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Set for Aug. 16-17...

Friday is deadline for WTC seminars

Western Texas College will host identical success seminars next Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 17 for all new students and their parents.

Friday, however, is the deadline to register.

Incoming students with all testing and records complete are eligible to attend next Wednesday. For students without TASP scores, the Thursday seminar will include ASSET testing (TASP equivalent).

Students will pre-register for the fall semester with academic advisors available to help with selection of classes.

Other information concerning campus life will be shared by returning students, faculty, staff and administrators. Campus tours will be available from 1:15 to 4 p.m.

There is a fee of $6 per person for lunch and an additional $29 for those students requiring the ASSET test. A picture ID or yearbook with photo is required in order to take the test.

Students who have not completed admission paper work or paid registration or housing fees, should do so at the seminar. Students who plan to receive financial aid for the 2000-2001 school year must have financial aid files complete prior to pre-registration.

Contact the financial aid office at 915-573-8511, ext. 309 for individual status.

Seminar processing will begin at 8:30 a.m. next Wednesday and 8 a.m. Aug. 17. Students who wish to attend must inform the admissions office by mail with payment by Friday.

Registration for returning students and those not attending a success seminar will be held Aug. 21, beginning with sophomore registration that morning.

Sophomore students with last names P-Z will begin registering at 8:30 a.m. while last names G-O begin at 9:30 a.m. Registration begins at 10:30 a.m. for sophomores with last names A-F.

Freshman registration gets underway at 1:30 p.m. for students with last names P-Z. At 2:30 p.m., those with last names G-O will register.

Freshman students A-F register at 3:30 p.m. while evening students, regardless of classification, register from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Classes towards an associate degree in a variety of liberal arts and pre-professional fields are offered.

In addition, programs are available in computerized business technology, criminal justice, early childhood education, emergency medical services, golf course and landscape technology, licensed vocational nursing, networking technician and welding.

Classes begin Aug. 23. For a complete schedule of classes, call 573-8511 or toll free 1-888-GOTOWTC.

Cogdell CEO to be named

Cogdell Memorial Hospital's board of managers is expected to name a new chief executive officer during Thursday morning's called board meeting.

"Actually, we'll take a vote on a person we will be recommending Covenant hire," said Jim Bob Cave, board president.

As part of the management contract with Covenant Healthcare System, the CEO is an employee of Covenant.

The new CEO will take the place of Jeff Reecer who left the post at the end of July.

Steve Holmes, an employee of Covenant, has been serving as interim CEO.

The hospital board has met numerous times in its search for a new CEO, and narrowed the list down to two last week.

During a Thursday meeting, the board decided on a candidate and instructed Covenant to begin negotiations concerning salary and other benefits.

The hospital board has not released the names of any candidates, but of the two that were interviewed twice, one is currently an employee of Covenant.

Besides voting on a new CEO, the board will also begin budget work on the hospital's 2001 budget.

Cave said the board is expected to review the budget, and especially the cost reductions the staff has implemented.

"The board will be looking to see if there is any additional cuts," said Cave.

Income to the hospital, and all other hospitals, is continuing to drop due to the balanced budget act.

On the plus side, the county is expected to restore the amount of ad valorem tax dollars it had given the hospital prior to this year.

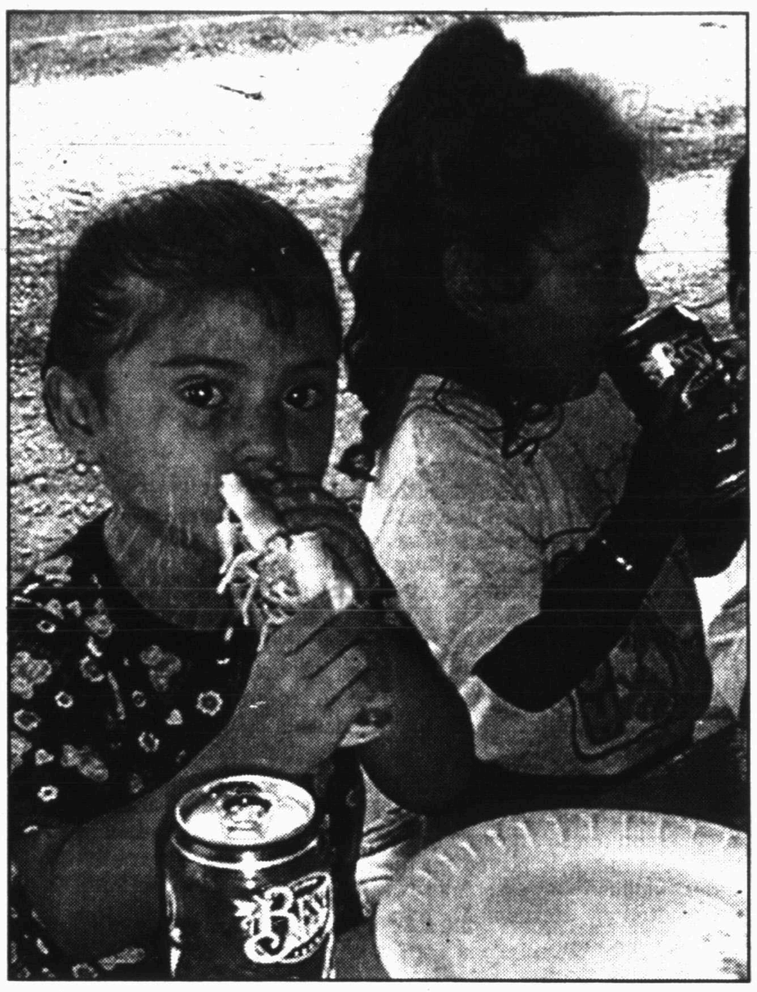
"We plan to give the hospital $395,000 that will be generated from ad valorem taxes, as well as all tobacco settlement money," said County Judge Ricky Fritz.

This year, the county appropriated $140,000.

Fritz said this morning that he expects the tobacco settlement money to be in the neighborhood of $50,000.

Also on the agenda will be a report from human resource manager Barbara Parker on changes in hospital policies.

The meeting is at 7:30 in the hospital boardroom.



GOOD STUFF — Myra Medina enjoys a hot dog and Liliana Juarez a soda at a picnic Tuesday evening to conclude the summer family outreach program. During the program, the staff visited 35 to 40 homes each week to teach parents how to use resources in the home to teach their children. The project is funded by the Texas Education Agency investment capital fund grant. (SDN Photo by Joyce May)

Personnel changes are made at Western Texas

Western Texas College is undergoing some transitions as one longtime faculty member is shifting to a new position, and another is returning to an old one.

Carolyn Osborn, who has been serving as director of counseling, will be moving to division chairperson of adjunct faculty.

Carolyn Osborn

Mike Harrison is leaving that position and returning to the physical education department. He will be working with the intramural program as he did before.

WTC President Dr. Harry Krenek said the changes are effective immediately. He also said that changes made by new dean of student services Jim Clifton opened an opportunity in the PE department.

"Mr. Harrison has desired to go back to that position," Dr. Krenek said. "We felt a need to build our PE department and Mike had done a good job."

Osborn will temporarily continue in her counseling duties until another counselor can be hired, the president said.

The college is currently one counselor short as Merry Trammel has submitted her resignation.

"Carolyn will continue during the transition period, but only until we get another counselor," Dr. Krenek said. "She will carry on some counseling responsibilities until another counselor can be employed and be comfortable with the responsibilities."

He also said that the college would just hire the one counselor at this time.

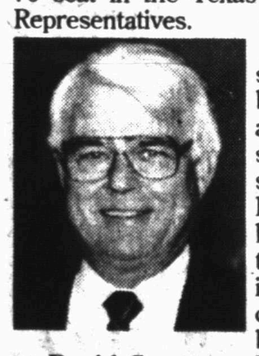
"We will use other personnel on campus to help take care of counseling positions."

Dr. Krenek added, "There is a lot of transition. You move one little piece and it affects another piece and it just goes down the line."

Counts' opponent leaves race

Rep. David Counts may not have an opponent in the November general election after all.

Republican Tim Blackshear, the owner of EarthCo in Big Spring, has withdrawn as his party's candidate for the District 70 seat in the Texas House of Representatives.



David Counts

"It's strictly for business and personal reasons," Blackshear said this morning. "I am consumed by my business and feel this is the best thing to do for all involved."

There will be a Republican nominee only if the District 70 executive committee, comprised of the district's GOP county chairmen, meet to appoint a substitute candidate. Such action must come in early September to have a name listed on the ballot.

Counts said Blackshear's withdrawal came as a surprise to him.

"I think Tim had good intentions, but I don't think he realized the time involved in getting elected, and if elected, to serve," said Counts.

"I really don't think he understood the time commitment," emphasized Counts.

Blackshear's statements this morning echoed those from Counts.

"A representative has to be full-time and it really doesn't pay anything," said Blackshear. "It's basically a volunteer job."

Counts added that Blackshear's business does a lot of state work.

"I really did not see how this could work out for him," said Counts.

Blackshear, who resigned as mayor of Big Spring to run for state representative, had been a strong supporter of Counts over the years and Counts was surprised when Blackshear announced his campaign.

"Hey, he was a friend of mine going in, and he is a friend of mine going out," emphasized Counts. "I have no animosity."

Ira ready for new year

The 8 o'clock bell Thursday morning will signal the start of the new school for Ira ISD.

Several new faces in both the administration and faculty will greet students as they report to class.

Jim Rumage is the new superintendent and Mike Duke is the new principal. There are also seven new teachers.

Jim Rumage

A hamburger cookout is set to begin at 11:30 to kick off the first day of school. It will be prepared by the members of the school board as is the tradition.

Snyder schools starts Monday and Hermleigh schools start next Wednesday. WTC starts Aug. 23.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Most of the time exercise is work, but eating briskly is more fun."

There is so much confusing health information.

Drink coffee, don't drink coffee, don't drink too much coffee, drink lots of coffee. No wonder the stress level is rising.

The ole doc has insisted that walking briskly may be one of the best ways to exercise. He was quick to add that walking briskly did not mean from the recliner to the refrigerator.

But we have come up with new evidence that walking may indeed be harmful to your health.

We first got the idea from ole what's-her-name.

We first started walking together early in the morning but found that she's too grouchy at 5 a.m. It was then determined that going early while letting her sleep 'til six and her walking alone was less hazardous – at least to us.

But she has discovered other neighborhood pitfalls. In addition to speeding traffic on El Paso Avenue, there are other critters to avoid.

At this time of year, it is necessary to keep a watchful eye for skunks. Yep, they are cute little critters, but hardly something that you want to follow you home.

You can never predict when you might encounter one, but a good bet is under a street light where they are munching bugs for breakfast – or maybe its supper for those morning- tower types.

And there are other dangers, like those birds on 32nd Street that sweep down and attack.

At first we were skeptical. Ole what's-her-name said three came at her near the city water tower. She said she ran into neighbor Donell Kelley who had talked to a guy who's head had blood gushing from his skull because of the surprise bird attack.

On Sunday, we decided to walk together. We suggested the 32nd Street route, but she resisted. We shamed her into it, still doubting the intensity of her story.

It was a nice, peaceful morning – until something that sounded like a 747 whisked by.

Without thinking, we asked, "What was that?"

"It's those birds, you dummy. I told you." About that time, the bird made another pass, just as our heart had slowed down just a tad.

Now, we're getting reports that those birds, often called Mississippi kites or darter hawks, are taking up residence in southwest Snyder.

Ernie Sears says grandson, Nelson Sears, now wears his helmet when riding his bike – more protection from the kites than from a fall.

Game warden Mel Reed, who lives on the same street as Sears, says the kites are good migratory birds who eat insects. They have a wingspread of from three to four feet and move on by month's end. Reed said kites won't hurt, but rather scare the daylights out of you.

There is one bright spot about those attack birds – they'll get your pulse rate up there and cause you to walk more briskly on

Adams leaving Cogdell for La Grange position

Norma Adams, RN, nurse executive of Cogdell Memorial Hospital since June 1998, has resigned from the hospital staff.

Adams has accepted a position at a hospital near La Grange and will start her employment there Oct. 2.

She moved to Snyder from El Paso.

ASK US

Q—Does Lake Thomas have more or less water in it than a year ago?

A—Less. A year ago, it was at 20 percent of its capacity. Today, it is just over 15 percent.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 98 degrees; low, 73; reading at 7 a.m. today, 74; no precipitation; total for year to date: 15.01 inches.

Area Forecast: Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday. Low around 75 and high in mid 90s. South wind 10-20 mph.

Maria Murillo
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:32 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:07 a.m.
Of 221 days in 2000, the sun has shone 218 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Try not to become a man of success but rather try to become a man of value."
—Albert Einstein

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Heating daughter's pool is raising dad's temperature

DEAR ABBY: My daughter and son-in-law earn twice as much as my wife and I do. They insist that we visit them each year in California. My wife and I both have arthritis and find a heated pool therapeutic. They have a swimming pool, but they expect us to pay to heat it when we visit.

This is embarrassing because my three stepdaughters never expect us to pay for anything when we visit them, and we never ask our children to pay for anything when they visit in our home. Last year, my son who lives in Ohio paid to have his sister's pool heated while we were visiting in California.

Should we refuse to pay to heat my daughter's pool or keep our mouths shut and ante up? — "HEATED" DAD IN MICHIGAN

DEAR "HEATED" DAD: It costs more to live in some areas of the country than others. Although your daughter and her husband earn twice as much as you do, their living expenses may be greater than yours, and it's possible their budget won't stretch to include heating the swimming pool.

If you haven't done so already, discuss this problem calmly with your daughter to determine if there is a reason for their request. Should you find their budget cannot accommodate heating the pool for you, ante up without complaining. If it causes you financial hardship, shorten your visits.

A word of caution: It never works in anyone's favor to compare one child with another, since their financial realities could be entirely different — and comparisons could create hurt feelings.

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DEAR ABBY: I was recently named executor and sole beneficiary of the estate of a dear relative who passed away. One of my cousins had the nerve to contact the attorney for the estate and demand to know why she hadn't received her inheritance.

Please, let me share a few "truths" that may save a lot of time, expense and hurt feelings for other families:

1. People of sound mind have the right to disburse their assets the way they choose.

2. No one owes anyone anything at the time of death (beyond paying personal debts, and final medical and funeral expenses).

3. An inheritance is a gift, not an obligation.

4. If your name is not on the list of beneficiaries, the deceased obviously had his or her reasons not to leave you anything.

If you loved and cared about the person who died, you will always have beautiful memories to treasure — and in the end, isn't that what really matters? — BLESSED IN IOWA

DEAR BLESSED: Your letter reminds me of a quotation by Henry Fielding (1707-1754): "If you make money your god, it will plague you like the devil."

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WORTH SHARING: "The age of a person doesn't mean a thing. The best music is played on the oldest violins." — Jesse Andrews (submitted by Herman M. Katz, Sierra Vista, Ariz.)

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For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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NAACP chief says remarks were taken out of context

DALLAS (AP) — The NAACP on Wednesday was considering suspending its Dallas branch president for criticizing Democratic presidential hopeful Al Gore's choice for vice president.

Lee Alcorn, Dallas NAACP president, has called Gore's selection of an Orthodox Jew suspicious. The comment sparked outrage from the Jewish and black communities.

Speaking on a gospel talk radio show on station KHVN Monday, Alcorn said: "If we get a Jew person, then what I'm wondering is, I mean, what is this movement for, you know? Does it have anything to do with the failed peace talks?"

Alcorn continued, "So I think we need to be very suspicious of any kind of partnerships between the Jews at that kind of level because we know that their interest primarily has to do with money and these kind of things."

Alcorn on Tuesday contended that his comments were "taken pretty much out of context."

But Kweisi Mfume, national NAACP president, said he would probably suspend Alcorn's membership and his position with the Dallas branch on Wednesday.

"I strongly condemn those remarks," Mfume told The Dallas Morning News in today's editions. "I find them to be repulsive, anti-Semitic, anti-NAACP and anti-American. Mr. Alcorn does not speak for the NAACP, its board, its staff or its membership.

"We are proud of our long-standing relationship with the Jewish community," Mfume said, "and I personally will not tolerate statements that run counter to the history and beliefs of the NAACP in that regard."

With his announcement Tuesday, Gore made Joseph Lieberman, a two-term senator from Connecticut, the first Jew to be a vice presidential candidate.

Mark Briskman, regional director of Anti-Defamation League in Dallas, said his office received numerous calls after the broadcast from other blacks concerned and outraged with Alcorn's statements.

Jackpot winner has plenty of problems

BURLINGTON, Ky. (AP) — Authorities have issued a warrant for the arrest of the man who won the $65.4 million Powerball jackpot in July.

Mack Metcalf, 42, a forklift operator from Florence, did not show up in a Boone County courtroom Tuesday to face charges of drunken driving, driving without a license and leaving the scene of an accident. Police say Metcalf hit a parked car several times in the parking lot of the Florence Mall June 19.

Metcalf's blood-alcohol level during the incident was .265, more than twice Kentucky's legal limit of .10.

Just 13 hours before Metcalf failed to show up in court, he was arrested outside a sports bar in Florence for public drunkenness but was released after a few hours.

Metcalf's attorney told District Judge Charles Moore Tuesday that he didn't know where Metcalf was and asked for a continuance. But the judge instead issued a bench warrant for Metcalf's immediate arrest, although if Metcalf pays a $1,500 fee he won't be detained.

A woman claiming to be Metcalf's cousin appeared in court and held an impromptu press conference after the hearing.

"He is not hiding right now," said Paula Swim, of Florence. "He didn't know he had to appear."

Metcalf has other legal troubles as well. State lottery officials were about to clear him to receive his winnings when a worker with the Kenton County Attorney's Office called to inform them that Metcalf had been behind on child support payments since 1986 for a 15-year-old daughter from a previous marriage.

Kenton Circuit Judge Patricia Summe ordered Metcalf to pay $880,000 into a fund for future support because he already owed at least $31,000.

Metcalf won the Powerball July 22 and claimed his winnings July 26. He chose the $34.1 million lump-sum cash option on his lottery ticket. Metcalf said he was going to take 60 percent of the money and move to Australia and give the remaining 40 percent to his current wife, Virginia Metcalf Merida, 46, of Dayton.

At the time, a lottery official said Mack Metcalf wanted as little publicity as possible and was guarded about his relationship with his wife of 14 years, who lives in another town. The couple declined to hold a press conference.

Clyde faces water woes

CLYDE (AP) — The murky brown water coming out of faucets in the West Texas town of Clyde could turn clear again sometime today after the city council's unanimous vote to purchase water from nearby Abilene.

"It's already in the pipe, so all we have to do is turn it on," Clyde City Administrator Lee Roy George said following Tuesday night's vote. "There wasn't a dissenter among the group."

George admitted there wasn't much choice.

"We are pumping right off the bottom of the lake," he said. "When you are pumping out of four feet of water you are getting mostly the dregs."

Last week, the city administrator presented council members with statistics showing that the sediment-filled water would last another 45 days and "would only get worse."

It costs Clyde about 50 cents to produce 1,000 gallons on its own. For a thousand gallons, Abilene will charge $1.52.

To make up for the difference, Clyde will charge its residents a $2 surcharge for each 1,000 gallons of water they use.

Date Book

Wednesday, Aug. 9, 2000

Today is the 222nd day of 2000 and the 51st day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1848, in Buffalo, N.Y., delegates at the Free Soil party convention nominated Martin Van Buren for president.

On this day in 1944, the Forest Service and the Wartime Advertising Council created Smokey the Bear.

On this day in 1974, Gerald Ford became president of the United States upon the resignation of President Richard Nixon.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Izaak Walton (1593-1683), writer; John Dryden (1631-1700), poet-dramatist; Bob Cousy (1928-), basketball great, is 72; Rod Laver (1938-), tennis great, is 62; Sam Elliott (1944-), actor, is 56; Ken Norton (1945-), boxer, is 55; Melanie Griffith (1957-), actress, is 43; Whitney Houston (1963-), singer, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1931, The National League defeated the American League 5-4 in the all-star game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I love such mirth as does not make friends ashamed to look upon one another next morning." — Izaak Walton

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Aug. 6) and full moon (Aug. 15).

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2000 Property Tax Rates in WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE

This notice concerns 2000 property tax rates for WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE. It presents information about three tax rates. Last year's tax rate is the actual rate the taxing unit used to determine property taxes last year. This year's *effective* tax rate would impose the same total taxes as last year if you compare properties taxed in both years. This year's *rollback* tax rate is the highest tax rate the taxing unit can set before taxpayers can start tax rollback procedures. In each case these rates are found by dividing the total amount of taxes by the tax base (the total value of taxable property) with adjustments as required by state law. The rates are given per $100 of property value.

Last year's tax rate:

Last year's operating taxes	$ 1,840,535	
Last year's debt taxes	$ 0	
Last year's total taxes	$ 1,840,535	
Last year's tax base	$ 585,598,154	
Last year's total tax rate	$ .3143	/$100

This year's effective tax rate:

Last year's adjusted taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property)	$ 1,832,083	
+ This year's adjusted tax base (after subtracting value of new property)	$ 644,682,880	
= This year's effective tax rate	$ .2841	/$100

This year's rollback tax rate:

Last year's adjusted operating taxes (after subtracting taxes on lost property and adjusting for transferred function)	$ 1,832,083	
+ This year's adjusted tax base	$ 644,682,880	
= This year's effective operating rate	$ .2841	/$100
x 1.08 = this year's maximum operating rate	$ .3069	/$100
+ This year's debt rate	$ 0	/$100
= This year's rollback rate	$ .3069	/$100

Statement of Increase/Decrease

If WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE adopts a 2000 tax rate equal to the effective tax rate of $ .2841 per $100 of value, taxes would INCREASE compared to 1999 taxes by $ 5,719.

Schedule A – Unencumbered Fund Balances

The following estimated balances will be left in the unit's property tax accounts at the end of the fiscal year. These balances are not encumbered by a corresponding debt obligation.

Type of Property Tax Fund	Balance
GENERAL	$500,000

This notice contains a summary of actual effective and rollback tax rates' calculations. You can inspect a copy of the full calculations at SCURRY COUNTY TAX OFFICE - SCURRY COUNTY COURTHOUSE.

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SUBWAY FOUNDER VISITS — Fred DeLuca, president and founder of Subway, made his first trip to West Texas Monday to visit several restaurant locations. DeLuca, who is from Connecticut, began in Amarillo and drove down to Lubbock and then Snyder before heading east to Dallas. Pictured from left are Marsha Scott, Amanda Scott, Bill Butler, Tony Scott and DeLuca. The Scotts are local franchise owners and Butler is a developing agent from Lubbock. (SDN Staff Photo)

Firestone to recall 20 million tires

DETROIT (AP) — Bridgestone Firestone Inc. plans to announce a recall of about 20 million tires for light trucks and sport utility vehicles that have been implicated in more than 40 deaths, a source familiar with the decision says.

Most of the Firestone ATX, ATX II and Wilderness AT tires are on Ford Explorers, the industry's top-selling SUV, but the recall will include tires on all brands of vehicles, the source said on condition of anonymity. The recalled tires will be replaced by other Firestone tires, the source said Tuesday.

Bridgestone Firestone Inc. spokeswoman Marianna Deal said the company will hold a news conference today in Washington regarding the tires. Ford Motor Co. officials will also attend.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has received 270 complaints, including reports of 46 deaths and 80 injuries, about failing Firestone truck tires.

The complaints alleged that Firestone tires peel off their casings, sometimes while the light trucks or SUVs are traveling at high speeds.

Dearborn, Mich.-based Ford and Nashville-based Bridgestone/Firestone, which is a subsidiary of Tokyo-based Bridgestone Corp., had insisted the tires are safe, but the source told The Associated Press that the two companies decided on a recall after a private meeting with NHTSA investigators Tuesday.

Liz Neblett, a NHTSA spokeswoman in Washington, confirmed that a meeting occurred, but declined to elaborate.

Firestone spokeswoman Susan Sizemore declined to comment on whether Firestone had decided on a recall.

Dick Cheney stumps solo

ST. LOUIS (AP) — GOP vice presidential nominee Dick Cheney is visiting a homeless shelter on his first solo campaign trip, touting George W. Bush's plan to help faith-based groups that serve the poor.

Cheney's first scheduled stop today on a three-day swing that will take him to Missouri, Ohio, Kentucky and Illinois is the Sunshine Mission, a privately funded Christian homeless shelter with a rehab center for drug addicts and services for needy families.

As part of his "compassionate conservative" campaign, Bush has called for partnerships between the government and churches, charitable organizations and individuals who provide services or donate money to fight the nation's social ills.

Bush says he would dedicate $8 billion in the first year of his administration for tax credits and grants to increase the role of faith-based groups to help people on welfare, fight crime and reduce poverty.

Vice President Al Gore has also advocated a greater role for church-based groups in serving needy families. And the 1996 overhaul of the welfare system by Congress and the Clinton administration allowed charitable groups and churches to compete for federal dollars to provide social services.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Surgical alternatives for stenosis

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please comment on an exercise program to treat spinal stenosis. My doctor insists that surgery is the only answer, yet I am searching for alternatives.

DEAR READER: Spinal stenosis, a narrowing of the spinal canal from arthritis and other disorders, typically causes back pain (sometimes severe) that may be difficult to distinguish from that caused by sciatica or a herniated disc. In these disorders, nerves are pinched or irritated; in spinal stenosis, however, there is actual pressure on the spinal cord itself. What may begin as troublesome back pain can progress to agony or — equally disastrous — significant motor impairment, such as foot or leg weakness. Spinal stenosis can be diagnosed using CT scans, magnetic resonance imaging (which does not require X-rays) or myelography (a special spinal X-ray).

Mild forms of the disorder often respond to physical therapy and other non-surgical methods.

However, as the pressure on the spinal cord increases with age, as it is likely to do, the symptoms also worsen. Once leg numbness or weakness develops, surgery must be considered to prevent permanent nerve damage and paralysis. During the operation, the surgeon removes the offending tissue, permitting the nerves to regain normal function.

I don't know whether you should seriously consider surgery at this point. This is a decision best left to a capable neurosurgeon or orthopedic specialist. If you are experiencing weakness or numbness in your legs, however, you are certainly a candidate for repair. I must say that my patients who elected surgery for this disorder were 100 percent satisfied with the result. Although the risks of the operation — including permanent nerve damage, infection and so forth — must be considered, the beneficial effects are so stunning that the decision to have surgery is, as the children say, a slam dunk.

In any case, you clearly have options. Try the exercise program first, then consider transcutaneous nerve stimulation (electrical currents to reduce pain), give your local chiropractor a shot at it, use meditation and hot packs — but, if your doctor is correct, you will eventually end up with an appropriate surgical specialist. Let me know how this turns out. 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.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I just read an old column of yours in which you condemn the practice of an older son sleeping with his mother. You're wrong. I'm 15 and sleep with my mother most of the time. If you don't like what I've written, you can shove it in your ear.

DEAR READER: Each to his own taste, said the farmer as he kissed the cow. I still think that adolescents are better off not sleeping with their mothers. In housing situations with severe overcrowding, such an arrangement may be necessary. But, if given a choice, sons ought to cut the apron strings.

I don't know why you share your mother's bed. (That might be an interesting topic for a future column.) But I wonder if you may not unconsciously welcome the chance to control her life. Has it occurred to you that her social experiences are severely limited because of your preference? How is she going to attend to her need for intimacy when she knows that you, fresh from your basketball dinner or three hours on the Web, are going to climb aboard and snore yourself into oblivion. Forget giving yourself a break; give her a life.

P.S. If you tell everyone who disagrees with you to stick it in his ear, you're going to have a huge contingent of semi-deaf constituents.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

	North 08-09-00 ♠ 7 4 ♥ Q J 9 8 ♦ A Q J 5 ♣ 6 5 3	
West ♠ Q J 3 ♥ K 2 ♦ 10 4 2 ♣ K Q 10 9 7		East ♠ K 10 9 8 6 ♥ 7 6 4 3 ♦ 8 3 ♣ 8 2
	South ♠ A 5 2 ♥ A 10 5 ♦ K 9 7 6 ♣ A J 4	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 ♦	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♣ K

Reading the cards is beneficial

By Phillip Alder

What do you make of this? "Books are fatal: they are the curse of the human race. Nine-tenths of existing books are nonsense, and the clever books are the refutation of that nonsense. The greatest misfortune that ever befell man was the invention of printing."

Bizarre — and that was claimed by Benjamin Disraeli, who ended his reign as the British prime minister 120 years ago.

Success at bridge goes hand-in-hand with reading the cards. If you work out where the key missing honors lie, and how you will get around the best defense and worst distribution, you will do very well.

This deal is deceptive. How would you play in three no-trump after West leads the club king?

South saw seven top tricks: one spade, one heart, four diamonds and one club. He knew the other two would come from the heart suit. First, though, hoping for two club tricks, South ducked trick one.

However, West had noticed his partner's discouraging club two. He switched smartly to the spade queen. South ducked, but when West continued with the spade jack and East overtook with the king, declarer was defeated. If he ducked the spade ace again, East would return his remaining club, establishing the suit while West still had the heart king as an entry. However, if South won this trick, the defenders would run the rest of the spades when West got in with that heart king.

South should have won trick one, entered dummy with a diamond, then taken the heart finesse. It loses, but his remaining jack-four of clubs is a stopper with West on lead. South wins at least nine tricks.

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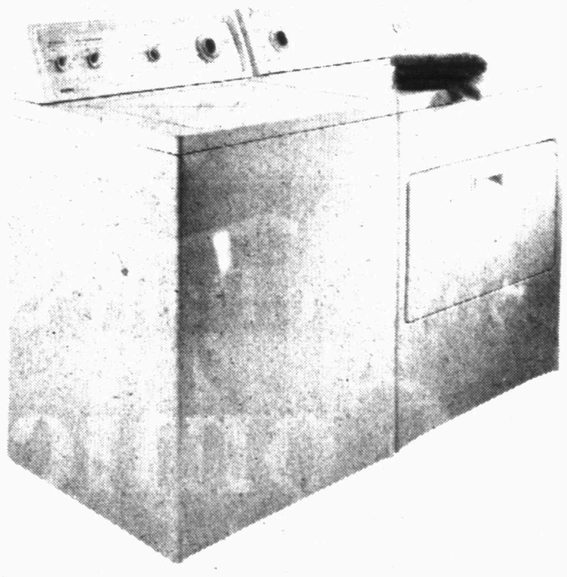

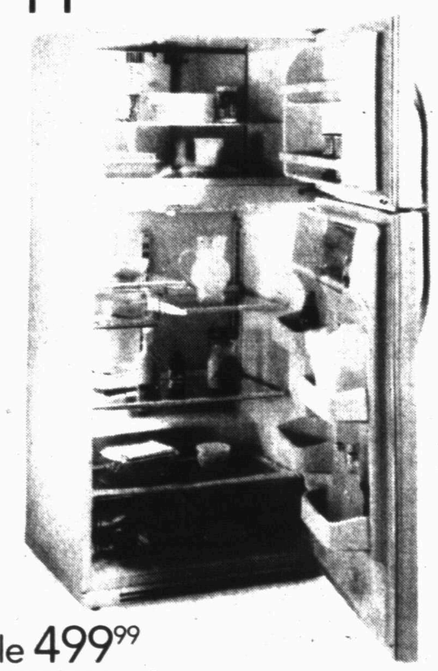

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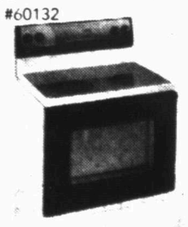

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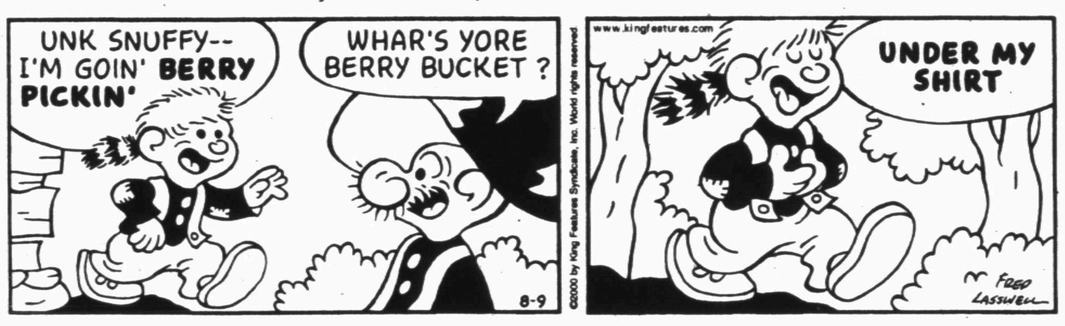

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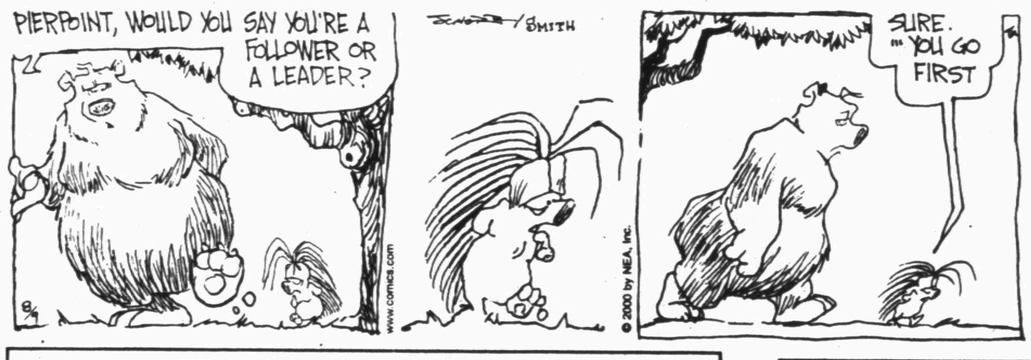

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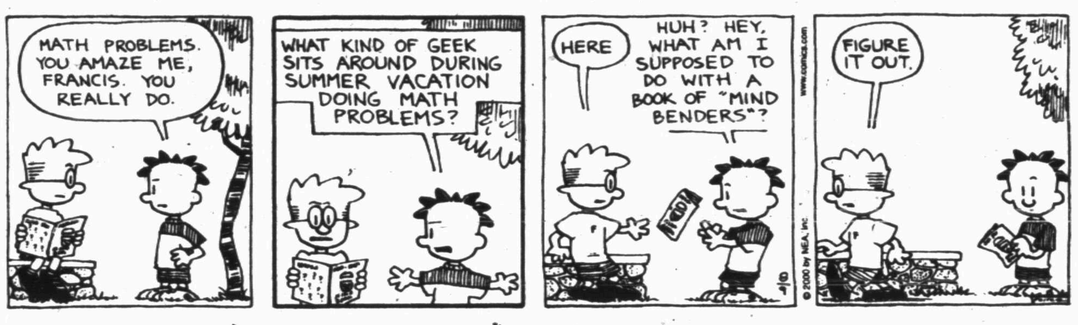

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ACROSS

1 Make irate
7 Add nutrients to
13 Wild sheep
14 Locust tree
15 As of now (2 wds.)
16 Becomes serious
17 Compass pt.
18 Court divider
20 Talent
21 Actress Carter
23 Make a garment
24 Flu symptom
25 Clothes tinter
27 American symbols
29 Sailor's "yes"
31 Domicile (abbr.)
32 Utter
33 Genetic abbr.
34 Smoother
37 Outside (comb. form)
40 Information agcy.
41 Many oz.
43 Country of Europe
45 Turn the page (abbr.)
46 Roman three
47 Paving goo
48 Bird of prey
51 Waning
54 Useless
55 Quarrelsome woman
56 Lessee
57 Hawk

DOWN

1 Devoured
2 Lassoed
3 Discourteously
4 Oklahoma town
5 Thug's pistol
6 Paradises
7 Toward the sunrise
8 Sgt., e.g.
9 Mortar mixer
10 Glacial epoch (2 wds.)
11 Type of cloud
12 Speed
19 Wide shoe size
22 Charters
24 French region
26 Baseballer Nolan —
28 Actress Tierney
30 Mascara's kin
34 Real — agent
35 Isaac Stern's instrument
36 Baseball stat
38 Renaissance artist
39 Citrus fruit
40 — — grabs
42 Sift
44 Rye fungus
49 Canvas bed
50 Ending for "verb"
52 Puppeteer Baird
53 Bikini top

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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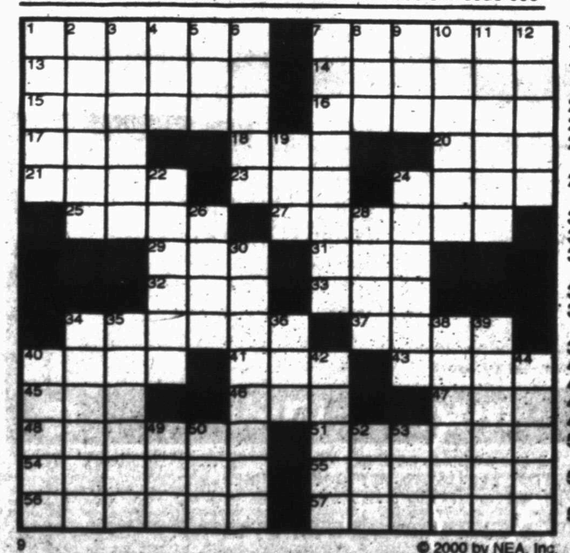

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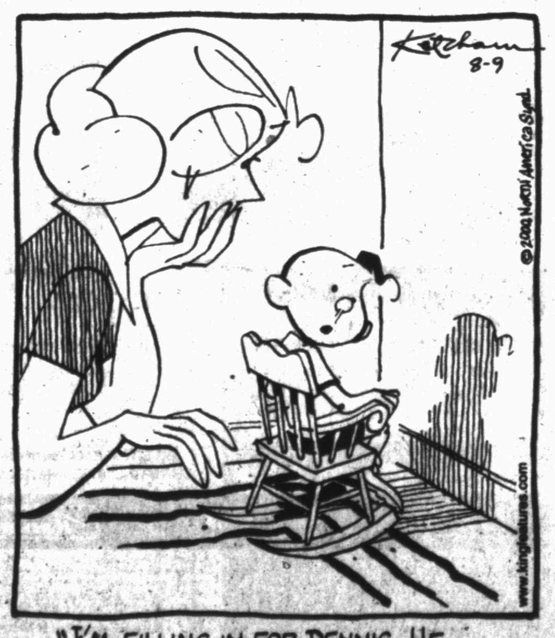


"I'M FILLING IN FOR DENNIS. HE WENT TO GET A SNACK."

SPORTS

Cumbie making an impression at Tech

During his stint as Snyder High School quarterback, Sonny Cumbie set three school records and helped lead the Tigers to back-to-back postseason appearances.

But even with his high school success, it seemed the recent SHS graduate had a long road to climb after walking on at Texas Tech.

As it turns out, the road isn't so long for Cumbie, and Tech might just be the perfect fit for the strong-armed freshman.

Cumbie

"I think I'm doing pretty good, and the coaches keep telling me that I'm doing a good job," Cumbie said Tuesday night from the Tech campus. "And I'm having a blast. It's great to run this offense, and I feel good about how things are going."

The Red Raiders are under the helm of first-year head coach Mike Leach, who brought with him a wide-open, pass-oriented offensive scheme.

Cumbie said he has quickly picked up on the offense, and Leach has taken notice of his performance.

"Sonny is doing very well. He's a pleasant surprise to us," Leach said. "Most freshmen take a stride back when they first get to the college level, but Sonny has held his own and picked up on things quickly. He's everything everybody said he was, and probably a little bit more."

Despite the early success at Tech, Cumbie knows he still has a lot to learn.

"It's definitely different than high school ball," Cumbie remarked. "The pace is so much faster, and so are the expectations. Every ball in practice should be completed. Every pass has to be your best. But I'm picking up on things pretty well I think. The offense isn't as complex as it looks on TV."

Most freshmen will redshirt their first year, and Cumbie has no objections to it.

"I'm sure I'll redshirt, which is fine with me," the ex-Tiger said. "Then by this coming spring, I'll be even more comfortable with the offense than I am now."

The Red Raiders open their season Aug. 26 when they host New Mexico at Jones Stadium.

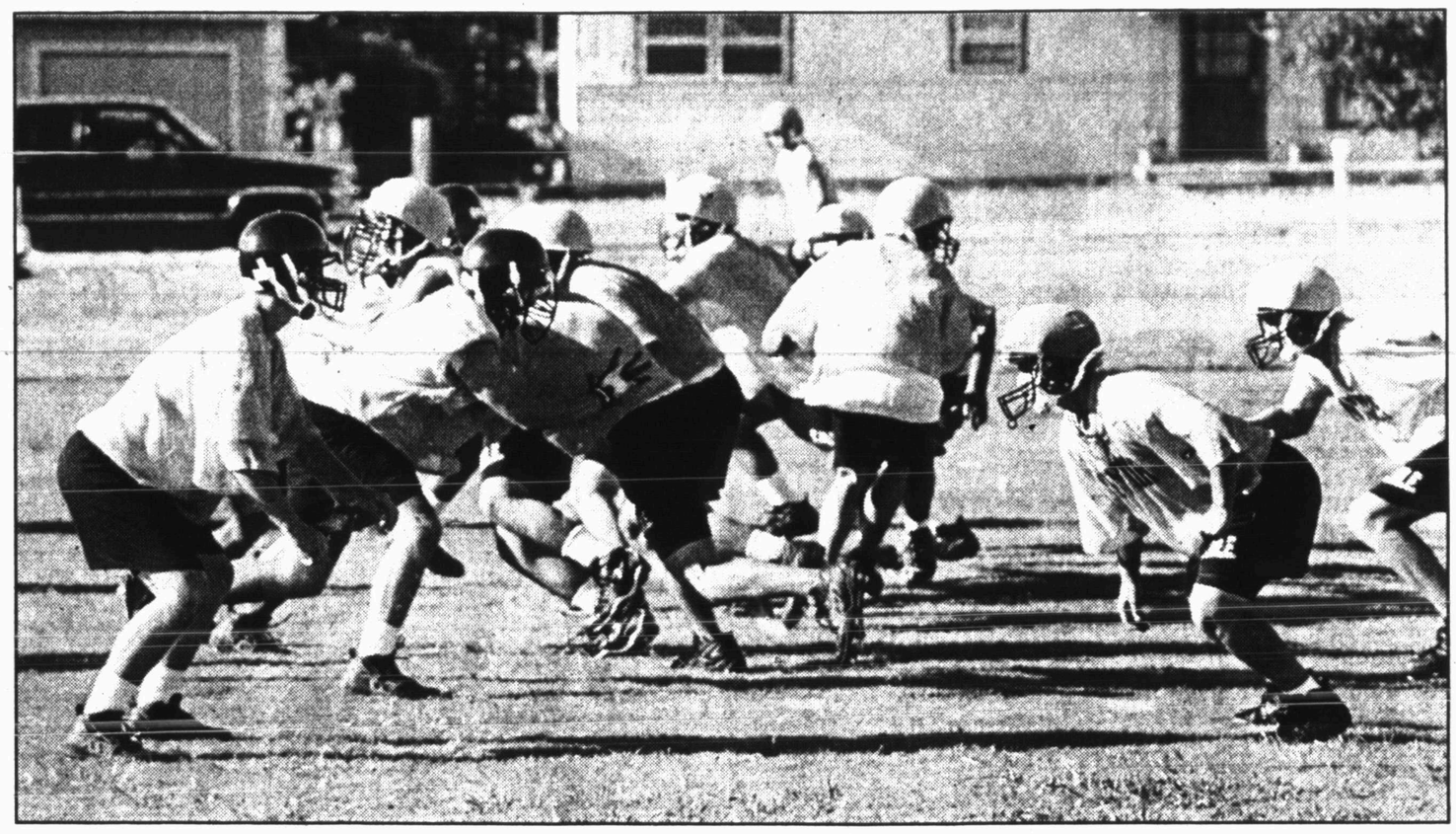
Rangers rout Indians, 11-2

CLEVELAND (AP) — Kenny Rogers cooled down Cleveland by pitching eight strong innings Tuesday night and Gabe Kapler extended his hitting streak to 22 games as the Texas Rangers snapped the Indians' six-game winning streak with a 11-2 victory.

Rogers (11-9) limited the Indians to two runs and eight hits.

Kapler's two-run double in the first tied Toronto's Carlos Delgado for the longest hitting streak in the AL season. Frank Catalanotto went 4-for-4 with a sacrifice fly and scored four times.

The first three Rangers to face Jason Bere (2-1) all singled and scored in the first to give Texas a 3-0 lead. Rusty Greer's infield single off Bere's glove loaded the bases with none out, and one out later, Kapler doubled in two runs and extended his hitting streak.



CRIDIRON PREPARATION — The Snyder Tigers go through a drill during Tuesday morning's workout at the SHS practice field. The Tigers have only one scrimmage on Aug. 24 against Sweetwater, before opening the season Sept. 1 against Monahans. A "Meet the Tigers" hamburger supper is slated for Aug. 21 at Tiger Stadium. (SDN Staff Photo)

Campo finds silver lining in everything

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — If Dave Campo wasn't coaching the Dallas Cowboys, he'd be a great spin doctor for the presidential campaigns. His specialty: finding something good in any situation — even the bad ones.

No matter what has happened the first three weeks of his first training camp in charge, Campo has remained upbeat. Or, to use his favorite buzzwords, he's been "excited" and "positive."

Whether it's the team's continued problems with penalties, the offense's struggles in enemy territory or the absence of two Pro Bowl offensive linemen, Campo has done his best to find the silver lining in each.

Here's how Campo spun those subjects at his daily news conference Tuesday:

— Penalties

The Cowboys were the most penalized team in the NFL last season and Campo spent the off-season training his players to follow the rules.

He harped on things like focus and tempo to cut down the pre-snap penalties, such as offsides and false starts. He also brought in officials to work every summer minicamp and every training camp session.

The dedication seemed to be paying off, especially after his team had just two penalties in the opener. Then came the second exhibition game against Atlanta this past weekend.

Dallas committed 10 penalties, including six prior to snaps. Four of the pre-snap penalties were by the defense in the first quarter, when Falcons quarterback Chris Chandler tricked them with a hard count.

Campo's spin: The defense was just being overly aggressive, which is easier to correct than if they were too passive, and he's glad to know they need to practice handling a hard count.

"I felt like we'd made a lot of progress in that area, but Chris Chandler is one of the best in the business at it and he exploited us," Campo said.

As for the false start by receiver Raghib Ismail and the holding by center Ben Fricke, Campo said: "The positive is that we had one pre-snap penalty and it wasn't by an offensive lineman. That's two weeks in a row that our offensive line has not had a pre-snap penalty. I'm very pleased with that."

— Offensive stumbles.

Among the problems that led to Chan Gailey being fired after last season was the team's tendency to drive deep into enemy territory then settle for field goals instead of touchdowns.

Hopes remain high that a revamped offense will do a better job of finding the end zone. But of the four scoring drives from the first team thus far, three have been field goals.

Campo's spin: This has been a great way to test Tim Seder and Rian Lindell, two unknowns trying to break into the NFL.

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	69	44	.611	—
New York	64	47	.577	4
Florida	57	56	.504	12
Montreal	50	59	.459	17
Philadelphia	48	63	.432	20
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	61	51	.545	—
Cincinnati	55	57	.491	6
Chicago	52	60	.464	9
Pittsburgh	48	64	.429	13
Milwaukee	47	66	.416	14½
Houston	43	70	.381	18½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
San Francisco	63	48	.568	—
Arizona	62	51	.549	2
Los Angeles	59	53	.527	4½
Colorado	54	57	.486	9
San Diego	53	60	.469	11

Tuesday's Games

Philadelphia 10, San Diego 4
Atlanta 5, Cincinnati 4
Florida 7, St. Louis 0
Houston 9, N.Y. Mets 3
Colorado 6, Pittsburgh 1
Montreal 9, Arizona 3
Los Angeles 7, Chicago Cubs 5
San Francisco 1, Milwaukee 0

Wednesday's Games

Florida (Dempster 10-8) at St. Louis (An.Benes 10-6), 1:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Benson 8-9) at Colorado (Tavarez 7-2), 3:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Rigdon 0-1) at San Francisco (Rueter 7-7), 3:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Glavine 14-5) at Cincinnati (Harnisch 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Witasick 0-0) at Philadelphia (Bottenfield 0-1), 7:35 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Reed 6-2) at Houston (McKnight 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Montreal (Vazquez 8-5) at Arizona (Johnson 15-4), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Lieber 10-5) at Los Angeles (Brown 10-4), 10:05 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	60	48	.556	—
Boston	56	53	.514	4½
Toronto	59	56	.513	4½
Baltimore	49	62	.441	12½
Tampa Bay	48	63	.432	13½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	67	45	.598	—
Cleveland	58	52	.527	8
Detroit	52	59	.468	14½
Kansas City	51	61	.455	16
Minnesota	52	63	.452	16½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	67	46	.593	—
Oakland	61	50	.550	5
Anaheim	59	55	.518	8½
Texas	53	58	.477	12½

Tuesday's Games

Seattle 12, Chicago White Sox 4, 1st game
Seattle 7, Chicago White Sox 5, 2nd game
Detroit 4, Baltimore 1
Texas 11, Cleveland 2
N.Y. Yankees 4, Oakland 3
Tampa Bay 5, Minnesota 0
Toronto 6, Kansas City 1
Anaheim 2, Boston 1

Wednesday's Games

Baltimore (Mercedes 6-4) at Detroit (Blair 8-2), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Perisho 2-3) at Cleveland (Burba 10-4), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Appier 10-8) at N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 12-6), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 11-6) at Tampa Bay (Wilson 0-0), 7:15 p.m.
Toronto (Trachsel 6-10) at Kansas City (Suppan 5-6), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 11-4) at Chicago White Sox (Sirotka 9-9), 8:05 p.m.
Boston (Fassero 7-5) at Anaheim (Wise 0-0), 10:05 p.m.

Sports Briefs

SJHS football equipment

All Snyder eighth grade football players need to pick up their equipment from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Thursday at the junior high gym. A short meeting will follow. All seventh grade players will receive their equipment from 1:30 to 3 p.m. on Friday.

Golf team qualifying

Qualifying for the SHS boys and girls golf team will be held at 9 a.m. Thursday and Friday at the WTC course, according to Coach Matt Glenn. The tryout is open to all SHS students.

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.

Junior golf classic

Western Texas College will host the Junior Classic starting at 9 a.m. Friday at the WTC golf course. Entry fee for the 10 and under age division is $10. Entry fee for the 11-14 and the 15 and older division is $15. To sign up call 573-9291.

Raggedy Ann, Andy tourney

The annual Raggedy Ann and Andy couples tournament will be held Saturday and Sunday at Snyder Country Club. Format will be a scramble with each player using at least six tee shots. The field will be preflighted into two divisions by total handicaps and then flighted after Saturday's round. Entry fee is $200 per team.

Boys Club registration

Player registration for the Boys and Girls Club football, volleyball and cheerleading will begin Monday. Also, anyone interested in coaching any of these activities should contact Jack McGlaun or Kimberly Moore. Coaches applications must be turned in by Saturday.

WGA playday

Snyder County Club Women's Golf Association will hold its weekly play day at 9 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be queen of the hill.

Men's blowout partnership

The 12th annual Blowout Partnership will be held Aug. 25-27 at Snyder Country Club. The field will be limited to 60 teams, pre-flighted by combined handicap. A practice round will be held Aug. 25. Saturday's format will be scramble, and Sunday's will be lowball. Entry fee is $310 per team. Deadline to register is Aug. 18. For more information, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

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5. For information about your rights or grievance procedures, contact the Title IX Coordinator, Jerry Church at 1026 School, Hermleigh, Texas 79526, and/or at phone number 915-863-2772. Mr. Church is also the Section 504 Coordinator and can be reached at the same address and phone number.

NOTICE

On August 4, 2000, TXU Electric Company ("TXU Electric"), in accordance with Substantive Rule 25.237 of the Public Utility Commission of Texas ("Commission"), filed an Application with the Commission seeking authority to implement interim fuel factors and to assess a surcharge on its customers' electric service bills to recover an undercollected balance of fuel cost revenues existing as of June 30, 2000. The proposed fuel factors, differentiated by voltage level, are as follows per kilowatt-hour (kWh):

Secondary	$0.024150
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TXU Electric proposes that these factors be made effective on September 4, 2000 and will remain effective through December 31, 2001, unless the factors are superceded by a subsequent filing.

The surcharge in the amount of $167,164,099, inclusive of interest through November 2000, is proposed to be implemented in TXU Electric's November billing month and recovered over a six month period. Additional interest would be applied if the surcharge is begun after November 2000.

All of TXU Electric's customers and classes of customers whose electric service rates include charges for fuel costs pursuant to TXU Electric's tariffed Rider FC, titled "Fuel Cost Factor," and all territories served by TXU Electric are affected by both the proposed fuel factor and the proposed surcharge in the Petition. These changes will be subject to final review by the Commission in TXU Electric's next reconciliation proceeding at the Commission. Persons with questions or who want more information on this Application may contact TXU Electric, 1601 Bryan Street, 32nd Floor, Dallas, Texas 75201 or call 1-800-242-9113 during normal business hours. A complete copy of this Application is available for inspection at the above address. Persons who wish to formally participate in this proceeding, or who wish to express their comments concerning this Application should contact the Public Utility Commission of Texas, P.O. Box 13326, Austin, Texas 78711-3326, or call the Commission's Office of Consumer Affairs at (512) 936-7120 or toll-free at (888) 782-8477. Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals with text telephones (TTY) may contact the Commission at (512) 936-7136 or use Relay Texas (toll-free) 1-800-735-2989.

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You're more than up to dealing with a difficult situation with considerable skill today. However, once you satisfactorily resolve the matter, don't allow anyone to reopen it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Disengage yourself immediately today from any nonproductive concepts that fail to achieve your intentions. Success is possible with sound, proper revisions.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't think only of gratifying your short-lived immediate desires today. Consider your requirements on a long-term basis. Be a futurist, especially where your financial affairs are concerned.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Although it may be necessary to assert yourself today in a situation where you're trying to advance your long range interests, using harsh tactics will delay desirable results.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Just because someone you encounter today cannot treat others with consideration, it should not stop you from responding to your compassionate instincts when someone needs help.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do not impose any limitations on new circumstances that arise today. You're in a cycle where positive conditions will elevate your hopes and expectations.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) What can hold you back today is a lively imagination fostering fear. Get past it, because substantial achievements are likely with those objectives that you dared not attempt previously.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Just because there are a few obstacles you may encounter today doesn't give you a reason to quit trying. If you're persistent, everything will start to sort itself out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Take pains to do things in an organized, businesslike manner today instead of winging it. The end results for which you're hoping will bring immediate returns that'll relate to future events.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Out of chaos an extremely important and successful partnership can be arranged today. Circumstances may produce the union, but good team work will sustain it.

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Nursing mother crashes car

HOUSTON (AP) — When a 30-year-old woman heard her infant son crying from hunger, she responded as usual — she nursed him.

The only problem was how she would manage to feed the 8-month-old and drive at the same time.

According to police reports, Lucrecia Zuiga Ortuno was nursing her son while driving Monday morning, causing her to drive her car off the road, hit a sign and run into a fence.

"I couldn't believe it when I got out there," Harris County Sheriff's Department Deputy Susan Cotter told the Houston Chronicle. "I'm lucky I didn't have two dead kids out there."

Ortuno was jailed today in lieu of $5,000 bond on a charge of injury to a child. Her 7-year-old daughter, who was unrestrained in the front seat of the car, required stitches to close a split upper lip.

The 8-month-old was under observation today at Texas Children's Hospital.

Elizabeth Taylor hospitalized for pneumonia

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Elizabeth Taylor has been hospitalized for a mild case of pneumonia since last week, according to a spokesman.

The actress was admitted to Cedars-Sinai Medical Center on Friday, publicist Warren Cowan said.

"She's expected to be out by the end of the week, they tell us," he said Tuesday.

Taylor, 68, has had repeated health problems in recent years, including back injuries and lengthy recuperation from hip surgeries. She had brain surgery in 1997 to remove a benign tumor.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	33 13-16	33	33⅛	—15-16
AT&T Corp	30 7-16	29⅝	29⅞	+ ⅛
Albertsons	30 15-16	30 9-16	30 11-16	— ½
Alltel	63⅝	63¼	63¼	— ½
AmerOnline s	54	53⅝	53¾	+ ⅜
AmEl Pw	35⅛	34 11-16	35 1-16	— 5-16
AndarkPtr	52	51	51⅞	+ 1½
ATMOS Egy	21⅝	21¼	21⅝	+ 5-16
Aviall	5¼	5⅛	5¼	+ ⅛
BP Amoco s	53 5-16	52 11-16	53¼	+ ½
BakerHughes	38 5-16	37⅞	38 5-16	+ 1 7-16
Bank of Amer	51 15-16	51 3-16	51 7-16	— ½
BellSouth	39¾	38¾	38⅞	— 9-16
Beth Steel	4 1 16	4	4	
BurlNoSFe	24¾	24 7-16	24 7-16	— 3-16
Caterpillar	38 5-16	37⅞	37 15-16	— 7-16
Chevron	82¾	81 1-16	82 7-16	+ 2 1-16
Citigroup	72½	71⅝	71 11-16	— 1⅛
Citigroup wi	54¾	54¾	54¾	
Coastal	64 15-16	64⅜	64¾	+ ¼
CocaCola	60 7-16	60 1-16	60 3-16	— ¾
ColgatePal	52⅞	51 9-16	51¾	— 1⅛
ComclMetals	28½	28½	28½	+ 3-16
CooperIn	35¼	34 9-16	34 11-16	+ 1-16
DaimlrChry	55⅜	55	55⅛	+ 1 1-16
DallSemicn s	36 5-16	35 15-16	36 3-16	+ ¼
DeltaAirl	52½	51 5-16	51⅜	—11-16
Dillards Inc	15	14 13-16	14⅞	— 1-16
DowChem s	29⅜	28¾	29¼	+ ½
DuPont	48½	48 1-16	48⅛	— 7-16
EastmanChem	45⅜	44¼	44 13-16	+ 13-16
EstKodak	60⅝	60⅛	60¼	— ¼
EDS Corp	48⅛	47 15-16	48	— 1
Entergy	31	30 9-16	30⅞	— 5-16
ExxonMobil	82 3-16	81⅜	82⅛	+ 1 5-16
FstBksAm	17⅝	17⅝	17⅝	— ¼
Flowers	21¼	21⅛	21⅛	— ⅛
GenDynam	62⅝	62	62⅜	
GenElec s	54 9-16	53⅝	53⅞	+ ⅛
GenMills s	34 11-16	34⅛	34⅛	— 7-16
GenMotors	61½	61 1-16	61¼	+ ⅛
GaPacGP	28 9-16	27⅞	28⅜	+ 1 3-16
GlobalMar	30¾	30 19-64	30⅝	+ ⅝
Goodrich	38¾	38½	38 9-16	
Goodyear s	24¼	23 9-16	24	+ 1⅜
GtAtlPac	14⅞	14 13-16	14 13-16	— 1-16
Halliburtn	51 13-16	50 15-16	51 13-16	+ 2
Hanson ADS	30⅞	30⅝	30¾	+ 9-16
HarteHanks	25⅝	25¼	25¼	— ¼
HomeDepot s	57 5-16	56 1-16	56⅛	— ⅜
Honeywellintl	37	36½	36⅝	+ ⅜
IBM	119 1516	118⅜	119⅛	+ ⅛
IntlPaper	35 15-16	35¼	35⅝	+ ⅛
JohnsonJn	96 9-16	95½	95½	— 1
K mart	7⅜	7 3-16	7 3-16	— ⅛
Kroger Co	21⅝	21 5-16	21⅜	— 7-16
Litton	55	54½	54 15-16	— 1-16
LockheedM	29 13-16	29 7-16	29⅝	+ 7-16
Lowes Cos	45 11-16	44⅝	44¾	— 1
Lubys	7½	7¼	7¼	¼
LucentTech	41 5-16	40 9-16	41 5-16	+ 15-16
MayDeptStr	24 7-16	23 11-16	23¾	—15-16
Medtronic s	55¼	54 13-16	55	— 7-16
MorganJP	141 13-16	140⅛	140 3-16	— 2⅝
Motorola s	35⅛	34¾	35 1-16	+ 5-16
NCR Corp	35	34¾	34⅞	— ⅛
Navistar	39 11-16	38 11-16	38 11-16	+ 7-16
Penney JC	17 15-16	17¾	17⅞	
PepBoys	6⅛	6	6 1-16	
PepsiCo	44⅜	44	44 1-16	— ⅜
Pharmacia	58¼	57 13-16	58	—15-16
PhelpDodge	44 5-16	43½	43 13-16	— ⅜
PhilipPet	54⅞	53⅞	54⅞	+ 1
PilgrmPrd B	7	6 15-16	7	+ 1-16
Polaroid	18	17¾	17 13-16	— 1-16
Praxair	43 1-16	42 9-16	42 13-16	— ¼
ProctGamb	56 11-16	56 1-16	56 3-16	— 5-16
PubS NwMx	21¼	20 21-32	20⅞	— 3-16
RadioShack	63½	63 1-16	63 5-16	— ¼
ReliantEngy	36 13-16	36⅝	36⅝	— ¼
RoyalDut	59½	58¾	59 7-16	+ ⅞
SBC Comm	42⅞	41⅞	42	— ½
SaraLee	18¾	18¼	18 11-16	— ¼
Scripps EW	49 11-16	49 9-16	49 9-16	— ⅜
SearsRoeb	31¾	30⅞	30 15-16	—15-16
SherwinW	23	22 11-16	22 11-16	+ 7-32
SmithKlBchm	65⅝	65¼	65½	+ 5-16
SouthernCo	27⅞	27 7-16	27¾	— ⅛
SwstAirl	24 11-16	24¼	24 7-16	+ 1-16
SprintFON	35 11-16	34½	34 13-16	— ⅜
SprintPCS s	54 3-16	53 13-16	54	
Sunoco Inc	26⅝	25 15-16	26 5-16	+ ⅜
TXU Corp	34¾	34⅜	34 11-16	+ 1-16
TempleInland	46 15-16	46 3-16	46¾	+ ⅞
Texaco	49 15-16	49 7-16	49 13-16	+ 13-16
TexInd	32¾	32 11-16	32¾	+ ⅛
TexasInst s	62¼	60 13-16	62	+ 2⅝
Textron	59⅞	59½	59⅝	— ⅛
TriconGlbR	28 15-16	28⅛	28 7-16	— 1-16
TrinityInds	19⅛	19	19	— ⅛
TritonEngy	44½	43⅝	44¼	+ ¾
TylerTech	2	2	2	
USX-Marathn	26¼	25¾	26 3-16	+ ⅝
USX-USS	18 1-16	17 15-16	18	+ 1-16
UnCarbde	45 5-16	44⅝	45¼	+ 25-32
UnionPacif	44¾	43⅝	43½	— 1⅜
UnitedTech	61⅜	61¼	61¼	
Unocal	32⅜	32	32 5-16	+ 13-16
Venator Grp	15⅜	14⅞	15⅜	+ ⅜
VerizonComm	42½	41½	42	— 1-16
WalMart	54¾	53⅝	53 9-16	—3 15-16
WellsFargo	44¼	43⅝	43⅞	— 7-16
WstnGasRs	20½	20 5-16	20½	+ 1-16
WinnDixie	14¼	14⅛	14 3-16	
Xerox Cp	17	16 9-16	16 9-16	— ¼

Scurry County Country

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

Should I Care if Nitrates are in My Groundwater?

Nitrates are salts or esters of nitric acid. Decaying organic matter, sewage and fertilizers produce nitrates in the soil that can leak into groundwater. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause Blue Baby Disease (Methemoglobinemia) in humans and animals.

Methemoglobinemia affects young children, pregnant women and people in poor health. Some studies indicate that long-term exposure to high nitrate levels can cause cancer.

Health standards set a maximum limit of 10 milligrams per liter (mg/L) nitrates as nitrogen, however the safe level for human consumption is not known. This is the maximum level of nitrates that the EPA has determined an individual can safely ingest daily over his or her lifetime.

Nitrates also encourage the growth of algae and other organisms that may produce undesirable tastes and odors in your water.

Irrigation wells should be tested for nitrates just as household water wells. The nitrate content of the irrigation water should be credited for crop growth in the nutrient management plan.

To determine the amount of nitrogen in your irrigation water, a test for nitrates should be conducted. The result from this test is expressed in mg/L nitrate-nitrogen. Multiply the mg/L, or parts per million (ppm), by 2.7 to determine the amount of nitrogen applied per acre in a 12-inch application of water. To find out the number of pounds of nitrogen applied for each inch of irrigation water, multiply mg/L (or ppm) of nitrate-nitrogen times 0.225.

On Sept. 19-20, the Scurry County Agricultural Extension Office will conduct a water-well screening. In this screening process, your water well sample will be screened for bacteria and nitrate concentration. This screening will be conducted in cooperation with the Scurry Soil and Water Conservation District and Big Country Resource Conservation and Development Area Inc. More information will become available on this screening in future news articles.

Crop Report

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) —The state's corn growers are getting an earful about the success of this year's crop, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reports.

Bill Buxkemper, Extension agent in Hill County, said the corn harvest is winding down in Central Texas, where yields averaged 100 bushels per acre.

"Most of the district received timely spring rains that boosted the crop," he said. "These yields are about 20 bushels higher than the average production per acre."

Buxkemper said current high temperatures came after the crop was mature, protecting it from the heat and moisture stress that usually causes aflatoxin problems.

"This is an exceptionally good crop," he said. "These are among the best yields I have seen in the past 30 years."

Randy Upshaw, district Extension director in Dallas, said harvest in is full swing in North Texas, where yields are also being reported at 100 bushels per acre.

Upshaw said ideal conditions were present until 20 days ago, when high temperatures and dry weather arrived.

Jett Major, district Extension director in Lubbock, said the corn crop is in good condition, and high yields are expected when harvest begins in early September.

Dr. Bob Robinson, district Extension director in Amarillo, said corn is rated fair to good, and producers are irrigating heavily in the Panhandle.

"Some early-planted corn is beginning to dent," he said. "Spider mites have dramatically increased this week."

Robinson said most sorghum is rated poor to good.

"Dryland sorghum needs rain," he said. "Early planted fields have headed."

Robinson said range conditions also vary from poor to good.

"Cattle are in good condition," he said. "But range grasses continue to decline from the lack of moisture."

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: soil moisture is very short to adequate. Corn is rated fair to good; irrigation is heavy. Spider mites have increased. Cotton is fair to good; beet armyworms and cotton aphids increasing. Dryland sorghum needs rain. Range grasses declining.

SOUTH PLAINS: soil moisture is short. Pastures and ranges in fair to good condition. Supplemental feeding of livestock continues. Irrigated cotton good to excellent, with some fields approaching cutout. Land preparation for wheat planting continues.

ROLLING PLAINS: soil moisture is short. Beet armyworms, bollworms and aphids continue to increase in cotton. Peanuts are wilting in the afternoon. Pecans doing well; producing nuts. Rapid decline in pasture. Grasshoppers are a problem.

NORTH TEXAS: soil moisture is very short to short. Hot, dry weather has slowed things down. Grasshoppers and armyworms still a problem. Soybeans are maturing from lack of moisture. Cotton needs moisture to retain more bolls. Preparing ground for small grains.

EAST TEXAS: soil moisture is short. Pastures, pond water declining. Armyworms increasing. Cotton shedding bolls. Peanuts failing. Cattle conditions generally good. Sweet potatoes poor. Peach yields fair. Pecan prospects fair.

FAR WEST TEXAS: soil moisture is very short. Cotton is blooming in the top and shucking fruit due to hot, dry conditions. Pink boll worm activity increasing. Pasture conditions declining. Supplemental feeding continues.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture is very short to short. Growing conditions are very poor due to lack of moisture. Majority of corn crops have burned up. Cotton is stressed. Wheat fields being plowed for fall planting. Pastures in poor shape. Livestock is fair to good.

CENTRAL TEXAS: soil moisture is very short. Cattle condition declining due to drought conditions; ranges and pastures are severely stressed. Peanut crop is deteriorating due to marginal soil moisture and grasshopper damage.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: soil moisture is very short to short. Pastures beginning to hurt from lack of rain. Corn and rice look good; cotton being irrigated. Cattle starting to lose body condition; some producers reducing herds. No vegetable production.

Markets

Colorado City

The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 683 head of cattle for the Saturday, Aug. 5 sale. Compared to last week: Feeder steers were steady to $3 lower. Slaughter cows were steady to $1 lower; bulls were steady. Bred cows were and pairs were steady. Trading was active and demand good.

Feeder steers:
200-300: 130-140
300-400: 124-133
400-500: 103-107
500-600: 89-93.50
600-700: 84-86.50
Feeder heifers:
200-300: 91-101
300-400: 101.50-110
400-500: 92.50-99
500-600: 85-91.50
600-700: 78-83.50
Replacement cows:
Young bred cows: 610-735
Aged cows: 480-575
Pairs: 710-820
Aged pairs: 650-710
Slaughter cows: High yielding: 42-43.25
Slaughter bulls: Low dressing: 45.50-47.50

Lubbock

The Lubbock Stockyards Inc. had a run of 527 head of cattle for the Thursday, July 27 sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and calves were $1 to $2 cheaper. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows
(High dressing — cutters — utilities: 40-45
Canner and low cutters: 32-40
Slaughter bulls: 48-57
Feeder steers — choice:
300-400: 110-130
400-500: 100-115
500-600: 88-102
600-700: 85-90
700-800: 78-89
Feeder heifers:
300-400: 100-125
400-500: 85-110
500-600: 85-92
600-700: 80-87.50
700-800: 75-82
Feeder Bulls — good and choice:
500-600: 85-101
700-800: 70-80
Cow and calf pairs:
Good: 700-900
Grade: 550-710
Springers: 425-650
Baby calves: 75-150
Doodlers: 190-250

Graham

Graham Livestock Comm. Inc. had a run of 1,881 head of cattle for the Aug. 7 sale. Packer cows and bulls were steady. Cows were steady. Heifers and steers were $2 to $3 higher. Bulls were $2 higher. Steers and heifers calves were $2 to mostly $3 higher. Market was active and demand good.

Representative Sales
Charles Bush, Jacksboro
Black Heifer, 490 lbs. @ $97
Black Steer, 530 lbs. $95
Greg Cason, Weatherford
Black WF Bull, 290 lbs. @ $137.50
CNR Cow, 630 lbs. @ $37
Collins Creek Ranch, Albany
4 Black Heifers, [illegible] $100
2 Black WF Steers, 467 lbs. $105
Caldwell & Son, Abilene
Red WF Steer, 520 lbs. @ $97
2 Black WF Steers 467 lbs. @ $100
Dedra Boaz, Breckenridge
2 Red Steers 625 lbs., @ $88
2 Black Heifers 547 lbs. @ $95
Karla Cooper, Seymour
Red Bull 5290lbs., @ $75
Black Bull, 595 lbs., @ $86
Lonnie Rayburn, Holiday
Black Bull, 390 lbs., @ $115
Char. Heifer, 460 lbs., @ $96.50
J.W. Ash, Throckmorton
Char. Heifer, 580 lbs., @ $91
Char Bull, 580 lbs., @ $88
Agriventure, Graham
7 Open Black Hefiers 850 lbs. @ $97
Wendy Murray, Throckmorton
6 Char. Steers, 469 lbs. @ $105

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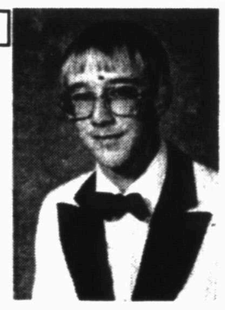
Texas Savings Bank
Member FDIC
2619 College Avenue
Snyder, Texas 79549
915-573-9305

2.

Fast Oil Change
Mark & Angie Strickland
417 27th Street
(Ave E & 25th Street)
915-573-9643

3.

Plaza Cafe
Hwy. 84 Bypass
& Huffman

4.

Cutting Edge Hair Salon
Xalyn Palacios
574-EDGE (3343)
2109 College Ave.
Snyder, Texas 79549

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3610 College Ave
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8. Bell-Cypert-Seale _____
9. Snyder Daily News _____
10. Subway _____

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In each advertisement you will find a face from the past. Identify the faces on the entry blank opposite the name of the sponsoring business. **Bring or mail the entry blank to the Snyder Daily News, 3600 College Ave. PO Box 949, Snyder, Texas 79550.** The deadline for entering is 5 pm Monday before the next contest appears on Wednesday. The weekly winner will be drawn from all the correct entries. Employees of the SDN are not eligible to enter.

Last week's photos: 1.Annette Ramos 2.Gretchen Mitchell 3.Holly Barkowsky 4.Jerra Jackson 5. Krystle McCarter 6.Rana Eicke 7. Sherri Holley 8.Toni Evans 9. Trina Good 10. Wendy Watkins

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Double execution is tonight

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — The nation's busiest death chamber was set for a double execution tonight, including an inmate opponents say is retarded and should not be put to death.

Oliver David Cruz, 33, was condemned for the 1988 abduction, rape and fatal stabbing of a 24-year-old woman stationed at Kelly Air Force Base in San Antonio. His IQ tested as low as 63.

The U.S. Supreme Court on Wednesday morning voted 6-3 to deny his emergency application for a reprieve. The court also rejected a separate appeal for Cruz.

The other inmate is Brian Keith Roberson, 36, condemned for the 1986 stabbing deaths of an elderly couple who lived across the street from him in Dallas. Roberson also was turned down by the high court on a 7-2 vote Wednesday.

The back-to-back lethal injections — Roberson first, then Cruz about an hour later — would be the first multiple executions in Texas since June 1997 and mark the third time since capital punishment resumed in the state in 1982 that more than one inmate was executed in one day.

"The execution dates are set by district judges at the local level," said Heather Browne, a spokeswoman for the Texas Attorney General's office. "The fact that two executions are set on the same date is just coincidence."

The double execution is a far cry from Feb. 8, 1924, when Texas prison officials, taking over execution duties from the counties for the first time, inaugurated the electric chair in Huntsville by putting five inmates to death.

The attention paid to the two inmates has paled in comparison to the hoopla that drew the hundreds of protesters and media to Huntsville in June for the lethal injection of Gary Graham.

Graham's claims of innocence and an unfair trial spotlighted Texas as the nation's execution capital and support of the death penalty by Gov. George W. Bush, the Republican presidential nominee.

The Texas Board of Pardons and Parole, in twin 18-0 votes earlier this week, refused to recommend to Bush that he halt Wednesday's executions, the 27th and 28th in Texas this year. They were the first of six scheduled this month.

Huntsville prison inmate escapes

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — An inmate driving an 18-wheel tractor trailer cab avoided gunshots from prison guards and smashed through a prison fence Tuesday morning, then left the truck on an airport runway before fleeing in another vehicle believed driven by his wife.

The getaway vehicle was later found, law officers said this morning.

State troopers, Texas Rangers and sheriff's deputies, along with corrections officers on horseback and using tracking dogs, were hunting for Terry Rhodes, 31, who escaped about 9 a.m. from the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Wynne Unit at the northern edge of Huntsville near the Huntsville airport.

Rhodes had been locked up since April 1997, serving 45 years for an aggravated sexual assault in Hardin County in East Texas. He also had been convicted of burglary and had an escape attempt last September from the Smith County Jail while he was there on a bench warrant.

Officials said the search was being concentrated south of Madisonville, about 25 miles north of Huntsville. It was the first escape from the Wynne Unit in more than two years.

The tractor, heavily damaged after running through the fence, was left on the small airfield's runway.

Officers and other inmates saw the truck smash through the prison fence and then through a Huntsville city-owned fence that borders the airport, prison spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said. Corrections officers fired at least nine shots at the truck as it went through the fence.

The truck's bed was filled with pillows, sleeping bags, food and other supplies.

"They obviously were prepared for some extended time outside," Fitzgerald told The Huntsville Item. "Whether they had any weapons, we don't know."

The fugitive abandoned the truck in the middle of the airport, Fitzgerald said.

10 die as two small planes collide over New Jersey

BURLINGTON TOWNSHIP, N.J. (AP) — Two small planes collided today over southern New Jersey, killing 10 people aboard the aircraft, a federal official said.

Falling wreckage crashed into a house and set it on fire, but authorities believed no one on the ground was injured.

Eight of those killed were aboard a Piper Navajo that took off from Lakehurst Naval Air Station, said Arlene Salac, spokeswoman for the Federal Aviation Administration.

Two people died on the second plane, a Piper Seminole from Northeast Philadelphia Airport, she said. That plane included a flight instructor and a student, Salac said.

Resident Antoinette Carnivale said she saw the planes collide.

"I saw smoke and flames and pieces coming down," she said.

Mary Miles, who lives in the same development as the house that was hit, heard the crash.

"I thought it was thunder, and then I turned on the television and saw it was actually a plane crash," she said.

The couple who lived in the house that was struck escaped unharmed. Fire extensively damaged their two-story, brick-front home, in a suburban development about 10 miles south of Trenton.

Homeowner Ed Trzaskawka said he was getting ready for work when the plane hit the area of his garage.

"Another few feet and it would have been in my ear," Trzaskawka said. He said he and wife Cathy ran out the back of the house.

"I grabbed the dog," Trzaskawka said.

An airplane tail section landed in a field several hundred yards form homes and what appeared to be a piece of a wing fell on the roof of a home.

The Piper Navajo was registered to Tigress Aviation, Inc. of California, Md., according to FAA spokesman John Clabes. FAA records show no accidents or incidents involving that plane, Clabes said.

Police search for clues to dead animals in yards

• ***Dead animals***

A number of dead animals, mostly rabbits, have been turning up in roadways and at various residences around town.

Snyder police are looking into the incidents as the carcasses are apparently being intentionally placed on people's porches and vehicles and in the streets.

The first reports were made a couple of weeks ago as dead rabbits were found on 36th and 37th streets and Austin Avenue near Snyder High School.

A woman reported Saturday finding dead rabbits and a dead coyote on her front porch at 2707 Avenue W.

At 1:22 p.m. Tuesday, a woman at 5402 Cedar Creek requested the animal control warden in reference to finding three dead rabbits on the front porch of the residence.

A report was also made this morning of the animal carcasses on a vehicle and scattered in a yard at 2803 El Paso.

• ***Vehicles egged***

Reports were also made Tuesday of vehicles in the 2200 block of 40th and the 2800 block of 42nd Street being egged.

Several vehicles were egged a few weeks ago and police officials said they identified the juveniles involved in those occurrences. Investigators said they didn't believe these incidents are related.

No charges were filed in the first incidents as parents were contacted and arrangements were made to pay for damages.

• ***Daughter assaults mom***

A woman called officers at 3:44 p.m. Tuesday to a residence in the 900 block of 28th Street in reference to her 14-year-old daughter assaulting her. The girl, who reportedly slapped her mother, was taken to the Texson juvenile facility in Sweetwater.

• ***Stolen bicycle***

Annie Perales reported a bicycle stolen from her 204 33rd Street residence at 8:30 p.m. Tuesday.

• ***Car radio taken***

A car radio was stolen from a 1991 Chevrolet Blazer at Henry's Auto Sales, 2301 25th Street, early this morning. Patrolling officers noticed the vehicle's dome light on at 1:28 a.m. today and contacted owner Henry Valdez.

• ***Two arrested***

Bobby Allen, 42, of 600 19th Street was taken into custody at 8:11 p.m. Tuesday on a grand jury indictment for felony driving while intoxicated and a warrant for parole violation.

A 25-year-old man was arrested at 11:21 p.m. Tuesday at 37th Street and El Paso for driving while intoxicated.

Obituaries

Gracie Fowler

1915-2000

Gracie Louise Fowler, a longtime Snyder resident, died at 9:03 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 8, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a sudden illness.

Gracie Fowler

Services for Mrs. Fowler, 84, are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 28, 1915 in Cheek, Okla., she was married to Henry Edmond Fowler on Oct. 14, 1933 in Muleshoe. He died Feb. 26, 1991.

Mrs. Fowler was a homemaker and a member of the Faith Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by three sisters and three brothers.

Survivors include two daughters, Patsy Louise Westbrook of Snyder and Henrietta Henson of Meadow; two sons, Joe Fowler of Snyder and the Rev. Eldon Fowler of Dover, Del.; one sister, Martha Roberts of Monahans; two brothers, Odis McNeme of Odessa and D.W. McNeme of Monahans; 13 grandchildren; and 21 great-grandchildren.

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O.H. Wilkinson

1910-2000

Funeral service for O.H. Wilkinson of Snyder is set for 10 a.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Tom Holcomb, minister of East Side Church of Christ, will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Kermit Cemetery at 3:30 p.m. Friday.

Mr. Wilkinson, 90, died Tuesday, Aug. 8, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a sudden illness.

Born on Feb. 5, 1910 in Kaufman County, Mr. Wilkinson married Louise Mitchell on June 16, 1931 in Post. She died in 1983.

Mr. Wilkinson moved to Snyder in 1952 and to Kermit in 1960. He was a truck driver in the oilfield and worked for Winkler County for a number of years. He returned to Snyder in 1994 and had also lived in the Colorado City area.

Mr. Wilkinson was a member of East Side Church of Christ.

He also was preceded in death by one daughter, Johnnie Lou Guynes; and two sons, Orba H. Wilkinson Jr. and Howard Ray Wilkinson.

He is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Billy and Judy Wilkinson of Snyder and Vernon and Betty Wilkinson of Atoka, Tenn.; eight grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Aug. 8—Mary Abrigo of Loraine and Angela Davis.

DISMISSALS: Patricia Pointer, Alvah Jones and Laura Williams of Hermleigh.

CENSUS: 37 (Med./Surg.-12, Long-term Care-24 and OB-1).

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

School supply donations

Snyder ISD and the Scurry County Child Welfare Board are seeking donations for school supplies for needy children. For more information, call Mary Ann Juarez at 574-6012.

SHS yearbooks arrive

The SHS Tigers Lair can be picked up Thursday and Friday from 8:30 a.m. until noon and from 1-5 p.m. in the school foyer. Afterwards, yearbooks may be picked up before or after school.

Locate SJHS homerooms

Snyder Junior High School students are invited to tour the building and locate homerooms between 5 and 6 p.m. Thursday.

Kings Kids opens registration

Registration for Kings Kids at First Baptist Church will be from 8:30-9:30 a.m., and 5-6 p.m. Thursday. Registrants enter through the east door. The program is for children one to four-years-old, and pre-K. Call 573-5683 or 573-7401 or come by 1701 27th St. for more information.

Joy School registration

Final registration for Joy School, sponsored by the East Side Church of Christ, will be held from 10 a.m. until noon Thursday. Balloons, cookies and tattoos will be given to kids. For more information, call 573-3554. Joy School accepts infants through pre-K five days a week.

Sonshine School registration

Pre-registration for Sonshine School at 37th Street Church of Christ will be held from 10 a.m. until 1 p.m. Thursday in the church foyer. Classes begin Tuesday for ages two to five and will be held Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call Lora Lord at 573-1700, or the church office at 573-0154.

FBC worship service

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

GED Exams

GED exams will be administered Thursday and also Aug. 25 at Western Texas College. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 574-2112, or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

Scurry Lodge 706

Scurry Lodge 706 will have a special meeting at 7 p.m. Saturday at the Lodge Hall. Two 50-year pins will be presented, along with a Golden Trowel Award and a Community Builders Award honoring Rev. Miller Robinson. All Masons, family and friends are invited. Refreshments will be served.

Meet the teachers

Stanfield Elementary will host an open house and meet the teachers event from 3-4 p.m. Sunday. Refreshments will be served in the cafeteria. Students are also encouraged to bring their school supplies and find their desks. Stanfield's event falls on the first annual Texas Parents Day, as designated by the Legislature.

Discovery School registration

Discovery School begins Monday. Registration continues at the First United Methodist Church office, 573-4770, for children six months through pre-K.

SHS booster club

The SHS football booster club meets at 7 p.m. Monday in the SHS student center.

Adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes begin Tuesday at WTC. Classes will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-8:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Call 573-0223 for additional information.

WTC success seminar

Success Seminars at Western Texas College will be held next Wednesday and Thursday for all new students and their parents. Students planning to attend either session must inform the Admissions Office and mail payment by Friday. Call 573-8511, Ext. 230, for registration information.

Holiday poems sought

Mesquite Country Writers Guild is soliciting original, short holiday poems for its quarterly poetry newsletter, "Bards of A Feather." The deadline is Tuesday. Submissions may be mailed to 9221 S. Hwy. 208 in Hermleigh, 79526, or e-mailed to dade@bigcountry.net.

Northeast Elementary cookbooks

Copies of the Northeast Elementary millennium cookbook are still available for $7. Call Diane Arnold at 573-2159, or Libby Whitworth at 573-6870.

Polar reunion

The Polar reunion will be held at noon Sunday, Aug. 20. Bring a covered dish.

Pyron homecoming

The Pyron Homecoming will be held Saturday, Sept. 2, at the Inadale Community Center. Registration will begin at 1 p.m. and the evening meal will be served at 7 p.m. The meal will be catered at $7 per plate. Reservations need to be made and the meal must be paid for by Aug. 15. Contact Mrs. Viola Stirl, 13652 FM 644, Loraine, 79532-3110.

Cancer treatment transportation

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

Pick 3

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

2, 2, 3

Cash Five

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

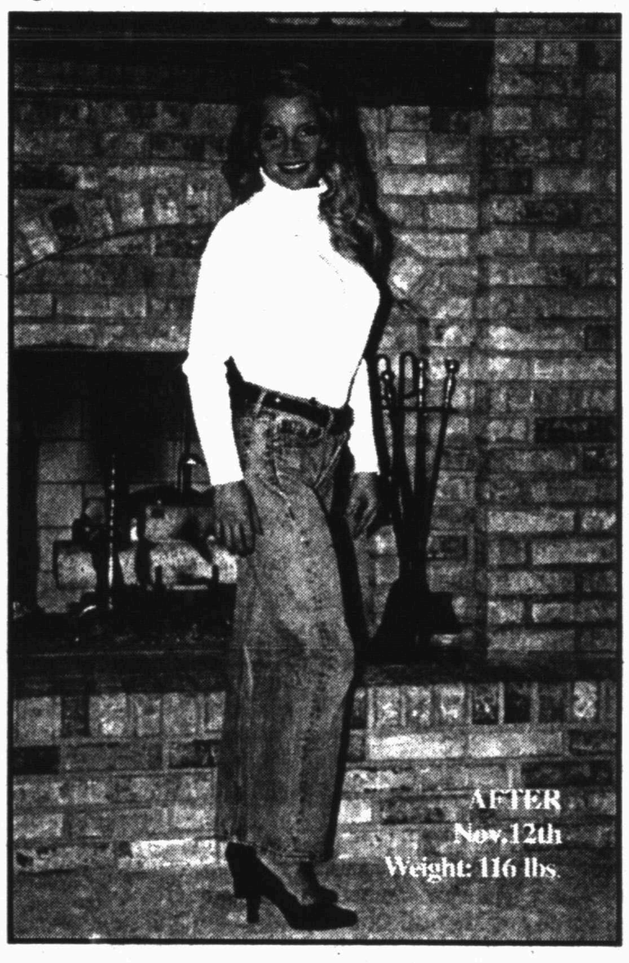
2-24-30-31-37

Say Good-bye to Starvation Diets Forever..

NEW SUPER PILL GUARANTEES SAFE, RAPID WEIGHT LOSS OR YOUR MONEY BACK!

Without changing the way they eat, and by simply adding the FatStopper 2000 ingredient to their normal meals, clinical studies of both men and women revealed in U.S. Patent #3,973,008 showed individual weight losses of as much as 28.65 pounds in 4 weeks - and as much as 48.50 pounds in 8 weeks: the average weight loss for all patrticipants in that same time period was 33.9 pounds.

"I lost 49 pounds in just 8 1/2 weeks!"



Without changing the way she ate, Tanna lost 49 lbs. in a mere 8 1/2 weeks! On Sept 10th she weighed 165 lbs. And by the 12th of November her weight was 116!

" I cannot stand dieting. To me, giving up the foods I love to eat could be worse than being fat. FatStopper 2000 was a real lifesaver! I Lost 49 pounds in just 8 1/2weeks and NEVER felt like I was on a diet. I've never looked or felt better. I know I am much healthier, too! My friends are all green with envy" Tanna D., San Diego,CA

Results atypical. Results can vary.

Las Vegas,NV- Clinical research of a plant compound called *Amorphophallus Konjac,* derived from the roots of yam plants native to Asia, is being heralded as a "life saver" for the up to 50 million people who suffer from obesity in the U.S. And word is spreading rapidly throughout the 150 million Americans who go on weight reduction diets each year about the dramatic weight loss results from a product called FatStopper 2000, which contains this crucial ingredient.

CONTROLS "CRUCIAL FACTOR OF APPETITE"

According to Japanese medical doctor, Mutsuhiko Kuroki, "Losing weight with *Amorphophallus Konjac* (the active ingredient in FatStopper 2000) does not mean ingesting *Amorphophallus Konjac* into the body and letting it make you thinner in some mysterious way. Rather,[it] is not digested by the body but acts to help you reduce as it passes through the digestive tract. In effect, *Amorphophallus Konjac* helps you reduce by controlling that crucial factor of appetite and by working upon the digestive tract and its contents to promote improved metabolism and thus to speed the burning of excess fat."

- **Trim inches off your waistline.**
- **Reduce your hips by inches.**
- **Slim your thighs inches in 8 weeks.**
- **Flatten your stomach.**
- **Wear clothes long ago lost in your closet.**
- **Enjoy a totally new appearance.**
- **Regain a new and vibrant sex appeal.**

Considering the latest dieting statistics, which indicate that the average diet lasts only 72 hours because of hunger and frustration, it's no wonder that FatStopper 2000, with its all-natural active ingredient, is taking the diet industry by storm! With over 60 million Americans alone who suffer from high blood pressure due to excess weight, this new product is offering hope, help and dramatic results.

YOU EAT AS YOU NORMALLY WOULD AND STILL LOSE WEIGHT!

Clearly, the hardest thing you are ever told to do is change your eating habits. Because food not only nourishes your body, but also your emotional well being, changing what you eat can be almost impossible. The psychological stress imposed upon a person by altering the way he or she eats is usually enough to sabatoge a diet. That's why the huge success rate attributed to FatStopper 2000 can be easily explained. Because the product causes a feeling of fullness, you eat less. you don't have the desire to eat as much. You don't feel like you're on a diet-because you're not! You're simply choosing to eat less because you don't want more.

SAFELY FLUSHES FATS AND CALORIES RIGHT OUT OF YOUR BODY!

But no matter what you eat, the concentrated form of *Amorphophallus Konjac* found in FatStopper 2000 forms a non-digestible and harmless gel-like coating around food particles, causing the food to be digested at a slower rate. The gel slows the action of digestive enzymes to release sugars and fats at an even rate, causing excess fats and calories to be flushed right out of your body!

That's right! So whether french fries are your favorite comfort food, or your life isn't worth living without a bowl of ice cream-don't worry! The properties of FatStopper 2000 allow you to eat these whenever you like and still lose weight!

There are no special foods to buy, no calories to count, no dangerous drugs to take-and absolutely NO side effects! None!

You merely take FatStopper 2000 as directed-That's it! Within days you'll see noticeable results. And in clinical studies, some subjects lost up to 24 pounds in the first month and 48 by the second month! Remarkable!

If you're able to exercise moderately, that's great. If you're not there yet - that's fine too-you'll still lose the weight. Once you lose enough weight to feel comfortable walking or doing some other light exercise, you'll speed up your metabolism even further and tone up those sagging muscles. Get ready to look and feel healthier and more fit than you ever have!

INTENSIVE RESEARCH LEADS TO 6 PATENTS IN 5 COUNTRIES!

As an informed consumer, you'll be relieved to know that the ingredient in FatStopper 2000 formula has been awarded not one, but TWO United States Patents: the first one for its effectivness as a weight loss product, and the second for its ability to reduce harmful cholesterol levels! And, the US is not alone in its embrace of this product. In fact, Japan, France, Germany and The United Kingdom have all awarded the FatStopper 2000 formula patents in their countries as well!

Clinical studies abound on *Amorphophallus Konjac* and have been conducted in some of the world's leading medical schools and universities. And the results of these intensive studies have been published throughout the world in major medical journals.

CAUTION: YOU MIGHT LOSE TOO MUCH WEIGHT!

You know the old saying about never being too rich or too thin. Well, you CAN literally be too thin. Given the potency of FatStopper 2000 to effectively help eliminate years of fatty deposits from your body while not causing you any side effects, you may be tempted to overdo it. Don't allow yourself to become too thin! You may need to regulate your pill intake, skipping a pill occasionally or even skipping an entire day or two. Have a weight loss goal in mind and try to stick to it.

- **LOSE up to 9 INCHES OFF YOUR WAISTLINE.**
- **LOSE up to 10 INCHES OFF YOUR HIPS.**
- **LOSE up to 7 INCHES OFF YOUR THIGHS.**
- **LOSE up to 7 INCHES OFF YOUR STOMACH.**

COMPANY GUARANTEES CONSUMERS MUST BE ENTIRELY SATISFIED

Swiss Labs 2000 is honored to be the only company in the United States to be authorized to sell FatStopper 2000. They have examined and collected "mountains" of clinical data regarding *Amorphophallus Konjaormulac* and its startling weight loss results, and they are eager to alleviate any doubt about their product by offering it entirely risk-free!

Place your order NOW, and then you will have 30 full days from invoice to test FatStopper 2000 for yourself. With the Swiss Labs 2000 30-day money-back guarantee, it's like trying, not buying. You MUST be completely satisfied with the new, thinner you, or you can simply return the unused portion of your shipment for a full refund of your purchase price.

Best of all... ordering the FatStopper 2000 program is simple, fast and reliable! Simply call Toll Free **1-800-790-2687** and ask for **Operator 924B** and order with your *MasterCard* or *Visa.* If you want to order by mail, just write your name and address and the words "FatStopper 2000" on any plain piece of paper and include your check or money order for the amount of FatStopper 2000 you select and mail to:

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Las Vegas, NV 89117

All orders are shipped within 72 hours of receipt by U.S. Priority mail. Supply options: $49.95 for a full 30-day supply. $76.90 for a full 60-day supply (you save $23.00) and a full 90-day supply is just $99.85 (you save $50.00). Whatever quantity you order, please add an additional $6.95 for shipping and handling. Operators are standing by NOW to take your order. **Call now: 1-800-790-2687 and ask for Operator 924B.** Please don't wait to order. A slender, healthier you is just a phone call away. You really deserve to be thin! Thank you.

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WARNING: Although ***FatStopper 2000*** contains no medication and is completely safe, do not let yourself lose weight too quickly. If you lose more than 10 pounds in the first five days, we ask that you not take any more pills for 2 or 3 days at the end of the first week.

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