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THURSDAY

Snyder Daily News

Ask Us

Q—Have the traffic lights at 37th St. and College Ave. been changed? It seems confusing.

A—There has been a misunderstanding about how the traffic lights at that intersection operate. The problem, according to the Texas Department of Highways and Public Transportation, seems to be the left turns. A green arrow is a protected left turn and a green ball is a permissible left turn that is unprotected.

In Brief

Well explosion

MINERAL CITY, Ohio (AP) — An explosion and fire ripped through an oil well this morning, killing three people and injuring one, authorities said.

The four were working on the oil well when either it or a tank exploded, Fire Chief Dave Oliver said.

The injured person was taken to Union Hospital in Dover and was prepared for transfer to the burn unit at Children's Hospital in Akron, Union spokeswoman Jan Timmer said.

The explosion occurred about 9 a.m., three miles east of this northeast Ohio village.

To high court

AUSTIN (AP) — Minority plaintiffs and the state will collide over redistricting plans before the Texas Supreme Court.

Meanwhile Republicans attacked a settlement between minority challengers and Democratic officials on a state Senate redistricting plan.

The state GOP went to a three-judge federal court panel seeking to block the settlement, which it said was "illegally drawn behind closed doors."

"This is the United States of America, not Cuba," said Republican Party Chairman Fred Meyer. "For a handful of elected officials to try to replace the plan enacted by the Legislature with a deal they struck behind closed doors is both outrageous and illegal."

Local

Pancake feed

Snyder FFA is sponsoring a pancake supper from 5:30-8:30 p.m. Friday in the high school cafeteria.

Cost is $2.50 at the door.

Medical fund

A fund has been established at West Texas State Bank to help defray medical expenses of cancer victim Abby Rinehart Davis. She is the daughter of Kenneth and Wanda Rinehart.

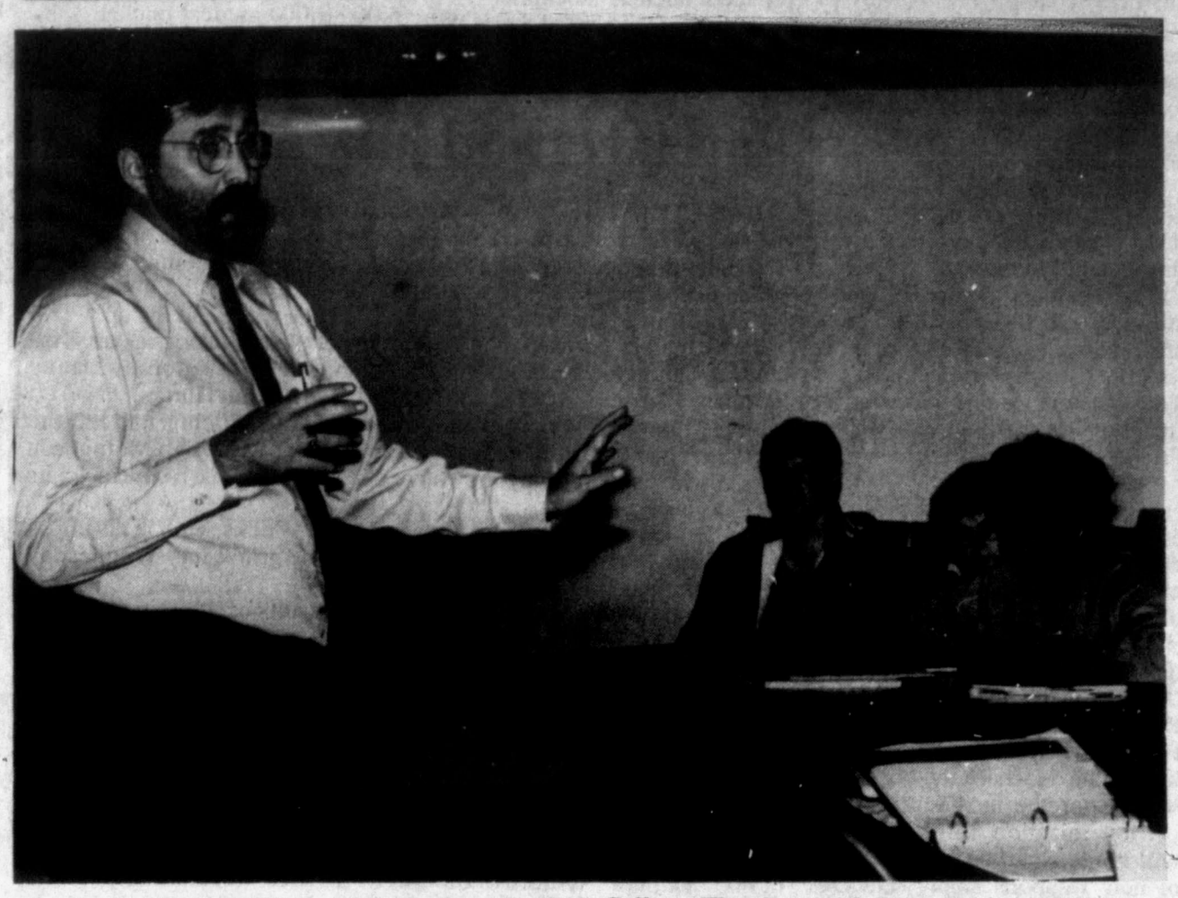
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Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 85 degrees; low, 51 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 54 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1991 to date, 20.86 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low 50 to 55. Light wind. Friday, sunny. High in the upper 80s. Variable wind 5-10 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 7:18 p.m. Sunrise Friday, 7:44 a.m. Of 282 days in 1991, the sun has shone 274 days in Snyder.



CLASS INSTRUCTION — J.D. Barham is pictured lecturing the current Correctional Officer Training class administered at Western Texas College. The class, with 38 students, is the largest of the 16 COT classes which have been taught through WTC. (SDN Staff Photo)

COT class boasts enrollment of 38; record for college

The largest correctional officer class under Western Texas College instruction got underway this week with 38 enrolled.

"It's exciting. We've even got a student from out of state," said Mike Thornton, dean of continuing education.

To date, 326 individuals have been certified for employment with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Institutional Division through Western Texas College. Those certified represent 14 classes in Snyder and one in Abilene. The present group of students makes up WTC's 16th class.

Fourteen communities are represented in class 16, including Abilene, from which eight students hail. There are five each from Sweetwater and Colorado City and four from Snyder. Lamesa and Stamford each supplied three students and two come from San Angelo. Albany, Big Spring, Eldorado, Rotan, Spur and Tye are represented by one apiece. Also represented is Anaheim, Calif.

The group is made up of 33 males and five females.

Classes began Monday under J.D. Barham, coordinator of correctional services, and will conclude Oct. 30. Certification will be held Oct. 31.

Thornton said the class will be the final one in 1991. The 1992 schedule has been sent to TDCJ in Huntsville for approval. Tentatively, it includes five daytime academies in Snyder and two evening classes in Abilene.

Homecoming activities set Friday at Ira

Ira High School will celebrate homecoming this weekend with a traditional football game and naming of the homecoming queen, and a not-so-traditional halftime.

The celebration will begin with the kickoff of Friday's home game against Highland at 7:30 p.m. It also marks the beginning of District 6A play.

The game will feature "A smash-up, tremendous halftime, involving a surprise guest, singers, dancers and a flag team," said a booster club spokesperson.

Ceremonies will include a dance section by grades K-6 cheerleaders.

Crowning of the homecoming queen will highlight intermission. All girls in high school are eligible to become homecoming queen and need not be nominated.

A dance in the community center will follow the ballgame.

Ex-postal employee kills four

RIDGEWOOD, N.J. (AP) — Four people including a postal supervisor were killed in two suburbs early today and a fired postal worker was in custody, authorities said.

The suspect was arrested after a standoff of more than four hours at the Ridgewood post office. Two postal employees were found dead in the basement of the building after the siege ended shortly afrer 6:30 a.m., said Tom Rosatti, a postal service district supervisor in Paterson.

In nearby Wayne, a man and a woman were found slain in a home about 4:20 a.m., said detective Capt. Lou Le Fevre. And the suspect's home in Paterson was being checked for explosives, authorities said.

Ridgewood, Paterson and Wayne are all in northern New Jersey, northwest of New York City.

Anthony Lo Prinza, a supervisor at the post office, said the suspect was a fired employee, the dead woman in Wayne had been his supervisor, and she had filed a harassment complaint against him more than a year ago. She alleged that he had threatened to kill her.

Passaic County Prosecutor Ronald Fava said the woman at the house in Wayne was stabbed and the man was shot.

Police surrounded the post office during the standoff, which began about 2:30 a.m., and said there were hostages. The standoff ended

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School board...

Trustees face lengthy agenda

Approval of policy revisions, appointment of a textbook committee and the subject of pay raises for teachers are among 14 agenda topics facing Snyder public schools board of trustees this evening.

Also on the agenda are student calculator bids, a request to seek bids to re-roof portable buildings at Northeast Elementary, a discussion of the 1992-93 budget, an interlocal contract for administration of County Education District 11 and approval of a resolution to support additional prisons.

After a call to order at 5:30 p.m., the board will to go into executive session to discuss student discipline. The open meeting is to begin at 7 p.m.

Policy revisions to be approved include a process for employee complaints, basic instructional requirements and school sponsored trips.

Trustee Geraldine Parker has asked that the board look at funds or predicted funds to see if a pay raise for teachers might be available this year. No particular plan for pay raises is expected to be presented, however.

Last month, trustees unanimously accepted the 1991-92 tax rate and budget, which did not include any locally generated pay raises.

Wendell Sollis, new Snyder Junior High principal, will give brief campus curriculum report to the board. Also on the agenda is a review of upcoming calendar events and approval of past minutes and payment of bills.

Director election to include report on hunter co-op

Those attending an Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District director election tonight will also gain information on hunting co-ops.

Robert Morgan, manager for the Fisher County Hunting Co-Op, will talk about the organization and how it operates when landowners convene for a 7:30 p.m. meeting at Reta's to elect a director for Zone 3.

The co-op is a group of landowners in Fisher County who have joined together to supplement their farm income by leasing their land for bird hunting. Although only those who own agricultural land within Zone 3 may vote in the election, anyone who is interested may attend the meeting. Refreshments will be served.

Zone 3 includes all of Scurry County east of Highway 84 from Snyder north to the Garza County line and north of Highway 180 from Snyder east to the Fisher County line.

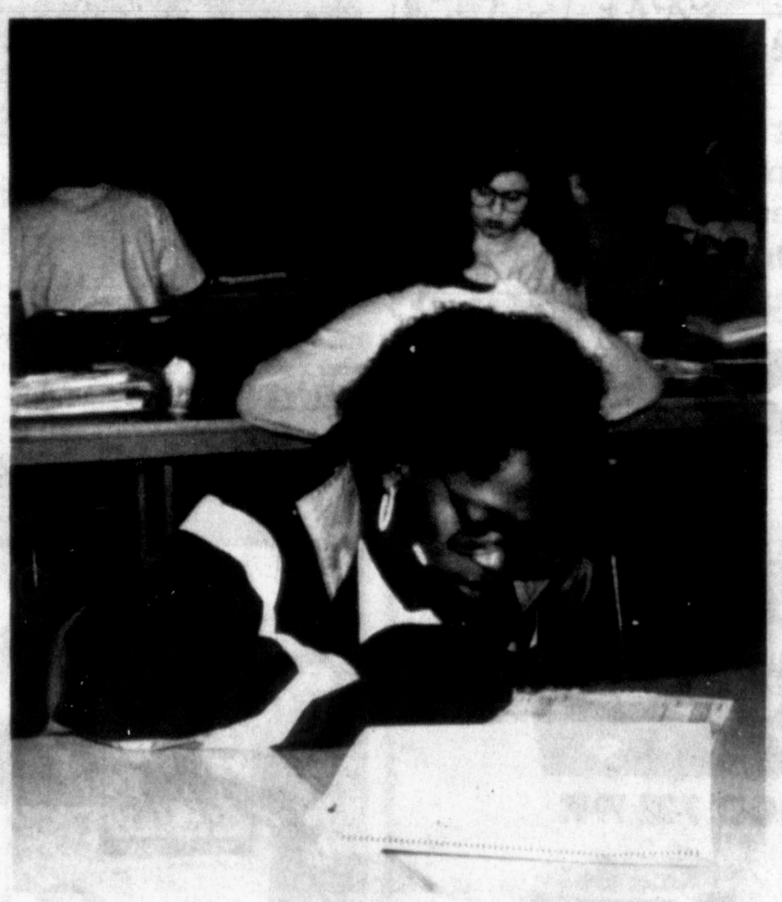
Charlie Henderson currently serves as director for the zone.

Brent Murphy was recently appointed by the board to serve the unexpired term of W.L. Wilson Jr. as director for Zone 5. Other members of the board are Walter Stirl, vice-chairman, Zone 1; Leon Sterling, secretary, Zone 2; and Burl Belew, Zone 4. The Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation District includes all of Scurry and Borden counties.

State law decrees that to be eligible to vote in a soil and conservation district director election, a person must own agricultural land within the district where the election is being held. The person must also live in a county of which all or a part is in the district and the voter must be at least 18 years old.

The same qualifications apply to candidates.

The purpose of the district is to promote sound soil and water conservation programs on agricultural lands within the district and to serve as a voice for farmers, ranchers, and local community entities on conservation matters.



TAAS TESTING — Ninth grader Zee Jenkins concentrates as she takes the math portion of the state-mandated TAAS test this morning at the county coliseum. Local students in grades 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11 have been testing since Tuesday. (SDN Staff Photo)

Court sets hearing date in finance case

AUSTIN (AP) — Lawyers for taxpayers and property-rich school districts challenging Texas' school funding law have said they hope the state Supreme Court acts soon after next month's hearing on the issue.

The court on Wednesday scheduled oral arguments for Nov. 19.

The law is designed to shift hundreds of millions of dollars in local property tax revenue from wealthier to poorer school districts within new education taxing regions, made up of one or several counties.

Under the law, school districts in each taxing region share the revenue from a minimum tax. Local school districts also may tax more, without pooling the revenue, to enrich programs and for construction.

The court twice has declared previous finance laws unconstitutional in a lawsuit by poor school districts, and ordered the state to equalize school funding. This law is legislators' latest effort to meet the court order.

Dallas lawyer Earl Luna, representing several wealthy districts that challenged the law, said that

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The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Education is what's left over after you've forgotten the facts."

Mrs. D. Brown, who lives near Ira, said she enjoyed a recent SDN golf story and it reminded her of a similar story about golf nuts that she heard long ago:

A golf course was located near a cemetery, and the public road encircled the course. As a funeral procession passed by, a golfer removed his cap, placed it on his heart and waited for the cars to pass.

When he finished his game, the golfer returned to the club house, and the attendant told him how much he appreciated the respect shown the procession, as few golfers ever did.

The golfer replied, "Thank you, we would have been married 35 years this Thursday."

Attitudes are important. Somebody passed along this story about a school teacher whose pupil was badly burned and faced a long hospital stay.

The teacher was determined to help the youth stay up with his school mates. On the first visit, she told the boy that his class had been studying nouns and adverbs.

Not realizing the extent of his injuries, the visiting teacher stammered as she told him she had come to help with his nouns and adverbs.

After the session, the teacher felt she was ill-prepared for her job and had not accomplished much. On the next visit, a nurse inquired what she had done to the injured boy.

Thinking she had done something wrong, the teacher began to apologize.

"No, no," said the nurse. "You don't know what I mean. We've been worried about him, but since yesterday, his whole attitude has changed. He's fighting back and responding to treatment."

Weeks later, the boy explained that he had given up hope until the teacher arrived. He expressed it this way:

"They wouldn't send a teacher to work on nouns and adverbs with a dying boy, would they?"

Dr. Gott Peter Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm 81 and see my physician for angina. He's reluctant to allow me to summer in the mountains, indicating it's too hard to stabilize me on my return from vacation. Is the thin mountain air at 5,000 feet likely to aggravate my condition?

DEAR READER: Angina is a cardiac muscle cramp caused by an insufficient oxygen supply to the heart. It commonly accompanies arteriosclerosis.

In treating the disease, doctors are eager to improve oxygen-rich circulation to the heart. Since mountain air contains less oxygen than sea-level air, I can understand your physician's prohibition. On the other hand, you obviously enjoy your summers in the mountains, so I suggest you strike a bargain.

Vacationing on Mount McKinley is certainly out of the question. However, I see no reason why you couldn't live at a 1,000 to 5,000-foot elevation, providing you modify your medication and your activity. You may need more medicine and you'll surely have to exercise less at the higher altitude.

Ask your doctor whether a compromise of your respective views would enable you to achieve your goal. I don't believe your heart condition is an irreparable contraindication to enjoying your summer activities.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Following lithotripsy, I passed three small remnants of a kidney stone, which my urologist identified as calcium oxalate. I was disappointed to find that many of the foods I should avoid are also nutritious — such as spinach, chocolate and nuts. Is there an appropriate substitute for these foods I might consider adding to my diet?

DEAR READER: Kidney stones are of four basic types: calcium, oxalate, uric acid or magnesium ammonium phosphate. Some stones, such as yours, are a combination.

To treat calcium oxalate stones, you should increase your fluid intake (to about a quart of water a day to dilute the minerals in the kidneys), avoid certain diuretic drugs (such as thiazides and Lasix, which significantly accelerate the formation of these stones), and eliminate high-oxalate foods (rhubarb, spinach, cocoa, nuts, pepper and tea).

While this regimen may be an inconvenience to patients, it does retard stone formation. I am unaware of substitutes for high-oxalate edibles. I'm afraid you're simply stuck with the prohibitions, unless you want to cheat once in a while and run the risk of new stones.

One word of advice: If you do cheat, make sure you drink plenty of water; the additional fluid may successfully wash out your kidneys and save you much discomfort.

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

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Installations for nuclear defense now want to become dismantling centers

by The Associated Press

Caught off balance by President Bush, defense installations that have battled since World War II for billions of dollars to build nuclear weapons are now scrambling to become centers for taking them apart.

Bush stunned the defense industry and nuclear weapons critics last month by announcing a plan for unilateral nuclear cuts and new negotiations with Moscow to reduce nuclear arsenals.

With many nuclear weapons being reined in, the need for producing more of them has been thrown into doubt.

The president's move came as a surprise, and defense contractors are rushing to become the focus for dismantling weapons, said Tom Zamora, a research analyst for the environmental group Friends of the Earth.

Other plants that can't reprocess bombs are competing for the estimated $100 billion needed for cleaning up the environmental mess from more than four decades of weapons production.

"Everybody wants to be the dismantling center," Zamora said. "Pantex wants the job, Savannah River wants the job, and Rocky Flats wants the job. Everybody knows this is where the big bucks will be for the next few years."

Modernization of the arsenal will continue, even if production of new weapons stops, said Deborah K. Smith, a spokeswoman for the Department of Energy, which builds nuclear bombs for the Pentagon.

"It is far too early to speculate on the effect of the president's initiatives on specific DOE facilities," she said. "However, we see no immediate change. The proposals may well lead to a smaller complex consistent with a greatly reduced nuclear stockpile."

Bush said the United States will scrap much of its short-range nuclear arsenal. On Sept. 28, strategic bomber crews across the country ended a 4-decade alert.

The U.S. nuclear arms industry planned to spend $11.8 billion in Atomic Energy Defense Activities in 1992, with $6.7 billion for arms production.

Several thousand of the nation's 6,000-7,000 tactical nuclear weapons will be coming back from Europe, and will either have to be dismantled and stored, or melted down and reprocessed. They include the W-33, W-48 and W-79 artillery shells, the Lance W-70 short-range missile, and the B-61 and B-57 gravity bombs.

Some of the 12,000 nuclear bombs for attacking the Soviet Union may now have to be redesigned. Among them are the W-88, the newest bomb for the Trident nuclear submarine.

Zamora said it no longer makes sense to build extra-powerful weapons for smashing Soviet silos, if the primary focus of the U.S. nuclear defense strategy shifts from war-alert to retaliation, because the United States would only be attacking empty silos.

That means the United States can reuse pits from current stockpiles, even though the older bombs have less firepower.

The short-term effects on nuclear arms spending on the nation's eight major production facilities will be slight, defense industry analysts said. But over the long-term, many workers with specialized skills may be looking for new jobs.

Here, according to analysts, is a facility-by-facility look at the potential effect of Bush's move:

—Los Alamos National Laboratory at Los Alamos, N.M., and Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory at Livermore, Calif., probably will change their focus from designing new bombs to redesigning the current arsenals to make them safer.

Several bombs including the W-88 for the Trident, the W-78 for the Minuteman 3, and W-76 for the Trident 1, lack insensitive high explosives, which are less susceptible to a fire, and could be rearmed. However, the two labs could be combined, saving money, while keeping the competition the DOE says is necessary for reliability.

—The Rocky Flats plant at Golden, Colo., has been shut down for almost two years because of safety problems.

Special grand jury dismissed

BAY CITY, Texas (AP) — A special prosecutor says it will be about two weeks before he reconvenes a grand jury selected to hear evidence in the alleged rape of a 24-year-old Matagorda County woman.

The woman reported she was raped Sept. 23 as a going-away party for a bailiff in attorney Jerry Horowitz's office was breaking up.

Investigators said between 25 and 35 people attended the party, including County Attorney John Dickerson, District Attorney Danny Shindler, District Judge Jack Sayler and Sheriff Sam Hurta.

Investigators told the Victoria Advocate the officials had left the party prior to the time the rape was reported. Although Matagorda sheriff's investigators say they have one suspect, none of the officials is or has been a suspect.

Walker County District Attorney David Weeks, who is acting as special prosecutor in the case, dismissed the grand jury Wednesday after a brief meeting.

Weeks said more investigation and the results of scientific tests are needed before the jury proceeds.

The delay also is "in consideration of the condition of the victim," and to await the results of scientific tests, he said.

The alleged victim has had a memory loss regarding the incident and may have to undergo hypnosis, officials have said.

Meanwhile, investigators with the Matagorda County Sheriff's office continued to search for evidence in the case.

Some blood found on the courthouse door two days after the incident has been sent to a Dallas laboratory for genetic testing, said Frank "Skipper" Osborn of the sheriff's office. Results could take as long as three weeks, he said.

The sample already had been typed by the Department of Public Safety in Houston but authorities said they were not certain it came from the victim.



JUDGING TEAM — Members of the WTC judging team took fifth place at a recent competition in Plainview. All members of the team are also recipients of scholarships from the South Plains Fair Association. Pictured seated are Page Bishop, Lei Holcomb, Stacy Dorotik and Stephanie Huskey. Standing are Thad Myers, Mark Stansell, Rod Jeter, Mark Carroll, Jason Summers, Terry Leatherwood, Jimmy Kitchens and Bay John Long. (SDN Staff Photo)

WTC gets 5th place in judging

In its first outing of the season, the Western Texas College judging team won fifth place overall at the Excel High Plains Meats Judging Contest in Plainview last week.

Fourteen teams representing six states participated in the competition.

The team took second in beef grading, second in sheep judging, sixth in pork judging and fifth in beef judging.

Five Snyder students finished in the top fifteen, ranking in various categories. Mark Stansell was 10th high individual, ninth in questioning, third in lamb judging and seventh in beef judging and beef grading. Terry Leatherwood was 11th overall, eighth in beef judging, sixth in beef grading, 13th in placing and 14th in lamb judging. Jimmy Kitchens finished 14th overall, sixth in placing and 13th in lamb judging.

Other Snyder competitors were Jason Summers who placed 11th in beef judging and Bay John Long who placed 14th in beef grading.

Staci Dorotik of Eola placed fifth in beef judging, with teammates Rod Jeter of Gail finishing eighth in beef judging and Page Bishop of Winters ranking 12th in pork judging.

Also judging were Lei Holdcomb and Thad Meyers, both of Snyder, Mark Carroll of Hawley and Stephanie Huskey of Lubock.

Jim Judah is the team's coach.

The team travels next to Garden City, Kan., for the Beef Empire Meats Judging Contest Nov. 7-10.

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V. Cochran gets award

The 65th annual convention of the Texas Extension Homemakers Association was held in Austin on Sept. 8 where the theme "Step Into the Future With TEHA" was carried out and the keynote address was "Choosing the Future" given by Carolyn Corbin, president of Carolyn Corbin, Inc.

Study was held on natural resources, community resources, cultural arts, international understanding, health-safety, membership, leadership, citizenship-legislation and family life-family resources.



50-YEAR AWARD — Vivian Cochran received her 50 year certificate for membership in Texas Extenion Homemakers Association at the recent state meeting in Austin. (SDN Photo)

Local delegates Vivian Cochran, Pauline Withers and Joyce McCoy were among 398 members and visitors attending the state meeting. Mrs. Cochran received her 50 year certificate from National TEHA.

TEHA membership is open to everyone without regard to race, color, sex or national orgin. If interested in becoming a member of an extension homemakers club, call Kathryn Roberts, agent, at 573-5423 or any extension club member.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 10-10-91
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♥ J 9 3 2
♦ Q 6 5 3
♣ K Q 9

WEST
♠ 10 8 3 2
♥ - - -
♦ 9 8 7 4
♣ J 10 8 7 4

EAST
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♥ A 10 8 6
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♣ 3 2

SOUTH
♠ 7 5
♥ K Q 7 5 4
♦ K J 10
♣ A 6 5

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
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2 ♥	2 ♠	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ 2

Bridge stories from Scotland

By Phillip Alder

For many years, Scotsman Robert Gray contributed to The Bridge World magazine, which has published "The Best of Robert Gray — Book One." Most of the material is advanced, but there is much practical instruction too, especially in the two chapters "High from Dummy" and "The Defenders Don't Know." The 40-page book is available for $5.50 from The Bridge World, 39 West 94th Street, New York, NY 10025 (212-866-5860).

Cover the East-West cards in this hand from the book, and plan the play in four hearts, West leading the spade two, which you win with dummy's ace.

The only danger to the contract, apart from an unexpected ruff, is a 4-0 trump split. And at first glance, it is a guess whether to start with a low trump to your king, catering to a four-card holding in West's hand, or to lead dummy's jack, playing for East to have four.

Here the bidding provides the signpost. For his opening bid, East is almost certain to hold the heart ace. So play on the assumption that he has A-10-8-6 of trumps. To hold East to one trump trick, you must start with dummy's jack. Later you will lead the nine, forcing a cover with the 10. Even later you will finesse East out of his eight.

Gray calls it the high-from-dummy rule. This is applicable when all of the following exist: East has length in the suit; South has a card that can be promoted to trick-winning rank (the seven here); a cover by East from a short holding won't cost a trick.

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The first woman governor elected in the United States was Wyoming's Nellie Ross in 1925.



J. Wampler

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HARP CONCERT — The Vivace Jr. Music Club will present Mrs. Kim Gorman in a harp concert Sunday at 2 p.m. in the First Baptist Church Chapel. Mrs. Gorman, a graduate of the University of Texas, plays in the Midland-Odessa Symphony Orchestra. Her program will vary from gospel to pop to country. Tickets are $2 for adults and $1 for students and may be purchased from Vivace Club members or at the door. The club will have a booth at White Buffalo Day Saturday at the coliseum and tickets will be available there. (Contributed Photo)

Girl Scouts to meet at Hut

All Girl Scouts are to meet today at 4 p.m. for an hour at the Girl Scout Hut. The session will be held to prepare a song to be sung Friday at Jane (Miss Jane) Donaldson's funeral to be held Friday at the Odom Chapel of First United Methodist Church at 1 p.m.

MacLaine's cry stops airplane

NEW YORK (AP) — Shirley MacLaine says she got on her knees and wept at an airport gate to make a departing plane return so she could fly to Los Angeles for her daughter's surgery.

"It is not a choice I would have made in a (movie) scene," she said of her behavior at the Seattle-Tacoma airport. "In fact, I would have strongly balked at a director who suggested I do what I did."

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Early presides at Stargazers Club

Stargazers Extension Homemakers Club met Sept. 16 at 7 p.m. in the home of a club member with president Joy Early presiding.

Stargazers answered roll call with "something nice someone has done for me recently," followed by the thought for the day, "When you kill time, you murder success."

Seven members welcomed new member Verlene White.

Reports of the fair were heard and the group made plans to meet every Monday night to work on crafts for the Holiday Crafts in the Park to be held Oct. 26.

The next meeting will be Oct. 21.

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; W. 37th St.; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; board room of Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 12 noon.

Free blood pressure clinic; Dunn Community Center; 1-2 p.m.

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

Tumbleweed Toastmasters meeting; American State Bank conference room; 7 p.m.

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; VFW; 6:30-8 p.m.

Scurry County Sheriffs Posse; Posse clubhouse; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308, 573-8110 or 573-5867.

FRIDAY

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

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

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

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

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park; For more information call 573-2101 or 573-367 or 573-3956; 8 p.m.

Alateen; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-5524 days, 573-2101 nights; 8 p.m.

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

Smith honoree at 'toast or roast'

Dildy Smith was honored with a "This Is Your Life," toast or roast birthday party at the Dunn Community Center. The event was hosted by his daughter, Katrina Wemken.

Guests heard history and memories of Mr. Smith's 85 years. He has lived in Scurry County over 83 years.

Guests were served sausages made by Mr. Smith, birthday cake and punch, made by granddaughters Jeanie Wemken and Shanda Bowlin.

His nephew, Ronald Miller, was master of ceremonies. Tony Smith recorded the event on video.

Attending were Clara and Olton Smith; Jo Boy and Mary Ellerd; Neitie Massey; Chloie Roberts; Jude Huddleston; Essie Pearl and Othal Ellis; Tony and Edilyn, Brandi and Jacob Smith; Julia Fox; Chuck and Diana Green; Ather and Mary Ellis; Melisa, Stephen and Chad Nickerson.

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11:30	a.m.	Entertainment Begins (Coliseum Stage)
12:00	noon	Tortilla Toss - Coliseum Annex
1:00	p.m.	Judge's Race - Coliseum Annex
2:00	p.m.	Remote Control Car Race - Coliseum Annex
2:30	p.m.	Turtle Race - Coliseum Annex
3:30	p.m.	Stick Horse Rodeo - Coliseum Annex
4:30	p.m.	Ray Hernandez Presentation - Stage -
5:00	p.m.	Awards Ceremony - Stage Area
5:30	p.m.	"Ms" White Buffalo Contest - Stage
6:00	p.m.	Museum's Bean & Cornbread Supper - Room A
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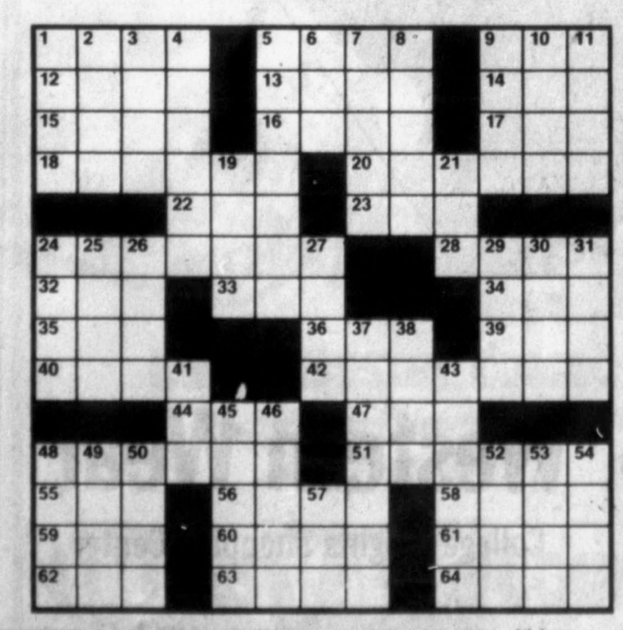
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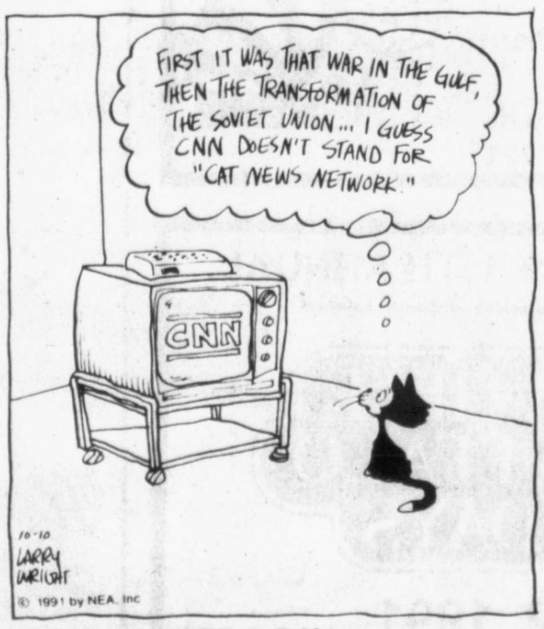
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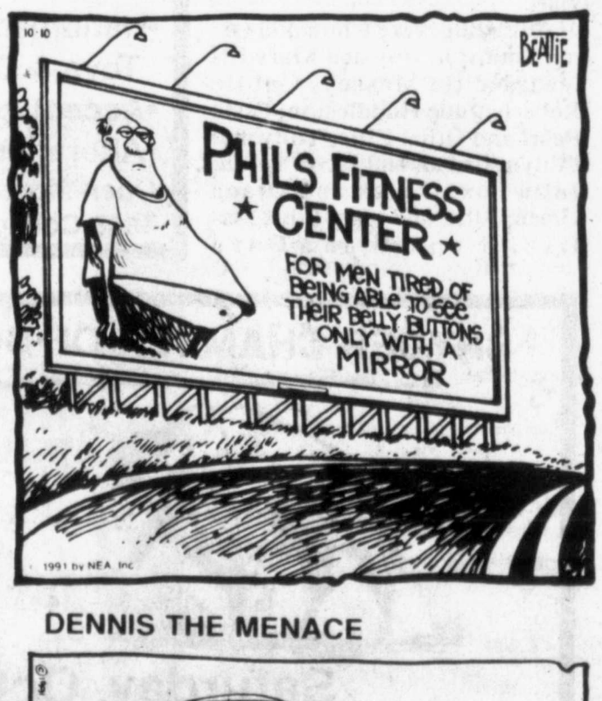
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5-2 win gives Jays split in Metrodome

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — By the seventh inning, the screaming had stopped and the streaming for the exits had begun. The Metrodome mystique disappeared, even before the crowd disappeared through the revolving doors.

"They're a good crowd here," Kelly Gruber said after his two-run single and Juan Guzman's pitching led the Toronto Blue Jays to a 5-2 victory over the Minnesota Twins Wednesday and evened the best-of-7 AL playoffs at one game apiece.

"But I say that now. With two outs, they all started leaving."

The Twins went into the playoffs feeling invincible at home. And why not? They had won six successive postseason games at the Metrodome — including four in the 1987 World Series — and th n made it seven straight in Game 1 of this series.

Now the Twins go to Toronto knowing that they must win at least one of three games at the SkyDome if they are to return home for Game 6. The Blue Jays will take the dome-field advantage into Friday night, when Jimmy Key (16-12) opposes Scott Erickson (20-8) in Game 3.

"Hopefully, we won't have to come back," Gruber said. "If we do have to, we hope to keep the crowd silent."

That posed little problem Wednesday. Gruber's two-out, broken-bat single gave Toronto a 3-0 lead and quieted the fans for most of the game. And when the Blue Jays scored twice in the seventh, the exodus began.

"We feed off the fans," Minnesota's Kirby Puckett said. "But if they don't cheer for us when we're not doing well, we can't complain."

The Blue Jays won Wednesday the same way Minnesota won Tuesday. They took the lead, got good starting pitching, ran the bases aggressively and used nearly flawless relief pitching to slam the door.

Guzman allowed four hits and two runs in 5 2-3 innings.

MLB playoffs

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

American League

Tuesday, Oct. 8
Minnesota 5, Toronto 4

Wednesday, Oct. 9
Toronto 5, Minnesota 2, series tied 1-1

Friday, Oct. 11
Minnesota (Erickson 20-8) at Toronto (Key 16-12), 8:37 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 12
Minnesota at Toronto, 8:26 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13
Minnesota at Toronto, 4:12 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 15
Toronto at Minnesota, 8:37 p.m., if necessary

Wednesday, Oct. 16
Toronto at Minnesota, 8:37 p.m., if necessary.

National League

Wednesday, Oct. 9
Pittsburgh 5, Atlanta 1, Pittsburgh leads series 1-0

Thursday, Oct. 10
Atlanta (Avery 18-8) at Pittsburgh (Smith 16-10), 8:37 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 12
Pittsburgh (Smiley 20-8) at Atlanta (Smoltz 14-13), 3 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 13
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 8:40 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 14
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 3:07 p.m., if necessary

Wednesday, Oct. 16
Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 3:07 p.m. or 8:37 p.m., if necessary

Thursday, Oct. 17
Atlanta at Pittsburgh, 8:37 p.m., if necessary

Fishing club meets at SNB

Snyder Bass Club's regular monthly meeting will be held today at 7:30 p.m. at Snyder National Bank.

John Dennis, a Texas Wildlife Department biologist, will speak about area lakes and will hold a question-and-answer session.

Bass club members have selected Oak Creek Lake as the site for their Saturday and Sunday tournament.

Fishing begins both days at 6:30 a.m. and ends at 5 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. on Sunday.

Registration may be made at tonight's meeting or at Oak Creek.

A total of 11 club members fished the September tournament at Lake Colorado City and Lake Champion. Bill Kirkpatrick hauled in the first-prize total of 8.30 pounds of fish. Kirkpatrick also reeled in a 5.65-pound specimen that was the event's Big Bass.

Snyder Bass Club Top 20

1. Luke Proctor 1151.60; 2. Johnny Spruell 1107.68; 3. Bobby Hoover 917.20; 4. Billy Kirkpatrick 872.10; 5. Rick Howard 781.92; 6. Alan Callison 747.00; 7. James Hoover 736.38; 8. Cloyce Scarberry 622.56; 9. Tommy Hood 522.28; 10. David Stokes 497.20; 11. W.W. Proctor 402.20; 12. Jack Dorsett 357.04; 13. Pops Heard 331.40; 14. Jimmy Kiker 315.44; 15. Buddy Seale 305.60; 16. Robby Kiser 278.80; 17. Gay Hickman 271.00; 18. Jeff Minor 211.20; 19. Buck Rambin 206.00; 20. Jerry Owen 180.00.

2-4A Volleyball

Team	Season W	Season L	District W	District L
Lamesa	15	4	3	0
Snyder	10	4	2	0
Levelland	8	9	1	1
Dunbar	2	12	0	3
Estacado	2	12	0	2

Saturday's matches

Snyder def. Estacado 15-8, 15-12
Levelland def. Dunbar, 15-13, 15-13
Lamesa def. Plains, 15-11, 15-7
Lamesa def. Seminole, 13-15, 15-4, 15-5

Tuesday's match
Lamesa def. Dunbar 15-7, 15-2

Thursday's match
Levelland at Snyder

Scholarship golf tourney planned

A four-person golf scramble is slated Saturday at the Western Texas Golf Course with proceeds to go toward a scholarship fund established by the WTC Faculty Association.

Individuals and teams are encouraged to play. Entry fees for teams will be $80 and individual players will pay $20 each. Single players will be matched into four-person teams.

Registration will be conducted until the 8 a.m. tee-off and merchandise from the Western Texas golf shop will be awarded as prizes for first- through third places.

In addition, refreshments will be provided at selected stops along the course by Phi Theta Kappa honors fraternity of WTC.

This will mark the first observance of the WTC-sponsored golf tourney, but future plans are to turn it into a two-day event with related activities scheduled both Friday and Saturday.

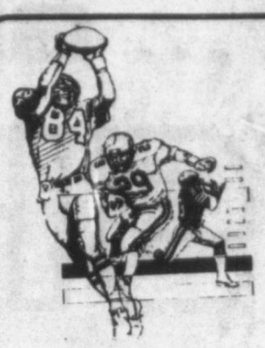
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Estacado at Snyder	Snyder	Snyder	Snyder	Snyder
Dunbar at Levelland	Levelland	Levelland	Levelland	Levelland
Frenship at Lamesa	Lamesa	Frenship	Lamesa	Frenship
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Highland at Ira	Ira	Ira	Ira	Ira
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Houston at Arkansas	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston
Rice at Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor	Baylor
Texas Tech at SMU	Texas Tech	SMU	Texas Tech	Texas Tech
Texas vs. Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Oklahoma
Georgia at Mississippi	Mississippi	Georgia	Georgia	Georgia
Ohio State at Illinois	Illinois	Illinois	Illinois	Illinois
Penn State at Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami	Miami
Michigan at Michigan State	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan	Michigan
Tennessee at Florida	Florida	Florida	Florida	Florida
Cincinnati at Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas
Houston at N.Y. Jets	Houston	Houston	Houston	Houston
Miami at Kansas City	Kansas City	Kansas City	Kansas City	Kansas City
Phoenix at Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota	Minnesota
L.A. Raiders at Seattle	L.A. Raiders	L.A. Raiders	Seattle	L.A. Raiders

Snyder hosts Estacado...

District football campaign commences

By PHIL RIDDLE
SDN Sports Editor

District 2-4A football teams must have decided it was time to get down to business last week as five of the six teams won their final non-district tuneup.

Snyder ripped Seminole, 29-14; Frenship claimed its first win of the year by tripping Canyon Randall, 35-19; surprising Levelland downed Hereford, 17-7; Estacado beat Roswell, N.M., 27-21 and Dunbar shutout hapless Borger, 26-0.

In the only loss by a league team, Lamesa fell to Midland Greenwood, 20-14.

Snyder begins defense of its 1990 district title against this season's favorite, Estacado, Friday, in the week's highlight game.

Also squaring off on Friday will be Dunbar at Levelland and Frenship at Lamesa.

Kickoff for all three games is set at 7:30 p.m.

Estacado (4-1)
at Snyder (3-2)

The Tigers rode a 290-yard rushing effort by senior tailback Will Clay to a 29-14 win over Seminole a week ago. Clay, who scored all four of the Tiger TDs, was playing just his third game at the position.

The Tigers rolled for 474 total yards against the Indians, including a 116-yard night by junior fullback Wayland Harrison.

Snyder fell to Estacado in last year's district opener in Lubbock, 10-3.

The Matadors bring a 4-1 mark to Snyder including last Friday's 27-21 win over Roswell, one of New Mexico's best grid squads.

Dunbar (3-2) at
Levelland (4-1)

The Dunbar Panthers have bolted to a 3-2 non-district record, but it has been against some lesser teams than they'll see once the league titie chase gets in full swing.

The Panthers knocked off an almost-helpless Borger team Saturday, 26-0, but should have more compeitition against Levelland this week.

The Lobos have taken down unbeaten teams in each of the last two weeks, stopping Andrews, 6-3 in a defensive struggle, and getting past Hereford a week a go, 17-7.

Senior quarterback Craig Black scored both the Lobos' touchdowns, the first covering nine yards and the second a three-yard burst capping an 80-yard, 14-play drive that broke a 7-all tie.

Kicker Jacob Velardez tacked on a three-pointer with under two minutes to go to ice the win.

Frenship (1-4) at
Lamesa (2-1-2)

The Tigers notched their first win of the season last week while the Golden Tors, in spite of a pair of ties, lost for the first time in '91.

Frenship's Chris Matthews guided the FHS crew to a season-high 35-point surge against Canyon Randall.

Lamesa was edged by Midland Greenwood's Rangers, 20-14 to head into the loop race with a 2-1-2 mark.

2-4A football

Team	Season W	Season L	Season T	District W	District L	District T
Estacado	4	1	0	0	0	0
Levelland	4	1	0	0	0	0
Snyder	3	2	0	0	0	0
Dunbar	3	2	0	0	0	0
Lamesa	2	1	2	0	0	0
Frenship	1	4	0	0	0	0

Last Friday's games
Snyder 29, Seminole 14
Levelland 17, Hereford 7
Frenship 35, Randall 19
Estacado 27, Roswell, N.M. 21
Greenwood 20, Lamesa 14

Last Saturday's game
Dunbar 26, Borger 0

Friday Oct. 11
Estacado at Snyder
Dunbar at Levelland
Frenship at Lamesa

NL playoffs...

Pirates tomahawk Atlanta

PITTSBURGH (AP) — They were America's Team, but somehow people forgot that the Atlanta Braves weren't the best team in America.

As the Braves tomahawk-chopped their way to an improbable division title, chopping down those oh-so-easy-to-hate Dodgers and going from worst to first faster than any team in history, the Pittsburgh Pirates watched. And waited. And waited.

The Pirates gave Atlanta an indoctrination into the brave new world of postseason baseball Wednesday night, beating the Braves 5-1 in Game 1 of the National League playoffs. Game 2 is tonight, with 18-game winner Steve Avery facing former Brave left-hander Zane Smith.

It was a choppy start for the Braves, who seemed out of sync in a stadium where 57,347 fans — the largest in Pittsburgh history — weren't practicing their tomahawk chops. The only thing more scarce than bright-red tomahawks were Braves runs.

"We weren't nervous, but we were anxious early in the game," Dave Justice said. "It was the first time here for a lot of us."

Pirates starter Doug Drabek limited Atlanta to three singles. He left after straining his left hamstring while unsucecssfully trying to stretch a double into a triple in the sixth.

Walk finished up by allowing one run over the final three innings.

Drabek won't know until today if he can start Game 5, as scheduled, but said the injury didn't feel serious and was more like a cramp.

"I wasn't about to take a chance," said Drabek, who was 15-14 during the season.

WTC rodeo team to ride at Vernon

VERNON — The Western Texas College rodeo team, fresh from a 183.3-point, second-place finish at Sul Ross State University a week ago, will saddle-up this week at the Vernon Regional Junior College rodeo.

The rodeo will feature nightly performances at 7:30 p.m. today through Saturday with Sunday's short go, including the top 10 finishers in each event, slated for 1 p.m.

Benji Fontenot of WTC won men's All-Around honors at SRSU and paced the Westerners in their second-place run.

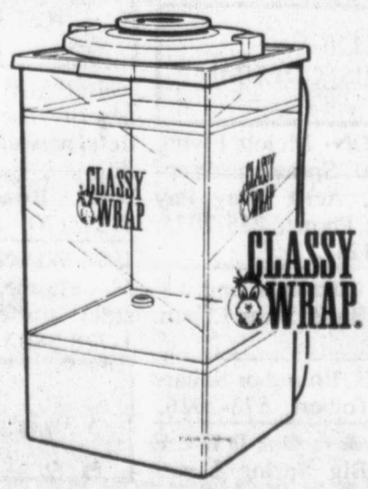
Fontenot, of Reeves, La., earned 113.3 points, individually, winning the bareback event and earning a spot in the finals in bull riding.

Others placing high for WTC last week included Brad Loesch of Azle, who parlayed a two-head 11.3 clocking in steer wrestling into a tie for second place, and Thad Little from Hackberry, La., who was runner-up in saddle bronc riding with 149 points, including an 80 in the final go last Sunday.

Australian cowboy Eddie Smerdon captured first place for WTC in bull riding, gathering 150 points on two rides, and Kearney, Neb. steer wrestler Scot Berger took third with his 12.1 in two tries.

The Westerners' final outing of the fall season will be an Oct. 31-Nov. 2 appearance at the Texas Tech Rodeo in Lubbock.

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Spikers entertain L'land in loop tilt

The Lady Tigers of Snyder High School have been hot lately.

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They've won five straight volleyball matches, including their first two in District 2-4A competition.

Last season Snyder rolled into the Class 4A spike playoffs as the loop runner-up with a 10-10 regular season mark.

This year the Lady Tigers have already won 10 meetings, while losing only four.

Snyder will put its current winning streak on the line today at 5 p.m. in the SHS gym against Levelland as the quest for a loop title continues.

The Lady Tigers' last outing was a 15-8, 15-12 win over Lubbock Estacado Saturday.

Swedish foreign exchange student Emma Skold served for six points, including a pair of aces, and was credited with six kills to lead the Lady Tigers to the win.

Amber Bowlin led all scorers against the Lady Mats with seven points followed by Skold and Melody Sargent with six each, five from Joellen King, Daisy Braziel's three, two by Julie Johnson and Stephanie Fambro's one.

Levelland, 8-9 on the year and 1-1 in 2-4A matches, is fresh off a 15-13, 15-13 defeat of Lubbock Dunbar Saturday for its first loop win of the campaign.

Freshmen action begins at 5 p.m. today, followed at approximately 6:15 p.m. by the junior varsity match.

The varsity contest will get under way at about 7:30 p.m.

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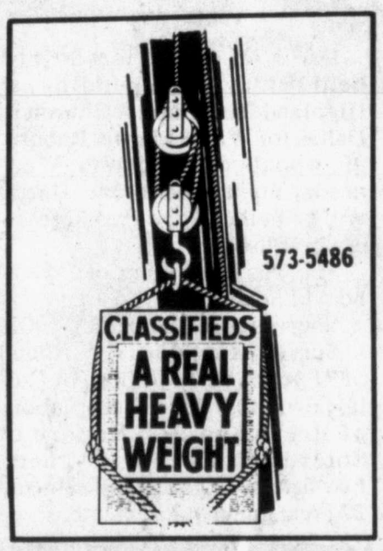
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Smokers' cancer risks are affected by genes

WASHINGTON (AP) — A study of inheritance patterns in the families of lung cancer victims suggests that 52 percent of people carry genes putting them at special risk for smoking-related cancers, researchers say.

"This doesn't prove it, but it's a working model," Thomas Sellers of the University of Minnesota said Wednesday at the Eighth International Congress of Human Genetics.

Male smokers with the genetic susceptibility get smoking-related cancers an average of 18 years earlier than men who smoke but aren't susceptible, Sellers said.

For women, the difference is even more dramatic. Female smokers who are genetically susceptible can develop smoking-related cancers 30 years to 50 years earlier than women who smoke but aren't susceptible, he said.

The forms of cancer that have been linked to smoking include cancer of the bladder, kidney, cervix, colon, nose, mouth, esophagus and larynx, Sellers said.

The finding does not suggest that genetic susceptibility can cause these cancers, Sellers emphasized. People who carry the inherited susceptibility but do not smoke do not have any increased cancer risk, he said.

The study underscores that smoking, which causes cancer in everyone, can be particularly dangerous in a certain portion of the population, he said.

Smokers who do not carry genetic susceptibility to smoking-related cancers would still be at risk of heart disease from smoking, Sellers said.

Dr. Theodore McLemore of St. Joseph's Hospital in Paris, Texas, who has studied the role of genes in lung cancer, said the new study adds to the growing body of evidence that lung cancer and other smoking-related cancers are partly related to heredity.

Alleged serial killer happily back in Texas, says Florida 'stinks'

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Alleged serial killer Henry Lee Lucas says he was popular with the women inmates at the Florida prison where he was locked up for nearly a year.

Lucas, 55, was returned to Texas' death row last week from Florida, where authorities were trying to link him to four killings. Officials in Marianna, Fla., determined they could not afford to pay for his defense, although the charges against him have not been dropped.

In an interview Wednesday, Lucas said he was kept on the female wing of the Jackson County Jail, where he was the lone man, because that part of the facility was more secure.

"I stayed in one cell for 101/2 months with a bunch of women," he said. "I don't like to see a bunch of naked women at all. I don't think I should have been there. I'm a man and I should have been locked up the man's side."

Lucas, who wears a glass eye and was without his dentures, said his female jailmates in Florida would walk up to his cell and talk with him.

"They all went for me," he said. "I've got a picture of one in my cell now. She's pretty."

Ronnie Cornelius of the Florida Department of Law Enforcement said it was not true that Lucas was housed with women at the jail.

Lucas, indicted for four slayings between December 1980 and April 1981, once claimed he killed nearly 600 people in 26 states but later recanted his confessions for all but one slaying, that of his mother in Michigan in 1960.

He's on death row for the 1979 killing of a woman whose body was found near the central Texas town of Georgetown. Besides the death sentence, he has six life terms, two 75-year sentences and a 60-year term for other Texas convictions.

Convicted killer not optimistic about retrial

HUNTSVILLE, Texas (AP) — Convicted killer Randy Dale Mayo, who won his case this week at the Supreme Court when the justices refused to reinstate his death sentence, said he would consider a plea bargain that would keep him in prison but without the death penalty.

"The way the courts have narrowed down errors, if I get a chance to go for time, I'll go for time because I'm not going to play with another death sentence," Mayo said in an interview. "I'm not going to say I'll take life, but I'll take time."

However, he said he was not optimistic a new trial will get him off death row.

"I don't see no angles on beating this case," he said. "Some people say this ain't no life in here, but it's an existence. There's a chance on that. There ain't no chance with that needle in your arm."

Mayo, 31, was convicted of the 1984 killing of Kimberly Sue Reeves, an Angelo State University student who was raped and stabbed and then had her skull crushed with a bumper jack. Mayo confessed to the killing after he was arrested on a separate murder warrant for a case in Lubbock. He denies any role in Miss Reeves' slaying and was never tried for the Lubbock killing.

In the Reeves case, the high court, without comment Monday, let stand a lower court ruling that the jury that sentenced Mayo to death did not properly consider all mitigating evidence.

"It surprised me, just on who they've got up there (on the court)," he said of the Supreme Court ruling.

Lawmakers press for lower credit card interest rates

WASHINGTON (AP) — Members of Congress want credit card interest rates to stop bucking the economic trend that has pulled down virtually every other rate over the past two years.

"Incredibly ... credit card interest rates remain at the stratospheric heights they were at during the early '80s," Rep. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., told the House Banking consumer affairs subcommittee on Wednesday.

Interest rates that banks pay to raise funds, ranging from savings account rates to the Federal Reserve's discount rate, have dropped sharply to around 5 percent.

But average rates on credit cards have increased slightly to nearly 19 percent, said Schumer, sponsor of a bill to force greater competition on credit card issuers.

"We must work to make credit card issuers share the wealth," he said.

Americans hold more than 980 million credit cards and by 1995 will have run up a tab of $500 billion, said the subcommittee's chairman, Rep. Esteban E. Torres, D-Calif.

"Because the credit card is such a pervasive element of the American landscape, it is critical that the market work in the consumer's favor," Torres said.

Schumer's bill would force credit card issuers to disclose their interest rate, annual fee, grace period and other basic information in every print and broadcast advertisement. The information would have to be on the envelope of any mail solicitations.

That would toughen current rules, in effect since March 1989, which require disclosure inside mail solicitations but not in advertisements.

Settlers create tension before Baker's visit

JERUSALEM (AP) — Just days before Secretary of State James A. Baker III is to visit the Middle East to prepare for a peace conference, ultra-conservative Israelis have stirred up tension by seizing homes in Arab east Jerusalem.

The incident Wednesday comes on the heels of a reconnaissance flight by Israeli jets over Iraq that prompted a disturbed Washington to urge against actions "that would disrupt the peace process."

Defense Minister Moshe Arens called Iraq's complaint about the flight "a new record for hypocrisy" and said he was disappointed that the United States apparently backed the protest.

The takeover of the homes in Jerusalem was led by hard-liners who oppose Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's stated willingness to sit with the Arabs at the peace conference Baker is trying to set up.

There was no immediate comment on the developments from Arab parties involved in the peace process.

Baker was to meet today in Washington with Palestinian representatives before beginning another round of shuttle diplomacy with a visit to Egypt on Saturday.

Armed Jewish settlers and ultra-conservative legislators moved into six homes in Arab east Jerusalem before dawn on Wednesday, but Israeli police ordered them to leave, saying they were endangering public order.

The presence of legislators led to a compromise, however, and the settlers were allowed to occupy one home while ownership claims were argued in court.

Bearded settlers danced and sang the Israeli national anthem as they put up barbed wire around the house they will remain in until legal claims are settled.

One Arab family was dislodged from its home in the neighborhood of Silwan, within sight of Jerusalem's Old City walls, and a second Arab said his family was temporarily ordered out of their home by settlers with submachine guns.

The status of east Jerusalem will likely be a key issue in any Middle East peace talks.

Israel annexed east Jerusalem after capturing it in the 1967 Middle East war, but most Western nations have refused to recognized the annexation. Palestinians want Jerusalem to be the capital of a future Palestinian state.

The U.S. position is that east Jerusalem is occupied land, and its future must be negotiated along with that of the West Bank, Gaza Strip and Golan Heights, all seized by Israel during the 1967 war.

The Bush administration, which repeatedly protested the new settlements, last month delayed congressional consideration of an Israeli request for $10 billion in loan guarantees to help settle Soviet immigrants.

Science Minister Yuval Neeman, a leader of the right-wing Tehiya Party, came to Silwan to support the settlers and said he would be pleased if the action thwarted the proposed peace conference.

The Ateret Cohanim action angered those who support a peace conference.

Petroleum prices

NEW YORK (AP) — Petroleum cash prices Wednesday as compared with Tuesday's prices.

	Wed.	Tue.
Refined Products		
Fuel oil No. 2 NY bbr bg gl fob	.6535	.6535
Gasoline unl prem RVP NY bbr bg gl fob	.6870	.6925
Gasoline unl RVP NY bbr bg gl fob	.6345	.6380
Prices provided by Oil Buyer's Guide		
x-prices are for RVP grade of gasoline		
Petroleum - Crude Grades		
Saudi Arabian light $ per bbl fob	19.90	19.45
North Sea Brent $ per bbl fob	22.40	21.95
West Texas Intermed $ per bbl fob	23.15	23.00
Alask No. Slope del. US Gulf Coast	19.95	19.80
Alask No. Slope del. US West Coast	n.a.	18.45

Man pleads guilty to murder charge

MADISON, Neb. (AP) — One of two men arrested after a television program aired about the 1989 beating death of a carnival worker has pleaded guilty to being an accessory to the killing.

The second man, who is charged with murder, faces an arraignment later this month.

Charles David Tidwell, 31, changed his plea Wednesday on a charge of being an accessory to the killing of 41-year-old Lonnie Lee Edwards of Houston.

Tidwell, who had been scheduled to stand trial this month, also changed his plea to guilty on a charge of escaping from the Madison County jail.

Madison County District Judge Robert Ensz scheduled sentencing for Nov. 13.

Tidwell was arrested in South Carolina and Richard Ellen was arrested in Oregon after a segment about them aired on "America's Most Wanted," a Fox Network television program.

They had been sought in the beating death of 41-year-old Lonnie Lee Edwards of Houston. Edwards, Tidwell and Ellen all worked for companies hired to provide entertainment at the Madison County Fair.

Ellen turned himself to Clackamas County, Ore., authorities after the television segment aired. He was arrested on a Madison County warrant for first-degree murder.

Ellen was being held in lieu of $500,000 cash bond pending an Oct. 25 arraignment in Madison County District Court.

Fresh fighting reported despite truce

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Fighting between federal troops and Croatia's militia broke out again early today in several areas of the secessionist republic despite the latest cease-fire accord, Belgrade Radio reported.

The Serbian radio said fighting began when troops of the Serbian-dominated federal army came under fierce mortar and sniper attack inside and around the eastern Croatian towns of Osijek and Vukovar, two Croatian strongholds.

"The army did not return the fire until the lives of its soldiers were endangered," the report said.

Croatia's Zagreb radio said army tanks supported by infantry had advanced on Vukovar.

It said Osijek, capital of the oil-rich Slavonia region bordering Serbia, had been under fire since 6 a.m. from rebel Serbs in the neighboring village of Tenja. Seven people were wounded, five seriously, in heavy fire near Osijek, Croatian Defense Ministry officials said.

The federal army has increasingly sided with ethnic Serbs fighting to break away from what they believe would be an ultra-nationalist Croatia if the republic achieves independence.

The Serbs have seized one-third of Croatia since the non-communist republic declared independence June 25 from Yugoslavia, which is dominated by Socialist Serbia. Hundreds, perhaps thousands have died in the civil war.

Croatian President Franjo Tudjman and his rival Slobodan Milosevic, the president of Serbia, were reported heading to The Hague today for a new round of Dutch-sponsored peace talks.

The report of battles in Slavonia came as a relief convoy headed for the region as part of the cease-fire negotiated Tuesday between Croatia and federal forces.

The convoy was to bring food and medical supplies to Vukovar and the nearby town of Vinkovci, which have seen almost daily battles since mid-August.

Under the terms of the latest truce — the eighth in Croatia's 31/2-month-old war — the Croats were to lift blockades of a federal garrison in Zagreb in exchange for the federal forces lifting their blockade of Adriatic ports.

A Yugoslav army general said Wednesday that federal units would withdraw from the Adriatic coast and from the barracks in Zagreb under the supervision of the European Community, which brokered the latest truce.

But Croatia seeks total withdrawal of all federal forces.

Finance

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property tax bills are due at the end of January, but many people pay them before the end of the year.

"If the Supreme Court should act by the first of December, they would be acting before the vast majority of the bills are paid," Luna said.

Jim George, who represented school districts and taxpayers in separate cases, said, "I think it would be real nice for the taxpayers of the state of Texas to know this is a constitutional tax before they pay the money."

State District Judge F. Scott McCown of Austin upheld the property tax system in August, rejecting wealthy districts' challenge. But McCown added that other challenges to the law, such as whether its funding level is adequate, had yet to be considered in court.

Besides the case heard by McCown, the Supreme Court also listed cases involving taxpayer challenges to the new system from Somervell and Mitchell counties.

Four killed

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when the suspect surrendered shortly after police spoke to him by telephone at 6:30 a.m., police said.

Fava said police were checking the suspect's apartment in Paterson because "there was a concern that he may have booby-trapped his apartment with explosives or an explosive device."

Police handle routine calls

Snyder police responded to more than 40 calls Wednesday but made no arrests and took no complaints of theft or criminal mischief.

Most of Wednesday's calls dealt with music disturbances, domestic disputes or motorists needing assistance. All were handled without incident.

Obituaries

Willie Raborn

1900-1991

DALLAS — Services will be held Friday, time pending, at Highland Park Baptist Church in Dallas for Willie Martha Raborn, 90, who died at 9:49 p.m. Wednesday night at her home. Burial will be in the Ridge Park Cemetery in Hillsboro.

She was the mother of Ed Raborn of Snyder.

She was born on Dec. 25, 1900.

Survivors include her husband of 71 years, Ed L. Raborn of Dallas; two other sons, John Raborn of Bryan and Bob Raborn of Shreveport, La.; two brothers, two sisters, 13 grandchildren; and 22 great grandchildren.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Ida Blanche Murry, 2105 42nd; Roberta Flanahan, Snyder Oaks Nursing Center.

DISMISSALS: Rachel Bass, Shirley Hagins, Angela Amarillas.

Census: 46 (Med.-15, Long-Term Care-31).

Markets Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	57	563/4	563/4	-1/8
AlliedSignal	40	391/8	391/8	-11/4
ALLTEL Cp	411/8	407/8	407/8	-3/8
AmStor s	353/4	351/2	353/4	
Amer T&T	367/8	365/8	365/8	-1/8
Ameritech	601/2	60	601/4	+1/8
Amoco	521/2	521/8	521/4	+1/8
AndarkPtr	295/8	291/8	295/8	+1/2
Arkla	165/8	151/2	161/2	-1/8
ArmcoInc	53/8	53/8	53/8	
AtlRichfld	1175/8	1171/4	1171/2	+5/8
BakerHugh	235/8	233/8	233/8	-1/8
BellAtl	441/8	437/8	441/8	+3/8
BellSouth	477/8	471/4	473/4	+5/8
Beth Steel	143/4	141/2	143/4	+1/4
Borden	31	303/4	307/8	+1/4
Caterpllr	451/4	447/8	45	
Centel	31	31	31	-1/8
CentSo West	503/8	501/4	501/4	-1/8
Chevron	747/8	743/8	741/2	-1/4
Chrysler	103/4	101/2	105/8	+1/8
Coastal	31	301/4	31	+1/2
CocaCola	641/8	635/8	635/8	-1/4
ColgateP s	421/8	42	421/8	
ComlMetl	201/4	20	201/4	+3/8
CyprusMn	191/4	191/8	191/8	-1/4
DallSemicn	67/8	67/8	67/8	+1/8
DeltaAirl	643/8	641/4	641/4	
DigitalEq	561/4	55	551/4	-1/2
Dillard	121	1181/4	1181/4	-4
DowChem	497/8	495/8	493/4	+1/4
DresserInd	191/2	193/8	191/2	-1/8
duPont	433/8	427/8	43	-1/4
EstKodak	413/4	411/2	411/2	-1/8
EljerInd	73/8	71/4	73/8	+1/8
Enserch	163/8	161/4	163/8	+1/8
Exxon	595/8	593/8	591/2	+1/8
FtCtyBcp	15/8	11/2	11/2	-1/8
FlowerInd	143/8	141/8	143/8	+1/8
FordMotor	297/8	291/2	291/2	-3/8
GTE Cp	313/8	307/8	311/8	+1/4
GnDynam	467/8	461/2	461/2	-1/4
GenElct	657/8	651/4	655/8	+1/4
GnMill	611/8	601/2	61	+1/8
GenMotors	371/4	365/8	363/4	-5/8
GnMotrE s	50	495/8	497/8	+1/4
GaPacif	531/8	521/4	521/2	
GlobMar n	33/4	35/8	33/4	+1/8
Goodrich	441/8	437/8	44	-3/8
Goodyear	437/8	433/4	437/8	
GtAtlPac	311/4	301/8	311/4	+1
Gulf StaUt	91/4	91/8	91/8	+1/8
Haliburtn	323/4	325/8	323/4	
Hanson	191/8	187/8	19	-1/8
HoustInd	39	383/4	387/8	
IBM	973/4	971/4	973/8	+1/8
IntlPaper	701/4	691/2	697/8	+1/4
JohnsJhn	861/2	851/8	851/8	-11/8
K mart	403/4	403/8	405/8	+
Kroger	17	163/4	167/8	+1/8
vjLTV Cp		11/8	1	1
Litton Ind	871/4	871/8	871/4	+1/4
vjLoneStar	4	37/8	37/8	-1/8
Lowes	301/2	293/4	297/8	-5/8
Lubys	163/4	161/2	165/8	+1/8
Maxus	83/4	85/8	85/8	
MayDSt	503/4	501/2	501/2	
Medtrn s	703/4	693/4	70	-1/8
Mobil	685/8	681/4	685/8	+3/8
Monsan	68	677/8	677/8	-1/8
Motorola	59	581/4	59	+1 1/4
NCNB Cp	331/2	331/4	333/8	-1/8
Navistar	23/4	25/8	25/8	-1/8
Nynex	751/8	747/8	747/8	
OryxEngy	331/2	33	331/8	-1/8
PacTelesis	411/4	41	411/4	+1/8
PanhECp	13	127/8	127/8	-1/4
PenneyJC	491/8	481/8	483/4	+1/2
PepBoys	161/2	161/8	163/8	
Phelps Dod	727/8	723/4	727/8	
PhilipPet	263/8	261/4	263/8	
Polaroid s	251/4	247/8	251/8	+1/4
Primerica	34	335/8	337/8	+5/8
ProctGamb	821/8	815/8	821/8	+1/4
PubS NwMx	83/4	83/4	83/4	
SFePacCp n	91/2	93/8	93/8	
SaraL	441/4	433/4	433/4	-3/8
SearsRoeb	367/8	361/2	365/8	-1/8
Shrwin s	231/2	231/8	233/8	+1/4
SmthBchm	635/8	635/8	635/8	+1/8
SmthBch eq n	561/8	553/4	553/4	+1/8
Southern Co	301/8	297/8	30	
SwstAirl s	251/4	247/8	251/4	+1/8
SwstBell	543/8	54	543/8	+1/2
SterlingChm	43/4	43/4	43/4	
SunCo	285/8	281/8	285/8	+5/8
TNP Ent	18	177/8	18	
Tandy	285/8	283/8	285/8	+3/8
TemplInl	47	463/4	463/4	-1/4
Tenneco	351/4	347/8	347/8	-1/4
Texaco	641/4	637/8	641/4	+3/8
TexasInst	293/8	291/8	293/8	+1/2
Tex Util	377/8	373/4	373/4	-1/8
Textron	343/8	341/8	343/8	+1/4
Tyler	23/4	25/8	23/4	
USWst	351/4	35	351/8	+1/8
USXMar n	305/8	303/8	301/2	
USX-USS n	271/4	271/8	271/8	-1/8
UnCarbde	191/4	19	191/8	+1/8
UnPac s	461/4	453/4	461/8	+3/8
UnitTech	423/4	421/2	425/8	
Unitel	231/8	227/8	23	
Unocal	263/4	261/4	261/2	+1/2
WalMt	461/4	451/4	451/2	-1/2
WestghEl s	181/4	177/8	177/8	-1/4
Wolwth	28	273/4	277/8	+1/8
Xerox Cp	607/8	603/8	603/8	-1/2
ZenithE	6	57/8	6	+

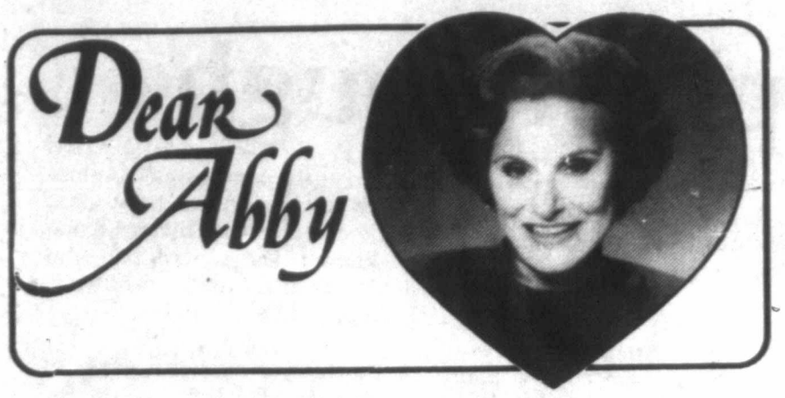
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Man's Tall Tale Leads To a Very Short Marriage

By Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: You were right in your advice to "No Guts," who had given his fiancee a three-carat cubic zirconia. (You told him to find the guts because it would be better if she got the news from him.) I only wish he had written his letter a year ago. Here is the female point of view:

My fiance gave me a two-carat "diamond," saying he had inherited it from his grandfather. He said the jeweler that mounted it had told him its value was "between $8,000 and $10,000." When I asked if he'd ever had it appraised or insured, he said he hadn't — because he didn't want to pay an inheritance tax. His mother didn't even know he had it, he said, and I could never tell her because it would cause a family feud!

Of course, being in love and blinded by this gorgeous "rock," I fell for the whole story, and proudly showed it off at work and to friends and family. Imagine my embarrassment (yes, after the wedding!) when I took it to a jeweler to have it appraised, and he told me it was not a diamond!

When I confronted my husband, he gave me another string of lies, saying that either one of his previous roommates had found the ring in the apartment and replaced the stone with a fake, or that when he took it to the jeweler for engraving, the jeweler must have switched the stones. Then he said that he knew when he said "I do" that it wasn't a diamond, but planned to replace it (without my knowledge) on our first anniversary.

Needless to say, eight months before our first anniversary, I divorced this con artist.

I learned my lesson the hard way — and my sympathies go out to his next victim. "No Guts" should heed your sound advice, Abby, but I would also advise women to be wary of and question any diamond that is over one-half carat if it has no papers.

E.Z. DECEIVEE

DEAR DECEIVEE: It's discouraging to contemplate a world where a bride-to-be must see in black and white that her fiance is on the up and up. Not all that glitters is gold, nor is all that sparkles a genuine diamond.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: A few months back I sent for your booklet on "How to Be Popular." It did me so much good, I'm a different person. I read it several times, and then passed it on to family and friends. It may never get back to me, so will you please send me another copy — along with "How to Write Letters for All Occasions" and "How to Have a Lovely Wedding"?

I read your column every day — and it makes such good sense. God bless you.

HELEN LEWIS,
OOLOGAH, OKLA.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: Do you happen to know George Bernard Shaw's very witty definition of love?

JAMES K. IN MIAMI

DEAR JAMES: Yes. "Love is a gross exaggeration of the difference between one person and everybody else."

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"How to Be Popular" is an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person. To order, send a long, business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054. (Postage is included.)

Boy Scouts program off to rocky start

DALLAS (AP) — A new Boy Scouts of America program designed to reach beyond heterosexual, God-fearing males has been rejected by some for being too close to traditional scout values and by others for straying too far.

The Learning for Life program was set up to provide an alternative to scouting for children ages 9 through 18 in public schools.

Unlike traditional scouting programs, it has no uniform or Boy Scout oath, and is open to girls, homosexuals and atheists.

Joel Richardson, a troop leader from Little River, S.C., said that goes too far.

"What I'm opposed to is the gay activists and the atheists being involved in the Boy Scouts of America," he said. Anything associated with the Boy Scout name should uphold the 81 years of "serving God and country," he said.

In Utah, where Mormon Church influence is strong, Marty Letimer, scout executive for the Great Salt Lake Council, said Learning for Life hasn't been adopted so far. "We're not using it, but are reviewing it," he said.

In San Francisco, the school board effectively banned Learning for Life because of its Boy Scout affiliation. The board bars organizations from running in-school programs that discriminate on the basis of sex or sexual orientation.

Scout volunteers assist with the Learning for Life program.

Blake Lewis, a spokesman at Boy Scouts of America headquarters in Irving, Texas, said of the criticism, "I think that any time you introduce a new program, it's going to have persons at either end of the spectrum."

Each of the Boy Scouts of America's 397 local councils must decide whether to undertake the program. Lewis said it will be next year before the national office knows how many signed on.

He estimated 1 million youngsters will take part in the program. There were about 4.3 million Scouts at the end of 1990, up from 3.1 million in 1979.

Blake said the Learning for Life program didn't get a fair shake from the day it was first announced in August.

In Detroit, where about 15,000 youngsters take part in the program, teachers and scouting volunteers instruct grade-schoolers in listening skills, conservation and ethnic heritage, said John Perry, a scout employee who helps supervise the program.

Junior high and high school students learn about career choices and job hunting. There also is a program for children with mental or learning disabilities.

After completing each lesson, students receive stickers similar to Boy Scout merit badges, Perry said.

Traditional scout programs continue to bar homosexuals — a policy based on the 1910 scout oath and laws, which require members to be "morally straight" — and also exclude girls and anyone who will not take a religious oath.

Closing of plant struck by fire adds to workers' woes

HAMLET, N.C. (AP) — Willie Baldwin, who worked at the chicken processing plant where a fire killed 25 people last month, thanks God his life was spared. And then he wonders how he'll survive now that the plant won't be reopening.

"I've got mixed emotions," said the 31-year-old father of three. "I need a job. And when you've got kids, you need 40 hours a week."

He said his $129 in unemployment benefits "just ain't going to cut it."

In an Oct. 2 letter to employees, Imperial Food Products said the plant will not reopen, citing the fire and the company's inability to arrange financing.

Some employees, like Linda Faye Robinson, said they would not have returned anyway.

"There's too many memories of the people who died," she said tearfully.

But Baldwin said he may have had no choice but to go back.

In this rural community of 6,200 people, Imperial Food Products was the biggest employer, and the 225 jobs it provided, mostly in the $5-to $5.50-an-hour range, are hard to come by.

"It's going to be a long, hard winter for a lot of people," said Mayor Abbie Covington.

"This is a small town. So everything is limited," noted Councilman Joey Jernigan. "It's going to be a burden on the people who have already pitched in to help."

The fire erupted Sept. 3 at the plant, where chicken was prepared for restaurants and stores. Flames from frying equipment ignited oil from a broken hydraulic hose. State investigators said locked or blocked exits contributed to the deaths.

The company has had little comment on conditions in the plant beyond acknowledging that certain doors were sometimes locked.

The tragedy has resulted in a criminal investigation of the plant, which was never inspected during its 11 years of operation.

In the fire's aftermath, some workers said they were troubled by the locked doors but never raised their fears with management.

"People didn't raise them because they were afraid they might lose their jobs," said Elaine Griffin, who worked at the plant.

After the fire, Baldwin said, it has been hard for him to look at the sprawling brick plant.

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Jurors nix Wyatt lawsuit against Robert Sakowitz

HOUSTON (AP) — Although a Houston jury has rejected claims by three nephews that millionaire businessman Robert Sakowitz was responsible for losing the family fortune, members of two of the city's most famed families say their feud is likely to continue.

Douglas Wyatt, 34, the eldest nephew, accused Sakowitz of losing the family fortune and running the upscale fashion store chain Sakowitz Inc. into bankruptcy to line his own pockets. The family patriarch, Bernard Sakowitz, who died in 1981, named Robert as executor of his estate and his successor in the firm.

The lawsuit followed one filed by Wyatt's oilman stepfather, Oscar Wyatt, in 1986. The elder Wyatt settled out of court with Sakowitz. But since then, Sakowitz and his sister, socialite Lynn Wyatt, have not spoken. Their mother, Ann Sakowitz, has sided with her son and also has refused to speak to Mrs. Wyatt.

The six-man, six-woman jury deliberated more than four hours Wednesday before rejecting all seven issues in the case and denying any monetary claims.

"I am really elated," Sakowitz, 52, said moments after the verdict.

"It has been extremely draining ... over the last six years. It's so good to have a clean sweep (with jurors voting 12-0 to reject the charges) and to have the family name exonerated. To have my name exonerated," he said.

"I never understood why they brought the case," defense attorney Berg said. "I thought it was a desperate move. The case was in my judgment was extremely weak and vicious."

Sakowitz said he did not believe it was "in the cards" for him and his sister to reconcile. He and Berg also said a countersuit was possible.

"No, I think unfortunately it was fairly clearly stated that Mr. Wyatt — and I don't mean Douglas — had his own agenda," he said, apparently alluding to Oscar Wyatt.

Mrs. Sakowitz said, "I think that Lynn has sold her soul and her family for greed and power. I'm sorry to have to say it, but that's the way I feel."

Wyatt and his two brothers were seeking about $7.5 million he says his uncle took from Sakowitz. They also sought a penalty for allegedly breaching the family trust.

Sakowitz contended the money he took from the firm was cash he previously had put in. He was president of the company from 1975 until it failed in 1990.

After the verdict, plaintiffs' attorney Andy Vickery said it was "premature to make any decision about any appeal."

"This has been a very difficult case for the whole family, on both sides. I feel like my brothers and I had to go forward and pursue what we believed in, what we thought was right," Wyatt said. "We tried this to 12 able jurors, and they've given us our decision."

Wyatt said he is unsure what the future holds for the family.

Wyatt also said the time was inappropriate to set the record straight on his involvement in Eternal Values.

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Proving sexual harassment complaint tough

WASHINGTON (AP) — When one of Laura Einstein's clients was trying to prove she'd been fired for refusing the advances of a higher-up, she produced stacks of computerized love letters the man had sent before the crush turned spiteful.

"It was the smoking gun. I usually don't have that," said Einstein, a Washington attorney who has handled several sexual harassment cases.

Like the Anita Hill-Clarence Thomas case, harassment cases oftentimes are he said-she said arguments that lack witnesses, documents or other evidence that back up one side or the other.

"It's really difficult to prove," said Hope Williams, a spokeswoman for the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. "Unless they have something in writing, then it's really fuzzy." In the case cited by Einstein, the computer messages helped her client win lost wages through an out-of-court settlement.

Federal law identifies two basic types of harassment.

There's the "quid pro quo" harassment, or the "Sleep with me or you're fired, sleep with me or you don't get this promotion," Einstein explained.

The other is "environmental" harassment, where a woman faces no job or promotion loss because of the harassment, but finds that it makes for an uncomfortable work situation.

"Someone's been subjected to all sorts of advances — remarks, innuendos, letters, flowers, being asked out on dates," Einstein said. "The term hostile environment is used. That's the Anita Hill situation — someone in a position of power treats you as a sexual object, when you want to be treated with respect."

A female worker who feels she's been the victim of sexual harassment should, before complaining to the EEOC, try to resolve the situation herself by making it clear to the harasser that she wants the advances to stop, experts said.

"A woman who is the recipient of unwelcome advances, whether it's jokes or descriptions of pornographic films, has to communicate that this is not welcome conduct," said Mark Dichter, a Philadelphia attorney who represents employers.

If the improper behavior continues, the woman can go to an EEOC office or similar state agency to file a complaint. An EEOC officer, if the information warrants it, would file a harassment charge against the employer.

A woman who doesn't want to bother with the EEOC can go straight to a private attorney to file suit.

Women open themselves up to credibility attacks when they press a harassment case, Einstein said.

"Anytime a woman is fired and she thinks it was because she resisted advances, the employer is going to argue that it's because she was a lousy employee, she came to work late, she wrote terrible reports," Einstein said.

Dichter, the employers' attorney, said that in many cases there's a "perception" problem with what two different people view as harmless flirting or harassing. Many men and women who work together have flirtatious relationships, he noted.

"Because we can't eliminate either those attractions or the very nature of the way people communicate, the best we can hope for is that the people who like it let that be known, and the people who don't like it let that be known," Dichter said.

The lawyer gave this scenario of what could be a misinterpreted situation:

A superior asks a female employee out for dinner, but she turns him down, saying she has a class that night. The next week, she says she'd love to, but she's having a friend over. This happens three or four times.

Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Oct. 10, 1991

You could be in the position to effect change instead of being subjected to its effects in the year ahead. The alterations you devise might benefit others as well as yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today could be a good day to shop for domestic or household items. You should have a special knack for getting the most mileage from the dollars you spend in these areas. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 91428, Cleveland, OH 44101-3428.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Your demeanor and the tone of your voice will leave little doubt as to where you stand today. What's more, individuals who hear you will recognize your authority and respect your position.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If you haven't been too pleased with the results you've been achieving lately, take positive measures today to redo what displeases you. The second time is the charm.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If a loyal friend's reputation is besmirched by someone in your presence today, rise to your pal's defense. If you were maligned in absentia, your buddy would do the same.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If there is a position you feel strongly about, don't be afraid to express yourself in the presence of an unfamiliar group today. You'll make a good case, and you could cause some to convert.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you have to deal with a problem similar to one you recently resolved successfully today, trade upon your past experiences. What worked before should work now.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The thing you might enjoy most of all today is being called on to personally salvage a situation others have found too tough. Your ingenuity and resourcefulness will provide the solution.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Sometimes, when we ask for a candid opinion from another, we hear a response we don't like. Today, however, if you request the truth, the commentary should please you.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A difficult objective can be achieved today, provided you pursue it in a tenacious, methodical manner. Practicality and persistence are the keys to success.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Things will start to move today when you make your presence felt in your involvements. You'll have the ability to mobilize constructive efforts.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Exercise control over your own destiny today, especially in your material affairs. Don't leave anything of importance up to the whims of chance.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Try to translate your gregarious inclinations into something profitable and productive today, instead of merely social. Make certain get-togethers have a true purpose.

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Berry's World



Few farmers are growing oats today

WASHINGTON (AP) — Oats have caught on with the cholesterol-conscious, but farmers aren't cashing in on the health craze.

"Everything seems to be out of whack," says Rep. Timothy J. Penny, D-Minn., a member of the House Agriculture Committee from one of the nation's top oat-producing states.

Despite the increasing consumer demand for oatmeal and oat bran, U.S. farmers are growing less oats as prices tumble below the cost of production and growers compete with rising imports.

While the decline in U.S. oat production may not be felt at the supermarket, farmers are angry at the amount of heavily subsidized imports.

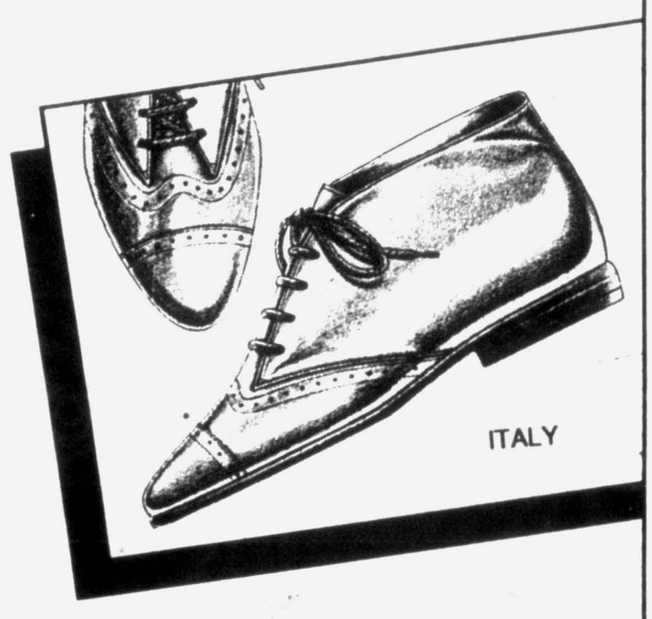
And agribusinesses that store, transport or process oats say they're missing opportunities to handle the increased consumer demand.

"What we have in the United States is a very serious situation for oats," said Pat Henderson, executive director of the American Oat Association in Minneapolis.

She said some industry already has moved offshore to be closer to its foreign sources as U.S. farmers scale back oat production and turn to more lucrative feed grains such as corn.

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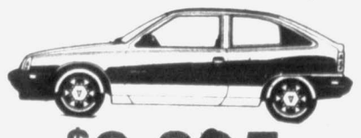
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