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Clinton targets education, balanced budget

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, declaring that Americans "want us to be partners, not partisans," challenged Congress in his State of the Union address Tuesday night to give the nation's schools a big spending increase while balancing the budget by 2002.

Recycling popular ideas from his campaign, Clinton identified education as the top priority of his second term and said Americans should have "the best education in the world." He challenged communities to measure their students against national standards to lift achievement in math and science.

The president's proposals would boost education spending by 20 percent, to $51 billion for fiscal 1998. The increase — including the cost of tax breaks for college — would total 40 percent by 2002.

Two weeks after his second inauguration, the president lectured the Republican-led Congress to "complete the unfinished business of our country" — balancing the budget, enacting long-stalled campaign finance reform and reopening last year's welfare law to restore benefits to legal immigrants.

In a 60-minute speech, his tone was both conciliatory and challenging, calling for racial and political harmony but also pressuring Congress for action. He was interrupted by applause 69 times.

Words are nice. We're waiting for the deeds.' - Sen. Trent Lott

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said Clinton "took a good first step toward cooperation. Words are nice. We're waiting for the deeds."

As Clinton stood before a joint session of Congress, the nation's attention was distracted by news of a verdict in the O.J. Simpson civil trial. He completed his remarks just as the verdict was being read in California.

Balancing the budget by 2002 "requires only your vote and my signature," Clinton said, brushing over the wide gulf with Republicans over how to achieve that goal. "This is not going to be easy," he acknowledged, adding that he believed Americans gave him a second term to make tough decisions about the future.

He said the Republican-driven proposal for a constitutional amendment for a balanced budget was "unnecessary and unwise," adding: "We don't need a constitutional amendment. We need action." That line drew groans from Republicans.

Clinton was on strong footing as he faced Republicans suspicious of his proposals. His political confidence, shaken by the Democrats' devastation in 1994, was restored by his re-election, and his recent approval ratings were among the highest of his presidency.

Rep. J.C. Watts of Oklahoma gave the traditional Republican response to Clinton. In his prepared remarks, Watts struck GOP themes of returning power to local communities, family values and balancing the federal budget.

"The strength of America is not in Washington," said Watts.

For the moment, at least, Republicans and Democrats alike are stressing bipartisanship and cooperation, although neither side pretends there won't be legislative fights.

Still, there was none of the bitterness and distrust that reigned a year ago after budget battles forced two government shutdowns that outraged Americans and tarred the GOP. Indeed, Clinton accepted an invitation from Lott and Speaker Newt Gingrich to visit Capitol Hill next Tuesday to discuss the legislative agenda.

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GRASS FIRE — Snyder Fire Department responded to a fire behind Patterson Drilling shortly after 11 a.m. Tuesday. The fire department's report indicated damage was limited to grass and debris in a field. (SDN Staff Photo)

Routier receives death sentence

KERRVILLE (AP) — A housewife accused of fatally stabbing two of her sons and then slashing her throat to make it look like an attack by an intruder was sentenced to death Tuesday.

A jury took four hours to decide the fate of 27-year-old Darlie Routier, who was stone-faced as Judge Mark Tolle read the verdict. Family members wept quietly.

Defense attorneys Richard Mosty and Doug Mulder said they anticipated the punishment.

"We were prepared for the verdict. We knew what was going to happen. I started preparing her this morning. I said, 'Darlie, there's no chance they're going to do anything but give you death,'" Mosty said. "But this is the first step in a long battle."

Asked how he knew the jurors would choose capital punishment, Mosty said: "I looked over at that jury. They weren't listening to what we had to say. This is the wrong place to try a case like this."

Mrs. Routier becomes the seventh woman on Texas' death row.

While Texas has put 107 men to death by injection since 1982 and 361 in the electric chair from 1924 through 1964, records show it's been 134 years since a woman was executed in the state. Chipita Rodriquez was hanged in 1863 for the murder of a horse trader.

Prosecutors alleged Mrs. Routier, frustrated by financial troubles and the burdens of motherhood, stabbed her two oldest sons and slashed herself to stage a crime scene.

Mrs. Routier, who also has an infant son, claimed an intruder attacked her and her boys and fled through the garage of the family's home in Rowlett, 20 miles east of Dallas. The trial was moved to Kerrville because of pretrial publicity in North Texas.

As jurors deliberated her punishment, Mrs. Routier peeked out the second-floor window of her holding cell, waved and called to her husband, Darin Routier, who was waiting outside. At one point, Routier mouthed to her, "I'll see you in heaven."

Chamber needing WWII display items

In keeping with the upcoming Snyder Chamber of Commerce banquet's theme of honoring the World War II era, memorabilia of that era is needed for decorations for the event.

"We'd like to have anything from the 1940s to decorate the tables and the banquet area," said chamber director Donna Fowler.

"Old hats, dog tags, old records — just about anything from the era around World War II will add so much to the banquet," said Fowler.

A special glass display case will provided for small mementos, and all items will be returned to the owners.

"We plan on having a special display of photographs from that time in history also," added Fowler.

The Ira High School stage band will provide music from the 1940s. Snyder High School drama department will stage a special style show of clothes of that time.

Podesta featured speaker for Adopt-A-School program

A steak dinner banquet commemorating the second anniversary of the Snyder Independent School District's Adopt-A-School program will be held at 7 p.m. on Feb. 13 at Snyder Country Club.

Connie Podesta will be the guest speaker, making her second trip to Snyder. The internationally-known speaker launched the district's start-of-school convocation two years ago.

Her topic this time will be "Life would be easy if it weren't for other people."

Podesta's fast-paced session explores the differences between men and women, touches on marriage and parenting and then moves into the workplace, describing different types of employees.

"Though humorous and motivational, her presentation is full of techniques that can be immediately applied to home and work to help build better relationships, open lines of communication and maybe help everyone enjoy life a little bit more," said Ann McCabe SISD assistant superintendent.

Tickets are available to the public at $10 each and includes the dinner. For additional information, call 574-6012.

Jury determines Simpson is liable

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — This time, it fit.

The accusations, the evidence, the once-unthinkable notion an amiable ex-football star could slash two throats and leave his two young children without a mother — it all struck a jury as true.

In a hot, stuffy courtroom full of reporters, cops and tears, a jury decided it was payback time, and O.J. Simpson was to do the paying.

Jurors slapped Simpson with an $8.5 million judgment on Tuesday night, deducing from evidence old and new that he was liable for the slashing deaths of ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman the night of June 12, 1994.

The decision didn't have to be unanimous, but it was: 12-0. And that was just the beginning.

The jury's findings of malice and oppression triggered the second phase to determine punitive damages — money assessed to punish Simpson. The panel returns Thursday for a hearing on Simpson's financial status.

For relatives of the victims, the end of their painful 2½-year odyssey drew near.

Shouts of "Yes!" rose in the courtroom as the verdict was read. Afterward, the victims' sobbing relatives hugged each other and their lawyers.

"We finally have justice for Ron and Nicole," said Fred Goldman, the aggrieved father who doggedly pursued Simpson to civil court after denouncing his October 1995 acquittal.

As the verdict was read, the 49-year-old Simpson stared straight ahead, as one of his lawyers, Phillip Baker, gently patted his back. The Simpson team then walked out of the courtroom and into a maelstrom.

Outside the building, a crowd estimated by police at 2,000 gathered and chanted "Killer, killer, killer" before Simpson emerged to a mixture of boos and cheers.

The $8.5 million represented the value of Goldman's funeral and the loss of his companionship to his parents. Ms. Simpson's family did not seek compensatory damages.

Ms. Simpson's parents filed a suit on behalf of her estate and also demanded money from Simpson for fatally assaulting her. Any money awarded will go to Sydney and her brother, 8-year-old Justin.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Kids have it made. All they have to do to lose weight is to take a bath."

A recent edition of Veterinary Quarterly contained some information that revealed some interesting thoughts about today's world and it's people.

"If the earth's entire population could be frozen in time and shrunk to a community of 100 people, with existing human ratios remaining the same, it would look like this:

"--There would be 57 Asians, 21 Europeans, 14 from the Western hemisphere and eight Africans.

"--Seventy would be non-white; 30 white.

"--Seventy would be non-Christian; 30 Christian.

"--Fifty percent of the entire world wealth would be in the hands of only six people. All six would be citizens of the U.S.

"--Seventy would be unable to read.

"--Fifty would suffer from malnutrition.

"--Eight would live in sub-standard housing.

"--One would have a college education.

"Multiply those times the world population and you get a pretty good idea of the makeup of the human race."

Since half of the money in the world would be in the hands of six Americans, we have to assume that all of them would be professional athletes.

We found some more headline blunders that you might enjoy:

--Include your children when baking cookies.

--Drunk gets nine months in violin case.

--Cold wave linked to temperatures.

--Drunk drivers paid $1,000.

--Deer kill 17,000.

--Safety experts say school bus passengers should be belted.

--Squad helps dog bit victim.

--Red tape holds up bridges.

--Miners refuse to work after death.

--Killer sentenced to die for second time in 10 years.

--Kids make nutritious snacks.

--Panda mating fails; veterinarian takes over.

--Iraqi head seeks arms.

--Enraged cow injures farmer with ax.

--Something went wrong in jet crash, experts say.

ASK US

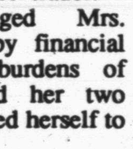
Q—Does the city of Snyder have an ordinance against discharging BB guns within the city limits?

A—No.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 56 degrees; low, 36; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 38; no precipitation; total for 1997, .42 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, 50% chance of rain. Low, lower 30s. E wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, chance of rain 70%. High, lower 40s. E-SE wind 10-20 mph.



Cartavious Groage
Rain in Forecast

Sunset: 6:22 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:33 a.m.
Of 35 days in 1997, the sun has shone 32 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

To love and win is the best thing. To love and lose, the next best.

- William M. Thackeray

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Routier becomes seventh woman on death row in state

GATESVILLE (AP) — Darlie Routier's arrival at a one-story red brick bungalow in the picturesque hills of Coryell County will boost to seven the number of women who live on Texas' death row.

The small building in a tiny corner of the Mountain View Unit of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice — about 40 miles west of Waco — is separated from the rest of the prison by a 12-foot-high chain-link fence topped with curly razor wire.

Mrs. Routier's prospects for a quick execution are slim. While Texas has put 107 men to death by injection since 1982 and 361 in the electric chair from 1924 through 1964, records show it's been 134 years since a woman was executed in the state. Chipita Rodriquez was hanged in 1863 for the murder of a horse trader.

A couple of the women now on death row have had execution dates, which subsequently were put off while appeals continued.

The longest-serving inmate is Pamela Lynn Perillo, on death row since Sept. 4, 1980 for a robbery-slaying that same year in Houston.

Mrs. Routier, found guilty of a capital murder charge in the June 6, 1996, stabbing deaths of her two young sons at their surburban Dallas home, will be assigned a 6-by-9 cell.

One side of the cell includes a bunk. She may be allowed to have a clip-on light to fasten to the bunk and a small plastic fan. There's a small bookshelf at the foot of the bed and she may be permitted to have a radio.

At the opposite end of the bed is a sink and a commode along with a two-drawer chest and a chair. The concrete floor is dark red.

She can expect to be allowed to add a few personal touches to her cell, like painting the walls or using a personal bedspread.

The lone television is across the room, outside the cells, in an area known as the day room. It's where the women also can eat their meals at a table.

An area carpet helps give the place a living-room atmosphere. Next to the TV is a filled bookshelf.



BUSINESS OF THE MONTH — Donna Fowler, right, chamber of commerce manager, recently presented the Business of the Month plaque to Southern Electric. Employees pictured include Gini Grimmett, Robert Palacios, Craig Randolph, John Reed, Anthony Palacios, Tom Martin, Jeff Reed and Dakon Hollingsworth. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Routier described as caring, but she had typical problems

ROWLETT (AP) — Neighbors who remember Darlie Routier for giving Christmas gifts to the blind and entertaining kids on the block shudder to realize she's now a condemned child killer.

"To me, it has been a nightmare for almost nine months," said Mercedes Adams as she stood across the street from the two-story suburban home where Mrs. Routier was accused of fatally stabbing two of her sons.

"Every morning, I'm looking up to ask God why, why don't we have an answer?" said Mrs. Adams, who described the convicted housewife as her best friend and refused to accept her conviction by a Kerrville jury Tuesday.

"In my heart, I don't believe Darlie did it," Mrs. Adams said. "I've known Darlie for a long time and there is something missing we don't know about. I know what is missing — the real killer."

Other residents ventured outside their homes as television cameras focused on the Victorian-style house with green and white wood trim that the Routiers abandoned to creditors.

After the death sentence, Mrs. Adams and neighbor Terry Neal defended Darin Routier's wife as a caring, compassionate mother who was friendly and generous with her own and other children — occasional family problems aside.

Others said justice was served, only questioning whether Mrs. Routier, 27, posed enough of a danger to deserve lethal injection.

Ami Chaump, 27, approved of Mrs. Routier's conviction, but contended that she should have been given a life sentence for her crime.

"I was shocked and surprised they gave her the death penalty," said the neighbor. "I didn't think she would be a continuing threat to society."

Only six other women are on death row in a state which has not executed one since the 1800s.

"The Routiers were hoping for the best," said Terry Neal, who with his wife Karen went repeatedly to Kerrville to hear trial testimony. "But they and we had already figured that, since the jury never listened carefully to a word the defense had to say, they would come out on the losing end.

"That's because the whole case was tried in the media," Neal said, looking from his corner house's doorstep across a traffic circle to the house where Devon and Damon Routier were killed June 6.

Neal's daughter, 12-year-old Rebecca, and her friend Elizabeth Carroll recalled Mrs. Routier's kindness and the stabbing victims' friendship.

"Sometimes Darlie would make up songs and start singing when she didn't think anybody was listening," said Rebecca, standing with Elizabeth on the lawn where the two played with the Routier boys. "She treated everybody like they were her own kid."

Interim director selected

AUSTIN (AP) — The new director of the Texas Lottery says she won't keep the job any longer than necessary.

The Texas Lottery Commission on Tuesday named Kim Kiplin, the agency's top attorney, as acting executive director, one day after former acting executive director Zoann Attwood resigned.

Ms. Attwood replaced former executive director Nora Linares for less than a month after she was fired on Jan. 7.

Ms. Kiplin, 37, has worked as general counsel for the lottery since September 1993. She said she has no desire to become executive director and wants to continue her job as general counsel after a new director is named.

"I'm happy to help the agency anyway I can," Ms. Kiplin said. "I think I better serve and it serves the agency better in the long run to be their lawyer."

Ms. Linares was fired after months of questions about a 1992 $30,000 contract between her friend Mike Moeller and GTECH the lottery's main contractor.

Ms. Linares said she knew nothing about the contract, but the three-member lottery commission said Ms. Linares could no longer be effective as director. She's suing the agency for wrongful termination and wants her job back.

Ms. Attwood, former director of the Montana Lottery, was named acting executive director after Ms. Linares' firing. She had served as deputy director under Ms. Linares for 4½ years.

Ms. Attwood abruptly resigned Monday afternoon, giving hours notice that she was stepping down. She said she wanted to take advantage of other opportunities, according to Hariett Miers, chairwoman of the commission.

Ms. Miers called an emergency meeting Tuesday to replace Ms. Attwood. She said having no acting executive director in place would leave the agency without a person in charge of day-to-day operations.

Ms. Miers said the commissioners will decide Feb. 14 how to conduct a nationwide search for a permanent executive director.

"These three commissioners are dedicated to move that process forward as quickly as we possibly as we can," she said.

"The commission has one interest: that the public of Texas have the utmost confidence in the effective, beyond-reproach operation of the lottery games to produce revenue for the state of Texas and the enjoyment of those who chose to play the game."

Ms. Miers said she expects at least some officials from within the agency to seek the executive director position. She said naming Ms. Kiplin acting executive director was fair to all candidates since Ms. Kiplin doesn't want the permanent job.

Berry's World



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Stanfield

Fall semester awards

STANFIELD ELEMENTARY STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Fantastic Frosties
(Students of the Month)

Courtney Tyrrell, Levi Stahl, Jake Alaniz, Jacob Scifres, Laura Ortega, John Wilson, Brittni Chaidez, Juan Estrada, Mayela Borrego, Omar Herrera, Jamie Arnold, Corbin Smith, Teisha McGlouthin, Ashley Matthews, Syd Wiggins.

Also, Dillon Matthies, Victoria Hermosillo, Priscella Guerrero, Brittney Rivera, Morgan Fenner, Bradley Boyce, Carly Hill, Brett Cross, Preston Munson, Blane Knipe, Marcy Doty, Amanda Rivera, Lupe Zuniga, Erica Munoz, Wesley Price.

Others are, Monica Benavidez, Marcella Torres, Kaitlyn Greenlee, Sarah Covington, Christina Guzman, Kyle Sanchez, Leslie Floyd, Tylor Courtney, Matt Vanderpool, Kyler Hatley, Tasha Ball, Vanessa Martinez, Felicia Guzman, Sean Velasquez.

Also included are Amber Hildreth, Lindsey Small, Josh Lara, Casey Long, Steven Aaniz, Ami Foreman, Michael Mann, Cassie Mhoon, Casey Arnold, Ryne Trout, Jared Scott, Cheyenne Roemisch, Ashley Rodriguez.

Also, Raymond Valadez, Gage West, Forest Clayton, Heather Shaw, Steven Shaw, Pierce Wilson, Brenna Fletcher, Larissa Blackard, Chelsey Drummond, Roman Munoz, Daniel Escobedo, Loretta Jaramillo, Mary Guerra, Samantha Morin, Jacob Johnson.

Others are, Latekka Richardson, Tyler Driggers, Jaedi Baze, Brett Bowlin, Whitley Fulford, Alyssa Davis, April Beth Boyd, Claire Morris, Ashley Browning.

Perfect Attendance

Jared Cave, Jordon Wright, Morgan Fenner, Victoria Martinez, Forest Clayton, Zachary Warren, Erin Hogan, Jacob Scifres, Blane Knipe, Preston Munson, Kunal Bhakta, Casey Smith, Malcolm Deavers, Jodi Ascol, William Greenwood, James Michalski, Brian Villareal, Andrew Dupree, Brandon Hagins, Claire Morris, Zack Block, Monica Dubois.

Also, Zane Block, Amber Loyola, Shannon Mangis, Beth Witte, Hank Berkley, Tyler Everett, Kaitlyn Greenlee, Chris Gutierrez, Ember Profitt, Jeremy Rodriguez, Roman Romero, Adrianna Sosa, Jamie Arnold, William Brasher, Allie Brester, Kelton Clayton, Chase Medina, Randy Morgan, Matthew Schoolcraft, Sidney Wright, Andy Garvin, Chelsea Hackfeld, Staci Lee, Jordan Lester.

Also included, Cinthia Arellano, Mayela Borrego, Nelson Fajardo, Augustin Ornelas, Lessa Rivera, Antonio Rodarte, Jaedi Baze, Tylor Courtney, Starla Early, Whitley Fulford, Stetson Kincheloe, Levi Stahl, Courtney Tyrrell, Brent Burleson, Amber Hildreth, Melissa Newby, Lindsey Small, Trent Early, Ami Foreman, Cheryl Massey, Adrian Sosa, Jessica Yanez.

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RECEIVE DIPLOMAS — Receiving diplomas for Western Texas College's basic child care and development Part III are, from left, Amy Hall of Snyder, Charity Willson, Snyder; Melissa Selvera, Colorado City; Janetta Villarreal, Snyder; Betty Alston, Sweetwater; Jennifer Tovar, Snyder; Christine Gerst, Sweetwater; Elizabeth Reyes, Colorado City; and Ester Cunning, Sweetwater. Dee Wilson is instructor. Registration is now underway for Part I of the course to begin Feb. 18. Call Linda Franklin at 573-8511, ext. 390 for information. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Movie about cadets to air in Fort Worth

FORT WORTH (AP) — A movie about two former military cadets accused in a love-triangle slaying may be shown locally despite arguments that it will jeopardize a fair trial, a judge has ruled.

Attorneys for former Naval Academy midshipman Diane Zamora, 19, argued that Dallas-Fort Worth's NBC affiliate, KXAS, should not be allowed to show "Love's Deadly Triangle: The Texas Cadet Murders."

District Judge Joe Drago on Tuesday denied Miss Zamora's request for an injunction blocking the broadcast, but he asked KXAS to voluntarily pull the program. He also urged residents not to watch it.

"I don't intend to watch the movie, and I would encourage the people of Tarrant County to consider not watching this movie," Drago said.

KXAS said the movie will air as scheduled on Monday with a disclaimer saying it is not based on a court case because two trials are pending.

Miss Zamora and her 19-year-old fiance David Graham, an ex-cadet at the Air Force Academy, are charged in the December 1995 killing of Adrianne Jones, 16. Both defendants were high school seniors at the time.

Prosecutors say the defendants plotted the killing after Miss Zamora found out that Graham had had a fling with the victim. Graham hit Miss Jones in the head with a barbell, shot her in the head and left her in a field, prosecutors say.

During a hearing Monday, Miss Zamora's attorneys contended the jury pool would be unfairly influenced if the movie is shown before her capital murder trial, now set for September.

"She's obviously concerned and frightened and worried about whether people are going to watch this movie and basically treat this as her trial," said Elizabeth Berry, one of Miss Zamora's attorneys.

No decision has been made about whether to appeal the ruling, Ms. Berry said. Defense attorneys may seek a change of venue or other legal remedies such as a continuance should they determine their client has been harmed, she said.

Lawyers for the station argued that less than 15 percent of 1.16 million potential jurors would probably watch the program. They also maintained that blocking the movie was an unconstitutional attempt to suppress the station's right of free speech.

The charge against Miss Zamora carries a possible death sentence, but prosecutors have said they won't seek it because the victim's family prefers a long prison sentence.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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Dealer: East

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A long time in the waiting

By Phillip Alder

Many years ago, when still a teenager, I went to see an international match between Wales and Northern Ireland. At one point, a defender with the doubleton king-jack of trumps was about to ruff. I said, "He must ruff with the king." Sitting directly in front of me was Patrick Jourdain, now editor of the Bulletin of the International Bridge Press Association. Immediately, he leapt out of his chair and shouted, "That's right! That's right! He must ruff with the king! He must ruff with the king!"

I don't have that deal in my records, but this one exhibits the theme. Defending against four spades, West leads the heart eight, East playing three rounds of the suit.

If West ruffs with the jack (which we will assume isn't a subtle play from the doubleton jack-four or jack-eight), declarer should continue with the spade ace, as he cannot pick up king-third of spades in the East hand. However, if West ruffs with the king at trick three, surely declarer will enter dummy with a diamond and play a low spade to his nine.

In Cardiff, the defender ruffed with the jack, and the declarer took the trump finesse, losing to the now singleton king: one down!

I have waited almost 30 years to pull off this coup. It finally arrived last December in Hobe Sound, Fla. Luckily, the declarer, Sarah Armour, was good enough to fall for it, finessing to my remaining jack on the first round of trumps. However, the deal was ruined because my partner had three trumps to the 10. We always had two trump tricks. Curses!

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Dear Abby

by Abigail Van Buren

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Mom Pleads With Her Village To Help Raise Smoke-Free Son

DEAR ABBY: I need your help. Please print this for the people in Edgewater, Fla., to see.

PLEASE DO NOT HELP OUR SON TO SMOKE

Our son is 14 years old, but he looks 18. I have caught him smoking several times. He keeps promising to quit, but I know he is still smoking because I can smell it on his clothes and in his hair. He has lost many privileges since you have been buying him cigarettes.

He is not wise enough at 14 to make this decision, and I need your help in this very important matter.

If he asks you to buy a pack of cigarettes for him, just say, "No, it's illegal!"

If the kids get enough "nos," it might help them to stop. Abby, they are our future leaders. Let's not let them mess up. I read that one out of three people who are addicted to smoking will get cancer.

Thanks for listening. I am signing my name, but please sign me ...

A CONCERNED MOTHER,
EDGEWATER, FLA.

DEAR CONCERNED MOTHER: I am printing your letter because you represent many mothers (and fathers) who do not want their teen-agers to smoke. I hope this helps, although my mail tells me that nicotine addiction is harder to overcome than alcohol. People who buy cigarettes for underage smokers are doing them no favor.

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DEAR ABBY: I want to give recognition to a wonderful person. She is my ex-husband's new wife.

I had conflicts with his girlfriends in the past. Our son lives with him, and it's been difficult for me to deal with another woman telling my son what to do, etc. However, Erica (10 years younger than I am) opened up and told me some background about herself and her family. She shared some frustration and asked for my advice about dealing with my son and similar problems she had with in-laws.

Maybe her discussing these things with me is not proper; I don't know, as I am not well-versed in proper etiquette for extended families. However, Erica embraced me as being an equal part of the family. She is so warm to me and I admire her so much.

I care a great deal for my ex, and we make great friends but a miserable couple. We have put the best interests of our son above everything else, and Erica is mature enough not to be threatened.

I think that she is lucky to have my ex, as he is a wonderful man, but now I also think he is lucky to have her. My son is lucky to have such an open-hearted stepmom.

More divorced couples should think about how the kids feel so torn, like they have to choose between parents. I am so grateful that my son hasn't been put in that position. I want to thank all stepparents who are like Erica. Thanks so very much, Erica.

DANA WHITESIDE, CINCINNATI

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DEAR ABBY: As a 16-year-old Canadian living in Toronto, I would like to clear up some misconceptions that people have about us Canadians:

1. We don't live in igloos; we have regular beautiful houses.

2. It's not freezing year-round. Yes, it does get cold in the winter, but it also gets pretty hot in the summer.

3. Michael Johnson is not the fastest man in the world! Donovan Bailey is, because he won the 100 meters in the Olympics in record time. And, if memory serves me right, it's always been the winner of the 100-meter race who gets the title of world's fastest man.

PROUD CANADIAN
IN TORONTO

DEAR PROUD CANADIAN: I'm not sure what set you off, but I'm pleased that many Canadians (and particularly Donovan Bailey) will be delighted to see that you've gone on record. Michael Johnson overshadowed Donovan Bailey's Olympic triumph last summer in Atlanta. Technically, Bailey, who ran 9.84 seconds for the gold, is the "world's fastest man." The test will be May 31 in Toronto, when Johnson and Bailey compete in a 150-meter match race.

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Snyder Garden Club; MAWC; "Dried Plant Material Arrangements," by LaVerne Hood; Marie Armstrong, hostess; 9:30 a.m.

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

Deep Creek Chapter of ABWA; The Shack; 6:30 p.m.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

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

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 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 appointments; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Horseshoe Pitching for fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome; 3 p.m.

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

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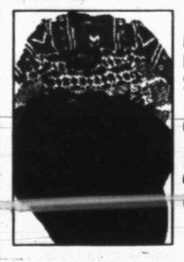
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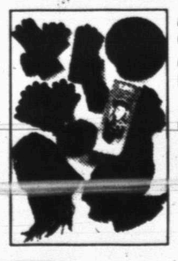
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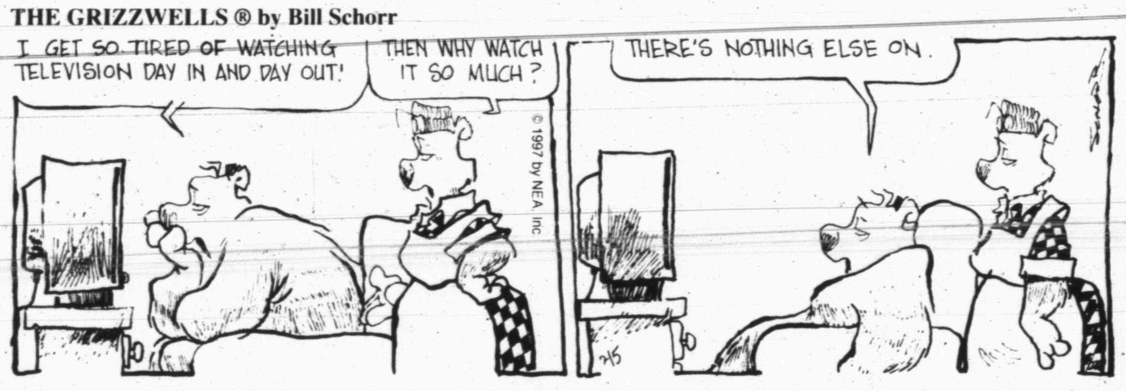
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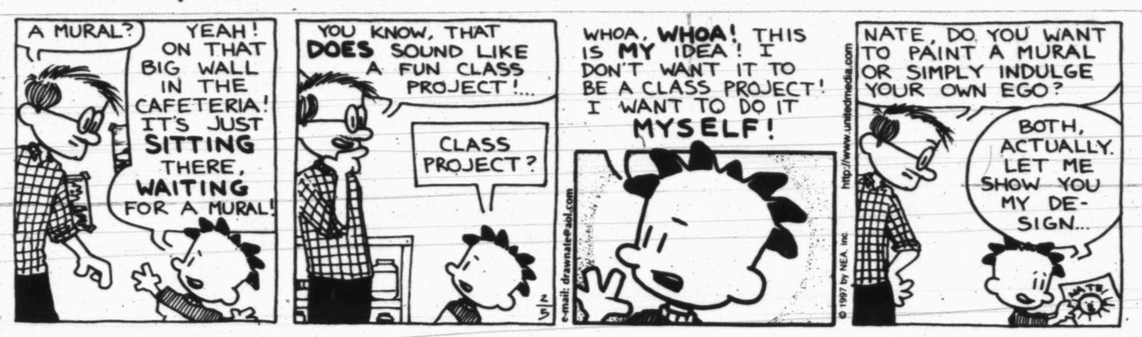
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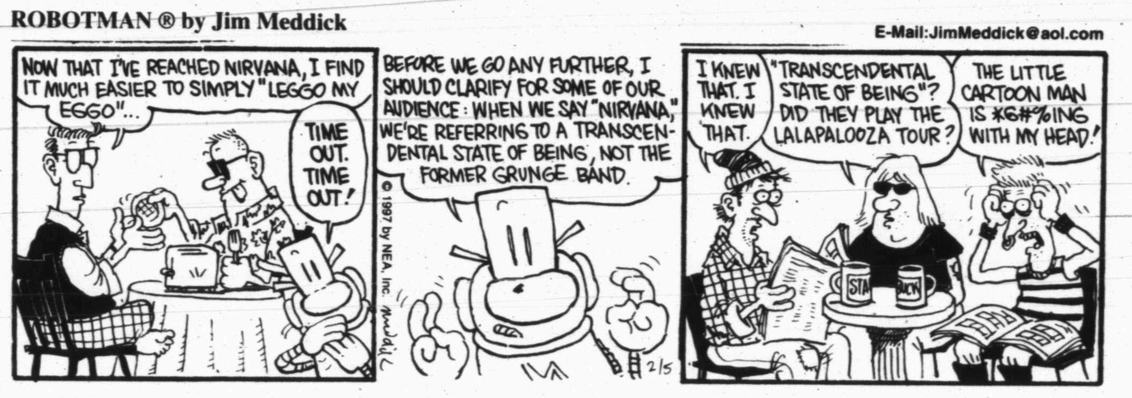


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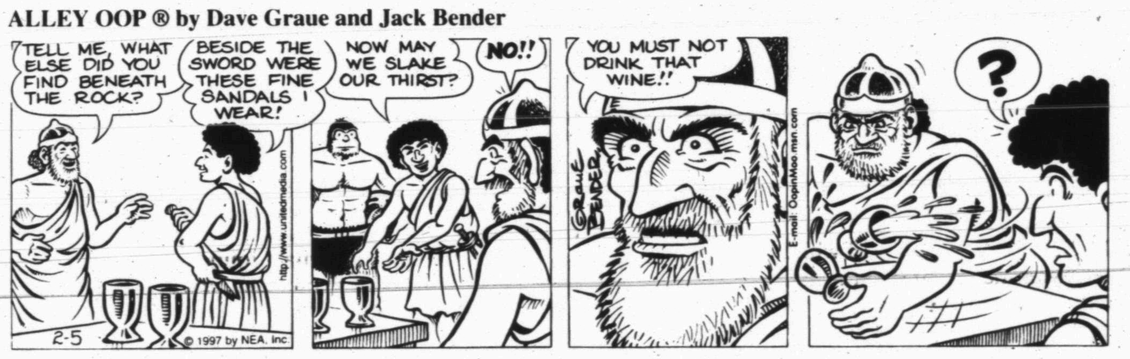


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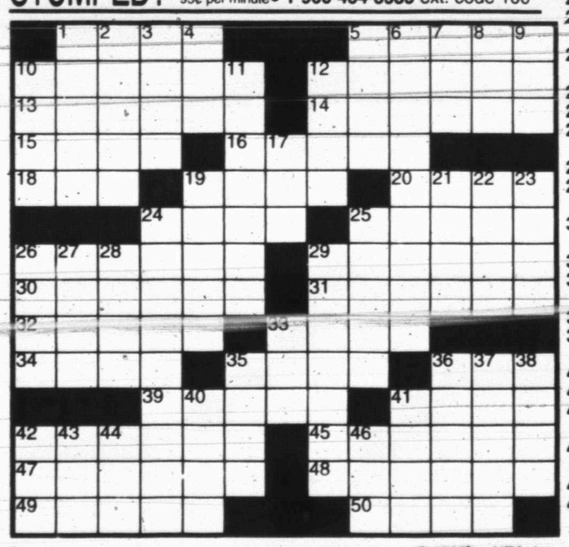
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23 Bonanza brother
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SPORTS

Missouri shocks No. 1 Jayhawks

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — Top-ranked Kansas ran out of great escapes Tuesday night.

Corey Tate picked up a loose ball near the free throw line and scored with 5.6 seconds to go in the second overtime — and two seconds left on the shot clock — as Missouri handed the Jayhawks their first loss of the season, 96-94.

Kelly Thames had 24 points and 11 rebounds and Derek Grimm had 20 points for Missouri (12-10, 4-6 Big 12). Grimm fouled out in the first overtime and Thames fouled out with 1:15 to go in the second overtime.

It was the second consecutive overtime game for Kansas, which hasn't played much like the best team in the nation lately, especially with starting center Scot Pollard sidelined with a broken foot. Before this game, Kansas (22-1, 8-1) survived an overtime scare from Nebraska on Saturday and had close calls against Texas Tech and Colorado before that.

On the game-winner, Tyron Lee was stripped by Jacque Vaughn when he attempted to drive the lane. Tate picked up the ball and didn't hesitate to fire.

After inbounding the ball, Kansas ran out of time before it could get off a shot. Raef LaFrentz launched a 3-pointer that was off the mark after the buzzer had sounded.

LaFrentz had 26 points for Kansas, including an offensive rebound of a missed foul shot that tied the game at the end of regulation. Jerod Haase added 20 points and Vaughn had 19 points and nine assists.

Jason Sutherland added 18 points for Missouri after going scoreless in the first half.

Hermleigh girls win

LORAINE — Kelley Gonzalez hit for 21 points and the Roemisch duo combined for 39 to pace the Hermleigh Lady Cardinals to an 84-56 District 25-A victory over Loraine Tuesday night.

The win keeps the Lady Cards' loop record perfect at 5-0. Loraine dropped to 1-4.

Hermleigh scored 21 points in each of the first two quarters and enjoyed a 42-26 halftime advantage. The Lady Cards put the game away in the third period, banging 26 points while holding the hosts to only 10.

In addition to the 21 points by Gonzalez, Michelle Roemisch was close behind with 20, followed by Jennifer Roemisch with 19.

Melissa Brasuel put in 13 while Ester Martinez nailed six and Kendra Dacus three. Brandy Wooded added two.

Hermleigh lost the boys' game, 82-68, bringing the Cards' league record to 3-3.

Larry Lambaren led the Hermleigh scoring with 26 points. Also in double figures were Caleb Callaway with 13 and Jason Hernandez with 12. Joey Garza canned 11 while Mario Gonzalez put in six.

Both Hermleigh varsity squads close out the regular season Friday night by hosting Blackwell at 5:30 p.m.

Tigers rally to win scrimmage

The SHS varsity baseball team started off on the right foot Tuesday with a 6-2 win in a scrimmage with Abilene Wylie.

The Tigers were scoreless in the fifth, but scored runs in the 7th inning.

Snyder's next scrimmage will be against Sweetwater at 2 p.m. Saturday at Moffett Field. The Tigers' first regular-season game will be against San Angelo Central Feb. 17 at Moffett Field. Snyder will begin district play March 25 against Lamesa.

Girls' 4-A playoffs

Region I
Bi-district

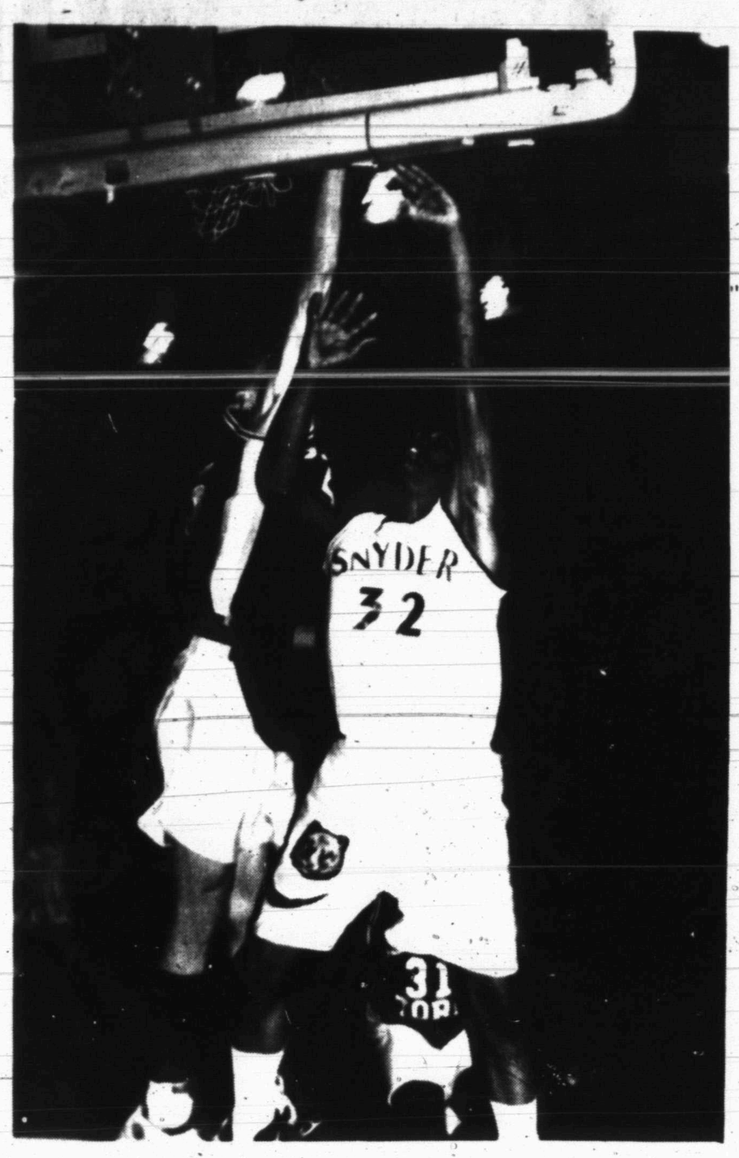
Hereford (21-7) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (21-11), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Floydada
Big Spring (18-9), bye
El Paso Parkland vs. Sweetwater (19-11), 7 p.m. Thursday, Fort Stockton
Levelland (25-3), bye
Stephenville (20-9) vs. Fort Worth North Side (17-10), 7 p.m. Friday, Weatherford
Saginaw Boswell (17-13), bye
Sherman (22-6) vs. Azle (18-9), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, The Colony
Fort Worth Arlington Heights (21-7), bye
Plainview (23-7) vs. Canyon Randall (19-9), 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Tulia
El Paso Bowie (17-7), bye
Andrews (21-8) vs. El Paso Ysleta (13-12), 7 p.m. Friday, Alpine
Canyon (27-0), bye
Fort Worth Trimble Tech (16-13) vs. Graham (21-6), 7 p.m. Thursday, Bridgeport
Burkburnett (19-10), bye
Springtown (18-11) vs. Denton (18-9), TBA
Granbury (27-4), bye



POST TO PLAY FOR SMU — Chris Post officially signed to play football with Southern Methodist University this morning. Seated from left are Post's parents, Kathy and Mike Post and Snyder coach Joe Granato. (Photo By Jamie Sharp)



FAMBRO INKS WITH UTEP — Matthew Fambro signed his letter of intent to play football for the UT-El Paso this morning. Shown standing from left to right are Snyder coaches Robert Wood and Matt Guiterrez. Seated are Fambro's parents, Densell and Jeanie Fambro. (Photo by Jamie Sharp)



LAYING IT UP — Snyder's Chris Riggins (32) attempts to shoot over Lamesa's Andy Ellis. The Tornadoes defeated the Tigers, 68-52, putting Snyder back in a three-way tie for first place in District 2-4A with Plainview and Estacado. (Photo by Stephanie Whittenburg)

Aggies fall to OU in overtime, 62-59

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma found an unlikely contributor in an unexpectedly difficult victory over Texas A&M.

Tim Heskett, who has played sparingly during Big 12 play, gave the Sooners 13 quality minutes and a shot of hustle off the bench in their 62-59 overtime victory Tuesday night.

Heskett made a 3-pointer during a 13-0 run that brought Oklahoma back into the game, then came up with a big defensive play in overtime when he dived to knock the ball away from Shanne Jones on a breakaway with the Sooners leading 60-57.

"A lot of people say you can't teach size," Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said. "In a lot of cases you can't teach heart, either.

"I can't say enough for Tim Heskett. I think he represents any kid that dreams of playing at this level someday."

Oklahoma (13-6, 5-4) trailed by as many as 12 in the second half, but used a press to shake up the Aggies (8-11, 2-7). Texas A&M finished with 25 turnovers, including six during the 13-0 run by the Sooners.

"It turned the game around," coach Tony Barone said. "They did a good job and we didn't react very well."

Oklahoma won despite just six points from Nate Erdmann, whose 23.5 average in conference games led the league. He didn't score after halftime, going 0-5 from the floor.

Corey Brewer had 19 points to lead Oklahoma, but he went 5-of-17 from the floor and committed eight turnovers.

The Aggies controlled the game for about the first 30 minutes. They outrebounded Oklahoma 20-8 and outshot the Sooners 62 percent to 38 percent in taking a 36-29 halftime lead, and then widened it to 45-33 on a four-point play by Tracey Anderson with 13:21 left in regulation.

A 7-0 run got Oklahoma within five, but the Aggies widened it to 51-42 with 8:44 to play. Then they went 6½ minutes without scoring while Oklahoma turned up the pressure and took a 55-51 lead.

Eduardo Najera, who had 15 points and 11 rebounds, scored back-to-back baskets to cap the big run.

But two free throws by Brian Barone and a jump hook by Dario Quesada tied the score at 55 with 49 seconds left. The Sooners missed two shots after that, the final one a 3-pointer by Heskett with seven seconds left.

NBA at glance

By The Associated Press
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EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic Division				
Miami	34	12	.739	-
NewYork	33	14	.702	1½
Orlando	23	20	.535	9½
Washington	22	24	.478	12
NewJersey	13	32	.289	20½
Boston	11	33	.250	22
Philadelphia	11	34	.244	22½
Central Division				
Chicago	42	5	.894	-
Detroit	33	12	.733	8
Atlanta	31	14	.689	10
Charlotte	28	19	.596	14
Cleveland	25	21	.543	16½
Indiana	22	23	.489	19
Milwaukee	21	25	.457	20½
Toronto	16	29	.356	25
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	32	14	.696	-
Houston	32	15	.681	½
Minnesota	22	25	.468	10½
Dallas	16	28	.364	15
Denver	15	32	.319	17½
SanAntonio	11	32	.256	19½
Vancouver	9	41	.180	25
Pacific Division				
L.A.Lakers	34	13	.723	-
Seattle	32	14	.696	1½
Portland	25	23	.521	9½
Sacramento	21	27	.438	13½
L.A.Clippers	19	25	.432	13½
GoldenState	17	29	.370	16½
Phoenix	16	31	.340	18

Monday's Games
Boston 114, Toronto 102
Sacramento 85, San Antonio 79
Utah 111, Washington 89

Tuesday's Games
New Jersey 111, Vancouver 105
Orlando 111, Indiana 87
Charlotte 115, Minnesota 101
New York 99, Houston 95
Cleveland 79, Milwaukee 78
Dallas 104, Sacramento 96
Chicago 88, Portland 84
Atlanta 107, Golden State 85
L.A. Clippers 108, L.A. Lakers 86

Wednesday's Games
Miami at Boston, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Seattle, 8 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 9 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Chicago at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
San Antonio at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Minnesota, 8 p.m.

Create 3-way tie...

"Lamesa Tors blow by Tigers

By Jamie Sharp
Sports Editor

The Lamesa Golden Tornadoes whirled into town Tuesday night and blew the Tigers back into a three-way tie for first place, as Snyder stumbled, 68-52.

"They outplayed us in every aspect of the game." said Coach Bud Birks. "They executed their offense really well, and we got out of control at times."

Snyder stands at 6-3, dropping the Tigers to a three-way tie for first place in District 2-4A with Estacado and Plainview, both winners Tuesday night.

The Tigers were definitely in control in the first quarter, but periods two through four belonged to Lamesa.

It looked as though the Tigers were going to have an easy time with the Tornadoes, coming out with guns blazing. Snyder had nipped Lamesa in the earlier meeting, 54-52.

Snyder scored the first seven points on a pair of jumpers by Jimmy Taylor and a trey by Rick Hendersoq before Lamesa could answer.

The Tigers executed like the top in the district in the first, playing tough defense and scoring at will, ending the period with a 14-9 lead.

Snyder hit 66 percent of its shots in the opening quarter, but went ice-cold for the remainder of the game.

The Tigers came out in the second stanza and missed their first eight baskets, allowing Lamesa to catch up. The Tors tied the game at 14 when Kyle Brown drained a trey at the 6:16 mark.

Snyder's first bucket of the quarter came when Henderson canned a trey with 4:58 left, breaking the tie. Lamesa took its first lead, 22-21, with 3:16 left in the half.

Henderson quickly gave the Tigers the lead back when he knocked down a three of his own from the corner. Lamesa then went on a run, scoring six unanswered points to go up, 28-26.

Snyder showed signs of life when Chris Riggins hit a jumper at the buzzer, ending the half deadlocked at 28.

The Tornadoes' two big men, 6-9 Andy Ellis and 6-5 Chris Roberts ruled the second half. Lamesa was able to consistently score down low, enabling the Tors to stay out front. The Tors were also able to block out the Tiger rebounders, grabbing almost every missed Lamesa shot and putting it in for two.

Matthew Fambro electrified the partisan crowd at the beginning of the third with a breakaway dunk, putting Snyder on top, 30-28. The game went back and forth for the next 2½ minutes before Lamesa went ahead 36-33 on two Ellis charity tosses.

The Tigers were able to score, but not consistently, giving Lamesa the opportunity to add to its lead, and the Tornadoes took a 46-40 lead into the final eight minutes.

The Snyder shooting remained cold in the fourth, with Snyder hitting only two of 12 from the floor. All but four of Snyder's points came from the free throw line where the Tigers went six for 11.

Snyder's first basket of the quarter came on a Jeremiah Johnson jumper at the two minute mark, bringing the score to 60-48. With 45 seconds left Taylor slammed the ball home off an assist from David Smith, but it was too late.

"I give Lamesa all the credit." Birks said. "They have a couple of unfortunate close losses, otherwise, they'd be at the top with the rest of us."

Henderson finished with 16 to lead the Tiger offense. Taylor followed with 15, while Johnson drained 9. Riggins bagged six, and Alvin Fabre, Ramsey Castillo and Fambro added two apiece.

Lamesa's twin towers, Ellis and Roberts, led the Tornadoes with Ellis hitting for 20 and Roberts nailing 10.

The JV fared no better, falling to Lamesa, 40-38. The game was tied at 38 with seven seconds left before Lamesa hit a jumper to take the lead and the win.

The Tigers will finish their regular season schedule Friday night in Levelland when they take on Levelland who bowed to Plainview, 55-41.

The top three teams in district earn the right to advance in the playoffs. Any ties in the regular-season standings will necessitate a playoff for post-season seeding.

Boys basketball 2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Snyder	6	3	20	11
Estacado	6	3	15	14
Plainview	6	3	17	12
Levelland	5	4	13	19
Lamesa	3	5	19	10
Frenship	0	9	12	18

Tuesday's Results: Lamesa 68, Snyder 52; Estacado 84, Frenship 57; Plainview 55, Levelland 41.

Friday's Games: Snyder at Levelland; Estacado at Lamesa; Plainview at Frenship.

Ira drops two games to Grady

IRA — Grady edged the Ira Lady Bulldogs, 47-42, Tuesday night in District 27-A action while the Ira boys fell, 77-52.

Ira's 17-point fourth-quarter rally fell short as the Lady Bulldogs' loop record dropped to 0-5.

Terri Robinson led the Ira scoring with 23 points. Lisha Leatherwood put in six while Rikki Wilkes added five. Jamee Goolsby sank four.

In the boys' game, Logan Daves led the Bulldogs with 16 points. Richard Wilkins and Jose Juarez each canned 10 while Drew Wall and Jerek Brown each nailed seven.

The Bulldogs are also 0-5 in district play. Ira closes out the season Friday night, traveling to Sands.

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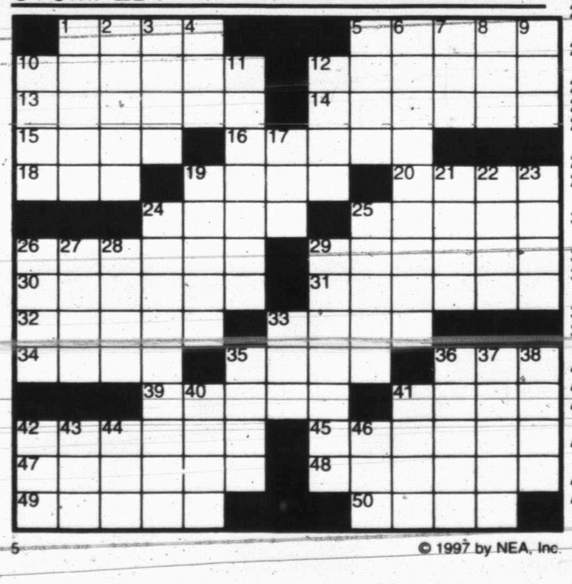
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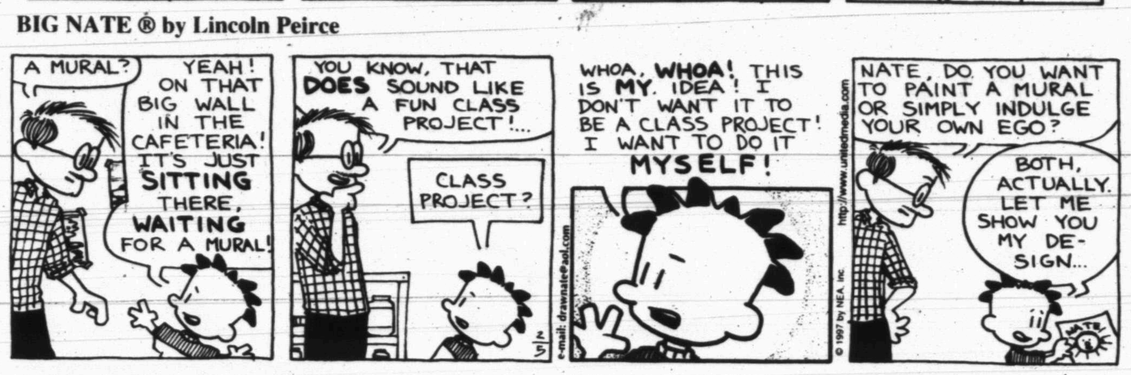
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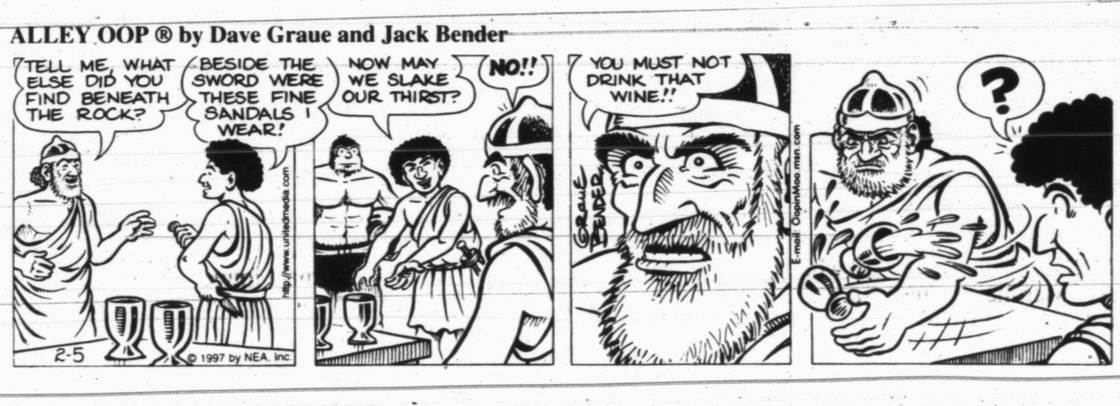


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SPORTS

Missouri shocks No. 1 Jayhawks

COLUMBIA, Mo. (AP) — Top-ranked Kansas ran out of great escapes Tuesday night.

Corey Tate picked up a loose ball near the free throw line and scored with 5.6 seconds to go in the second overtime — and two seconds left on the shot clock — as Missouri handed the Jayhawks their first loss of the season, 96-94.

Kelly Thames had 24 points and 11 rebounds and Derek Grimm had 20 points for Missouri (12-10, 4-6 Big 12). Grimm fouled out in the first overtime and Thames fouled out with 1:15 to go in the second overtime.

It was the second consecutive overtime game for Kansas, which hasn't played much like the best team in the nation lately, especially with starting center Scot Pollard sidelined with a broken foot. Before this game, Kansas (22-1, 8-1) survived an overtime scare from Nebraska on Saturday and had close calls against Texas Tech and Colorado before that.

On the game-winner, Tyron Lee was stripped by Jacque Vaughn when he attempted to drive the lane. Tate picked up the ball and didn't hesitate to fire.

After inbounding the ball, Kansas ran out of time before it could get off a shot. Raef LaFrentz launched a 3-pointer that was off the mark after the buzzer had sounded.

LaFrentz had 26 points for Kansas, including an offensive rebound of a missed foul shot that tied the game at the end of regulation. Jerod Haase added 20 points and Vaughn had 19 points and nine assists.

Jason Sutherland added 18 points for Missouri after going scoreless in the first half.

Hermleigh girls win

LORAINE — Kelley Gonzalez hit for 21 points and the Roemisch duo combined for 39 to pace the Hermleigh Lady Cardinals to an 84-56 District 25-A victory over Loraine Tuesday night.

The win keeps the Lady Cards' loop record perfect at 5-0. Loraine dropped to 1-4.

Hermleigh scored 21 points in each of the first two quarters and enjoyed a 42-26 halftime advantage. The Lady Cards put the game away in the third period, banging 26 points while holding the hosts to only 10.

In addition to the 21 points by Gonzalez, Michelle Roemisch was close behind with 20, followed by Jennifer Roemisch with 19.

Melissa Brasuel put in 13 while Ester Martinez nailed six and Kendra Dacus three. Brandy Wooded added two.

Hermleigh lost the boys' game, 82-68, bringing the Cards' league record to 3-3.

Larry Lambaren led the Hermleigh scoring with 26 points. Also in double figures were Caleb Callaway with 13 and Jason Hernandez with 12. Joey Garza canned 11 while Mario Gonzalez put in six.

Both Hermleigh varsity squads close out the regular season Friday night by hosting Blackwell at 5:30 p.m.

Tigers rally to win scrimmage

The SHS varsity baseball team started off on the right foot Tuesday with a 6-2 win in a scrimmage with Abilene Wylie.

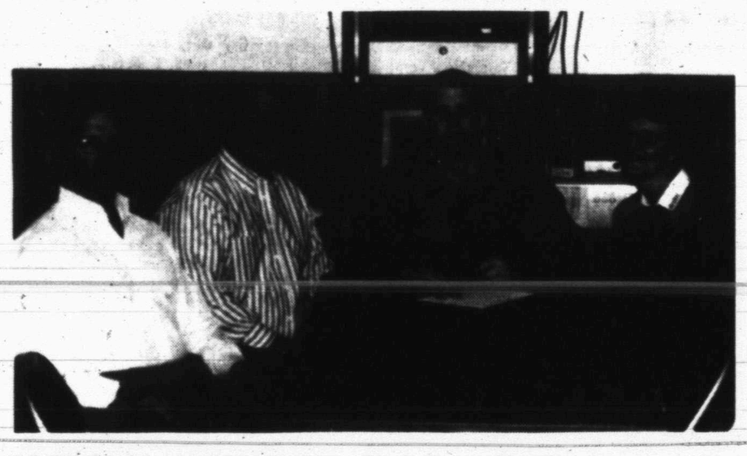
The Tigers were scoreless in the fifth, but scored runs in the 7th inning.

Snyder's next scrimmage will be against Sweetwater at 2 p.m. Saturday at Moffett Field. The Tigers' first regular-season game will be against San Angelo Central Feb. 17 at Moffett Field. Snyder will begin district play March 25 against Lamesa.

Girls' 4-A playoffs

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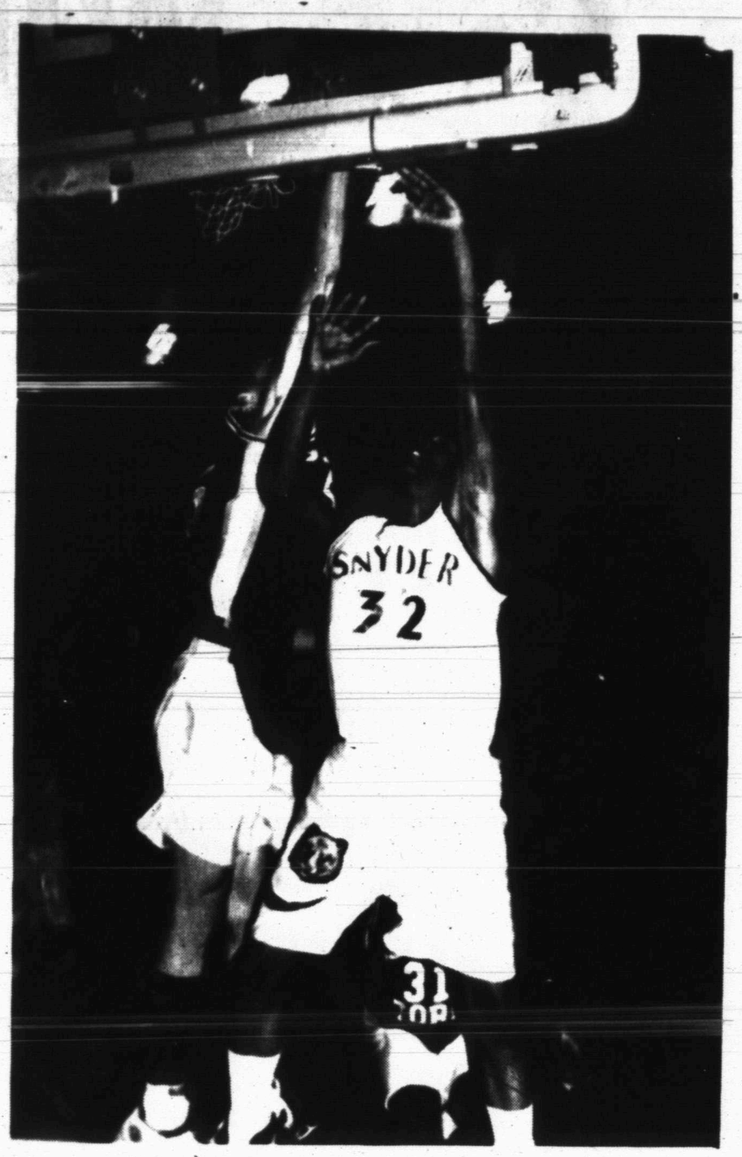
Hereford (21-7) vs. Wolfforth Frenship (21-11), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Floydada
Big Spring (18-9), bye
El Paso Parkland vs. Sweetwater (19-11), 7 p.m. Thursday, Fort Stockton
Levelland (25-3), bye
Stephenville (20-9) vs. Fort Worth North Side (17-10), 7 p.m. Friday, Weatherford
Saginaw Boswell (17-13), bye
Sherman (22-6) vs. Azle (18-9), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, The Colony
Fort Worth Arlington Heights (21-7), bye
Plainview (23-7) vs. Canyon Randall (19-9), 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Tulia
El Paso Bowie (17-7), bye
Andrews (21-8) vs. El Paso Ysleta (13-12), 7 p.m. Friday, Alpine
Canyon (27-0), bye
Fort Worth Trimble Tech (16-13) vs. Graham (21-6), 7 p.m. Thursday, Bridgeport
Burkburnett (19-10), bye
Springtown (18-11) vs. Denton (18-9), TBA
Granbury (27-4), bye



POST TO PLAY FOR SMU — Chris Post officially signed to play football with Southern Methodist University this morning. Seated from left are Post's parents, Kathy and Mike Post and Snyder coach Joe Granato. (Photo By Jamie Sharp)



FAMBRO INKS WITH UTEP — Matthew Fambro signed his letter of intent to play football for the UT-El Paso this morning. Shown standing from left to right are Snyder coaches Robert Wood and Matt Guiterrez. Seated are Fambro's parents, Densell and Jeanie Fambro. (Photo by Jamie Sharp)



LAYING IT UP — Snyder's Chris Riggins (32) attempts to shoot over Lamesa's Andy Ellis. The Tornadoes defeated the Tigers, 68-52, putting Snyder back in a three-way tie for first place in District 2-4A with Plainview and Estacado. (Photo by Stephanie Whittenburg)

Aggies fall to OU in overtime, 62-59

NORMAN, Okla. (AP) — Oklahoma found an unlikely contributor in an unexpectedly difficult victory over Texas A&M.

Tim Heskett, who has played sparingly during Big 12 play, gave the Sooners 13 quality minutes and a shot of hustle off the bench in their 62-59 overtime victory Tuesday night.

Heskett made a 3-pointer during a 13-0 run that brought Oklahoma back into the game, then came up with a big defensive play in overtime when he dived to knock the ball away from Shanne Jones on a breakaway with the Sooners leading 60-57.

"A lot of people say you can't teach size," Oklahoma coach Kelvin Sampson said. "In a lot of cases you can't teach heart, either.

"I can't say enough for Tim Heskett. I think he represents any kid that dreams of playing at this level someday."

Oklahoma (13-6, 5-4) trailed by as many as 12 in the second half, but used a press to shake up the Aggies (8-11, 2-7). Texas A&M finished with 25 turnovers, including six during the 13-0 run by the Sooners.

"It turned the game around," coach Tony Barone said. "They did a good job and we didn't react very well."

Oklahoma won despite just six points from Nate Erdmann, whose 23.5 average in conference games led the league. He didn't score after halftime, going 0-5 from the floor.

Corey Brewer had 19 points to lead Oklahoma, but he went 5-of-17 from the floor and committed eight turnovers.

The Aggies controlled the game for about the first 30 minutes. They outrebounded Oklahoma 20-8 and outshot the Sooners 62 percent to 38 percent in taking a 36-29 halftime lead, and then widened it to 45-33 on a four-point play by Tracey Anderson with 13:21 left in regulation.

A 7-0 run got Oklahoma within five, but the Aggies widened it to 51-42 with 8:44 to play. Then they went 6½ minutes without scoring while Oklahoma turned up the pressure and took a 55-51 lead.

Eduardo Najera, who had 15 points and 11 rebounds, scored back-to-back baskets to cap the big run.

But two free throws by Brian Barone and a jump hook by Dario Quesada tied the score at 55 with 49 seconds left. The Sooners missed two shots after that, the final one a 3-pointer by Heskett with seven seconds left.

NBA at glance

By The Associated Press
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EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
Miami	34	12	.739	-
NewYork	33	14	.702	1½
Orlando	23	20	.535	9½
Washington	22	24	.478	12
NewJersey	13	32	.289	20½
Boston	11	33	.250	22
Philadelphia	11	34	.244	22½
Central Division				
Chicago	42	5	.894	-
Detroit	33	12	.733	8
Atlanta	31	14	.689	10
Charlotte	28	19	.596	14
Cleveland	25	21	.543	16½
Indiana	22	23	.489	19
Milwaukee	21	25	.457	20½
Toronto	16	29	.356	25
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	32	14	.696	-
Houston	32	15	.681	½
Minnesota	22	25	.468	10½
Dallas	16	28	.364	15
Denver	15	32	.319	17½
SanAntonio	11	32	.256	19½
Vancouver	9	41	.180	25
Pacific Division				
L.A.Lakers	34	13	.723	-
Seattle	32	14	.696	1½
Portland	25	23	.521	9½
Sacramento	21	27	.438	13½
L.A.Clippers	19	25	.432	13½
GoldenState	17	29	.370	16½
Phoenix	16	31	.340	18

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Boston 114, Toronto 102
Sacramento 85, San Antonio 79
Utah 111, Washington 89

Tuesday's Games
New Jersey 111, Vancouver 105
Orlando 111, Indiana 87
Charlotte 115, Minnesota 101
New York 99, Houston 95
Cleveland 79, Milwaukee 78
Dallas 104, Sacramento 96
Chicago 88, Portland 84
Atlanta 107, Golden State 85
L.A. Clippers 108, L.A. Lakers 86

Wednesday's Games
Miami at Boston, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at Toronto, 7 p.m.
San Antonio at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Utah at Seattle, 8 p.m.
Washington at Denver, 9 p.m.
Atlanta at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Chicago at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
San Antonio at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Milwaukee at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
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Lamesa Tors blow by Tigers

By Jamie Sharp
Sports Editor

The Lamesa Golden Tornadoes whirled into town Tuesday night and blew the Tigers back into a three-way tie for first place, as Snyder stumbled, 68-52.

"They outplayed us in every aspect of the game." said Coach Bud Birks. "They executed their offense really well, and we got out of control at times."

Snyder stands at 6-3, dropping the Tigers to a three-way tie for first place in District 2-4A with Estacado and Plainview, both winners Tuesday night.

The Tigers were definitely in control in the first quarter, but periods two through four belonged to Lamesa.

It looked as though the Tigers were going to have an easy time with the Tornadoes, coming out with guns blazing. Snyder had nipped Lamesa in the earlier meeting, 54-52.

Snyder scored the first seven points on a pair of jumpers by Jimmy Taylor and a trey by Rick Henderson before Lamesa could answer.

The Tigers executed like the top in the district in the first, playing tough defense and scoring at will, ending the period with a 14-9 lead.

Snyder hit 66 percent of its shots in the opening quarter, but went ice-cold for the remainder of the game.

The Tigers came out in the second stanza and missed their first eight baskets, allowing Lamesa to catch up. The Tors tied the game at 14 when Kyle Brown drained a trey at the 6:16 mark.

Snyder's first bucket of the quarter came when Henderson canned a trey with 4:58 left, breaking the tie. Lamesa took its first lead, 22-21, with 3:16 left in the half.

Henderson quickly gave the Tigers the lead back when he knocked down a three of his own from the corner. Lamesa then went on a run, scoring six unanswered points to go up, 28-26.

Snyder showed signs of life when Chris Riggins hit a jumper at the buzzer, ending the half deadlocked at 28.

The Tornadoes' two big men, 6-9 Andy Ellis and 6-5 Chris Roberts ruled the second half. Lamesa was able to consistently score down low, enabling the Tors to stay out front. The Tors were also able to block out the Tiger rebounders, grabbing almost every missed Lamesa shot and putting it in for two.

Matthew Fambro electrified the partisan crowd at the beginning of the third with a breakaway dunk, putting Snyder on top, 30-28. The game went back and forth for the next 2½ minutes before Lamesa went ahead 36-33 on two Ellis charity tosses.

The Tigers were able to score, but not consistently, giving Lamesa the opportunity to add to its lead, and the Tornadoes took a 46-40 lead into the final eight minutes.

The Snyder shooting remained cold in the fourth, with Snyder hitting only two of 12 from the floor. All but four of Snyder's points came from the free throw line where the Tigers went six for 11.

Snyder's first basket of the quarter came on a Jeremiah Johnson jumper at the two minute mark, bringing the score to 60-48. With 45 seconds left Taylor slammed the ball home off an assist from David Smith, but it was too late.

"I give Lamesa all the credit." Birks said. "They have a couple of unfortunate close losses, otherwise, they'd be at the top with the rest of us."

Henderson finished with 16 to lead the Tiger offense. Taylor followed with 15, while Johnson drained 9. Riggins bagged six, and Alvin Fabre, Ramsey Castillo and Fambro added two apiece.

Lamesa's twin towers, Ellis and Roberts, led the Tornadoes with Ellis hitting for 20 and Roberts nailing 10.

The JV fared no better, falling to Lamesa, 40-38. The game was tied at 38 with seven seconds left before Lamesa hit a jumper to take the lead and the win.

The Tigers will finish their regular season schedule Friday night in Levelland when they take on Levelland who bowed to Plainview, 55-41.

The top three teams in district earn the right to advance in the playoffs. Any ties in the regular-season standings will necessitate a playoff for post-season seeding.

Boys basketball 2-4A Glance

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Snyder	6	3	20	11
Estacado	6	3	15	14
Plainview	6	3	17	12
Levelland	5	4	13	19
Lamesa	3	5	19	10
Frenship	0	9	12	18

Tuesday's Results: Lamesa 68, Snyder 52; Estacado 84, Frenship 57; Plainview 55, Levelland 41.

Friday's Games: Snyder at Levelland; Estacado at Lamesa; Plainview at Frenship.

Ira drops two games to Grady

IRA — Grady edged the Ira Lady Bulldogs, 47-42, Tuesday night in District 27-A action while the Ira boys fell, 77-52.

Ira's 17-point fourth-quarter rally fell short as the Lady Bulldogs' loop record dropped to 0-5.

Terri Robinson led the Ira scoring with 23 points. Lisha Leatherwood put in six while Rikki Wilkes added five. Jamee Goolsby sank four.

In the boys' game, Logan Daves led the Bulldogs with 16 points. Richard Wilkins and Jose Juarez each canned 10 while Drew Wall and Jerek Brown each nailed seven.

The Bulldogs are also 0-5 in district play. Ira closes out the season Friday night, traveling to Sands.

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Men and women...

Army is ready to re-examine joint training

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Army is prepared to re-examine whether it should continue training men and women together in light of widespread allegations of sexual misconduct by military instructors, a top Army officer says.

The Army's chief of staff, Gen. Dennis Reimer, told the Senate Armed Services Committee the Army may review its training policies if a task force looking into the issue decides it was a contributing factor to abuses.

"Some of the reports that I have seen said that this improves the performance of female soldiers in the gender-integrated training; others have said, no, it causes a problem," Reimer told the panel Tuesday.

"So I think we have to lay that all out and look at it and make a determination as to what is best for the United States Army."

The Army has been training men and women together since 1974, Reimer said. The Marine Corps maintains separate training programs.

Several senators questioned whether the Army should continue to mix men and women in basic training, given the fact of youthful sex drives.

"Many people believe there's an inherent conflict," said Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa. "That's sitting there with a match near some gun powder and expecting a spark not to fly now and then."

Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., disagreed, saying segregating training would amount to "punishing women twice" — once when they're exposed to harassment, and a second time when they're placed into separate training.

The Army has been hit by high-profile charges of sexual harassment by one of its highest officers and a new rape charge at a major base.

Shock rock group's concert goes on without incident

LUBBOCK (AP) — Marilyn Manson fans, some dressed in black with painted faces and heavy eyeliner, showed up for a concert Tuesday night, despite protests from Lubbock churches.

About 75 protesters gathered outside the concert venue at Fair Park Coliseum, carrying placards and praying.

Some fans cursed at the protesters, but, overall, the event went smoothly, said Assistant Chief Sheriff's Deputy David Gutierrez, who was in charge of the deputies working to keep the protesters clear of the line of concert-goers.

The Rev. Dale Webster, pastor of Temple Baptist Church, shook his head as he watched the line of teens enter the venue.

"They (the South Plains Fair Association) could have raised enough money here in the community to buy this show out. And then this would not have gone on," Webster said. "It's a sad situation that we've let this come into our city."

Free speech advocate Chris Myles, joined by two friends, organized his own counter protest across the street from Webster and members of his congregation.

"This was a last-minute effort, and I guess it didn't pan out too well," Myles, a 20-year-old computer science student at Texas Tech, said. "But I figured that if I didn't speak up for their right to be here, no one would. At least I'm standing up for something I believe in, and so are they (the concert protesters)."

More than 200 Westminster Presbyterian members also met on the church's parking lot Tuesday night to sing praises to God — and to pray for Marilyn Manson.

Marilyn Manson is a gothic techno group whose music and concerts have sparked protests accusing the band of promoting Satanism. Lead singer Marilyn Manson says he's a reverend in the Church of Satan.

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PhelpDodge	69⅝	69⅛	69⅝— ⅛	
PhilipPet	45⅛	44⅜	45 + ⅜	
PilgrmPrd	10⅝	10⅜	10⅜— ⅛	
Polaroid	44⅛	43⅛	43⅛— ⅜	
Praxair	48	47⅜	47½+ ⅛	
ProctGamble	118⅛	117	118 + ⅜	
PubSNwMx		20⅛	20 20⅛	
RoyalDutch	179¼	177⅞	178⅛+2¼	
SBC Comm	56¼	55¼	56 + ⅛	
SaraLee	40⅝	40⅜	40⅜— ⅛	
SearsRoeb	50	48⅞	49⅞+1	
SherwinW	55⅛	54⅜	55 — ⅛	
SmthBchADS	70⅜	70⅜	70⅜— ⅛	
SouthernCo		22	21⅞ 21⅞	
SwstAirlines	22⅛	22	22 — ⅛	
Sprint	42⅜	41¼	41⅜+ ⅜	
SunCo		26⅝	26⅝ 26⅝	
TNP Ent		27⅞	27½ 27⅝	
Tandy		45⅝	45⅝ 45⅝	
Temple Inl	56⅜	56	56⅛— ⅛	
Tenneco	39⅜	39¼	39⅜— ⅛	
Texaco	106⅜	105⅛	105⅞+ ⅜	
TexasInd	54⅞	54⅜	54⅝+ ⅛	
TexasInst	76	74⅛	74⅜—1⅝	
TexUtil		40⅜	40⅜ 40⅜	
Textron	96⅛	95⅞	96⅛+ ⅜	
Travelers s	55⅛	54⅜	54⅜— ⅛	
TrinityInds	33⅜	33¼	33⅜+ ⅜	
TritonEngy	49½	49	49⅜+ ⅜	
Tyler		2⅛	2 2⅛	
US WestCm	33⅛	33⅛	33⅜+ ⅜	
USWstMda		18½	18½ 18⅝	
USX Delhi		16⅛	16⅛ 16⅛	
USX-Marathn	27⅞	27½	27⅝+ ⅛	
USX-USS	32	31⅛	31⅜— ⅛	
UnCarbde	45⅝	45¼	45⅝+ ⅛	
UnPac s		61⅛	61 61	
UnitedTech s	70⅛	69⅜	70⅛+ ⅛	
Unocal	45⅛	43⅜	45⅛+1⅜	
WalMart	23⅞	23½	23⅜+ ⅛	
WstnGasRs	18⅜	18⅜	18⅜— ⅛	
WestghEl	18⅜	17⅞	18⅛+ ⅛	
WinnDixie		30⅛	30⅜ 30⅜	
Woolworth	20⅛	20	20 + ⅛	
XeroxCp s	58⅛	57⅜	58 + ⅛	
ZenithE		11⅛	11¼ 11¼	

Scurry County Country

TPWD Report

By Jim Lionberger, Wildlife Biologist,
Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

Now is the time for landowners and land managers to begin planning their bobwhite quail management practices.

Practices such as discing and spot grazing can stimulate the growth of forbs that quail and other wildlife species prefer as food. This is achieved by creating a soil disturbance, resulting in a backward swing of the plant succession process.

In addition to providing food in the form of seeds, forb production is also advantageous to the production of insects that are important in the diet of nesting hens and quail chicks during their first eight to 10 weeks of life. Practices such as half-cutting can provide quality loafing cover for quail by increasing the cover value of mesquite.

Discing should be performed by mid-March, prior to the growing season. The soil disturbance caused by discing can stimulate the growth of forbs or "weeds" that are preferred food items for quail and other wildlife species.

Discing should be performed in strips near existing woody cover such as a brushy field border or timbered creek. Using a tandem disc at a depth of three to six inches will work well. Different soil types will result in different forb response to discing.

Forbs such as annual sunflower and giant ragweed may be produced by discing on bottom land soils. Discing on upland soils may produce croton, partridge pea, western ragweed and broomweed.

"Spot or flash" grazing is another practice that can stimulate forb growth. This practice involves heavy, short-duration grazing of small enclosures such as waste areas and traps. Forb growth is stimulated as a result of the soil disturbance created by the hoof action of the grazing animals. "Spot" grazing should be completed and cattle removed by mid-March, prior to the growing season.

Half cutting is best performed on smooth-barked, multi-trunked mesquites. A "living brush pile is created by cutting halfway through the top side of the outer trunks approximately 3 feet above the ground, pulling the trunks outward away from the center and allowing the tops of the half-cut trunks to lie on the ground, forming a wagon wheel pattern.

Half-cutting should be performed during late spring or early summer when the sap is flowing. Half-cut mesquites should be spaced approximately 75 yards apart.

Free technical assistance with your wildlife management efforts is available through the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department's Private Lands Enhancement Program.

For technical assistance in the Snyder area, contact Jim Lionberger, wildlife biologist at 573-9864. For technical assistance in the Panhandle, contact Danny Swepston, district wildlife biologist at 806-655-3782 for the wildlife biologist in your area.

Town & Country Topics



By Kathryn Roberts,
County Extension Agent

How to handle stress as a caregiver:

We all face stress, whether it's from the death of a loved one, finances, a new marriage or just trying to cope with day-to-day rigors of living. That stress is multiplied when you are a caregiver — to a child, elderly parent or ailing spouse.

We must be honest with ourselves and pay attention to our own needs.

When we meet our own needs, we are better able to give care to others and we become better persons all around.

Support from others is very helpful during times of crises. We also need support in our everyday lives — from co-workers, from friends and family — in helping us to be the best person we can be.

Stress comes from emotional and biological responses to events and experiences. These may include both those events that are good and those that are bad.

Stress is something we need to function well. It's only when stress becomes excessive that it's a hazard to our health.

In his book, "Mind as Healer, Mind as Slyer," Dr. Kenneth Pelletier said that stress affects everyone the same way, whether they're old or young or male or female. As teenagers, Pelletier said that people begin to accumulate the effects of psychological stress. By mid-life, they feel the toll it's taking and stress disorders result from this buildup.

It also is important to know the difference between injurious and non-injurious stress.

"Non-injurious stress occurs when someone knows what's causing the stress, can deal directly with the problem and feel a sigh of relief as things get back to normal.

Injurious stress is stress that is not under a person's control or that occurs when several stressful things happen at the same time.

Although we cannot control injurious stress, we must balance it with things which give us pleasure.

TPWD News

By Calvin Richardson, Wildlife Biologist,
Texas Parks & Wildlife Department

What happened to the "Good ol' days"

What happened to the "Good ol' days" when quail coveys flushed every 15 minutes, and you could bag a couple of pheasants by mid-morning? As a Wildlife Biologist with the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department, I've had the opportunity to hear a number of explanations for the demise of our feathered friends. One of the most common is, "The season is too long." Heard just as often is, "A mysterious disease spread throughout the region, wiping out the bird populations."

Many frustrated sportsmen espouse the opinion that increasing the pheasant bag limit from 2 to 3 has caused untold tragedy. And still others insist that an increase in predator numbers has wiped them out.

Often accompanying each explanation is a suggested management strategy to return our bird populations to their former abundance.

This article is my attempt to provide a few facts that may help some to understand the importance of habitat to quail, pheasants, and all wildlife populations (realizing, of course, that there are always those who will forever retain their current viewpoint).

So, what did happen to the good ol'days?

First of all, I guarantee that during any of the "good ol' days" that you can remember, we weren't anywhere close to a 16-inch precipitation deficit like we have accumulated over the past four years.

When conditions are that dry for that long, bird populations simply do not fair well. Rainfall does not magically cause birds to appear — there are specific biological reasons why bird populations do well when precipitation is more consistent.

Soil moisture produces an abundance of tender green plants in the spring which are used by nesting hens as a source of water and Vitamin A (critical in the egg-laying process). Dense vegetation is more abundant, providing cover for escape and nesting.

Seed production among key food plants increases, but more importantly, insects are much more abundant during average or good rainfall years. Insects are used by nesting hens for protein and calcium (important in eggshell development), and are relied on almost exclusively by newly hatched chicks during their first 8-10 weeks of life.

Specifically concerning pheasants, the good ol' days may be gone forever in Texas. Try to remember back to the "glory days" of the late 1970s and early 1980s. What do you recall about the type of farming and the irrigation methods? There were relatively more cereal grains (corn, sorghum, and wheat) substantially more irrigation — predominantly row-irrigation. Almost 20 percent of the water pumped from the Ogallala Aquifer was being lost from the farm as runoff.

Yes, it was wasteful, but extremely beneficial to pheasants. The wet ditches, playas, and tailwater pits provided excellent escape cover, nesting cover, and an abundance of seeds and insects, as well as ground-level humidity important for a successful hatch.

Decreasing aquifer levels has resulted in a drastic decline in the amount of irrigation occurring today compared to the "glory days." In addition, there is an ever-increasing number of farms switching to center-pivot irrigation systems to prevent water waste.

These systems are extremely important in water conservation (decreased runoff) but have resulted in a decline in the quantity and quality of pheasant habitat. The drought has only exacerbated an already difficult situation.

To be continued next week

In Abilene...

Farm & Ranch Show slated next Wednesday, Thursday

The 5th Annual Big Country Farm and Ranch Show, scheduled for Feb. 12-13 at the Taylor County Fair Grounds in Abilene, will be the one location for regional producers to check out the newest products available for the 1997 growing season.

When 15,000 attending producers walk through the fair ground's doors, they will see more than 350 booths featuring the latest in ag-related products and services.

New products will include: Ag Wrap bale wrapper, Caterpillar Challenger tractors, Flexi-Coil seed treater, Ford E-Series backhoe, For-Most 450 squeeze chute, Hardi Mega 3 pint sprayer, John Deere 8000 Series tractors, New Holland 1470 mower conditioner and 60 Series GEMINI tractors, Orkin Fly Blocker System, Pierce p-93 Center Pivot System, Super-Bio and Top Hand HDTB-101 squeeze chute.

Seminars are an integral part of the 5th Big Country Farm and Ranch Show. The meetings are organized by the Taylor County Agricultural Extension Service and Rolling Plains Cotton Growers.

Six and a half CEUs will be offered for pesticide applicators during various meetings.

U.S. Rep Charles Stenholm, ranking Minority Leader of the House Ag Committee, will be speaking during the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers annual meeting on Thursday, Feb. 13. The meeting starts at 10 a.m.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Wednesday and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Thursday. Sponsors include KTAB-TV, KEAN-Radio, Taylor County Ag Extension Service and the Rolling Plains Cotton Growers.

Admission is free. For more information, call 612-894-8007.

Diversified

By Terry J. Millican, County Extension Agent

Lowering estate taxes subject of programs

COLLEGE STATION — Many people have been concerned for years about high taxes that erode their estates. To help take the bite out of their high estate taxes, the Texas Agricultural Extension Services is planning several educational programs.

A two-day seminar which will help people learn how to reduce taxable estates and new methods for passing their operations to the next generation without tax and administrative burdens will be held in several locations.

The seminars will be held on Feb. 12-13 in the Alamo Towers W., Suite 420, 901 NE Loop 410 in San Antonio; Feb. 20-21 at the Holiday Inn Civic Center, 801 Ave. Q, Lubbock; and Feb. 25-26 at the Harris County Extension office, #2 Abercrombie Dr., Bear Creek Park, Houston.

The seminar will begin with a discussion on estate taxes, including deductions, expenses and tax rates.

Basic estate planning devices will be explained in depth, said Dr. Wayne Hayenga, Extension agricultural economist. Among these are wills, by-pass trusts, gifts, disclaimers and property titles.

"Relating estate plans to income tax savings can be of even greater benefit than just thinking about an estate plan," Hayenga said.

There also will be a separate segment of the program devoted to treating beneficiaries fairly. "This is a most important subject when there is a farm or ranch in the family and only part of the heirs want to run it," he said.

Discussion also will center on estate planning tools for agriculture and corporations, partnerships and selling part of the business to heirs.

The second day of the program will be devoted to special estate tax rules for agriculture. These include special farm land valuation, deferred estate tax payment rules, life insurance, "flower" bonds and other property, he said.

"Estate planning is a step toward reduced taxes," Hayenga explained. "This process should start when you plan to inherit substantial property, when you have an active and growing business, when you still have times to take tax-saving actions, when you have minor children and when your children marry or divorce."

For more detailed information about the seminar, contact local county Extension agents or Wayne Hayenga or Carol Sabo, Agricultural Economics Deaprtment, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX 77843-2124, telephone 409 845-2226.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market at Sweetwater had a run of 973 head of cattle for the Wednesday, Jan. 29, sale. All cattle full steady and active with packer cows and bulls 2 to 3 cwt higher. Pairs and bred cows were steady.

STEERS
300-400: 76-88
400-500: 75-87
500-600: 70-78
600-700: 66-74

HEIFERS
300-400: 65-75
400-500: 60-69
500-600: 60-67
600-700: 58-65

BRED COWS
Good: 400-520
Older and Plainer: 300-400

PAIRS
Good: 550-650
Older Plainer: 400-550

PACKER COWS
Good: 32-38
Low Yielding: 28-32

PACKER BULLS
Good: 42-47
Low Yielding: 38-42

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 812 head of cattle for the Thursday, Jan. 30 Sale. Cows were steady. Calves and yearlings were steady to $1 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 31 to 36; Canner and low cutters 24 to 31; Slaughter bulls 40 to 46.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 70 to 85; 400 to 500, 65 to 80; 500 to 600, 65 to 75; 600 to 700, 65 to 74; 700 to 800, 63 to 68.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 60 to 69; 400 to 500, 60 to 65; 500 to 600, 60 to 64; 600 to 700, 60 to 63; 700 to 800, 55 to 61.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 60 to 73.50; 700 to 800, 55 to 62.50.

Cow and calf pairs: good 450 to 650 grade 350 to 450.

Springers: 250 to 450; doodlers 60 to 125.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 1,445 head of cattle at the Saturday, Feb. 1 sale. Slaughter cows, feeder cattle, balance stocker cattle and heavier cattle were $1 to $3 higher, with stocker cattle $1 to $2 higher. Packer cows and bulls $2 to $3 higher. Pairs & stock cows were steady.

Heifers: 200 to 400, 66 to 74.50; 400 to 600, 62 to 73.50; 600 to 800, 58 to 64.25.

Steers: 200 to 400, 80 to 93.50; 400 to 500, 75 to 85; 500 to 600, 68 to 78; 600 to 800, 65.50 to 70.50.

Young bred cows 330 to 475.

Medium age to older bred cows: 330 to 370

Young cows and calves: 510 to 620.

Packer cows: 27.50 to 39.50.

Packer bulls: 40.50 to 45.25.

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Jurors had no one else to blame but Simpson

SANTA MONICA, Calif. (AP) — The differences were many but in the end it may have come down to one idea — the jury in O.J. Simpson's civil trial wasn't offered anybody but the former football great to blame.

Although the law did not require the defense to find that answer, it was an underlying theme of the case and one which the defense was barred from exploring in the second trial.

In bitterly fought pretrial motions, defense lawyers lost the option of suggesting to jurors that Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman were killed by shadowy figures in the drug underworld — a theory offered during Simpson's criminal trial.

Judge Hiroshi Fujisaki rejected the strategy on grounds the defense could not back it up with sufficient evidence. Simpson's lawyers in the criminal trial suggested Ms. Simpson's drug-using friend, Faye Resnick, placed her in harm's way when they lived together. Perhaps, the lawyers suggested, Ms. Resnick owed money to drug dealers who came in search of her and killed the victims by mistake.

But Fujisaki found the theory was speculation and ruled it could not be mentioned.

In the verdict announced late Tuesday, jurors unanimously found Simpson liable in the killings of his ex-wife and her friend and awarded Goldman's mother and father $8.5 million. A punitive phase of the trial — to punish Simpson — is to begin Thursday.

Jurors remained under a gag order, so they weren't talking and it's impossible to know what turned jurors so steadfastly against Simpson. Perhaps it was the physical evidence — the blood, hair, fibers or gloves.

Maybe it was something Simpson said — or didn't say — or 31 pictures purportedly showing Simpson wearing Bruno Magli shoes, the same type that left bloody prints near the bodies.

Even before the first lawyer filed the first brief back in 1995, a different set of rules were in place. As a civil case, those going after Simpson had a much less onerous task than prosecutors.

The burden this time was proof by a preponderance of evidence — the scale needed to tip just slightly to find Simpson responsible for the 1994 killings.

In the criminal trial, prosecutors faced the more severe guilt "beyond a reasonable doubt."

Yet the unanimous verdict by the jury in the civil case — which required only a 9-3 decision — suggested that more was at work than a new legal burden.

First and foremost was the composition of the jury.

In a racially charged case, the civil jury ended up with nine whites, one Hispanic, one Asian and one of Asian and black heritage. The criminal jury had nine blacks, two whites and one Latino.

As a result, some issues just didn't resonate with this panel. The police frame-up theory, so critical in the first trial, apparently was rejected wholesale this time.

In going after the cops, the defense had to worry about a jury that likely had different experiences with law enforcement.

Also, Fujisaki barred testimony of disgraced former police Detective Mark Fuhrman.

Branded as a racist hate monger in the first trial and forced in October to plead no contest to perjury, Fuhrman was accused by the defense during the criminal trial of framing Simpson by planting evidence.

By the time the civil trial began, Fuhrman had moved out of state and refused to return to testify. The defense asked to use the next best thing, his testimony at the criminal trial, but the judge ruled against them.

Fujisaki bought the plaintiffs' argument that defense lawyers had no legitimate reason to call Fuhrman as a witness and were merely setting him up as a whipping boy, injecting him in the case only to tear him down — an unacceptable reason to present a witness.

In his opening statement, lead defense lawyer Robert Baker attacked Ms. Simpson's reputation. He told jurors the beautiful divorcee ran around with a bad crowd, consorted with drug users and prostitutes, and got pregnant by a lover and had an abortion.

All of this, he said, could have placed her in the path of a killer.

But his allegations were never developed in testimony. Simpson was the only witness asked to discuss the claims and he seemed reticent to trash the reputation of his dead ex-wife.

In the end, the defense even tried trashing Goldman's reputation.

But no one ever offered the name or the face of another possible killer.

Reaction to O.J. Simpson verdict mixed

By HELEN O'NEILL
Associated Press Writer

At the Mezzaluna restaurant in Los Angeles, where Nicole Brown Simpson ate her last meal, the dramatic reading of the verdict was greeted with cheers and claps.

At Sylvia's Soul Food Restaurant in Harlem, it produced a bitter cry of disbelief.

Around the country Tuesday night, people paused once again to ponder the results of an O.J. Simpson trial. Once again reaction seemed to explode along starkly racial lines: a black verdict and a white verdict, in the public's mind and in the courtroom.

Sixteen months after a mostly black jury acquitted Simpson in the killings of ex-wife Nicole Brown Simpson and her friend Ronald Goldman, he was found liable by a mostly white jury and ordered to pay $8.5 million in compensatory damages.

"Oh, thank God," said Laurie McCormick, a Brentwood stockbroker who watched the verdict over pasta at Mezzaluna as shouts of "Yes!" erupted all around. "I waited so long to hear this."

In Harlem, Rudy Battle, a construction worker from New York, shook his head as the tiny television at Sylvia's conveyed the news.

"It's a disgrace," he cried angrily as a handful of black customers in the restaurant nodded in agreement. "No witnesses. This is sick. No witnesses, not even one."

Bartender Julian Williams said: "He was acquitted for the murder. How can they find him innocent of murder and liable?"

The scenes at Mezzaluna and Sylvia's were repeated across the country with reactions that many acknowledged seemed shaped by race.

A national telephone poll taken by ABC News immediately after the verdict found two-thirds of adults — 74 percent of white respondents but only 23 percent of black respondents — agree with the jury's decision.

At Winchell's doughnut shop in South Central Los Angeles, James Williams, 73, offered his own bleak appraisal.

"They tried to break him, but he'll make money somewhere else," said Williams, who is black. "They were determined to get a white jury, that's why they got the black one off, to make sure that they won."

The only black juror on the panel was removed last Friday for failing to disclose that her daughter was a secretary in the district attorney's office that prosecuted Simpson.

Many people called for an end to a national obsession that no one thought had done the country any good.

"Let it rest," said Karla Cabado, a 45-year-old Hispanic woman, at Gold's Gym in Dade County, Fla. "Eight-point-five million does not bring Nicole back."

The cry for closure was echoed by Harry Scull Jr., the free-lance photographer who took a shot showing Simpson wearing Bruno Magli shoes at a football game. The photograph, and others that surfaced of the shoes, were considered major pieces of incriminating evidence.

"I'm glad it's over," said Scull of Buffalo, N.Y., where Simpson was a hero during his days as a running back for the Buffalo Bills. "I hope there's some closure for the Goldman and Brown families. Hopefully, everyone can get on with their lives."

Jim Hazelet of Buffalo hoped things would get worse for Simpson.

"(The jury) should take his house, his car, his dog, his golf clubs," Hazelet, 31, said about how much compensation the plaintiffs should get.

Date Book

Feb. 5, 1997

Today is the 36th day of 1997 and the 47th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1850, the first adding machine was patented.

On this day in 1917, Mexico's present constitution was adopted.

On this day in 1945, American troops entered Manila in the Philippines.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Marie de Sevigne (1626-1696), correspondent; Adlai Stevenson (1900-1965), U.S. statesman; William S. Burroughs (1914-), writer, is 83; Red Buttons (1919-), comedian-actor, is 78; Andrew Greeley (1928-), sociologist-writer, is 69; Henry Aaron (1934-), baseball great, is 63; Roger Staubach (1942-), football great, is 55; Barbara Hershey (1948-), actress, is 49; Jennifer Jason Leigh (1962-), actress, is 35.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1976, Austrian skier Franz Klammer won the Olympic downhill ski competition in Innsbruck, Austria.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Unreason and anti-intellectualism abominate thought.... But shouting is not a substitute for thinking and reason is not the subversion but the salvation of freedom." — Adlai Stevenson

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1986, an ice storm left 4 inches of ice on the ground in Dewey County, S.D.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Jan. 31) and new moon (Feb. 7).

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What's next in O.J. Simpson civil trial?

By The Associated Press

Now that a jury has determined O.J. Simpson was responsible for the deaths of Nicole Brown Simpson and Ronald Goldman, what happens next?

—Attorneys return to court this afternoon for a hearing in which the defense intends to challenge the testimony of two plaintiff witnesses scheduled to testify in the punitive damages phase.

—That damages hearing is set for Thursday morning, featuring opening statements and witnesses testifying about how much money Simpson has and, if allowed by the judge, how much money Simpson stands to make in the future.

—The lawyers will give another round of summations, with the plaintiffs likely to argue for a huge monetary award to punish Simpson and hold him up as an example. The defense likely will say Simpson has suffered enough.

—The six-man, six-woman jury then retires for another round of deliberations to determine a punitive damage award. There is no limit for such an award in California, although excessive awards are often overturned on appeal.

—In the longer term, Simpson attorneys will almost certainly appeal the jury's verdict, contending that Superior Court Judge Hiroshi Fujisaki made numerous errors that robbed Simpson of a fair trial.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, Feb. 6, 1997

The year ahead could be one of exceptional promise, especially in situations in which you can assert your authority. Your creativity will enable you to accomplish many things.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Something promising might be in store for you at this time. Others will be involved, but you will be in the driver's seat. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Positive changes will happen soon, but you may not be aware of these developments yet. However, you will learn about everything at the proper time.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An ally you made recently could prove her worth to you today. This person's actions will help you to appreciate the value of a true friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) You may find several new career opportunities today, even if the outlook has been dismal for a long time. Take advantage of this good fortune.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A current project could be organized more efficiently. If you make the necessary changes, you will finally achieve the results you desire.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Your financial prospects look promising at this time, but you must continue to work hard. Do not rest on your laurels.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Partnership arrangements should prove to be mutually advantageous at this time, especially if you team up with colleagues who take their responsibilities seriously.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) An excellent career opportunity could be just over the horizon. A sudden shift might enable you to improve your financial situation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you want to achieve your goals today, you may have to be bolder than usual. Do not hesitate to take a chance if you know the odds are in your favor.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A situation that has caused you to worry looks as if it will be concluded to your satisfaction. It might even pave the way for something you haven't anticipated.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A condition you didn't anticipate might eclipse your present expectations. Do not worry, because the new program could be better than the one it replaces.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Dawn could be breaking on a new financial horizon for you today. You might discover a source that was previously untapped.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is blue-green algae good for health?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: A friend suggested that I begin taking a dietary supplement called "Super Blue-Green Algae," which contains protein, minerals and vitamins. According to the promotional literature, it's supposed to aid in losing weight, provide energy and a feeling of well-being, and prevent virus infections. Should I use it?

DEAR READER: I've frequently written that we fail to take full advantage of an enormous nutritional potential: products from the sea — especially marine "vegetables." Blue-green algae are such a product.

It is, as you said, rich in protein, minerals and vitamins, exactly the same attributes found in land-grown vegetables, which are much cheaper to purchase.

You can certainly take blue-green algae supplements. However, no scientific study has shown that they are superior to the traditional plant sources, including grains and vegetables. The algae do not confer additional health benefits; you can obtain the same results from eating a well-balanced diet, with an emphasis on land-grown, plant-based products, particularly grains, yellow vegetables and fresh produce.

Perhaps some future entrepreneur will devise a more nutritious sea-grown diet (including seaweed and other plants) that can cheaply supplement our present preferences, but — so far, anyway — such a diet has not been developed.

To give you more information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Fads II: Herbs and Other Healing Fads." 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.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 70 years old and healthy, but I have an annoying condition — my fingernails chip, tear and come off in layers, even though I use rubber gloves when I wash dishes or clean. Any suggestions?

DEAR READER: Chipped and broken nails can be a real problem to treat, and I don't have any sure-fire way of correcting the problem, which is often related to the aging process or a vitamin deficiency.

You might be helped by seeing a dermatologist. Many diseases, including psoriasis, will affect the nails. Until these diseases are brought under control, the nails will remain brittle.

I've had some patients swear by an old-fashioned remedy: one tablespoon of gelatin in a glass of water or juice, consumed two or three times a day. You might give this a try while waiting for the doctor's appointment.

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Aesop's fables were first collected 200 years after his death.

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Intelligence staff sees threat from Asia

WASHINGTON (AP) — Instability and growing military power in Asia pose the greatest security threat facing the United States, top intelligence officials told lawmakers today.

The chiefs of the CIA and the Defense Intelligence Agency outlined potential threats from North Korea, China, Iran and Iraq in testimony before the Senate Intelligence Committee.

George Tenet, the acting director of central intelligence, and Lt. Gen. Patrick Hughes, the director of the DIA, said the combination of economic crisis and great military power in North Korea pose the greatest immediate security concern.

"What makes us especially concerned about the future evolution of North Korea is its military strength," Tenet said. "It's 1.1 million-strong military retains the ability to inflict enormous destruction on allied forces, including the 37,000 U.S. troops deployed in South Korea."

Hughes said, "A Korean war scenario remains our primary near-term military concern. War on the peninsula could erupt with little warning."

The testimony is part of an annual hearing to assess threats facing the United States.

Hughes identified China as the key long-term security concern facing the United States, stemming from the growth of Chinese economic and military power in the region.

"In our judgment it will take at least a decade before China can acquire, and integrate, these new (military) capabilities," Hughes said. "Beyond that time frame, however, China will have real potential for significant increases in military effectiveness."

Hughes called China one of the few powers with the economic, political and military potential to emerge as a large-scale threat to U.S. interests in Asia over the next 10 to 20 years.

Tenet cited China's "new assertiveness" that has led to occasional friction with Washington over such issues as weapons proliferation, particularly weapons sales to Pakistan and Iran, as well as human rights.

Tenet predicted that Muslim clerics in Iran would retain power and are poised to capture the presidency in elections this spring. Iran's purchase of Kilo-class submarines from Russia and its improvement of anti-ship missiles athwart the Strait of Hormuz pose a key security threat.

New DNA evidence supports Sheppard's story of intruder

CLEVELAND (AP) — New DNA evidence supporting Dr. Sam Sheppard's story that an intruder killed his wife in 1954 may help the couple's son collect money for the 10 years Sheppard spent in prison.

Sam Reese Sheppard wants to vindicate his father, whose sensational case inspired "The Fugitive." He died in 1970 after winning a federal appeals court ruling that his first trial was flawed.

The DNA findings were presented Tuesday to Cuyahoga County officials and a team working for the younger Sheppard.

Terry Gilbert, a lawyer representing Sheppard, said the tests produced a result "entirely consistent with Sam Sheppard's story, that he came upon an intruder and there was a struggle."

Assistant Prosecutor Carmen Marino said the results suggest a third person may have been present with Sheppard and his wife and that more investigation is needed.

The tests will be submitted in support of Dr. Sheppard's famous alibi — that a bushy-haired intruder beat his pregnant wife to death in their home on July 4, 1954.

That would allow Sheppard to seek $25,000 for each of the years his father was in prison, plus undetermined economic losses.

"My family has regained our honor," he said in a statement released Tuesday. "I believe my father's case will have huge ramifications. It is an example of how the justice system can err, and how it also can be corrected."

Sheppard, who was 7 when his mother was killed, has asked Judge Ronald Suster to declare his father innocent and wrongly imprisoned. Suster said he will hold a hearing on the new DNA evidence during the last week in February.

Dr. Sheppard was 46 when he died of liver failure in 1970, four years after attorney F. Lee Bailey won his acquittal at a new trial.

Forensic DNA specialist Dr. Mohammad Tahir, who conducted the tests for free, said he tested two bloodstained items — a wood chip and a swatch of Sheppard's pants — preserved from the crime scene, as well as two vaginal smears taken during Mrs. Sheppard's autopsy.

The initial investigation assumed all blood found at the scene was Mrs. Sheppard's, since there was no evidence that Sam Sheppard was cut.

The tests showed the blood could not be hers, but the findings did not exclude a convicted murderer who once washed windows at the Sheppard home and was briefly suspected of her slaying, Gilbert and Tahir said.

The scientists said the DNA could belong to inmate Richard Eberling, although they gave no statistics on that likelihood.

The dried blood could also have been a mixture of two other people's blood, or possibly one person's blood that became contaminated over the years, Tahir said.

Semen that was found in the vaginal samples also did not exclude Eberling, Gilbert said.

"Frankly, I think the whole thing is baloney," Eberling, 67, said Tuesday from the Orient Correctional Institution in Columbus. He is serving a life sentence on an unrelated murder charge.

Obituaries

Billy Rogers

1910-1997

Graveside service is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Snyder Cemetery for William (Billy) Albert Rogers, 86, of Snyder. Mr. James Ham will officiate and Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Rogers died Tuesday in Snyder Oaks Nursing Center after a lengthy illness.

Born Sept. 5, 1910 in Childress, Mr. Rogers was retired from Dow Chemical.

Survivors include a sister, Autry Pulse of Chicago, Ill.; a nephew, Nelson Jones of Snyder; two nieces, Nelline Ham of Big Spring and Mary Wright of Snyder.

Gladys Ogle

1896-1997

BIG SPRING — Funeral service for former Snyder resident Gladys Nolen Ogle, 100, will be held at 1:30 p.m. Thursday in Big Spring's First United Methodist Church. Burial will follow in the Mount Olive Cemetery.

Dr. Ed Williamson, pastor of the church, will officiate. Ellis Funeral Home in Midland is in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Ogle, the grandmother of Joe Bass of Snyder, died Monday in the Westwood Medical Center in Midland.

She was born 25 miles north of Clarendon on the Cree Ranch on April 1, 1896. Mrs. Ogle was a member of the Philathea Sunday school class at First United Methodist Church of Big Spring, where she had been a member since 1933. She was a lifetime member of the Order of the Eastern Star, Chapter 67 in Big Spring.

Mrs. Ogle resided in Snyder during 1990-1993 with her daughter, the late Joyce Bass, and attended the First United Methodist Church in Snyder.

Survivors include six other grandchildren, Shirley Branch of Eustis, Fla; Mignonne Peterson of Tacoma, Wash.; Yvette Sanders of Barnwell, S.C.; Celeste Layne of Albuquerque, N.M.; Candyce Drummond of Midland; and Bill Bass of Houston; 13 great-grandchildren; six great-great-grandchildren; two nephews; four nieces; and numerous cousins.

Mack Cooper

1916-1997

Mack Ray Cooper, longtime Snyder resident, died at 5:43 p.m. Monday in the Midland Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness. He was 80.

Service is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the chapel of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born on July 22, 1916 in Idabel, Okla., he married Lillie Belle Cooper on Sept. 2, 1947 in Lamesa. An oil field worker, Mr. Cooper was a Methodist and had resided in Snyder since 1952. He was a WWII veteran, serving in the Army in the Pacific Theatre.

Survivors include his wife, Lillie Belle Cooper of Snyder; a daughter, Nancy Mills of Oakridge, Tenn.; a son, David Cooper of Santee, Calif.; a sister, Mildred Rogers of Colorado City; three grandchildren; three stepchildren; two great-grandchildren; and seven step-great-grandchildren.

Rev. Crayton

1916-1997

AUSTIN — The Rev. Columbus Crayton Sr., formerly of Snyder, died Sunday in Austin. He was 80. Service is set for 11 a.m. Friday in the Alice Taylor King Chapel of King Tears Funeral Home.

Burial will follow in the Assumption Cemetery in Austin.

While living in Snyder, Mr. Crayton organized the Friendly Will Baptist Church and was lead singer in the Crusaders for many years. He was an employee of SISD for several years and also operated Crayton's Barbecue. He served as second vice moderator of the Permian Basin District Association, as an instructor.

Survivors include two daughters, Edith Butler of Winterhaven, Fla., and Alice Moore of Austin; and five sons, Columbus Crayton Jr. of Paige, Tex., Horace Crayton of Orlando, Fla., and Joseph Crayton, David Crayton and Leonard Crayton Sr., all of Austin.

Personal, Professional Service

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Area law officers make three arrests

Two people were arrested on outstanding warrants Tuesday and another was taken into custody for driving while intoxicated.

Officers arrested a 21-year-old male at 10:38 a.m. in the 3600 block of College Avenue on a warrant for public intoxication.

A 20-year-old female was arrested at 1:04 p.m. in the 3600 block of College Avenue on four city warrants.

Following a report at 10:51 p.m. of a possible intoxicated driver in the 4600 block of College Avenue, officers arrested a 22-year-old male for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

In other activity Tuesday, officers were called to 1201 29th St. by Welton Cobb in reference to someone charging calls to his telephone. An offense report for credit card abuse, a state jail felony, was filed in the matter.

Luz Ann Longoria requested to speak to an officer at 6 p.m. in reference to a washing machine being stolen from a residence at 2511 Ave. X. A report for Class B theft was submitted.

Officers investigated a minor accident in the parking lot of the Park Village Apartments was at 12:40 p.m. Involved were a 1979 Ford driven by Helen Sturdivant of 1006 29th St. and a 1992 Ford driven by James Thiebaud of Colorado City.

An offense report for assault by threat by juveniles was submitted at 12:58 p.m. in reference to an incident at West Elementary.

David Fisher notified officers at 5:36 p.m. that he had found a bicycle behind the House of Anti-eks in the 4000 block of College Avenue. The bicycle was returned to the owner at 7:18 p.m.

An offense report for a hit-and-run accident was filed Saturday, Feb. 1 from the 2600 block of Avenue E. Involved were a 1987 Oldsmobile driven by Robert Medrano of 420 32nd St. and a vehicle which left the scene.

The fire department responded to a report of a grass fire behind Patterson Drilling on the Lamesa Highway shortly after 11 a.m. Damage was limited to grass and debris.

A report of a gas drive-off from Skinny's on East Coliseum Drive was made at 11:48 a.m.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Mary F. Machen, 4000 Jacksboro; Frances Sanders, 5311 Big Spring Highway; Jennifer Walker, 3901 Ave. O #27; Margarita Benitez, 417 33rd.

DISMISSALS: Melton Barry, Jimmy Bridges, Odis Craig, Sid Miller, Agnes Sorrells, Tammy McBroom, Reeda Thomas.

CENSUS: 54 (Med., Surg.-13, Long-term Care-37, CCU-2, OB-1, Nursery-1).

Births

Bryan and Jennifer Walker of Snyder are parents of a son born at 2:46 p.m. on Feb. 4 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed six pounds, 11½ ounces.

What's Up?

Financial aid broadcast to air

A satellite broadcast will be presented Thursday on Channel 32 entitled "FAFSA: Step-By-Step for Parents and Students." The two-hour program begins at 6:30 p.m. and contains pertinent information about completing financial aid application forms for high school seniors.

Winter band concert slated

Snyder High School Symphonic Band will hold its winter concert at 7 p.m. Thursday in Worsham Auditorium. The public is invited. There is no admission fee.

Model plane club to meet

Snyder Area Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Winston Field. Visitors are welcome.

'Frankenstein' to be on stage

Snyder High School drama department will present an original version of "Frankenstein" Saturday and Monday at Worsham Auditorium. Tickets are $3 each for the shows, which begin at 7:30 p.m.

Lucky 13 Sweetheart Formal

The Lucky 13 Sweetheart Formal will be held Saturday, Feb. 15, from 8 until midnight at the country club. Admission is $3 per person or $5 per couple. The formal is for sophomores, juniors and seniors. Photographs will be taken by Wadleigh Studios.

Circus tickets being sold

Representatives from Circus Gatti will be contacting local residents offering tickets to the circus, which will be held at Scurry County Coliseum on Feb. 18. Scurry County Sheriff's Posse is sponsoring the event.

Scurry Youth Center

Scurry Youth Center, located at the Boys & Girls Club, is open Friday and Saturday evenings from 7 until 11. To participate, you must have a current Boys & Girls Club membership or pay $1 admission.

SNS needs financial help

Snyder Neighbors Sharing, which repairs homes of persons over 65 or disabled, is in need of donations for the April 26 workday. Donations can be mailed to SNS, P.O. Box 541, Snyder, or dropped off at Sam Robertson's Insurance or the West Elementary School office.

Adult education classes

GED and ESL classes are available at Western Texas College. Times are 8-11 a.m. Tuesday through Thursday and 6-8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Contact the college continuing education department for more information.

Tiger baseball fund-raiser

Chances for a $500 trip certificate from Premier Travel will be sold for $2 each by Snyder baseball players, with a drawing set for 1 p.m. March 1. Proceeds will be used to purchase baseball equipment and help with travel expenses. Contact any high school baseball player for tickets, or call 573-3155, 573-7145, 573-7437 or 573-3298.

Free tax help provided

An AARP tax aide will be available on Wednesdays at the Senior Center from 9 a.m. until noon and 1-3 p.m. to help middle and low income older taxpayers prepare their personal income taxes. For information, call 573-4035 or 573-3822.

Retired teachers to meet

Retired teachers will meet at noon Monday at the Senior Center.

Bible study video tapes

Bible study video tapes are airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. They are followed by a new series titled The Story of the Bible. The program continues at 7 p.m. Monday. The tape is "Jesus Through the Eyes of James," followed by lesson four in The Story of the Bible: "The Movement."

Grief support group

The grief support group meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the First Presbyterian Church.

Senior Swimnastics

Senior Swimnastics is held each Tuesday and Thursday at the Western Texas College pool from 2:15-3:45 p.m.

Bass Club sets meeting

Snyder Bass Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Snyder National Bank hospitality room. Everyone is invited.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
7-6-6
(seven, six, six)

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Cash 5 drawing Tuesday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 12-15-27-37-38.
Number matching five of five: three.
Prize per winnner: $60,041.
Winning ticket(s) sold in: Pasadena, Lewisville, Center.
Matching four of five: 420. Prize: $643.
Matching three of five: 14,623. Prize: $30.

Cosbys hire top security consultant

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Bill Cosby's hiring of a Hollywood security consultant to monitor the investigation of his son's killing is not a sign he is dissatisfied with police, a source connected with the family said.

The Cosbys "are not at odds in any way with the homicide investigation," the source said Tuesday.

Gavin DeBecker, whose celebrity clients include Michael J. Fox, was hired last week, according to another source.

Cosby wants DeBecker to "help the family get a better understanding to what the LAPD is doing," the source said.