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Tax notes to provide money for few SISD improvements

By Wade Warren
Managing Editor

Snyder ISD's board of trustees voted unanimously Monday night to issue $520,000 in maintenance tax notes to begin upgrading the district's aging facilities.

Supt. Gayle Lomax said the board would discuss at the October meeting how the money will be spent.

It is expected that some, or all of the money, will be used to upgrade heating and cooling systems in one or more elementary schools as BGR Architects-Engineers also was approved for such work Monday.

The program, adopted by the state legislature in 1999, allows a school district to issue the notes to be used for any normal expenditure, or maintenance-type work in the school district.

The funds cannot be used for any new construction, but can be used to buy school buses, said Lomax.

"At our next meeting, we will be discussing how the funds will be spent," said Lomax.

George Williford, representing First Southwest Company, said West Texas State Bank purchased the tax notes and the school district will be paying only five-percent interest.

"West Texas State Bank should be commended for this," said Williford.

The notes will be issued for a two-year period with $495,000 to be paid off in the first year.

In a related matter, the board unanimously adopted a tax rate of $1.50 per $100 valuation for the school year 2000-01. The rate for normal operations is $1.388, and 11.2 cents will be for paying for the tax notes.

In personnel matters, the board formally approved the contracts of Rose Smith as a first grade teacher at Central Elementary, and Robbie Braziel as a physical education instructor and volleyball coach at the junior high.

During the Monday meeting, an informational item concerning TAAS scores generated the most discussion.

The state recently released the final scores following preliminary results in the spring.

Dr. Missy Jones, assistant superintendent for curriculum for the district, said a 12 percent drop in math scores for third graders is a big concern for her.

Dr. Jones reminded that board, however, that it must be noted that it was a different group of students that had been tested, and different scores could be expected.

Lomax also noted that the TAAS tests were more difficult this year.

"I don't believe the teachers did less in 2000 than 1999," said Lomax. "The tests are getting harder and the standards are getting higher."

"But rest assured, no one here is happy that the test scores dropped from 93 to 81," Lomax added.

Despite the drop, Central Elementary's accountability rating was still acceptable, meaning at least 50 per cent of the students taking the TAAS tests passed, and the school had a dropout rate of less than six per cent and an attendance rate of at least 94 per cent.

Campuses that kept their recognized status on these final results included Northeast Elementary, West Elementary and SJHS.

Besides Central Elementary, other acceptable ratings in the district included Snyder High School and East Elementary.

Recognized status reflects a passing rate of at least 80 percent, a dropout rate of 3.5 percent or less, and at least a 94 percent attendance rate.

During the discussion of the TAAS, board member Luann Burleson said a drop of a few points did not concern her greatly, but the 12-point drop did.

Burleson also said she was discouraged by hearing two or three times this week of SHS students who could not read.

"I know we have kids that can't read in high school," said Burleson. "And that breaks my heart."

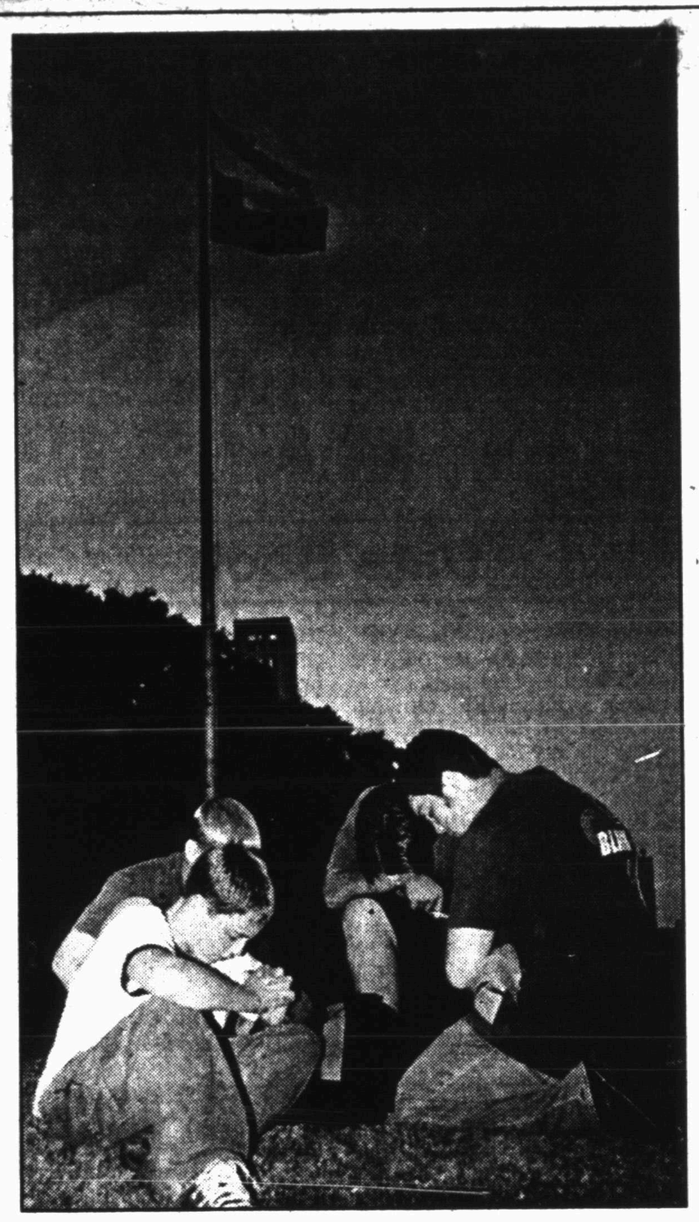
"This is not inner-city New York," said Burleson. "This is Snyder, Texas."

Burleson said the students she was referring to might not be products of the school system, but move-ins.

"But we can't let anyone fall through the cracks," she added.

"This is a concern that we all have," Dr. Jones said this morning. "I am certainly in agreement with Luann that we make sure we provide the best education for all our students. We have to ask now what we have to do to correct that problem."

Board president Mark McCormick presided and all trustees were present to include Burleson, Richard Chambers, Cathy Peoples, Glenn Clarady, Mike Levens and Janet Stribling.



AT THE POLE — Snyder High School freshmen (clockwise from left) Rankin Hardin, Jordan Dea, Hunter Shipp and Trey Jenkins were on their knees in prayer this morning at the annual See You at the Pole event. Local students joined thousands of other schools in a prayer meeting at their respective flagpoles today. The high school reported an estimated 125 students attending while Snyder Junior High reported about 100 students. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Never forget what is worth remembering or remembering what is best forgotten."

Nagging, it's a woman thing.

Now we know the reason – and it's a positive one. Women nag because they believe it improves the health of the opposite gender.

In other words, it's okay for the tender gender to nag, and it is actually good for us men.

According to a study, when a wife is too busy to remind her husband about wearing sun block, eating right or not taking a second helping of mashed potatoes, our health tends to suffer.

That's because, the study reveals, that wives are more likely to remind their husbands about eating right, taking their blood pressure medicine or keeping a medical appointment.

Nagging is just the female version of saying, "I love you."

—Did you walk this morning?

—You don't need dessert.

—Just one bite.

—That sweet, young thing you've been gawking is a Black Belt.

—You need to change slacks...looks like they may have shrunk at the cleaners.

—I think you should order something broiled, not fried.

—It is too. Fruit is good for you.

—Eat your vegetables.

—But you mow the lawn so much nicer than the kid down the street. (Translated: the exercise is good for you.)

—If you eat that late at night, you won't sleep well.

—No, the doctor doesn't suspect anything. He just likes visiting with you.

—Turn up that hearing aid...that was a close call with the train.

—No hon, that big fella said shutup, not standup.

—Pick up those socks, I don't want you tripping over 'em. You could get hurt.

—Turn off that blinker light, that trucker seems a bit annoyed.

—You need to shave this weekend. (Ample warning that your brother-in-law may be coming for a visit.)

—That's not on your diet.

—Yes, the cardiologists can smell cheese fries on your breathe.

All this reminds us of a story of the deceased couple who were strolling the streets of heaven.

As they enjoyed the breath-taking scenery, golden streets and peaceful surroundings, the man turned to his nagging mate of 60 years and said:

"Just think sweetie, if we hadn't eaten all that oat bran, we could have enjoyed this 10 years sooner."

Flash fire leaves man in serious condition

A Bryant's Carpet Cleaning employee is in serious condition at the burn unit of Lubbock's University Medical Center after being burned Tuesday while fueling his company van.

According to Snyder Fire Department officials, Felipe Amarillas of 1105 26th Street was at the Snyder One Stop, 2500 25th Street, around 1:30 p.m. Tuesday putting gas in a Ford van owned by the carpet cleaning firm when the accident occurred.

"We suspect static discharge ignited the gas fumes," Fire Marshal Cy Posey said. "Basically, it was just a flash fire."

Snyder EMS arrived on the scene to give medical attention and later transferred Amarillas to Lubbock.

The vehicle sustained a small amount of fire damage.

WTC to host blood drive

Western Texas College will be the site Thursday for the first day of this month's blood drive, with donations being taken from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Student Center.

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

In conjunction, WTC phlebotomy students and instructor Bill Dickinson along with Cogdell Memorial Hospital will offer a free bloodtyping lab.

The lab will be held from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. also.

A second lab will be held at Wal-Mart Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Donors will also have a chance to give Tuesday at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Next Wednesday, blood donations will be taken from noon until 5 p.m. at Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

The Price Daniel Unit visitation area will be the site of the drive on Sept. 28. Employees may donate between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m.

All blood donors will receive a T-shirt and will be entered into raffle drawings for various prizes. Blood donors will also receive a mini physical including blood pressure check.

Voter registration set

There will be a voter registration booth at Wal-Mart Thursday and Friday.

Citizens may apply for a voter registration certificate from noon until 8 p.m. both days.

A voter registration certificate will be necessary to vote in the November general election.

Probation rules violations send two to state pen

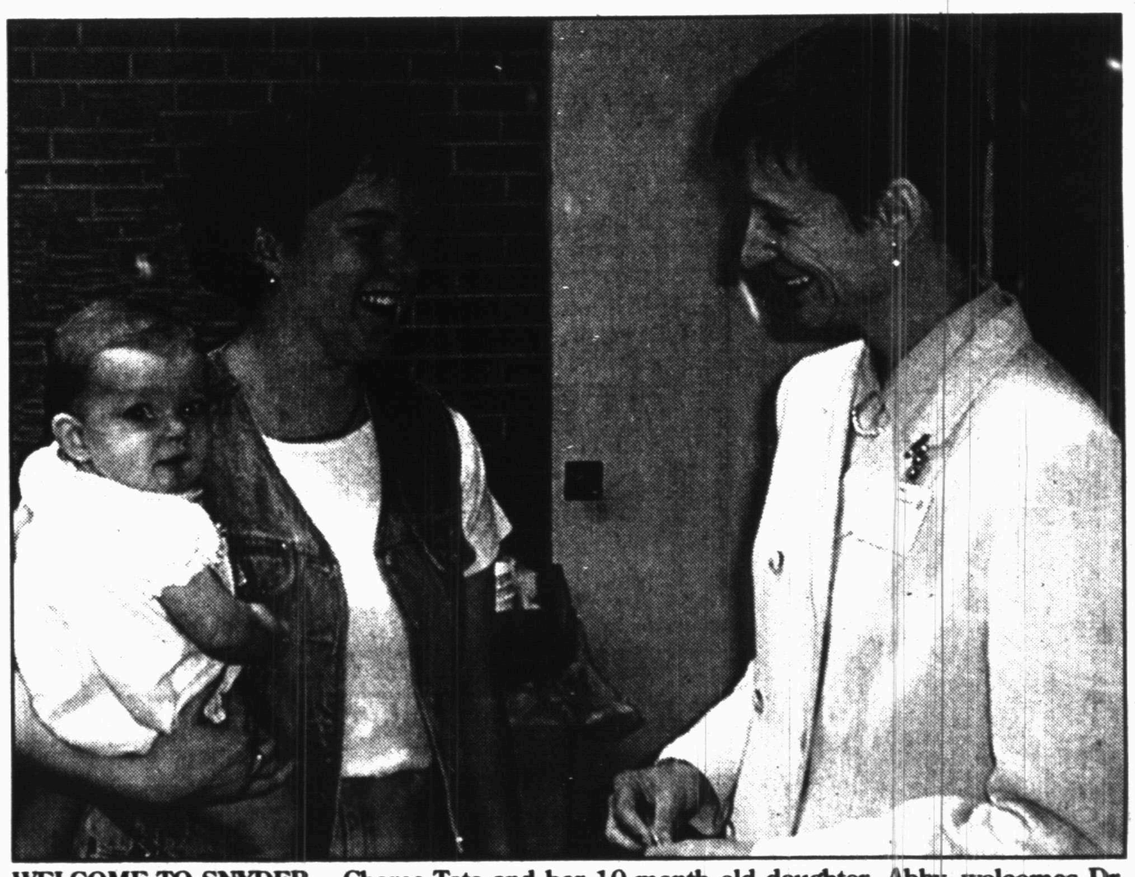
Two persons - both serving their final year of probation - must now serve full prison sentences following revocation hearings Monday in 132nd District Court.

Rayfield Anthony Cooks, 49, of Abilene was serving a 10-year probated sentence for a 1990 aggravated assault conviction. Because Cooks failed to report to probation officials and failed to pay restitution and court costs, Senior District Judge Gene Dulaney ordered Cooks to serve 10 years in the Texas Department of Criminal Justice.

Judge Dulaney also revoked the probation of Alen Dale Mince of Big Spring, formerly of Snyder.

Mince, 38, was serving a five-year probated sentence for felony theft, a November, 1994 offense.

Mince must now serve two years in a state jail facility. The motion to revoke probation was based on the defendant's failure to report to probation officials and failure to pay restitution and court costs.



WELCOME TO SNYDER —Cheree Tate and her 10-month old daughter, Abby, welcomes Dr. Kimberly Leighton to Snyder. Dr. Leighton and Dr. Clinton Wolboldt recently opened their practice here with Covenant Healthcare Systems. (SDN Staff Photo)

ASK US

Q—When does early voting start for the November general election?
A—Oct. 23.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 93 degrees; low, 57; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 68; no precipitation; total for 2000, 15.01 inches.

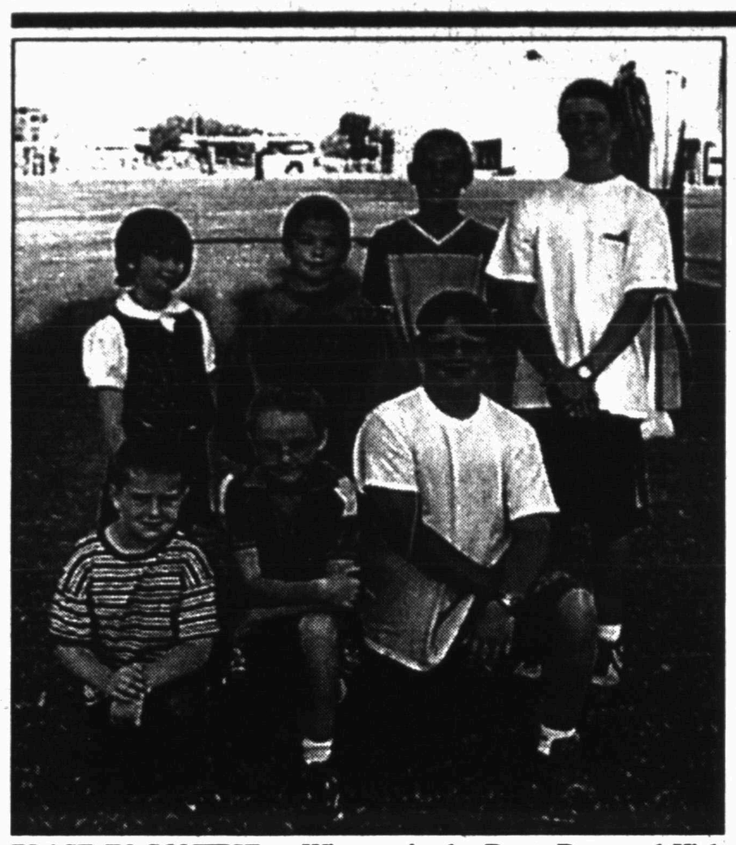
Area Forecast: Tonight, becoming mostly cloudy; low 55-60; NE wind 10-20 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy; high lower 80s, S wind 10-20 mph.

Kylie Moreland
Partly Cloudy

Sunset:
7:43 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:32 a.m.
Of 263 days in 2000, the sun has shone 260 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Men often oppose a thing merely because they have had no agency in planning it, or because it may have been planned by those whom they dislike.
—Alexander Hamilton



PLACE IN CONTEST — Winners in the Punt, Pass and Kick contest held Sept. 9 in Ira are from left, back row, Tahlia Cox, Rey Juarez, Corbin Clements, Wes Kellner; front row, Brandon Lunsford, Jimmie Schooler and Kevin Graves.

Punt, pass and kick winners

Seven Ira students placed in the Punt, Pass and Kick competition held in Ira Sept. 9. Only the first place winner in each age division will advance to the next contest, to be held later in Lubbock.

Ages 8-9 — Boys: Rey Juarez, first, 197 feet and 11 inches; Brandon Lunsford, second, 123 feet and 10 inches.

Girls: Tahlia Cox, 25 feet and 2 inches.

Ages 10-11: Corbin Clements, first, 158 feet and 4 inches; Jimmie Schooler, second, 118 feet and 7 inches.

Ages 12-13: Wes Kellner, first, 339 feet and 4 inches; Kevin Graves, 222 feet and 11 inches.

Others in the competition include Steven Juarez, Jacob Cox, BJ Botts, Cody Chappell, Kylor Fine, Lupe Ornelas, Colby Barrera, and Michael Cox.

Baytown man is charged with murder

BAYTOWN (AP) — A 49-year-old man has been charged with murder after a fight over funeral arrangements led to the shooting death of a family member.

Larry Larnail Gray of Baytown was charged Monday in connection with the death of 29-year-old Shannon Alonzo Pitre.

Pitre was found dead outside his pickup truck off Interstate 10 with a shotgun wound in his back on Sept 4.

Investigators said Gray and his uncles had been at a nearby home discussing funeral arrangements for his father, the Rev. Fred Gray of Dayton, who had a heart attack while preaching a sermon Sept. 3, and died in his pulpit.

Pitre, whose mother was Fred Gray's estranged wife, arrived and was upset that Larry Gray and his uncles did not notify his mother of the death, said Harris County sheriff's department Lt. Richard Ricks.

Space shuttle Atlantis returns to Earth

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Space shuttle Atlantis and its crew of seven swooped through the pre-dawn darkness and landed Wednesday, ending a successful mission to outfit the international space station.

"Congratulations on an outstanding job. We are proud of you all," Mission Control told the astronauts.

Powerful xenon lights illuminated the 3-mile-long runway as Atlantis emerged from the gloom like a ghost ship, with a half-moon as a backdrop. Touchdown was right on time, at 3:56 a.m., just as launch was back on Sept. 8.

It was only the 15th nighttime landing in space shuttle history. Nighttime landings are becoming more common, though, now that NASA has a space station in orbit. All three previous shuttle flights to the space station also ended in darkness.

The freshly stocked space station was soaring 240 miles above the Atlantic when Atlantis touched down. It will be visited by shuttle astronauts again in just two weeks; its first full-time residents will move in at the beginning of November.

Atlantis' astronauts spent eight days at the space station, five of them inside. By the time they left Sunday night, they had hauled in and tucked away 3 tons of equipment.

Among the supplies: shampoo, cream, shaving gel, moist towels and napkins, Russian and American meals, ear plugs, medical kits, labels, printer parts, clamps, brackets, camera equipment and small bags for the first permanent crew to use to relieve themselves in case the toilet jams.

The shuttle astronauts also installed the toilet, oxygen generator and treadmill in the new living quarters, and ran power and TV cables up the outside.

Getting an extra day helped. NASA stretched the mission to 12 days to give the astronauts more time inside.

"They did an amazing job this mission. They made everything look so easy," flight director Jeff Bantle said. "This moved us, I would say, a significant step closer to getting a crew on board this vehicle."

The only disappointment was with one of five new batteries that were plugged into the Russian modules. It would not charge properly and was disconnected; the first residents will deal with the problem when they arrive.

Another shuttle crew is scheduled to depart for the space station on Oct. 5 aboard Discovery, making NASA's 100th shuttle flight.

On the Net:
NASA:
http://spaceflight.nasa.gov/index-m.html

Police: man killed his neighbor by mistake

LAKELAND, Fla. (AP) — A man whose young son told him someone in a red car tried to lure him away from a bus stop spent two days hunting for the vehicle before killing his neighbor — a father of four and the wrong man, authorities said Tuesday.

Kenneth Stephenson, 31, died from five gunshot wounds early Saturday after he drove home from work in his red Chevrolet Beretta.

Held without bail Tuesday was James Price, 46, who told police he spent two days hunting for a red car, intending to kill the driver. He has been charged with first-degree murder.

Stephenson had just gotten off work at Ryder Truck Rental where he was a tire technician when he was gunned down a half block from his driveway — midway between his house and Price's house. The two men were acquaintances.

"Nothing was said. He just shot him," Stephenson's widow, Misty, said Tuesday, standing alongside a simple wooden cross on the roadside. Printed on it were the words: "God Bless You." The names of Stephenson's wife and children were listed on the side.

Price "freely and voluntarily admitted taking his Ruger .357 handgun from his truck toolbox and going in search of the person who allegedly tried to pick up his son," according to an arrest affidavit.

On Monday, 19-year-old Matthew Wiley told investigators he was the one in the red car, but claimed he never tried to pick up Price's 9-year-old son, said Polk County Sheriff's Capt. W.J. Martin.

"He came to us. He told us a group of kids at the bus stop were making obscene and rude gestures at him," sheriff's spokeswoman Michal Shanley said. "He stuck his head out the window and yelled that he was going to tell their daddy."

Price's son was at the bus stop with three other youngsters, Shanley said. The children said a man and a woman were in the red car and the man told the children to get into the vehicle, but they refused, according to a police report.

Shanley said authorities don't know how the story told to Price got twisted, whether the children perceived events differently or embellished on what happened.

Stephenson's children, ranging in age from 4 to 15, were not at the house Tuesday.

Date Book

Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2000

Today is the 264th day of 2000 and the 93rd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1848, in Philadelphia, the American Society for the Advancement of Science was founded.

On this day in 1884, in San Francisco, the Equal Rights Party was formed.

On this day in 1984, NBC-TV began to broadcast "The Cosby Show."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Upton Sinclair (1878-1968), writer; Maxwell Perkins (1884-1947), editor; Ferdinand "Jelly Roll" Morton (1885-1941), jazz great; Arnold "Red" Auerbach (1917-), basketball coach-executive, is 83; Anne Meara (1929-), actress, is 71; Sophia Loren (1934-), actress, is 66; Guy Lafleur (1951-), hockey great, is 49; Crispin Glover (1964-), actor, is 36.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1969, Bob Moose pitched a no-hitter for Philadelphia against the Mets. Philadelphia won 4-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I aimed at the public's heart, and by accident I hit it in the stomach." — Upton Sinclair, on his novel "The Jungle"

TODAY'S MOON: Last quarter.

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Berry's World

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Sept. 21, 2000

In the year ahead, you could be exceptionally fortunate with those with whom you share strong emotional bonds. This will be true both commercially and socially.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Don't give way to self-doubts today that cause you to believe you're not entitled to the good things in life. Be positive and persistent in your hopes and aspirations. 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.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Take extra efforts to be certain you conduct yourself in a manner that will enhance your popularity and image. Wherever you go and whatever you do could be more closely observed today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You're asking for restlessness or moodiness to set in today if you don't get yourself involved in productive pursuits. Strive to be industrious, not indolent.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Even though your business instincts will be finely honed today, there's a good chance you could still put more credence in the evaluations of others than your own. Reverse that thinking.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Harmony will always prevail when we keep in mind to handle with care all one-on-one relationships. Don't lose sight of this when dealing with others today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Climbing out of bed when the alarm goes off might not seem like too nifty of an idea at that moment. However, once you start moving about, your energy and enthusiasm level will go sky high.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you get the opening today, take the opportunity to tell someone to whom you're strongly attracted that you consider him or her more than just a friend. It's a good day to do so.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You possess a dynamic asset today for dealing with the public, and that is your outstanding ability to automatically and instinctively gauge the wants and moods of others. Use it wisely.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Anyone who attempts to have fun at your expense today is in for a big surprise. You are endowed with a keen sense of humor and will know how to turn their jokes around on them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Spend your time today balancing your books rather than balancing the bar bells, because it'll be mental pursuits rather than physical ones that are likely to be your cup of tea at this time.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you see someone floundering today, your take-charge instincts will be instantly aroused. So long as they don't object, step in and do what you can to help.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Stand back a bit today and let the attention be focused on those around you instead. Companions will appreciate you more for allowing them to take center stage once in awhile.

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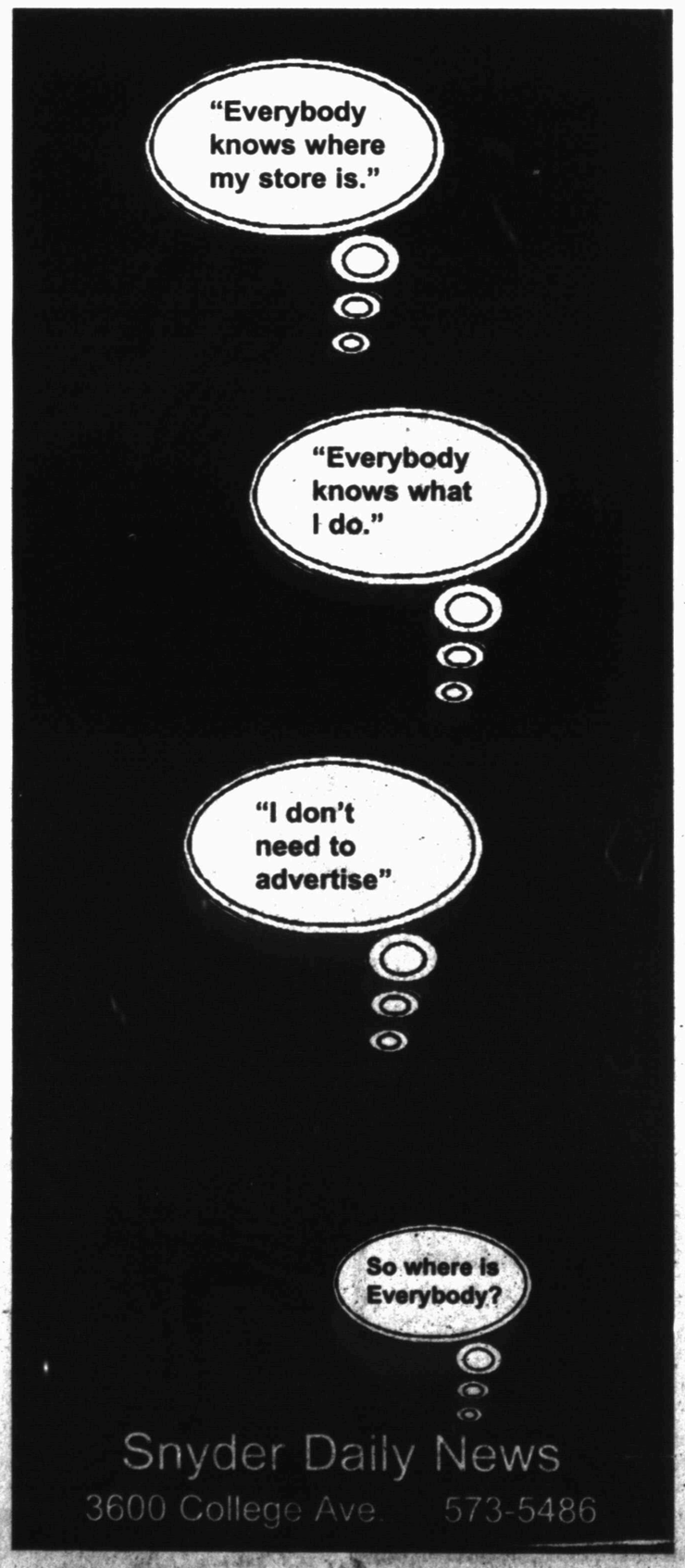

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Lead in calcium supplements a risk in megadoses

CHICAGO (AP) — Many over-the-counter calcium supplements that millions take to keep bones strong contain small amounts of lead that could be a health risk if recommended doses are exceeded, new research suggests.

Though manufacturers have reduced the lead content since the debate first surfaced several years ago, the authors say they re-examined the issue because doctors are increasingly recommending calcium supplements to menopausal women and other patients to prevent osteoporosis.

About 5 percent of the U.S. population takes the supplements, including a sizable number of menopausal women, who face an increased risk of osteoporosis as their bodies stop producing estrogen. About 10 million Americans suffer from the bone-thinning disease.

Calcium is often mined from ancient seabeds that also may contain lead, which in high doses can damage the nerves, blood cells and digestive system, causing such problems as irritability, fatigue, vomiting, convulsions and permanent brain damage.

However, the authors say their findings suggest supplements are generally safe and beneficial unless taken in larger-than-recommended doses for many years.

The authors tested 23 products in March; their results appear in Wednesday's Journal of the American Medical Association.

The authors found no detectable level of lead in 15 of the supplements. The remainder had from 1.74 micrograms to 3.43 micrograms per 1,500 milligrams of calcium. The dose generally recommended to help prevent osteoporosis is about 1,200 milligrams to 1,500 milligrams daily.

Experts have suggested that the body's total daily exposure to lead should not exceed 6 micrograms, said Dr. Edward Ross, a University of Florida nephrologist who conducted the study with toxicology experts at the school's Gainesville campus.

An editorial in the same issue, by a medical consultant for many calcium suppliers, says the industry has made great strides in getting lead out of supplements and criticizes the authors for sounding an unnecessary alarm.

"A backlash against calcium supplements — evoked by a lead scare — would unquestionably do far more harm ... than would continued ingestion of current supplements," Dr. Robert Heaney of Creighton University said in the editorial.

Heaney also is a spokesman for the National Osteoporosis Foundation, an advocacy group that seeks to reduce the prevalence of osteoporosis. The foundation promotes the use of calcium supplements when food intake of the mineral is inadequate.

Though the issue prompted a widely publicized 1997 California lawsuit that forced one manufacturer to reduce the lead in its products, many consumers remain unaware of the potential exposure.

"I'm just taking this because I'm old and I was told to for my bones and osteoporc s," said Eilene Boothby, 53, of Nevada City, Calif. "Now I have to go home and look on the back of my bottle."

SHS forensics dominates Tech's Early Speakfest

Students capture 42 awards at first speech tournament

AT CONTEST — Snyder High School students Paula Fritz and Jose Perez discuss their speeches at Texas Tech University's Early Speakfest held on Saturday. (Contributed Photo)

The Snyder High School forensics team kicked off its contest year in a big way Saturday — winning the first place overall sweepstakes at the Texas Tech University Early Speakfest.

SHS also captured the debate and individual sweepstakes trophies while accumulating 42 individual awards.

In the Lincoln-Douglas Debate, Lyndell Lee garnered first place while Sandra Nussey was second in the experienced division.

Lee also was chosen outstanding Lincoln-Douglas debater.

Novice division winners include Jessica Ramos, first place; and Paula Fritz, second.

Austin McCormack and Josh Kemp took first place in the novice division of the cross-examination debate. Kemp was chosen outstanding novice C-X debater.

Jaci Smith captured first place and was named the top debater in solo-parliamentary debate.

Snyder had three winners in the religious text event. Melinda Langham came in first followed by Will Davis, second; and Paula Fritz, third.

Langham also won second place in individual sweepstakes.

Four students placed in original oratory — including Jaci Smith, second; Lyndell Lee, fourth; Jose Perez, fifth; and Scott Gilliland, sixth.

In dramatic interpretation, Sandra Nussey placed third.

Matt Coronado and Keith Sharpe finished fourth in duet acting.

In poetry interpretation, Scott Gilliland came in third.

Snyder claimed two spots in prose interpretation, Matt Coronado, third, and Jose Perez, fifth.

PERFORM WELL — Snyder High School's Forensics Team performed well at Saturday's Early Speakfest, held at Texas Tech University. Front row, from left, Catherine Whitworth, Paula Fritz, Sandra Nussey, Jessica Ramos, Lynda McCormack, speech instructor; Melinda Langham, Tiffany Stanley, Jose Perez and Jaci Smith. Back row, from left, Keith Sharpe, Will Davis, Ron Hester, speech instructor; Lyndell Lee, Josh Kemp, Matt Coronado, Austin McCormack and Scott Gilliland. (Contributed Photo)

Four SHS students earned places in impromptu speaking. Winners included Lyndell Lee, first place; Sandra Nussey, third; Melinda Langham, fourth; and Keith Sharpe, sixth.

Jaci Smith placed fourth in cold reading.

Seven SHS students placed in informative speaking. In the experienced division, Melinda Langham was second, and Austin McCormack took third.

Novice division winners included Will Davis, second; Jaci Smith, third; Catherine Whitworth, fourth; Josh Kemp, fifth; and Paula Fritz, sixth.

Snyder competed in two divisions of persuasive speaking. Experienced division winners were Lyndell Lee, first; Tiffany Stanley, second; and Keith Sharpe, fifth.

Novice division winners were Jose Perez, second; and Scott Gilliland, fourth.

The SHS forensics team will compete in San Angelo Friday and Saturday at the San Angelo Central TFA qualifying tournament.

Speech instructors are Ron Hester and Lynda McCormack.

Markets

Colorado City

The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 924 head of cattle for the Saturday, Sept. 16, sale. Compared to last week: feeder steers and heifers were $1 to $4 lower. Slaughter cows were steady to $2 lower and bulls were steady. Bred cows mostly steady, pairs were weak.. Trading was active and demand good.

Feeder steers:
300-400: 100.50-106
400-500: 91-96
500-600: 84-87
600-700: 75.50-78
700-800: 72.50-74
Feeder heifers:
400-500: 81-84.50
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Aged cows: 400-490
Pairs: 64-730
Aged pairs: 630-640
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Slaughter bulls: High dressing: 44.50-50.50

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4 Blk bulls, 510 lbs. $89
Blk Hfr., 415 lbs. @ 82
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3 WF Heifers, 401 lbs. @ $86
J.N. Morgan, Seymour
4 Blk. Heifers 595 lbs. @ $84
3 Gray Bulls, 523 lbs. @ $85
Doyle Johnson, Clyde
4 BWF Steers, 620 lbs. @ $90
2 Red WF Steers, 633 lbs. @ $88
Jerry Stapp, Sweetwater
4 CTR Cows, 1,052 lbs. @ $115
Black Steer, 455 lbs. @ $105

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

In recent years, much attention and controversy has surrounded the requirement of the lawn. Misinformation and hidden agendas have fueled this controversy. However, there are some well-documented facts about the American lawn.

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The lawn has become a focus in reducing landscape water use because of the tremendous opportunity for abusive use of irrigation water in the name of maintaining the lawn. Within the traditional landscape, the lawn has received the major portion of the total landscape irrigation. Lawn irrigation can be reduced, while the homeowner continues to derive the many benefits of turfgrass.

Specific strategies to reduce lawn irrigation include:

- Place lawn into landscape irrigation zones based on water requirements, so that lawns can be watered separately from other landscape plantings.
- Select adapted, lower-water demand turf species and varieties.
- Use irrigated lawn areas only in areas that provide function (i.e., recreational, aesthetic, food traffic, dust and noise abatement, glare reduction, temperature mitigation).
- Use non-irrigated lawn areas where appropriate.
- Irrigate properly based on the lawn's true water needs.
- Increase mowing heights to decrease lawn water use and stress.
- Decrease fertilizer rates and properly schedule fertilizations.

By implementing these strategies, homeowners can reduce lawn irrigation requirements and still reap the many benefits of a cool, green lawn.

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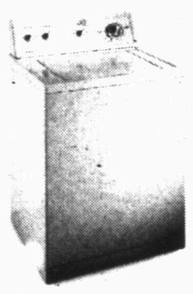

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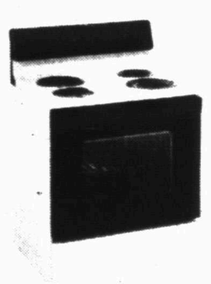

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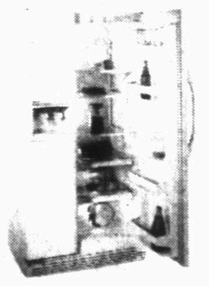

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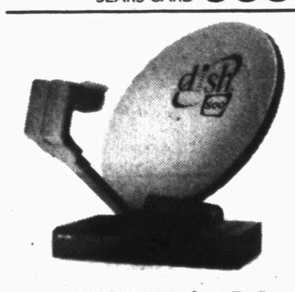

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OLYMPIC COVERAGE

Scandal, injuries overshadow action

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — On the same day a Bulgarian weightlifter kissed his silver medal goodbye in a drug scandal, a hamstring strain forced American sprinter Inger Miller to bid farewell to her 100-meter medal hopes.

But the longest goodbye belonged to the Cuban baseball team. The two-time defending gold medalists said adios to a 21-game Olympic winning streak after a shocking 4-2 loss to the Netherlands on Wednesday.

The Cuban defeat came amid a day of scandal and injury. Miller confirmed her debilitating leg injury just after the International Olympic Committee stripped weightlifter Ivan Ivanov of his medal in one of the first two doping cases during the Sydney Games.

Ivanov tested positive for a banned drug, as did hammer thrower Vadim Devyatovsky of Belarus. Ivanov, who kissed his barbell after clinching his medal Saturday in the 56-kilogram class, tested positive for a diuretic.

"I'm devastated by this," said Sam Coffa, vice president of the International Weightlifting Federation. "... To do something like this was stupid."

Diuretics, often used to reduce weight by flushing fluid from an athlete's body, are also used to mask the presence of other performance enhancing drugs.

Devyatovsky tested positive for the steroid nandrolone in an out-of-competition test in the athletes' village, IOC executive board member Kevan Gosper said.

— MILLER OUT: America's No. 2 sprinter, Inger Miller, confirmed that she is definitely out of the 100 meters and possibly the entire Sydney Games after straining her left hamstring in a pre-Sydney workout.

"I'm disappointed ... but I've got to go with the flow," she said Wednesday (Tuesday night EDT). "I'm still young and I've got other chances."

— BASEBALL: Bam. Bam. Just like that, the Cuban baseball team's eight-year Olympic undefeated string is history.

After collecting two golds without a defeat in Barcelona and Atlanta, the Cuban baseball team finally suffered a loss to an unlikely opponent — the Dutch.

A bases-loaded double drove in three runs and the Netherlands held on for a 4-2 victory over the powerful Cubans.

The U.S. team is still unbeaten at 3-0. The Americans, managed by Tommy Lasorda, captured their third straight victory when Kurt Ainsworth shut down the same Netherlands team, 6-2, on Tuesday.

— SWIMMING: Jenny Thompson has one last chance. Lenny Krayzelburg has one more chance.

The two American swimmers qualified in Wednesday's (Tuesday night EDT) preliminaries. For Thompson, it will be the final opportunity to win an individual gold. For Krayzelburg, it offers an opportunity to pick up a second gold medal.

Thompson, America's most decorated female gold medalist, swims in the 100-meter freestyle against world record-holder Inge de Bruijn of the Netherlands. U.S. swimmer Dara Torres also qualified.

Krayzelburg set himself up as the favorite by setting an Olympic record in preliminaries of the 200-meter backstroke. His 17-year-old teammate, Aaron Peirsol, finished second.

No swimmer has equaled the performance of Ian Thorpe, the acclaimed Australian sensation. The 17-year-old Thorpe captured his third gold medal of the Sydney Games by leading his team to victory Tuesday over the U.S. team.

The Americans captured a gold of their own, their sixth in swimming, when Tom Malchow set an Olympic mark in the 200 butterfly. Teammate Cristina Teuscher picked up a bronze in the 200 individual medley.

— MEN'S SOCCER: The U.S. men's soccer team made it to the Olympic quarterfinals for the first time ever. On the Melbourne Cricket Grounds, the American soccer players notched a historic 3-1 victory Tuesday over Kuwait. The Americans, needing a win to advance, outplayed their opponents to earn one.

A first-half goal by Danny Califf preceded second-half tallies by Chris Albright and Landon Donovan as the Americans won for just the fifth time in 25 Olympic contests dating back to 1924.

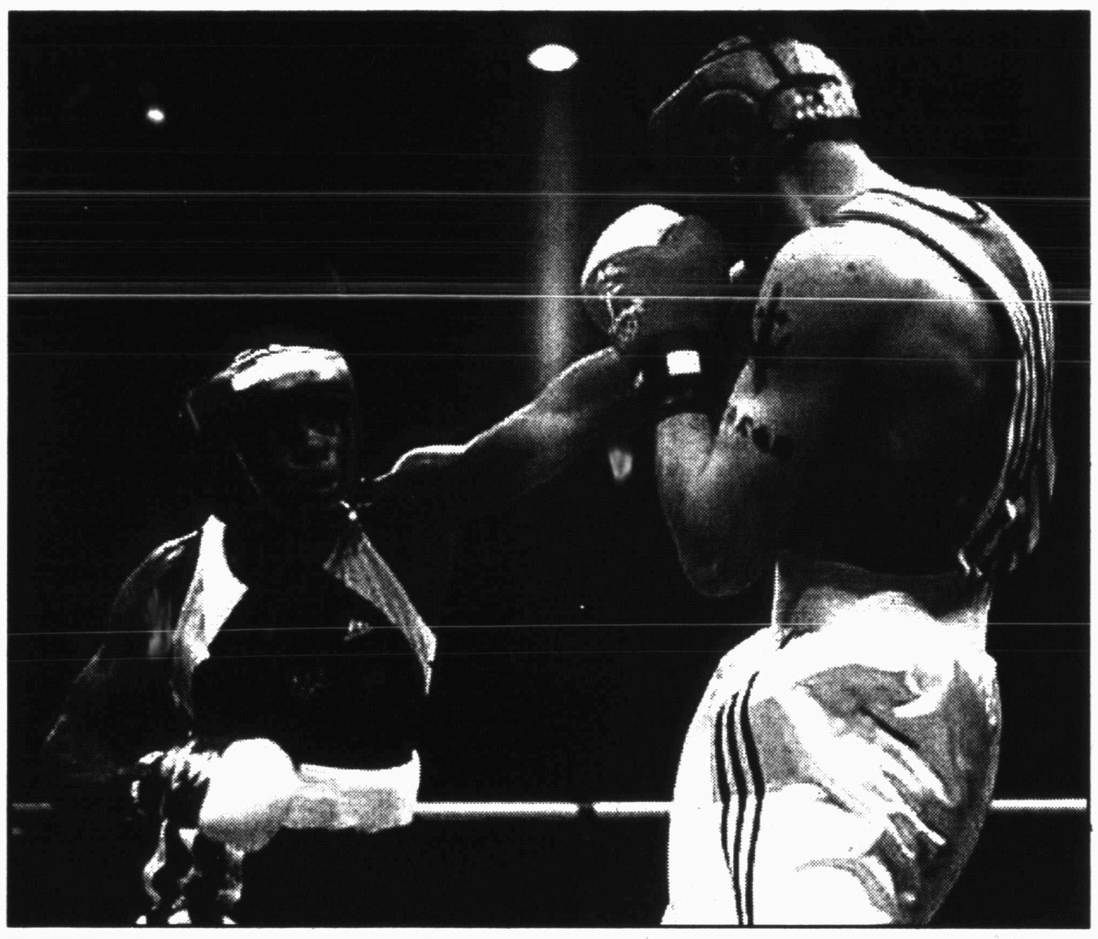
— WOMEN'S GYMNASTICS: The Magnificent Seven of Atlanta were replaced by a fourth-place finish in Sydney for the U.S. women's gymnasts — the first time since 1988 that the American failed to medal in Olympic team competition.

The gold this time went to world champion Romania. Russia won the silver and China took the bronze.

— TENNIS: After snatching up titles at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, Venus Williams arrived in Sydney as the player to beat for the gold. Henrieta Nagyova of Slovakia wasn't up to that task as Williams crushed her in straight sets, 6-2, 6-2, in her first Olympic match. The U.S. women completed the first round 3-0 when defending gold medalist Lindsay Davenport defeated Paolo Suarez of Argentina, 6-2, 6-2.

Jeff Tarango was the lone American to reach the second round of men's singles. The tempestuous Tarango, who made the team when Pete Sampras opted out of the games, beat Diego Camacho of Bolivia 6-0, 6-1.

No. 16 seed Michael Chang then lost to wildcard Sebastien Lareau of Canada 7-6 (6), 6-3. Todd Martin and Vince Spadea were already eliminated.



TAKE THAT — United States boxer Jermain Taylor, right, lands a punch to the face of Bulgaria's Dimitriy Ulagin during their 71kg bout Tuesday. (AP Photo)

Medal Count

57 Medal Events

Country	G	S	B	Tot
United States	7	6	5	18
Australia	6	5	6	17
China	6	2	7	15
France	5	6	2	13
Russia	2	4	3	9
Italy	3	2	3	8
South Korea	1	4	3	8
Japan	3	3	1	7
Germany	2	3	2	7
Britain	1	3	2	6
Netherlands	3	1	1	5
Ukraine	2	3	0	5
Bulgaria	2	1	1	4
Romania	2	1	1	4
Switzerland	1	2	1	4
Cuba	1	1	2	4
Slovakia	0	3	1	4
Czech Republic	1	0	2	3
Belarus	0	1	2	3
Turkey	2	0	0	2
Hungary	1	1	0	2
Canada	1	0	1	2
Spain	1	0	1	2
Sweden	1	0	1	2
Brazil	0	1	1	2
Greece	0	1	1	2
North Korea	0	1	1	2
Belgium	0	0	2	2
Costa Rica	0	0	2	2
Indonesia	0	0	2	2
Croatia	1	0	0	1
Lithuania	1	0	0	1
Mexico	1	0	0	1
Taiwan	0	1	0	1
Yugoslavia	0	1	0	1
Estonia	0	0	1	1
Georgia	0	0	1	1
India	0	0	1	1
Kyrgyzstan	0	0	1	1
Latvia	0	0	1	1
Portugal	0	0	1	1
South Africa	0	0	1	1
Thailand	0	0	1	1

POLO IN THE POOL — American Coralie Simmons looks to shoot over Australia's Joanne Fox during water polo competition Tuesday in Sydney. (AP Photo)

Televised Schedule of Events

(All times are EST)

TODAY

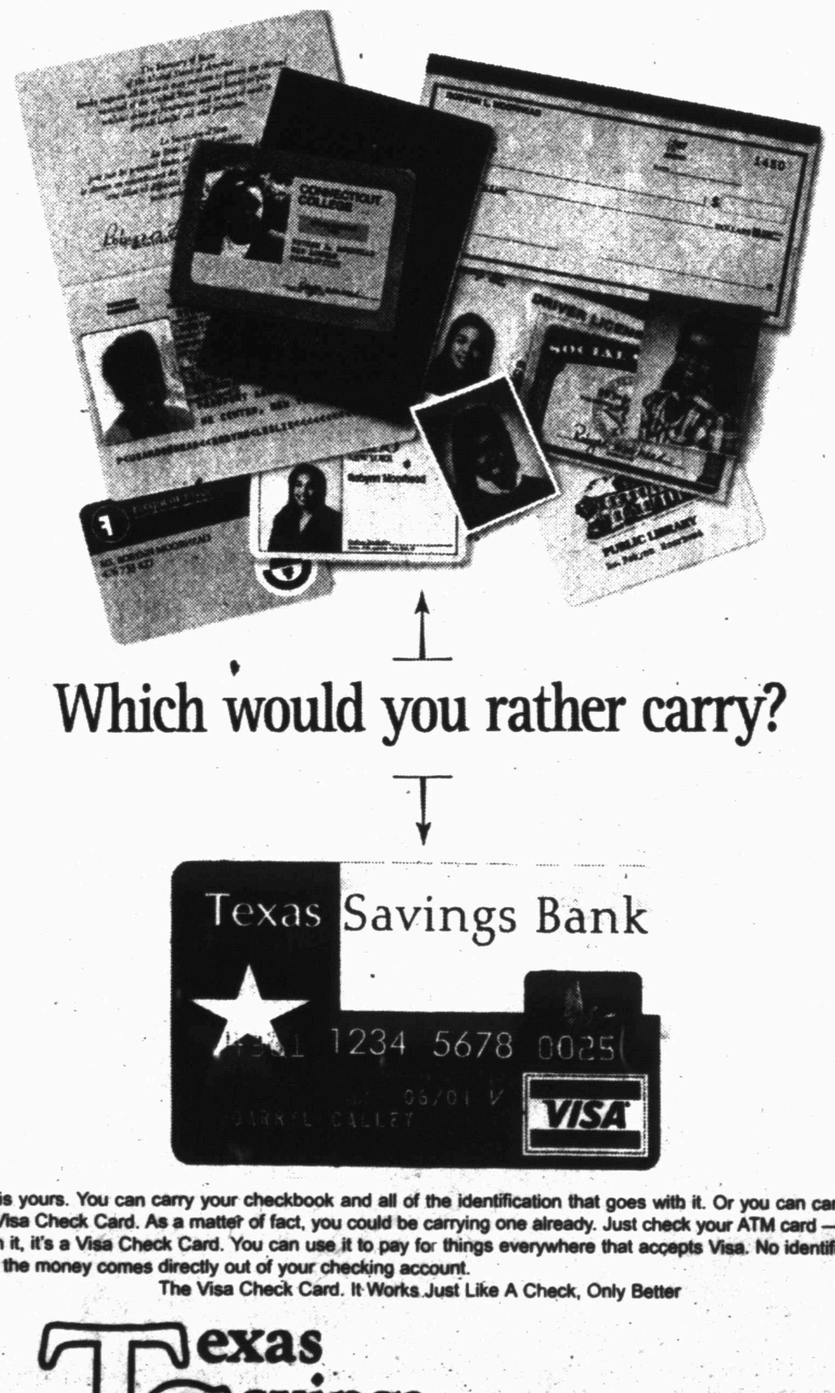
NBC—10:00 a.m.-Noon
Swimming. Rowing.
7:00 p.m.-Midnight
Swimming (finals): Men's 200m Breaststroke, 100m Freestyle, Women's 200m Butterfly, 4x200m Freestyle Relay. Gymnastics: Men's Individual Final. Basketball: USA Women vs. Russia.
12:35 a.m. - 2:05 a.m.
Volleyball: USA Women vs. Croatia. Cycling: Track Competition.
MSNBC—10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Soccer: USA Women vs. Nigeria. Softball: USA vs. China. Tennis.
CNBC—5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Boxing. Weightlifting. Water Polo.

THURSDAY

NBC—10:00 a.m.-Noon
Swimming. Beach Volleyball.
7:00 p.m.-Midnight
Gymnastics: Women's Individual Final. Swimming (finals): Women's 200m Breaststroke, 100-meter Freestyle, Men's 200m Individual Medley, 200m Backstroke.
12:35 a.m.-2:05 a.m.
Basketball: USA Men vs. Lithuania. Volleyball: USA Men vs. Yugoslavia.
MSNBC—10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Softball: USA vs. Australia. Cycling: Track Finals. Tennis.
CNBC—5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Boxing. Basketball: Men's Game.

FRIDAY

NBC—10:00 a.m.-noon
Track & Field. Swimming.
7:00 p.m.-midnight
Track & Field (quarterfinals): Men's and Women's 100-meter. Track & Field (finals): Men's Shot Put. Swimming (finals): Women's 200-meter Backstroke, 800m Freestyle, Men's 50m Freestyle, 100m Butterfly. Diving: Women's Platform.
12:35 a.m.-2:05 a.m.
Volleyball: USA Women vs. Australia. Weightlifting: Men's Final.
MSNBC—10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Softball: USA vs. New Zealand. Beach Volleyball: Men's Competition.
CNBC—5:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
Boxing. Basketball: USA Women vs. New Zealand.



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SPORTS

Lady Tigers shine in 15-9, 15-9 win

PLAINVIEW — The Snyder Lady Tigers are quick learners, and Tuesday night's victory proved it.

After an error-filled effort cost Snyder a district match on Saturday, the Lady Tigers corrected their mistakes in Monday's workout and it resulted in a sparkling 15-9, 15-9 win over Plainview.

Absent on Tuesday night were the serving and service receive errors that were so prevalent in Saturday's loss to Frenship.

The miscues were replaced by pin-point passing, and an overall defensive effort that produced 16 blocks, and held the Lady Bulldogs at bay.

"Our offense was so much better, because our passing was better," said Snyder coach Patty Grimmett. "We did well receiving their serve, so our setters got the ball in a position where they could give our hitters a good set. When you make good passes it makes it a whole lot easier to run your offense."

Snyder registered 17 kills in the match. But perhaps more importantly, the Lady Tigers didn't give many free points to the Lady Bulldogs.

While Plainview struggled with five service errors in the opening game, Snyder played under control, taking advantage of each extra opportunity.

Rina Geiger served up the first five points of the match, and finished with eight points. Laura Billingsley led all servers with nine points.

Ashley Delce anchored the front-line attack with six kills and eight blocks. Kameron Kallemeyn added five kills and two blocks.

"We were kind of flat against Frenship, but this time the girls were fired up," said Grimmett. "Now we need to keep playing at this level, and we need to beat Andrews."

The Lady Tigers trail second-place Andrews by one game in the district standings. The two teams square off Saturday in Andrews.

Snyder is currently tied for third place, by virtue of Frenship's upset loss to Levelland.

"Right now, everybody in the district is playing hard, because everybody still has a shot at the playoffs," Grimmett remarked. "We need to stay focused on what we need to do to win, and then execute those things every time we step on the floor."

In Tuesday's other district action, Lake View retained its unblemished league mark with a 15-6, 15-7 win over Big Spring, while Andrews toppled Estacado, 15-9, 15-9. Levelland downed Frenship, 15-11, 15-12, for its first district victory.

The Lady Tigers' match with Andrews is set for 3 p.m. Snyder wraps up the first half of the District 4-4A season Tuesday when it visits Estacado.

Snyder def. Plainview 15-9, 15-9

Snyder service points: L. Billingsley, 9; Geiger, 8; Eicke and Mackey, 4; Kallemeyn, 3; Webb, 2. **Kills:** Delce, 6; Kallemeyn, 5; Mackey, 4; Geiger, 2. **Blocks:** Delce, 8; Geiger and Voss, 3; Kallemeyn, 2.

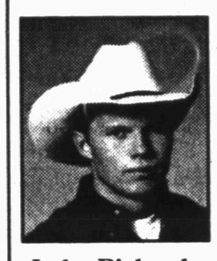
District 4-4A Volleyball

Team	District W	District L
Lake View	5	0
Andrews	4	1
Frenship	3	2
Snyder	3	2
Big Spring	2	3
Plainview	2	3
Levelland	1	4
Estacado	0	5

Tuesday's results: Snyder def. Plainview, 15-9, 15-9; Andrews def. Estacado, 15-9, 15-9; Levelland def. Frenship, 15-11, 15-12; Lake View def. Big Spring, 15-6, 15-7.

Saturday's matches: Snyder at Estacado; Plainview at Lake View; Levelland at Big Spring; Andrews at Frenship.

WTC cowboy honored on All-American Team



Luke Richards

After two standout years on the Western Texas College rodeo team, Luke Richards has been rewarded for his efforts in the arena, and in the classroom.

Richards, who completed his eligibility at WTC last May, was recently named to the inaugural National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association's Academic All-American Team.

The ex-Westerner earned a spot on the second team as a steer wrestler, based on his grade point average and performance in competition.

Richards is originally from Queensland, Australia.

Tiger netters rout Sweetwater

SWEETWATER — After winning their first two matches of the district tennis season, Snyder tuned-up for Saturday's third league tilt with a 17-1 non-district rout of Sweetwater on Tuesday.

Snyder swept all nine of the girls' match-ups, suffering its only setback in boys' doubles action.

"It wasn't a real competitive match, but we will still benefit from it," said Snyder coach Brad Wikse. "It gave our kids a chance to face some different competition, rather than their usual practice partners. Anytime you face a new opponent it helps your timing and rhythm."

Snyder resumes District 4-4A competition Saturday when it visits Andrews.

Snyder 17, Sweetwater 1

Boys' singles: Gibson def. Matchen, 6-0, 6-0; Smith def. Pennington, 6-2, 6-0; DePaz def. Browning, 6-3, 6-1; Best def. Monday, 6-1, 6-0; Rodgers def. Brock, 6-2, 6-1; Gorman def. Baker, 6-0, 6-0.

Boys' doubles: Gibson-Smith def. Matchen-Pennington, 6-2, 6-4; DePaz-Rodgers lost to Browning-Pennington, 0-6, 6-3, 7-5; Best-Gorman def. Brock-Monday, 6-1, 6-0.

Girls' singles: Vargas def. Palmer, 6-0, 6-1; Cotton def. Hicks, 6-3, 6-0; Hardin def. Davis, 1-6, 7-5, 6-1; Sutter def. Gonzalez, 6-2, 7-5; Jones def. Haggard, 6-1, 6-0; Dunham def. Carson, 6-0, 6-2.

Girls' doubles: Cotton-Hardin def. Palmer-Davis, 6-1, 6-1; Vargas-Dunham def. Haggard-Hicks, 6-1, 6-1; Beccue-Sutter def. Gonzalez-Henderson, 6-4, 6-1.

JV spikers top Bulldogs

PLAINVIEW — Snyder disposed of the Plainview Lady Bulldogs in straight sets Tuesday night, 15-12, 15-9, to record a junior varsity volleyball victory at Bulldog gym.

Amber Alexander led the Lady Tigers with nine service points, while Shelley Fisk accounted for six.

Loryn Brown, Dara Chambers and Lori Chesser posted four points apiece. Lauren Day notched two, and Chaelyn Robinson finished with one.

Snyder will be on the court again at 2 p.m. Saturday at Lubbock Estacado.

SHS linksters topple Central

The Snyder Lady Tigers didn't play their best golf Tuesday, but it was still good enough to beat Class 5A San Angelo Central.

Snyder fired a round of 350 to hold off Central by 17 shots in a duel match at Western Texas College.

Andra Lancaster carded an 80 to lead the Lady Tigers, who were on pace at the midway point to break 340.

"We had a few girls who made the turn at right around 40, and then didn't finish very well on the back nine," said Snyder coach Matt Glenn. "But it's early in the season. We're going to get better, and the only way to do that is to keep playing."

Christan Curry tallied an 88 for Snyder, while Kara Harrison and Kellie Dodson finished at 91. Hailey Putnam came in with a 93, and Paige Smith shot a 100.

The Lady Tigers will take the weekend off, while the SHS boys host Frenship and Sweetwater at Snyder Country Club on Saturday.

Both Snyder squads will travel to San Angelo next week for duels with Central. The Tigers will play at Bentwood Country Club, with the Lady Tigers competing at Riverside Golf Club.

District 4-4A Football Statistics

Offense	Rushing	Passing	Total	Average	Points
Frenship	723	557	1,280	640.0	109
Levelland	441	146	587	293.5	38
Snyder	724	147	871	290.3	91
Plainview	377	480	857	285.7	76
Estacado	364	172	536	268.0	55
Big Spring	446	96	494	247.0	41
Lake View	305	184	489	244.5	20
Andrews	534	159	693	231.0	47

Defense	Rushing	Passing	Total	Average	Points
Levelland	339	66	405	202.5	35
Snyder	262	350	612	204.0	39
Big Spring	330	174	504	252.0	28
Andrews	669	130	799	266.3	59
Estacado	460	119	579	289.5	57
Frenship	605	73	678	339.0	55
Plainview	471	572	1,043	347.7	85
Lake View	396	339	735	367.5	79

Rushing	Carries	Yards	Average	TDs
Jaime Bueno, Andrews	80	439	5.5	2
Jorge Rodriguez, Frenship	38	381	10.0	4
Brylon Bradic, Plainview	47	318	6.8	5
Tovares Brandon, Snyder	41	274	6.7	1
Jamar Hall, Lake View	47	257	5.5	1
Jason Woodruff, Big Spring	33	241	7.3	2
Kendal Briles, Frenship	23	222	9.7	3
Jason Tezeno, Levelland	36	219	6.1	2
Jesse Haines, Snyder	23	111	4.8	3
Edwin James, Snyder	16	108	6.8	2

Passing	Comp.	Att.	Yards	Int.	TDs
Kendal Briles, Frenship	20	39	557	0	8
Kyle Miller, Plainview	29	66	480	2	3
David Lankford, Lake View	12	41	184	1	0
Corey Morrison, Estacado	13	33	172	0	2
Ryan Newbrough, Andrews	12	34	159	1	2
Jesse Haines, Snyder	12	27	147	1	2
Kevin Romero, Levelland	12	26	137	3	1
Jason Choate, Big Spring	12	23	96	2	0

Receiving	Catches	Yards	Average	TDs
Adam Naron, Plainview	9	257	28.6	1
Patrick Shelby, Frenship	4	223	55.8	2
David Thomas, Frenship	7	156	22.3	2
Bryan Moore, Frenship	6	112	18.7	2
Brad Hallman, Lake View	6	107	17.8	0
Kody Holley, Plainview	3	91	30.3	1
Matthew Grimmett, Snyder	5	86	17.2	2
Willis Morrison, Lake View	5	72	14.4	0
Mark McClendon, Frenship	2	64	32.0	1
Lawrence Johnson, Levelland	3	61	20.3	0

Scoring	TDs	Points
Brylon Bradic, Plainview	5	32
Jorge Rodriguez, Frenship	4	24
Kendal Briles, Frenship	3	20
Jesse Haines, Snyder	3	18
Jason Woodruff, Big Spring	2	17
Wade Pinson, Snyder	2	14
Barry McCormick, Frenship	2	14
11 others tied with-	2	12

Defense	Tackles	TFL	Sacks
Bowe Butler, Big Spring	36	3	0
Mark Medley, Snyder	33	3	1
Jayme Jackson, Andrews	30	2	0
Brant McAdams, Plainview	29	0.5	0.5
Calvin Scholten, Plainview	27	0	0
K.C. White, Andrews	26	0	0
Heath Fries, Frenship	24	2	2
Max Blackwell, Snyder	23	6.5	3.5
R.J. Hernandez, Snyder	22	3	0
Tyson Dever, Andrews	22	4	0

Local Sports Schedule

THURSDAY

FOOTBALL: Abilene at Snyder eighth grade, 5 and 6:30

FOOTBALL: Snyder seventh grade at Abilene, 5 p.m.

FRIDAY

FOOTBALL: Snyder and Hermleigh, idle

FOOTBALL: Ira at Ropes, 7:30

FOOTBALL: Sands at Borden County, 7:30

SATURDAY

GOLF: Snyder boys host Frenship and Sweetwater, at Snyder Country Club

TENNIS: Snyder at Andrews

VOLLEYBALL: Snyder JV and varsity at Lubbock Estacado, 2 and 3 p.m.

Frosh win in three games

PLAINVIEW — Snyder had to fight off a pesky Plainview to capture a freshman volleyball victory Tuesday, 15-11, 9-15, 15-10.

Desiree Braziel served up 12 points to pace the Lady Tigers, while Erin Burleson added eight more.

Ashley Martinez posted five points, with Acee French notching four. Sharday McKinney and Kelbi Drum tallied three apiece. Dominique Braziel and Beth Clements finished with two points, and Missy Vasquez chipped in one.

Astros edge Cards, 8-6

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Chris Truby hit a three-run homer in the 10th inning and the Houston Astros beat St. Louis 8-6 Tuesday night, ending the Cardinals' seven-game winning streak.

The three-time defending NL Central champions kept the Cardinals, seeking their first division title since 1996, from celebrating for at least one night. Their magic number is still at two.

Truby's throwing error at third base helped the Cardinals take a 5-4 lead in the eighth. The Astros tied it in the ninth on Jeff Bagwell's RBI double.

Major League Baseball

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	90	61	.596	—
New York	85	66	.563	5
Florida	71	79	.473	18½
Montreal	64	86	.427	25½
Philadelphia	62	88	.413	27½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-St. Louis	89	62	.589	—
Cincinnati	79	73	.520	10½
Houston	68	83	.450	21
Milwaukee	66	85	.437	23
Pittsburgh	63	88	.417	26½
Chicago	60	91	.397	29

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	90	60	.600	—
Arizona	79	70	.530	10½
Los Angeles	80	72	.526	11
Colorado	76	74	.507	14
San Diego	73	78	.483	17½

x-clinches a tie for division title

Tuesday's Games

Florida 3, Montreal 1
Atlanta 12, N.Y. Mets 4
Houston 8, St. Louis 6
Pittsburgh 12, Philadelphia 8
San Diego 7, Colorado 2
Los Angeles 1, Arizona 0
Milwaukee 9, Chicago Cubs 8
San Francisco 7, Cincinnati 3

Wednesday's Games

Pittsburgh (Benson 9-12) at Philadelphia (Person 9-5), 7:05 p.m.
Florida (Cornelius 3-9) at Montreal (Vazquez 10-7), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Leiter 15-7) at Atlanta (Glavine 19-8), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Lieber 12-10) at Milwaukee (Wright 6-8), 8:05 p.m.
Houston (Holt 7-14) at St. Louis (Ankiel 9-7), 8:10 p.m.
San Diego (Eaton 5-3) at Colorado (Rose 4-2), 9:05 p.m.
Arizona (Johnson 18-6) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 11-8), 10:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Parris 12-14) at San Francisco (Ortiz 12-11), 10:15 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Houston at St. Louis, 1:10 p.m.
Florida at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
San Diego at Colorado, 3:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 8:05 p.m.
Arizona at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	85	64	.570	—
Boston	79	70	.530	6
Toronto	79	71	.527	6½
Baltimore	66	85	.437	20
Tampa Bay	61	89	.407	24½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	89	61	.593	—
Cleveland	80	67	.544	7½
Detroit	74	77	.490	15½
Kansas City	70	81	.464	18½
Minnesota	66	84	.440	23

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	85	66	.563	—
Oakland	81	67	.547	2½
Anaheim	76	74	.507	8½
Texas	69	83	.454	16½

Tuesday's Games

Chicago White Sox 6, Detroit 2
Seattle 5, Tampa Bay 2
Toronto 16, N.Y. Yankees 3
Kansas City 5, Anaheim 1
Oakland 7, Baltimore 4, 1st game
Oakland at Baltimore, 2nd game, ppd., rain
Boston 7, Cleveland 4
Minnesota 15, Texas 7

Wednesday's Games

Cleveland (Woodard 1-3) at Boston (P.Martinez 17-5), 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (Heredia 14-11) at Baltimore (McElroy 1-0), game 1, 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (Zito 5-3) at Baltimore (Mercedes 12-6), game 2, 6:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Garland 3-7) at Detroit (Moehler 12-8), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Cone 4-12) at Toronto (Loaiza 9-11), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Burba 15-6) at Boston (Schourek 3-10), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Sele 15-10) at Tampa Bay (Lopez 11-12), 7:15 p.m.
Anaheim (Levine 3-4) at Kansas City (Suzuki 8-10), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Davis 7-5) at Minnesota (Romero 2-6), 8:05 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Cleveland at Boston, 1:05 p.m., 1st game
N.Y. Yankees at Toronto, 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Boston, 7:05 p.m., 2nd game
Anaheim at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m.
Oakland at Seattle, 10:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Childress, Van Horn...

Tiger Stadium to host grid tilt on Friday

The Snyder Tigers are idle this week, but their stadium isn't.

Tiger Stadium will host a non-district tilt between the Childress Bobcats and the Van Horn Eagles at 7:30 Friday night.

Due to the distance between the two towns, Snyder was chosen as a neutral site. Childress, a Class 3A school, is located 55 miles northwest of Vernon, while 2A Van Horn is 76 miles southwest of Pecos.

Tickets for the contest are $4 for adults and $2 for students.

Sports Briefs

Men's flag football

Registration is underway for Snyder men's Flag Football League, which begins play Saturday. Cost is $220 per team. All games will be played on Saturdays under the TAAF flag football rules. To sign-up, call Earl Ware at 573-0800, (817) 797-8078 or (817) 370-1317.

Horseshoe pitching

Snyder Slingers Horseshoe Club has league play at 7 p.m. Thursdays at the courts adjacent to the coliseum. For more information, call T.C. Nunn at 573-6710 or Terry Duncan at 573-5589.

Turkey shoot

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder County Club will have a turkey shoot for couples (members only) at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 1. Sign up at the pro shop. A Ladies Tournament of Champions will be held Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 7-8.

Golf tournament

Price Daniel will host an A-B-C-D scramble to benefit Texas Special Olympics on Oct. 16 at Quicksand GC in San Angelo. Cost is $50 per player, and includes cart and lunch.

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But disagreement flared over how counties could spend the emergency cash, and thus not a single district attorney from Brownsville to San Diego has received a penny.

Lawmakers blame the Justice Department. The Justice Department blames Congress.

Border prosecutors say they're through arguing. After Oct. 1, many say they will no longer accept federal cases.

"It doesn't make me feel any better; it's just that I can't afford to do it anymore and do my job, too," Starr County District Attorney Heriberto Silva said. "I can't be doing 250 drug cases that don't belong to me."

The bigger drug busts made at international bridges and roadblocks go to federal court. But the minor catches — less than 50 pounds of pot, or small quantities of cocaine — are generally passed off to local courts.

The petty arrests were once a sporadic hassle, but with the number of federal agents and drug crackdowns on the rise, border counties have ended up spending millions to prosecute federal drug cases.

In June, when Congress set aside the emergency money, it limited its use to "court costs, courtroom technology, the building of holding spaces, administrative expenses and indigent defense."

District attorneys say that doesn't make sense because the staggering cost of jail and prosecution — not included in the language — is what drove border counties to demand help from Washington.

"The money is out there, but we can't use it to pay for the places we're taking a hit," Cameron County District Attorney Yolanda De Leon said. The county loses $100 million a year in courtroom and jail expenses from federal drug prosecutions, she said.

The border lawyers planned to meet this week at the Texas District and County Attorneys Association conference to discuss the problem.

"It makes no sense we'd continue to give this away to the federal government," De Leon said. "Not when we're encountering real difficulties paying for basic services."

Justice Department spokesmen said they can't pay for jail and prosecution because Congress did not include those expenses in the language of the bill.

"For whatever reason the bill that passed does not include" those expenses, said Bill Blagg, U.S. attorney for the Western District of Texas. "It's not possible for us to pay prosecution and incarceration because of the language."

Texas Sen. Kay Bailey Hutchison, who sponsored the legislation, said the Justice Department has kept the money out of reach of border communities by sticking to a narrow interpretation of the guidelines.

"The Justice Department knows full well for what purposes this money was appropriated," Hutchison said. "(It) has got to stop the bureaucratic mumbo-jumbo and get the money in the hands of those who are on the front line of the war on drugs."

On the Net:
Department of Justice: http://www.usdoj.gov
Texas District and County Attorneys Association: http://www.tdcaa.com

Fed officials, airlines discuss best way to prevent air rage

GRAPEVINE (AP) — Passengers verbally assaulting other travelers or flight attendants. Crew members attacked. Cockpit doors kicked in.

Airline employees and federal authorities who gathered Tuesday to discuss the growing problem of air rage agree alcohol is a common denominator with many of the incidents.

Representatives from American, Delta, TWA and other airlines that fly out of Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport met with authorities to discuss the problem. The conference drew about 70 people and focused on how DFW handles air-rage incidents.

"We're all concerned about the safety of the flying public," said Alvy Dodson, director of the DFW Department of Public Safety.

Airline employees, he said, "are there to do a job, and they should be able to do their job."

The rising number of "disruptive-passenger" incidents prompted the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the airport to conduct the conference to ensure everyone understands their roles in handling the incidents, said Dodson.

DFW security responded to 46 air rage incidents in 1999 and 36 so far this year. "We're probably going to top last year's number," said Dodson.

The U.S. Attorney's office accepted four cases for prosecution in 1999 and has accepted one this year, he said.

Federal officials recently reported a dramatic increase in air-rage incidents nationwide. Statistics from the Federal Aviation Administration showed 292 incidents of "unruly passengers" last year, up from 138 in 1995.

A passenger can be classified as disruptive for anything from being verbally abusive to fellow passengers to hitting crew members and trying to get into the cockpit. Penalties range from small civil fines to 20 years in prison, said Assistant U.S. Attorney Fred Schattman.

"The degree of conduct is generally what governs what action is taken," he said.

Last year, the maximum fine for assaulting a crew member was increased from $1,100 to $25,000. Disrupting a flight can bring 20 years in prison and a $250,000 fine.

Lonnie Glover, a representative for the Association of Professional Flight Attendants, said alcohol often plays a role in disruptive incidents. But he said he doubts alcohol consumption on flights will ever be banned. Besides, a ban would not stop passengers from illegally carrying alcohol onto a plane and consuming it, he said.

"I would much rather have control over how much a person has to drink," he said.

The conference falls in the wake of a deadly air rage incident aboard a Southwest Airlines plane. A passenger tried to break into the cockpit during an Aug. 11 flight to Salt Lake City and died of suffocation after as many as eight passengers restrained him, an autopsy concluded.

Jonathan Burton died after he was removed from the plane.

Judge strikes down ban on public library books

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — A federal judge struck down a local law that allowed signers of a petition to yank "objectionable" books from the public library.

U.S. District Judge Jerry Buchmeyer on Tuesday said the resolution was unconstitutional. It allowed the removal of books if 300 library-card holders signed a petition.

City Council members took the action after protests over what to do about the placement of "Heather Has Two Mommies" and "Daddy's Roommate" on the library's shelves.

One of the books portrays a lesbian couple who raise a daughter. The other describes a man who leaves his wife and son for a boyfriend.

In his decision, Buchmeyer labeled the issue an "unfortunate story of the censorship of two children's books."

"It puts the responsibility for censoring children's books on the parents, where it should be," said Linda Hughes, the city's library administrator and a defendant.

The issue caused legal wrangling among residents, city officials and religious leaders over First Amendment rights and whether the books should be deemed objectionable.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

HIV can't survive on bed linens

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can the AIDS virus live outside the body on bed linen, upholstery and so forth? Would visiting a massage parlor be classified as potentially dangerous contact?

DEAR READER: The human immunodeficiency virus, the cause of AIDS, does not survive on inanimate objects, such as bedclothes, apparel, furniture or food. In fact, HIV cannot be spread even by skin-to-skin contact, such as touching and shaking hands.

The virus is spread by body fluids (most notably, semen and blood; on rare occasions, saliva). That is how this sexually transmitted disease can also be contracted by needle sticks and puncture wounds from objects contaminated by AIDS patients.

There has been a lot of hysteria about the fear of getting AIDS from casual contact with HIV patients. This fear is unfounded. AIDS is communicable only through the intimate contacts I described.

With respect to your second question about massage parlors, everything is relative. Most such parlors are just what they claim to be: you pay a few dollars for a relaxing rubdown. In this situation, there's virtually no risk of AIDS.

On the other hand, some massage parlors offer more than simple massage. The "services" may include sexual contact of one type or another. In this instance, HIV transmission is a distinct possibility. Therefore, if you go to a massage parlor for a massage, and that's all you get, there shouldn't be a problem. If, however, you patronize massage parlors for other, nefarious reasons, you may end up with more than you bargained for.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a healthy, fit woman of 30. Three months ago, I was robbed in my house and spent several hours bound and gagged. I was not abused in any way, and the perpetrator was apprehended. He is now awaiting trial.

However, I am having troublesome symptoms. The cords binding my wrists and ankles were tight and I experienced numbness of my hands and feet for several hours after I was released. Then the situation resolved. Unfortunately, about two weeks ago, I began experiencing sharp twinges in my right arm. Although my doctor doubts that my harrowing experience was the cause of these symptoms, I'm concerned that I may have suffered some permanent nerve damage. What should I do?

DEAR READER: While the traumatic event you describe could have led to nerve damage (because the bindings could have deprived nerves of oxygen and nutrition), I do not believe that this frightening experience will lead to significant nerve injury. For one thing, you recovered completely after several hours. (Nerve trauma would have persisted right from the time you were released.) Second, I assume that your doctor examined you in the aftermath of the robbery; if damage had been present, he or she would have discovered it.

Nonetheless, this situation was not only scary, it was unusual, and I cannot with certainty reassure you that no damage was done. Thus, I believe that your best option is to be examined by a neurologist, who should perform a test called a nerve conduction study, during which the specialist actually checks the function of the nerves to your upper extremity. If the nerves are OK, all well and good. If there is a problem, however, treatment — such as physical therapy — may be in order. Ask your doctor to refer you. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Managing Chronic Pain." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

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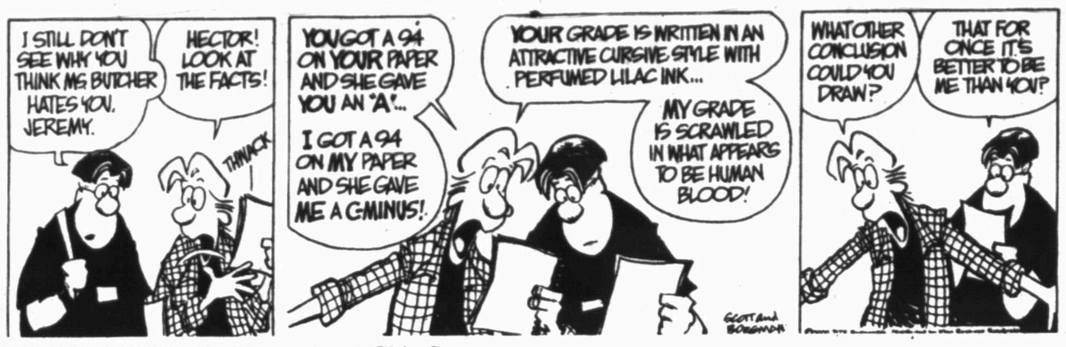

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ACROSS

1 — off (dozed)
7 Strong-smelling
12 Rounded lump
13 Perceive
14 Car parts
15 Like O. Henry's work
16 Aunt in Spain
17 Enclosure
18 1941 agcy.
21 Spills over
23 Photo- — (picture sessions)
26 Badly
28 Horse's gait
29 Spanish gold
30 Gas-station job
31 Like an island
33 Evidence of a text change
36 Venetian ruler
37 Raced
38 Like a certain ranger
40 Burden
41 Wily
42 Pronounce
44 Receive
45 Guido's high note
46 Attorney's concern
48 Chewy candy
51 Be agreeable to
55 Make invalid
56 — de Havilland
57 Wash away
58 Despot

DOWN

1 Compass pt.
2 Companion of aah
3 Ike
4 Composition for two
5 — Island
6 Prepare water for drinking
7 Logging areas
8 Short jacket
9 Metal for cans
10 "Here, Pierre"
11 Xmas mo.
13 Japan
18 Edmonton hockey team
19 Not singular
20 New York's capital
22 — Express
23 Tea type
24 European capital
25 Most painful
27 "Of course!"
32 Ginseng plant
34 Wall
35 Take turns
39 Fish trap
43 Pre-game gathering
45 Mild oath
47 Australian director, Peter —
48 Compass pt.
49 Above (poet.)
50 Playwright Betti
52 Actress Gardner
53 Misdemeanor
54 Have lunch

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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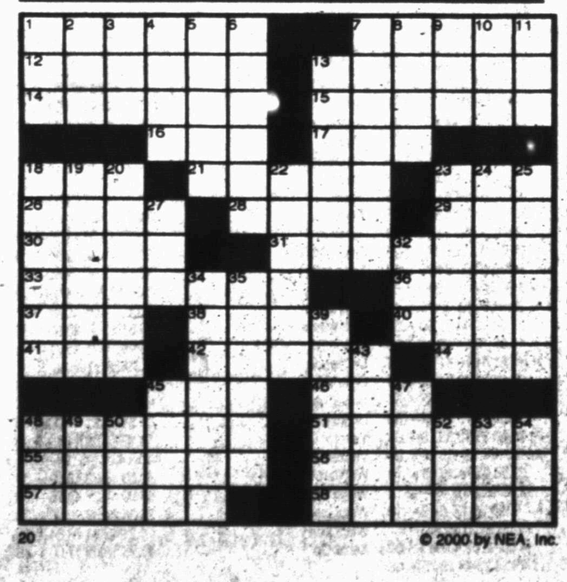

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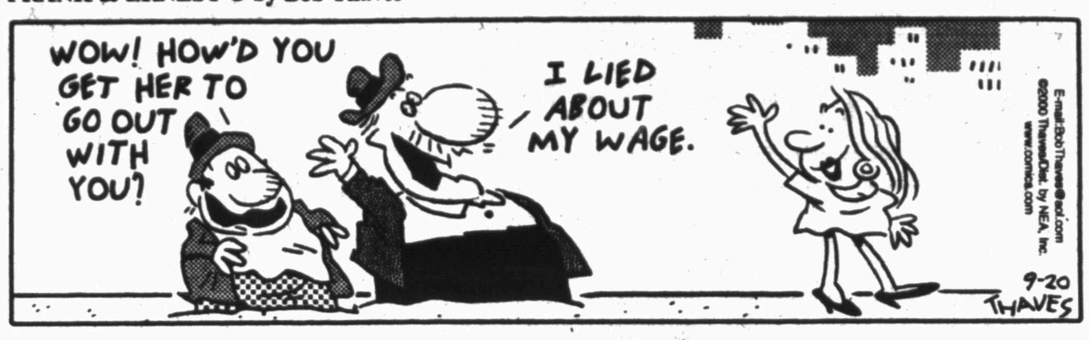

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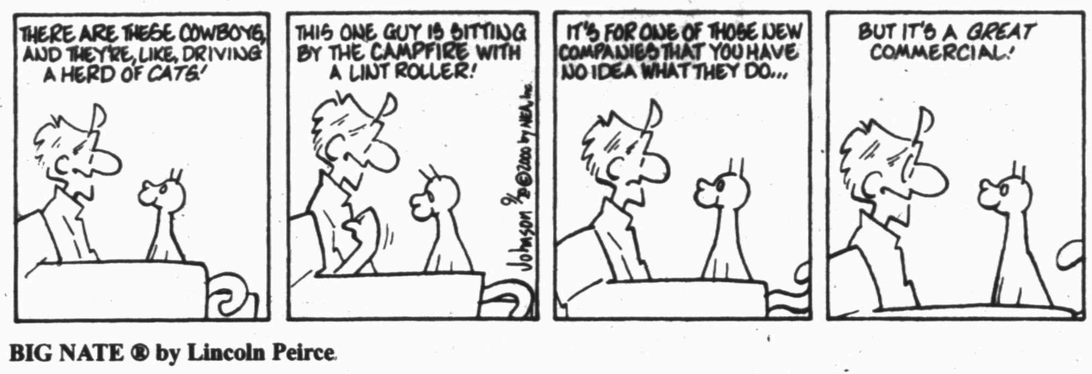

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JUNIOR HIGH CHEERLEADERS — Hermleigh Junior High cheerleaders for 2000-2001 are (starting bottom left and going clockwise) Samantha Berry, seventh grade, alternate; Megan Kariainen, sixth grade; Brittany Kelley, sixth grade; Alicia Culp, sixth grade, Alana Clup, seventh grade. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Man indicted in missing athiest case

AUSTIN (AP) — The former office manager for well-known Texas atheist Madalyn Murray O'Hair was indicted Tuesday by federal grand jury in the 1995 disappearance of O'Hair, her son and granddaughter.

David R. Waters, 53, is accused of kidnapping, extortion and robbery resulting in the death of another person. He is currently in prison, serving 60 years on another charge.

O'Hair, her son Jon Garth Murray and granddaughter Robin Murray O'Hair and a half-million dollars in gold coins disappeared five years ago. Exhaustive searches of the Texas Hill Country by federal agents have failed to uncover any remains, although authorities contend the three were killed and dismembered after being kidnapped.

An outspoken atheist, O'Hair reveled in calling herself the most hated woman in America. She was involved in successful court battles in the 1960s to remove prayer and Bible-reading from the nation's public schools. She was 77 when she vanished.

Waters was convicted of stealing from O'Hair's atheist organizations and faces time in federal prison on weapons convictions. If convicted of charges in Tuesday's indictment, Waters could be imprisoned for life.

A federal affidavit from March 1999 implicated Waters, who allegedly fantasized about seeing O'Hair suffer and "snipping off her toes."

The indictment said, without detail, that Waters also was involved in the death of unindicted co-conspirator Danny Fry, whose headless and handless body was found in Dallas County shortly after the O'Hairs' disappearance.

In August, a federal judge sentenced Gary Karr, 52, to life in prison for extorting money from O'Hair and her family and for his role in what prosecutors called an elaborate robbery and murder scheme.

In 1995, Karr traveled from Texas to New Jersey with Jon Garth Murray to transfer $600,000 from a bank account to a San Antonio coin dealer. Soon afterward Murray converted the cash into gold coins; the family was never heard from again.

Waters is accused of inciting Karr to make that trip.

Waters' attorney, Patrick Ganne of Austin, was on military duty and unavailable for comment Tuesday. No one else in his law firm would comment on the case.

Prosecutors also returned a one-count indictment against Gerald Osborne. Osborne, 49, is accused of using a false Social Security number to lease a public storage unit in Austin in September 1995. Authorities believe Osborne rented the storage unit for Waters that was ultimately used in the dismembering and disposal of the O'Hairs.

Officials credit outreach efforts

By The Associated Press

Sixty-four percent of Texas households have filled out census forms and returned them — an increase of 3 percentage points from 1990, census officials said.

Texas' increase is slightly higher than the national increase, which jumped 2 points to 67 percent.

Census director Kenneth Prewitt said each percentage point meant census workers had 1.2 million fewer households to visit during the costly follow-up phase.

He credited the increased response to the bureau's first-ever paid advertising campaign, and partnerships with cities, religious and civic organizations.

El Paso led the state's major cities with a 72 percent response rate. The response rates in other Texas cities included 68 percent in San Antonio, 67 percent in Austin, 65 percent in Fort Worth and 61 percent in Houston.

Census spokeswoman Patricia Roybal said members of the El Paso census office were a regular presence for months at community events, encouraging people to complete the forms.

"We went to every fair, every church, every festival," she said. "You name it, we were there."

The census is crucial to determining political representation and federal aid for transportation, health and other issues. An estimated 480,000 Texans were undercounted in the last census, which cost the state about $1 billions allocated $100,000 to help a local committee distribute posters and pamphlets printed in several languages.

Mitchell County sets reunion on Sept. 30

COLORADO CITY — The annual Mitchell County reunion is set for Saturday, Sept. 30, at the civic center.

The chamber of commerce will prepare a cowboy breakfast over an open campfire and serve it from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m. in the Kiwanis Park. Tickets cost $4 each.

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with coffee, juice, cookies, and visitation.

The catered noon meal, by the David Stubblefield crew, costs $6.50 per ticket. Hollis Gainey will be the featured speaker. He and his wife, Nell, have recently returned to Colorado City. In 1999 in Waco, he was inducted into the Texas High School Hall of Fame as a "Player of the '50s." He was also a sprinter and member of a world famous record-setting relay team.

A music group consisting of Sarah Gohrey, Gus Armstrong, Charles Dunn and Ben Sparks will perform before the noon meal. Mistress of ceremonies will be Louise Hart Crenshaw of Ft. Worth.

Persons born in 1900 who have ever lived in Mitchell County are asked to contact Ray Anne Carlock at 915-728-3205.

They will be guests of the reunion committee at the day's events.

Reservations may be made with Kay Fite at City National Bank by calling 915-728-5221 before Sept. 28.

The Mitchell County Reunion began in the early 1900s as early day ranch families met at the old Barcroft Hotel. It grew over the years and became known as the "Old Settlers" reunion" as well as "Old Timers" reunion, until its name was updated to Mitchell County reunion in 1989.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Scam artists take advantage of office work paper chase

DEAR ABBY: Reading your column is the first order of business in most companies, so please pass this along. There is a scam going on that rips off business big and small.

A phone call comes in, usually from a woman who says, "Hi, this is Patty. What is the serial number on your office copier?" DO NOT GIVE OUT THIS INFORMATION. The scam is, the next thing you know a pallet load of copy paper is delivered. It's very low-grade stuff and very high-priced. The invoice will show the serial number.

Many of these invoices are paid due to the paperwork shuffle. The callers will say, "We're updating our records." If you ask for their telephone number for a callback, they hang up. A new twist is that they phone the Chamber of Commerce in the area for member listings and use that information to appear legit.

The person in the office, usually an inexperienced, low-level clerk, gives the information and gets in trouble.

Please pass this on to your readers. Thank you! —**SHIRLEY HOCKING, BUSINESS OWNER, ALAMEDA, CALIF.**

DEAR SHIRLEY: Thank you for the warning. A word to the wise is sufficient.

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DEAR ABBY: My youngest daughter was murdered 10 years ago. I carry a poem that I found in a newsletter published by the Kansas City Chapter of Parents of Murdered Children. When the situation arises, I show it to people. It speaks for itself, and has been a godsend for me.

Abby, do you think it would comfort others who have lost loved ones and feel alone? — **MARYANNE HUGHES, COLUMBUS, OHIO**

DEAR MARYANNE: I offer my sympathy for the tragic loss of your daughter. Thank you for sending the poem. Printing it may help people to realize that it's not hurtful to talk about a loved one who died — it's comforting. Read on:

PLEASE ASK
by Barbara Taylor Hudson

Someone asked me about you today.
It's been so long since anyone has done that.
It felt so good to talk about you,
To share my memories of you,
To simply say your name out loud.
She asked me if I minded talking about
What happened to you ...
Or would it be too painful to speak of it.
I told her I think of it every day
And speaking about it helps me to release
The tormented thoughts whirling around in my head.
She said she never realized the pain
Would last this long ...
She apologized for not asking sooner.
I told her, "Thanks for asking."
I don't know if it was curiosity
Or concern that made her ask,
But told her, "Please do it again sometime ...
Soon."

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Account opened for boy who lost arms

MILNOR, N.D. (AP) — Neighbors opened a savings account Tuesday for a 3-year-old boy who lost his arms in a farming accident and underwent 13 hours of surgery Tuesday to have them reattached.

Parker Sebens was reported in critical condition at North Memorial Medical Center in Robbinsdale, Minn., late Tuesday. Doctors could not immediately determine whether the operation was successful.

Medical Center spokeswoman Wendy Jerbe said Parker's family wanted privacy. "They would like everyone to keep Parker in their prayers," Jerbe said.

The boy's arms were caught Monday in a grain auger, a machine used to transfer grain into trucks or storage bins.

His father, Mitch Sebens, was using the auger to move grain from a bin into his pickup, Sargent County Deputy Scott Buckhouse said. Sebens was turning off the machine before going to lunch when Parker may have stumbled and fallen into the auger, the deputy said.

A savings account in Parker's name was opened by the First National Bank branch in Milnor, a town of about 650 residents southwest of Fargo.

"Our town is no different than any other small town in North Dakota. We all get behind people in a tragedy like this and support them," bank president Jon Mund said.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

	North ♠ K Q 10 5 2 ♥ 3 ♦ Q J 10 9 ♣ A J 3	09-20-00
West ♠ J 9 7 6 4 ♥ K J ♦ A 8 4 3 ♣ 6 2		East ♠ 8 ♥ Q 10 9 8 5 2 ♦ K 6 ♣ 9 8 7 5
	South ♠ A 3 ♥ A 7 6 4 ♦ 7 5 2 ♣ K Q 10 4	

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♠	Pass
2 NT	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 6

The careful collect the contract

By Phillip Alder

Oscar Wilde said, "I choose my friends for their good looks, my acquaintances for their good characters, and my enemies for their intellects. A man cannot be too careful in the choice of his enemies." And he learned that the hard way.

At the bridge table, less than brainy opponents are helpful if all you care about is victory. Yet if you bid, play and defend with due care, it (usually) won't matter against whom you are playing, — you will win. But it is easy to be careless. Take this deal as an example. You reach three no-trump. West leads the club six. How would you continue?

West had a difficult lead. Normally, it pays not to open a suit bid by an opponent. And the heart king looked like a wild shot, though it would have worked very well here. So he opted for the club six.

You have eight top tricks: three spades, one heart and four clubs. And with dummy's juicy spades, how can there possibly be a problem? Well, that is just the moment to think carefully.

True, you could play on diamonds, but if West is in midseason form, he will go in with the ace and switch to the heart king. Then you would do very well to make the contract given this layout.

Much more sensible is to cash the spade ace, then to lead the spade three from hand. When West follows, carefully finesse dummy's 10. If it loses to East's jack, your contract is safe because you have three spade winners sitting in the dummy and every suit under control. Here, though, the finesse wins, and your ninth trick has materialized immediately.

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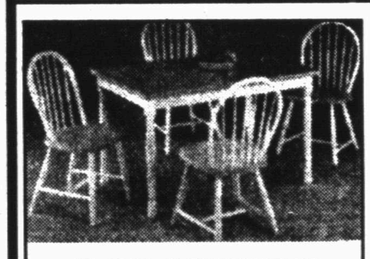

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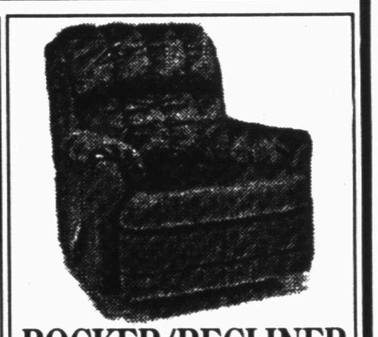

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FBI interviews plane crash survivor

KEY WEST, Fla. (AP) — The FBI interviewed one survivor of a Cuban plane that crashed in the Gulf of Mexico and the Coast Guard will attempt to transfer the eight others to a guard cutter, authorities said Wednesday.

Authorities were attempting to figure out whether Tuesday's crash, which killed one of the 10 Cubans aboard, came at the end of a hijacking or whether the 10 had left Cuba voluntarily aboard a stolen plane.

Petty Officer Danielle DeMarino said the seas were too rough to transfer the survivors to the Coast Guard cutter Courageous on Wednesday morning, so the transfer would be attempted Wednesday evening. There is an FBI agent onboard the cutter to investigate, she said.

"Due to heavy weather right now, we're trying to find calmer seas," DeMarino said.

Seas in the area were at 4 to 8 feet because of tropical weather disturbances in the Gulf of Mexico.

Wednesday morning, all but one of the survivors remained aboard the Panamanian freighter Chios Dream, whose captain rescued them Tuesday. The most seriously injured, Rodolfo Fuentes, 36, was flown to a Key West hospital Tuesday night.

FBI agent Al Alonso said Wednesday that the agency was talking with Fuentes. He would not give details.

Doctors said Wednesday his prognosis is good.

"He has a concussion, a big cut on the back of his head and a sore neck," said Dr. David Bannon. "He's really doing quite well considering the drama he suffered."

U.S. law lets Cubans apply for residency if they reach U.S. soil. Ordinarily, those who are captured at sea are returned to Cuba, but authorities said it was too early to say what would be done with the survivors.

Israel and Palestinians resume their peace negotiations today

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel and the Palestinians resumed contacts Wednesday, a day after Israel made conflicting announcements about the fate of negotiations, first declaring a time-out, then saying talks were back on track.

Palestinian officials were angered by the mixed signals. Palestinian negotiator Saeb Erekat said Wednesday that negotiations would only resume after Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak has explained his decisions.

Erekat said he planned to contact the Israelis to hear their clarifications. Barak's spokesman, Gadi Baltiansky, said Erekat met Wednesday afternoon with Israeli negotiator Gilead Sher. It was not clear whether it was a negotiating session or whether the two men only talked about the mini-crisis the day before.

Barak was widely criticized for what the Israeli media described as an embarrassing zigzag course. Analysts said the prime minister had tried to pressure Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat by suspending negotiations, and reversed himself when it became apparent the move could lead to a real crisis in the negotiations.

Concluding a peace agreement with the Palestinians is seen as the prime minister's only chance to stay in power. An increasingly hostile parliament has threatened to topple him when it reconvenes in late October.

"Barak is under a lot of pressure," said Shimon Shiffer, a political commentator for the Yediot Ahronot daily. "Yesterday, he blinked first."

After Tuesday's confusion, Arafat asked U.S. diplomats in the region to convey a message of complaint to President Clinton.

Israeli Justice Minister Yossi Beilin said the confusion was due to an "internal misunderstanding" in the Barak government. "We want to continue these talks and we hope it will be possible, despite the great difficulty in this moment of truth, to reach a solution," Beilin said.

The tensions signified the difficulties in the negotiations.

Bush raps Gore on Hollywood violence

PITTSBURGH (AP) — George W. Bush took the microphone Wednesday just 14 minutes late. He excoriated Al Gore for "changing his tune" on entertainment violence to placate Hollywood donors. Three minutes early, Bush closed with a "Thank you."

This was no rambling, Gore-style town meeting.

Republican Bush, in his effort to deflate Gore's recent gains in the polls, has adapted many of the Democrat's strategies — from the release of a 13-page "Blueprint for the Middle Class" (to match Gore's 191-page budget outline), to new talking points on prescription drug help for the elderly, to question-and-answer sessions with "real people."

Bush played host to back-to-back forums, which he calls a "One on One," Tuesday night in a Lexington, Ky., school gymnasium, then Wednesday morning inside an old church in the Perrysville suburb of Pittsburgh.

He used Wednesday's to poke Gore for fund-raising in Southern California one week after threatening to give entertainment moguls six months to stop peddling smut and violence to children.

"He must be auditioning for a Broadway play because he keeps changing his tune," Bush said. "After going out there to Hollywood and collecting their money, it's no longer six months and tough talk."

The lone tough question came from a worker at a Pennsylvania women's crisis center who asked Bush if he supports the Violence Against Women Act, whose reauthorization, she noted, is being held up by congressional Republicans.

"Is it up for reauthorization now?" Bush asked, and then asked her to send him information about the bill and her position on it.

The sessions highlighted differences — some trivial, some substantive — in the rival candidates' strategies and personalities.

Where Gore answers and answers and answers until the last questioner has said his piece and headed home (Gore's record surpasses four hours), Bush stuck to time allotted.

"I was trying to give him the hook," Laura Bush, quipped Tuesday as finish time neared.

Where Gore's campaign combs for genuinely undecided voters to fill his open-meeting audiences — why preach to the converted, as Gore advisers say — the Bush camp packed Lexington's Henry Clay High School and Pittsburgh's Great Hall with supporters.

One Kentucky couple said they were there because their son was a county GOP chairman. Another had a friend who works for Republican Sen. Mitch McConnell.

As such, the questions were hardly like the uncomfortable ones Gore faced at a recent open meeting in Michigan — about his lack of charisma as vice president, about claiming credit for the good economy, about the threat from Green Party candidate Ralph Nader.

Instead, the first man to raise his hand Tuesday wore Bush campaign stickers on his hat and urged, "You have to get Al to tell the truth. And one other favor, send Barbara to see us some time." Barbara Bush is the candidate's mother and former first lady.

Replying, Bush made some of his most extensive comments on the upcoming debates with Gore since the pair agreed to three face-offs, the first on Oct. 3.

Demo rally and ads emphasize seniors' prescription help

SUNNYVALE, Calif. (AP) — With a campaign rally and a blizzard of television ads, Al Gore is battling Texas Gov. George W. Bush over giving seniors a Medicare benefit for prescription medicine and trying to move beyond a flap about the accuracy of Gore's statements about drug costs.

Vowing to stand up to the pharmaceutical industry, Gore staged a rally in the heart of Silicon Valley to promise he would insure that all of the nearly 40 million Americans on Medicare have access to affordable prescription drugs, whether they are enrolled in traditional Medicare or managed care.

"I'm not satisfied when drug companies run up profits so high that many seniors just can't pay for the medicines they need," the Democratic presidential nominee said in prepared remarks. "I believe we have to give all seniors real coverage and real choice. You should be able to choose your own doctor, and your doctor should be able to choose which medicines to prescribe."

The rally was the last event on a three-day California stop. The vice president was returning to Washington for a dinner honoring the congressional Hispanic caucus.

The high cost of prescription drugs is a prominent issue in the presidential campaign and in races for Congress. Gore promises to spend $253 billion over 10 years to add prescription drug coverage to Medicare. Bush's $158 billion package would encourage private-market competition to Medicare and provide immediate state-run subsidies of seniors' drug costs.

The vice president says Bush would force seniors into HMOs. Bush says under his package seniors could choose to stay in their current Medicare plan or opt into private-industry plans.

The Gore camp was throwing the next punch in the TV ad war on the issue.

The Bush campaign and the Republican National Committee are both airing ads accusing Gore of pushing seniors into federal HMOs in order to get drugs.

That's not exactly true, as news accounts have noted. Gore would actually allow people to stay in the traditional Medicare program, with drug benefits managed by a private firm. But they wouldn't have to join a managed care plan.

Obituaries

Jack Thompson

1921-2000

Graveside service for W.S. "Jack" Thompson is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in the Ira Cemetery. The Rev. James Merrell, retired Methodist minister, will officiate. Arrangements are under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Thompson, 79, died Tuesday, Sept. 19, in VA Medical Center in Big Spring following a lengthy illness.

Born June 2, 1921 in Ira, he served in the 330th Infantry Division in Patton's Third Army. A life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the American Legion, Mr. Thompson was retired from Brooks Well Service and was a Methodist.

Survivors include several nieces, nephews and cousins.

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Warrants land 8 in jail Tuesday

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A 33-year-old man was taken into custody at 9:33 a.m. on a warrant for violation of the compulsory school attendance law.

A warrant for assault/family violence landed a 38-year-old man in jail at 11:28 a.m. Tuesday.

At 2:59 p.m. Tuesday, a 32-year-old woman was booked into Scurry County Jail on a warrant revoking her probation.

Officers arrested a 47-year-old man at 4:06 p.m. Tuesday in the 500 block of 35th Street on an outstanding warrant for no valid driver's license.

City warrants for expired registration and failure to appear sent a 20-year-old man to jail.

An 18-year-old man was taken into custody at 6:55 p.m. Tuesday on city warrants for speeding and failure to appear.

Warrants for disorderly conduct and failure to appear landed a 37-year-old woman in jail Tuesday. Officers arrested her at 9:25 p.m. at the Park Village Apartments.

Deputies transported a 42-year-old man from Mitchell County to the Scurry County Jail at 11 p.m. Tuesday on a warrant for motion to revoke probation on an original charge of driving while intoxicated.

Hospital

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ONGOINGS

Gospel meeting

Thomas Foster, minister of the Fifth Ward Church of Christ in Houston, is the speaker at a Gospel meeting at 37th Street Church of Christ that concludes at 7 this evening.

Faith Baptist revival

The Faith Baptist Church is holding revival services that concludes at 7 tonight. Monty Martin is the evangelist.

Scholastic Book Fair

Central's Parent Council is sponsoring a Scholastic Book Fair daily through Friday in Room 4. Hours are 8 to 10 a.m. and 2:30 to 4 p.m.

Free blood typing

Western Texas College phlebotomy students and instructor Bill Dickinson will offer free blood typing in conjunction with Cogdell Memorial Hospital. The first blood typing will be held during a blood drive in the WTC student center from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Thursday. The second blood typing will be held at Wal-Mart Saturday, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 574-7476.

Historical commission meeting

The Scurry County Historical Commission will meet at noon Thursday at the Shack.

FBC worship service

The First Baptist Church worship service airs at 8 p.m. every Thursday on TV Channel 2.

West family reading night

West Elementary will host family reading night from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Refreshments and child care are available.

Northeast family reading night

Northeast Elementary will have a family reading night at 6:30 Thursday at the school. Pizza and soft drinks will be served and there will be door prizes and product giveaways.

Boys basketball booster club

The boys basketball booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the College Avenue Dairy Queen.

Weigh down workshop

The weigh down workshop will be held at 7 p.m. on Thursdays at Colonial Hill Baptist Church, beginning Oct. 5. Orientation will be Thursday. For more information, call Debbie Hicks at 574-1061.

GED exams

GED exams will be administered Friday at Western Texas College. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 574-2112, or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

Senior center rummage sale

A rummage sale will be held from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. Friday at the Scurry County Senior Center, 2603 Ave. M. Proceeds will go to operating funds for the center.

Joint class reunion

The SHS classes of 1946, 1947 and 1948 will hold a joint reunion Saturday at the Wagon Wheel Ranch. Registration begins at 1 p.m.

Canyon community reunion

The Canyon community reunion will begin at 9 a.m. Saturday at the Ira Baptist Church. A pot luck lunch will be served. For additional information, call 573-2125.

SHS football fundraiser

Snyder Tigers varsity football team will carhop from 5-8 p.m. Saturday at the Sonic. Tips will go for various team supplies this season.

Pancake supper

The Ira Church of God women will sponsor a pancake supper from 5-6:30 p.m. Sunday in the church annex. All-you-can-eat prices are $4 for ages 12 and up, $2 for ages 4-11, and free for three and under. Everyone is invited.

Democratic Party meeting

The Scurry County Democratic Party will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the county courtroom.

Outreach night

An outreach night, a prerequisite for participation in a Married for Life group, will be held at 7 p.m. Monday at The World is Life fellowship hall, 312 Coliseum Dr.

Genealogical meeting

The Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Scurry County library. The guest spoeaker will be Christene Horn, librarian at Big Spring's Latter Day Saints Public Library.

WTC college fair

Western Texas College will host its annual college fair for area high school and college students from 9:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 28.

Lord's Acre fish fry

The sixth annual Lord's Acre fish fry will be from 5:30-7 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 3, at the First United Methodist Church Wesley Hall. Tickets are $3 for six years and under, and $6 for everyone else. Tickets may be purchased at the door or at the church office.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
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Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
4-1-4