 +	1 9-16
Flowers	18⅞	18 3-16	18½—	⅛
FordMotor	49¼	48	48 7-16 +	¼
GTE Cp	62 13-16	61⅞	62⅜ +	1
GenDynam	57	56⅜	56 13-16 +	⅜
GenElec s	50 7-16	49⅝	49⅞ +	5-16
GenMills s	41¾	40⅞	41¼ +	¼
GenMotors	71⅛	69 15-16	70 1-16—	⅜
GaPacGP	31⅜	30¾	30⅞ +	⅛
GlobalMar	27	26	26 13-16 +	9-16
Goodrich	35 15-16	34¾	35⅜ +	11-16
Goodyear s	25⅜	24½	25⅜ +	1 5-16
GtAtlPac	19	18½	18 9-16—	3-16
Halliburtn	49 1-16	47⅛	49 +	2¼
Hanson ADS	35	34¾	35 +	1-16
HarteHanks	24 9-16	24⅛	24½ +	1-16
HomeDepot s	47 13-16	46¾	47⅛ +	¼
HoneywellIntl	54½	53¾	54⅛ +	9-16
IBM	109⅝	107 11-16	109⅝ +	2 11-16
IntlPaper	34 5-16	33¾	34 +	5-16
JohnsonJn	88 3-16	87⅛	88 —	⅛
K mart	7¾	7⅝	7 23-32 +	1-32
Kroger Co s	20¾	20¼	20⅝—	⅛
Litton	41 11-16	40 9-16	41 11-16 +	⅞
LockheedM	24 7-16	24 3-16	24⅜ +	7-16
Lowes Cos	46⅜	45½	46⅜ +	⅝
Lubys	9 11-16	9 9-16	9⅝—	1-16
LucentTech	56 13-16	55	56 5-16 +	7-16
MayDeptStr	29 3-16	29	29 3-16—	⅛
MediaOne	68 5-16	66 7-16	68 3-16 +	1 11-16
Medtronic s	51	49 9-16	50¾ +	1⅜
MorganJP	128 13-16	126¼	127 +	¼
Motorola	95 15-16	94 9-16	95¾ +	3⅝
Motorola wi	32 3-16	32	32 3-16 +	1 3-16
NCR Corp	42 11-16	40 13-16	42⅝ +	1 13-16
Navistar	32 15-16	32½	32½—	⅛
Penney JC	18	17 9-16	17 11-16—	3-16
PepBoys	6⅞	6 9-16	6⅝ +	⅛
PepsiCo	40½	39 13-16	40¼—	¾
Pharmacia	52	50⅝	51 3-16—	9-16
PhelpDodge	47 3-16	46 11-16	47 +	¼
PhilipPet	54⅜	53¾	54¼ +	⅝
PilgrmPrd B	8 5-16	8 3-16	8¼	
Polaroid	17 15-16	17½	17 13-16 +	⅛
Praxair	42 7-16	40⅛	40⅝—	1 7-16
ProctGamb	66⅜	65¾	66¼ +	⅛
PubS NwMx	16 11-16	16 9-16	16 9-16—	1-16
ReliantEngy	28⅜	27½	28 1-16—	⅝
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SBC Comm	43¾	42¾	43⅜ +	¾
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SherwinW	23 13-16	23 7-16	23 13-16 +	½
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Lock those guns away

DEAR DR. GOTT: Your recent column, indicating that weapons kept in the home should be field-stripped and locked away, was absolutely inane — and, I might add, un-American. There were only two times in the century when guns should have been locked up: in 1918, when we should never have entered World War I, and in 1941, when our communist president attacked the poor Japanese. Are you a communist or a socialist?

DEAR READER: Hmmm.

Let me get this straight. Am I to believe that anyone who disagrees with you is either a communist or a socialist? Sure sounds like that's what you're saying. Actually, I am a Goldwater conservative — and proud of it.

My political beliefs, coupled with common sense, lead me to believe that guns are far too available to the wrong people. I own guns — loaded ones at that — but I don't allow my children — or anyone else, for that matter — to have access to them. Therefore, I stand by my position: When there are children in the house, firearms should be field-stripped and locked away. Period. Moreover, I believe that 1. automatic weapons should be banned (they're in no way related to hunting or recreation); 2. the loopholes in gun-possession laws should be eliminated; 3. the purchase of firearms should be strictly regulated; and 4. jerks like you ought to be field-stripped, too.

Clearly, the Bill of Rights provides that every citizen has the privilege of owning a gun for protection. But this does not guarantee the right to an assault weapon. In your case, I think that a single-shot.22 would be appropriate. By the way, didn't your mommy tell you that Germany started World War I and that the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, killing innocent Americans and starting World War II?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm nursing my third child. Because of vaginal shrinkage, my obstetrician prescribed estrogen cream. However, I'm concerned that the hormone in the cream could be absorbed into my bloodstream and passed through my milk to my son. Am I right to be cautious?

DEAR READER: Nursing mothers are always right to be cautious about substances — including alcohol and nicotine — that can enter breast milk and be passed to their infants. However, in your case, the estrogen from hormone cream is not likely to be absorbed in sufficient quantities to cause problems. Your doctor is correct. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Consumer Tips on Medicine." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

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Man arrested for allegedly stealing airport helicopter

NORWOOD, Mass. (AP) — Police arrested a man Monday for allegedly stealing a helicopter from Norwood Airport and flying it to a farmer's field 35 miles away.

Antonio Santanastaso, 40, was arrested after police searched his house in Lancaster, according to Norwood police officer Paul Bishop.

Santanastaso returned to his home just as the officers conducting the search were leaving, and he was arrested, Bishop said.

Santanastaso faces larceny and possibly other charges, Bishop said.

The $170,000 two-seat Robinson R22 helicopter was taken Sunday morning from Norwood Airport and discovered later that day in a field owned by 94-year-old Lancaster farmer Russell Bashaw, Santonastaso's next-door neighbor.

The pilot had asked Bashaw if he could leave the helicopter in the field, Lancaster Police Patrolman Douglas DeCesare said. Police were alerted by another neighbor of the farmer who heard about the missing chopper on the news, he said. The helicopter was covered with blankets and duct tape.

The thief radioed the tower at the Norwood airport Sunday morning requesting permission to take off. Unsuspecting controllers granted the request but soon lost contact.

Cancer claims Jim Lowe, Jr., voice of 'Big Tex' for years

DALLAS (AP) — It was almost like the Wizard of Oz, the way Jim Lowe for more than four decades operated as the voice of Big Tex, the five-story-tall cowboy welcoming visitors to the State Fair of Texas.

Lowe, a longtime radio disc jockey who introduced rhythm and blues music to Dallas listeners in the 50s, died Sunday afternoon at his residence in Dallas after a yearlong battle with cancer. He was 73.

"He was in a little hut with an air conditioner, adjacent to The Old Mill Inn restaurant and the Auto Building at the fair grounds," his son, Gary Lowe, said Monday.

"He wasn't behind a curtain, like the Wizard of Oz, but there was a Chevy truck display, all-terrain vehicles, sports utility vehicles just outside where he was, so many people would stumble across him and mistake him for the Chevrolet sales rep," the son told The Associated Press.

Outside the hut was a shifting sea of humanity, making a beeline for Big Tex a block away, drawn by Lowe's exaggerated drawl — slowed to keep pace with the opening and shutting of Big Tex's mechanical jaws.

Lowe is survived by a daughter, Peggy Crain; and two sons, Gary Lowe and Jim Lowe III, all of Dallas. Lowe's wife, Barbara, died in 1979 from spinal cancer.

Services will be at 3:30 p.m. Thursday at Wildwood Chapel of Restland Funeral Home in Dallas.

For 41 years, his was the familiar voice of Big Tex — from 1953 to 1980 and again from 1986 to 1998. Each October, he took vacation from WRR-AM to be master of ceremonies and manager of big-name music performances at the State Fair of Texas, as well as being the voice of Big Tex.

"Back in the early 1960s, he was manager and master of ceremonies for stage performances at the State Fair that featured such big-name performers as hank Thompson, Fiddlin' Frenchie Burke, Sons of the Pioneers and Eddie Peabody," Gary Lowe said.

Lowe was diagnosed last year with pancreatic cancer and relinquished Big Tex's duties for last fall's State Fair of Texas to Dan Alexander, 64.

Gary Lowe said his father began chemotherapy treatments in September, "after the doctor opened him up and sewed him up again, telling him a tumor was inoperable." The treatments made his father nauseous and disoriented, and Lowe stopped the treatment last Thanksgiving, about two-thirds of the way through the series, feeling the treatments were futile, Gary Lowe said.

"Not to diminish his contributions as State Fair greeter and mascot, but my father wanted first and foremost to be recognized as a DJ and radio announcer," Gary Lowe said Monday.

"He did different things, mostly having to do with show biz in radio. He wanted to be remembered for being a genuine and very devoted radio announcer."

Lowe's father, James Lowe Sr., owned a drugstore in Fort Worth. Lowe began his radio career in 1947, the same year he graduated from Fort Worth Paschal High School. He helped launch KXOL as announcer and musical director. He left Fort Worth in 1950 to join WRR-AM, whose offices were on the state fairgrounds in Dallas, and spent the next 24 years at the station.

It was during that time at WRR that he originated an innovative rhythm and blues program, the "Kat's Karavan" show.

"My dad always was specific that he played rhythm and blues, not rock and roll," Gary Lowe said. "R&B, he would maintain, is not the same as Rock and Roll."

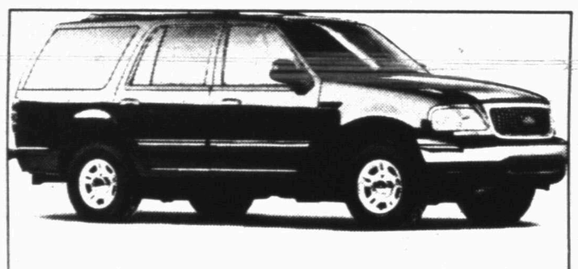
His son added: "That's why my father snubbed the likes of Elvis Presley and really was a purist of the rocking style — the seminal, primal Rhythm and Blues. He preferred the Negro artists as opposed to embracing the likes of Elvis.

A longtime friend, Steve Cumming, now a news anchor at Fort Worth radio station WBAP, said Lowe with his "race music," introduced Dallas listeners to legendary blues artists like John Lee Hooker, T-Bone Walker, Lightnin' Hopkins, B.B. King, Jimmy Reed and Arthur Crudup.

Lowe also introduced comedy sketches to his program at WRR, Cumming said.

At 45 minutes after the hour, for five minutes, Lowe would play "Library of Laffs," which featured five-minute segments of classic comedy routines from favorites such as Abbott and Costello, W.C. Fields, the Marx Brothers, and others.

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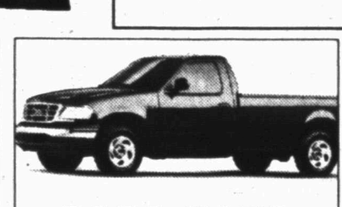
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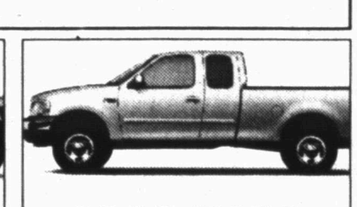
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'Mission' breaks existing box office records

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Mission accomplished.

Tom Cruise's "Mission: Impossible 2" took in $71.8 million over the four-day weekend, easily surpassing the opening of the first spy caper in 1996 and propelling the overall box office to a Memorial Day record.

The "Mission" sequel became the second-best Memorial Day premiere ever, behind "Jurassic Park: The Lost World," which grossed $90.2 million in four days in 1997.

"Mission: Impossible 2" has grossed $92.8 million since opening Wednesday, about $18 million more than the first flick took in during its Memorial Day opening.

The top 12 movies alone grossed $174.7 million this weekend. That shattered the record of $147.9 million set by the top 50 movies over Memorial Day weekend in 1997.

"What an explosive way to start the summer," said Chuck Viane, head of distribution for Disney, which had the No. 2 and No. 3 movies. "Dinosaur" took second place with $33.5 million in its second weekend, while Jackie Chan's comic Western "Shanghai Noon" debuted in third with $19.5 million.

DreamWorks held the fourth through sixth spots with "Gladiator" at $17.3 million, "Road Trip" at $14 million and Woody Allen's "Small Time Crooks" at $3.9 million.

"Gladiator" has grossed $127.2 million, passing "Erin Brockovich" as the top movie so far this year, while "Small Time Crooks" more than doubled the take of Allen's last movie, "Sweet and Lowdown," in just 11 days.

Cruise's sequel already has racked up a little more than half the $181 million "Mission: Impossible" took in domestically for its entire run. The new movie received generally better reviews than the original, which drew criticism for its confusing plot.

"I believe the film plays better than the first one, just based on watching audience reaction in theaters," said Wayne Lewellen, head of distribution for Paramount, which released "Mission: Impossible 2." "And I think perhaps Tom Cruise is an even bigger star today than he was then."

Playing at 3,653 locations, "Mission: Impossible 2" averaged a whopping $19,655 per theater, compared to $10,145 in 3,302 cinemas for "Dinosaur."

The big weekend gave another boost to the year's overall box office, which is running about 9 percent ahead of 1999, when audiences shelled out a record $7.5 billion.

"The enormity of 'Mission's' opening, coupled with the depth of good movies at the box office, is unparalleled in any other Memorial Day I've seen," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc., which tracks movie ticket sales. "Normally, you see one film dominating and the next one at about $10 million, but to have this many movies in double digits, it's amazing."

The weekend's only other new movie, Demi Moore's "Passion of Mind," opened with $220,000 in 104 theaters. The film, which received weak reviews, averaged a meager $2,115 a theater.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Monday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures were to be released today.

1. "Mission: Impossible 2," $71.8 million.
2. "Dinosaur," $33.5 million.
3. "Shanghai Noon," $19.5 million.
4. "Gladiator," $17.3 million.
5. "Road Trip," $14 million.
6. "Small Time Crooks," $3.9 million.
7. "Frequency," $3.8 million.
8. "U-571," $3.2 million.
9. "Center Stage," $2.8 million.
10. "Where the Heart Is," $2 million.

Smoking, severe gum disease linked

CHICAGO (AP) — More than half of the cases of severe gum disease in U.S. adults may be linked to cigarette smoking, according to government researchers who suggest that a main cause of tooth loss could be prevented.

It has long been known that smoking can help cause gum disease, but this is the first national study to show how widespread the problem is, said Dr. Scott Tomar, a researcher with the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Current smokers were about four times more likely than people who never smoked to have periodontitis, but ex-smokers who had abstained for 11 years faced no increased risk, according to Tomar, whose findings were published in the May issue of the Journal of Periodontology.

Overall, 52.8 percent of periodontitis in the study was attributed to current and former smoking.

Jack Caton, president of the American Academy of Periodontology, called the numbers "staggering" and said the study should "compel even more dental care providers to get involved in tobacco cessation efforts."

Periodontitis, advanced gum disease that destroys the tissue and bone surrounding the teeth, is generally caused by bacteria contained in plaque buildup.

Researchers believe smoking causes damage that makes the gums more vulnerable to bacterial infection. Tobacco can suppress the body's immune system, impeding its ability to fight infection. It also reduces blood flow to the gums, depriving them of oxygen and nutrients that allow gums to stay healthy, Tomar said.

"One of the functions of gums is to prevent underlying bone from being destroyed. If you reduce the ability of cells to repair, you will over time lose support for the tooth" and tooth loss may result, said Tomar, who studied government health data on 12,329 people.

Fifty-five percent of the study subjects with periodontitis were current smokers and 21.8 percent were former smokers. Current smokers of more than 11/2 packs of cigarettes a day were nearly six times more likely than nonsmokers to have periodontitis. Those who smoked less than half a pack daily were almost three times more likely to have the disease.

Smoking and periodontitis were both more common in black men and low-income adults — findings in line with U.S. Surgeon General David Satcher's report last week on a "silent epidemic" of oral disease in minorities and low-income Americans. Tobacco use was one of the factors blamed for the problem in the report.

Deborah Winn, a specialist in dental disease and oral cancer at the National Cancer Institute, called Tomar's findings "complementary" with Satcher's report.

She said the study does a good job of outlining yet another reason to quit smoking.

"Tobacco prevention and cessation will be critical in reducing periodontal disease," she said.

On the Net: American Academy of Periodontology site: http://www.perio.org

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Show of support is welcomed by Down Syndrome girl's mom

DEAR ABBY: My letter is in response to "Hurt in Pennsylvania," who wanted her daughter judged on her merits rather than on her Down syndrome.

I, too, am a mother of a daughter with Down syndrome, and I felt bad for "Hurt" — not because her daughter has Down syndrome, but because she failed to recognize those who were obviously attempting to empathize with her, and she is reacting with disdain. I felt bad that your response to her was that her letter "said it very well," because I don't share your view. It is not easy to accept a disability in any child. Down syndrome children ARE similar in many respects; however, that doesn't take away from their individualism. "They" ARE "all so sweet"!

Most people are afraid of the unknown, and when people try to ease someone's pain or "grieving" (as she put it), they shouldn't be alluded to as "insensitive jerks." Our tolerance for others should not be conditional on our own inability to cope. Perhaps it helps others deal with their obvious discomfort to "share their experiences with individuals who have Down syndrome." I, for one, am grateful for all the many people who come forward and offer their love and support since our daughter's birth, even when the attempts are less than perfect.

My daughter is now 19, has graduated from high school and holds a job. There are still difficult things to deal with, but she has affected more people's lives for good than I would have ever dreamed. — **ANNA'S MOM, DIANN STEWART, LAS VEGAS**

DEAR DIANN: I'm pleased that your daughter, Anna, has achieved her many successes. However, the message that "Hurt" was trying to deliver is that it's rude to discuss someone's disability during a casual encounter. I printed her letter because I hoped it would cause people to think about how such comments might be received. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Hurt in Pennsylvania" should be grateful her daughter wasn't born in the '40s, as was my brother — who is 52 this year and doing just fine, thank you. She is fortunate she has not had people ostracize her for having a "ruined" child, as my parents did. A "Christian" minister to whom they had gone for counseling actually told them they had given birth to this "Mongoloid" boy because they had sinned! Other mothers wouldn't let their children play with my brother and me for fear they would "catch it."

We were an Air Force family, and in the '50s we were accosted on the street in Wiesbaden, Germany, by a man who told us he didn't want to see this "abomination" on the public streets, and we should immediately have my brother put away! (Well, at least he didn't say "put down"!)

In high school and college, I was told by young men that they would date me, but not to expect anything further (like love and marriage), because they didn't want "retards" for children.

People like me and my family have worked for the last 50 years to educate the public, and if I am approached by well-meaning folks when I'm out with my brother, they are received politely and are liable to get a brief lecture on Down syndrome, along with the fact that, as far as science can tell, it is a tragic genetic accident, and NOT hereditary. — **CHERI THROOP, FORT WORTH, TEXAS**

DEAR CHERI: I hope that during the last three decades the public has learned enough about Down syndrome that no other family has to experience the pain that yours (and I am sure many others) did because of ignorance.

For those interested in learning more about Down syndrome, the National Down Syndrome Society Web page is at www.ndss.org.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

WEDNESDAY, May 31, 2000

Be ready to move quickly in the year ahead should opportunity knock. Sudden and dramatic changes in your material affairs could have an uplifting affect on your life style.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Unless you're careful today, you could be smitten with a fit of talkativeness and blurt out far more than you should be saying to others. It could get you in trouble. Gemini, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper. P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Put a lock on your wallet today because, should you get an attack of instant gratification, you could spend the wad and have little left when something really good comes along later.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) It's very unlike you to behave in a manner that would demean your image, yet, if you're not careful today your usual self-control could quickly go by the boards if you should not get your way.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Alterations you make today might not be for the better, so guard against impulsively changing anything that is running smoothly. If it isn't broke, don't fix it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Think twice before getting pals involved in any of your big deals today. Business involvements with friends could produce more headaches and complications than they do profit.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Only if you come to realize a commitment you made does not serve your best interest should you attempt to bow out of your commitment today, but do so as tactfully as possible.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't attempt to make demands of others with which you wouldn't comply yourself. People can be inspired, but they will not tolerate being brow beaten.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Because you tend to be a bit romantically adventurous today, you could get yourself in deep water if you're not careful. Don't form any sudden attachments or start something you can't finish.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) That which you're better equipped to handle yourself should not be entrusted to the care of others today. Those you delegate may possibly ruin a good thing you have going.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Keep a cool, level head today and pace yourself so that you don't get careless and have to do tasks all over again. That which you do in haste could be ill-fated.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Before hastily taking a financial flyer today, think about your past experiences. I'll take bets they'll tell you that things turned out luckier for you when you didn't get something for nothing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Today, in your zest for perfection, you may lack tolerance for those who don't do things your way. Remember, if you start pushing people around, someone might push back.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Court restricts rights of creditors

WASHINGTON (AP) — Companies that provide insurance or other services to a business during its bankruptcy proceedings cannot try to collect unpaid fees from collateral held by another creditor, the Supreme Court said today.

The unanimous ruling in a Missouri case said only bankruptcy trustees can invoke a provision of federal bankruptcy law to collect fees from collateral held by someone else.

Justice Antonin Scalia wrote for the court that the law says "the trustee" can recover costs in such a manner, but does not mention anyone else.

"The fact that the sole party named — the trustee — has a unique role in bankruptcy proceedings makes it entirely plausible that Congress would provide a power to him and not to others," Scalia wrote.

The court also:

—Declined to enter a dispute between the federal government and 181 hospitals that say they were underpaid for care they provided to particularly high-cost Medicare patients. Without comment, the court turned away the hospitals' argument that federal law sets a minimum payment for such high-cost patients.

—Refused to consider federal rules intended to keep telephone service affordable in high-cost areas and to subsidize Internet hookups for schools and libraries. A paging service company's appeal was rejected.

Ruling in a second bankruptcy case today, the justices made it easier for governments to collect back taxes from bankrupt debtors. In an Illinois dispute over state sales taxes owed on a $12 million jet, the court said that if a tax law puts the burden of proof on the taxpayer instead of the government, that burden remains the same in bankruptcy court.

The justices unanimously upheld a 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision that said Illinois law put the burden on William J. Stoecker to prove he did not willfully avoid paying sales taxes on the jet owned by his now-defunct corporation.

In the Missouri case, the justices ruled against the Hartford Underwriters Insurance Co.'s effort to collect unpaid premiums for workers' compensation insurance it provided to Hen House Interstate, which operated businesses such as service stations, restaurants and gift stores.

In 1991, Hen House sought protection from creditors in bankruptcy court in St. Louis to allow it to reorganize under federal bankruptcy law.

Train derailment cleanup continues

EUNICE, La. (AP) — Workers moved a leaking tank car today, separating it from a train derailment that kept about 2,000 people from their homes and businesses for a fourth day.

A car containing flammable ethylene oxide that did not derail was pulled down the track, where inspectors found a small leak. Workers decided to burn off the chemical with a flare, gradually emptying the tank, said Chris Guillory, a spokesman for state police.

The only remaining fire was in a hopper car containing plastic pellets, Guillory said. After the blaze is extinguished, inspectors planned to see if the heart of the derailment had cooled down enough to begin an investigation, Guillory said.

Thirty of the train's 113 cars derailed about 75 miles west of Baton Rouge on Saturday, sparking several blasts that sent fireballs skyward and shattered glass a quarter-mile away. Several cars were loaded with hazardous chemicals. No injuries were reported.

Union Pacific had planned to start the inspection of overturned cars Monday, but extreme heat and flames from the derailment forced a postponement.

Evacuees in this southern Louisiana town will not be allowed to return home until it is certain that the railroad cars, many of them carrying hazardous materials, have been declared safe, Union Pacific Railroad spokesman Mark Davis said.

"Until we can get in there and crews can analyze the status of the other cars, we really don't have a timeline on it," he said.

The cars were to be inspected by Union Pacific, the National Transportation Safety Board and the Federal Railroad Administration.

Police have said air monitoring equipment hadn't picked up any hazardous levels of chemicals. Acrylic acid has vapors that can irritate the lungs, nose and throat. Other chemicals on the train could cause dizziness, convulsions and death if large amounts are involved.

Firefighters moved in close enough Monday night to begin spraying two cars containing plastic pellets that were burning.

O'Connor rejects last appeal to block Oregon adoption law

SALEM, Ore. (AP) — U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor today rejected an emergency request to delay an adoption records law from going into effect, allowing adoptees age 21 and older access to their birth certificates beginning later today.

More than 2,200 adoptees already have paid $15 and filed applications with the state Health Division to get their original birth certificates. Most are eager to know their parents' identities, and many want to know more about their medical histories.

The Health Division has said it will begin mailing birth documents as soon as Wednesday.

The law approved by voters in 1998 allows adopted Oregonians age 21 and older access to their original birth certificates, which can include the names of their biological mothers.

The law had been challenged by attorneys for six women who claimed the law violates the privacy of people who give their children up for adoption.

The Oregon Court of Appeals in December rejected their constitutional challenges to the adoption records law, and the Oregon Supreme Court has twice refused to review that ruling.

Last Tuesday, the Oregon Court of Appeals refused to extend a stay blocking the law from taking effect, leaving the U.S. Supreme Court as the only option for the group of six birth mothers, who filed their challenge anonymously.

O'Connor, who fields emergency matters from Oregon for the nation's highest court, rejected their emergency request.

Obituaries

Dick Rutledge

1915-2000

A memorial service for L.D. "Dick" Rutledge, 84, is set for 11 a.m. June 20 in Colonial Hill Baptist Church. The Rev. Miller Robinson, retired minister, will officiate.

Mr. Rutledge, a former resident of Snyder, died Tuesday, May 23, in Plano. Born Dec. 1, 1915 in Rotan, he was owner of Brooks Oil Well Service in Snyder for many years. He moved to Snyder in 1954 and to Plano in 1990. Mr. Rutledge was a 32nd Degree Mason and a member of the Scurry Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Sharon and Eldon Tipping of Plano; a granddaughter, Teresa Tipping of Montreal, Canada; a brother, C.E. "June" Rutledge of Snyder; a sister, Evelyn Polk of Rotan; and nine nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the Family Place, P.O. Box 7999 in Dallas, 75209; or to the American Red Cross.

Pablo Gonzalez

1910-2000

MIDLAND – Pablo R. Gonzalez, the father of Dolores Gonzalez of Snyder, died Friday, May 26, at his home in Midland.

Mass for Mr. Gonzalez, 90, was set for 10 a.m. today in the Santa Teresa Catholic Church in Presidio.

Born Jan. 25, 1910 in Indio Ranch, he had lived in West Texas all of his life. He worked as a farmer and rancher before retiring in 1975. Mr. Gonzalez moved to Midland in 1998.

A son, Benjamin Gonzalez; four sisters; and three brothers preceded him in death.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Gonzalez of Midland; three other sons, Justo Gonzalez of Presidio and Joe Gonzalez and Francisco Gonzalez, both of Midland; five daughters, Anna Maria Gonzalez and Jesus Elena Munoz, both of Odessa; Teresa Gonzalez and Celia Baxter, both of Midland, and Socorro Espinoza of Laredo; a brother, Francisco Gonzalez of Odessa; 15 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

M.C. Ivey

1918-2000

SANTA FE, Tex. - M.C. Ivey Jr. of Santa Fe, Tex., brother of Bobby G. Ivey of Snyder, died Monday, May 29, in the Mainland Hospital in Texas City following a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Ivey, 81, is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church in Altaloma with burial following in Hitchcock Cemetery in Hitchcock.

Mr. Ivey, born on Oct. 13, 1918 in Hermitage, Ark., was preceded in death by his parents, M.C. and Nancy Petty Ivey of Hermitage.

Survivors also include his wife, Charlene Ivey of Santa Fe; one son, Carroll Ivey of Galveston; one daughter, Mary Lee Cambino of Santa Fe; one sister, Virginia Penick of Little Rock; four grandchildren, Marc and Erin Ivey of Galveston, and Laura and Nick Cambino of Santa Fe; one nephew, and three nieces.

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Police chief's granddaughter shot to death at restaurant

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The granddaughter of Police Chief Bernard Parks was shot to death in a restaurant parking lot by gunman who was apparently aiming for her friend, authorities said.

Lori Gonzalez, 20, was shot several times by a man who walked up and opened fire on the car in the driveway of a Popeye's chicken restaurant in south Los Angeles at 10:15 p.m. Sunday, Lt. Horace Frank said.

No arrests had been made Monday night. Police said they had no information about a possible motive for the attack.

"We're really asking the public's help in bringing this individual to justice," Frank said.

The attacker apparently was aiming for Gonzalez's passenger, a 20-year-old friend, police said.

"He ducked and he was not injured," Officer Jason Lee said.

Detectives have begun examining surveillance tapes from a gas station near the shooting scene in hopes that the camera recorded footage of the killer.

Gonzalez is the daughter of one of Parks' three daughters, Felicia, Lee said. Parks also has a son. Parks and his family were "grieving in seclusion," according to a police department statement. The family was "devastated," Frank added.

Mayor Richard Riordan issued a statement of condolence, saying he and his wife, Nancy, were "deeply saddened by the tragic death."

Her father, Joe Gonzalez, told the Los Angeles Times his daughter was studying English at Saddleback College in Mission Viejo, about 60 miles southeast of Los Angeles. She also held two jobs, as a drug store clerk and an operator with Pacific Bell.

Gonzalez described his daughter, who moved in with her father and his family in Mission Viejo two years ago, as "wonderful with people and full of life." She was in Los Angeles visiting her mother, who is divorced from Gonzalez.

Bruce Smith, a resident of the neighborhood where Gonzalez was shot, said safety concerns keep him away.

Activity light for police on holiday

Activity was light for local law enforcement personnel on Memorial Day.

Officers arrested a 22-year-old male at 8:56 p.m. at the Varsity Square shopping center on an outstanding warrant for reckless driving.

DPS troopers arrested a 19-year-old male at 10:58 p.m. on Highway 84 for Class C possession of marijuana. The charge is a misdemeanor.

At 1:18 this morning, officers observed juveniles in the 1000 block of 29th Street tearing up property on a mobile home. Officers took a male juvenile into custody for criminal trespass and probation violation. The youth was later released to his mother.

Officers and deputies also assisted five motorists who had locked their keys in the vehicle.

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Genealogy Society meeting

The Scurry County Genealogy Society will meet at 7 this evening at the Scurry County Library. Everyone is welcome.

Swimming pool hours

The Towle Park swimming pool is open Tuesday through Sunday from 1:30-5 p.m. Family night is 6:30-8 p.m. Saturday. Sign-up now for swimming lessons and aqua aerobics.

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 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 at 573-8511, ext. 223.

FBC worship service

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

Miller Bros. Ranch centennial

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

Camp Springs homecoming

Homecoming for the Camp Springs community will be held starting at 10 a.m. Sunday at the Northeast Community Center. Bring a potluck dish. Ice, cups, plates and flatware will be furnished. Call 573-8948 for more information.

Vacation Bible School

"Son Zone Discovery Center" is the theme of Vacation Bible School set from 9 to 11 a.m. Monday through next Wednesday at the 37th Street Church of Christ.

Good News Ocean Odyssey

Colonial Hill Baptist Church will host an ocean theme Vacation Bible School Monday through next Friday. 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.

First Presbyterian VBS

"The Fisherman's Story" is the theme of Vacation Bible School set for 9 a.m. until noon Monday through next Friday at First Presbyterian Church. Designed for kindergarten through sixth grades, additional information may be obtained from the church office, 573-6195.

Weigh Down Workshop Seminar

Orientation and registration for the Weigh Down Workshop seminar will be at 7 p.m. Monday 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.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. Tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. today are "The Case for Christianity," followed by "The Loving and True God."

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.

Vacation Bible School

"Son Zone Discovery Center" Vacation Bible School will be held for grades K through 6th from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. June 12-16 at North College Ave. Baptist Church. For more information call 573-7527 or 573-9540.

Cub Scout day camp

Summer Safari 2000, the Cub Scout day camp, will be from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. June 14-15, and from 1-9:30 p.m. June 16 at the Hughes Aquatic Base and Training Camp at Lake Colorado City. For more information, call 573-3310.

LVN class testing

Students wishing to enroll in the fall Licensed Vocational Nursing class at Western Texas College should contact the counseling office to arrange for the pre-entrance exam to be given through July 25. Interviews will be conducted through Aug. 7. For more information, call the counseling office at 573-8511, ext. 313.

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 June. 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 day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information call Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery: 20-21-28-33-36

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Monday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
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