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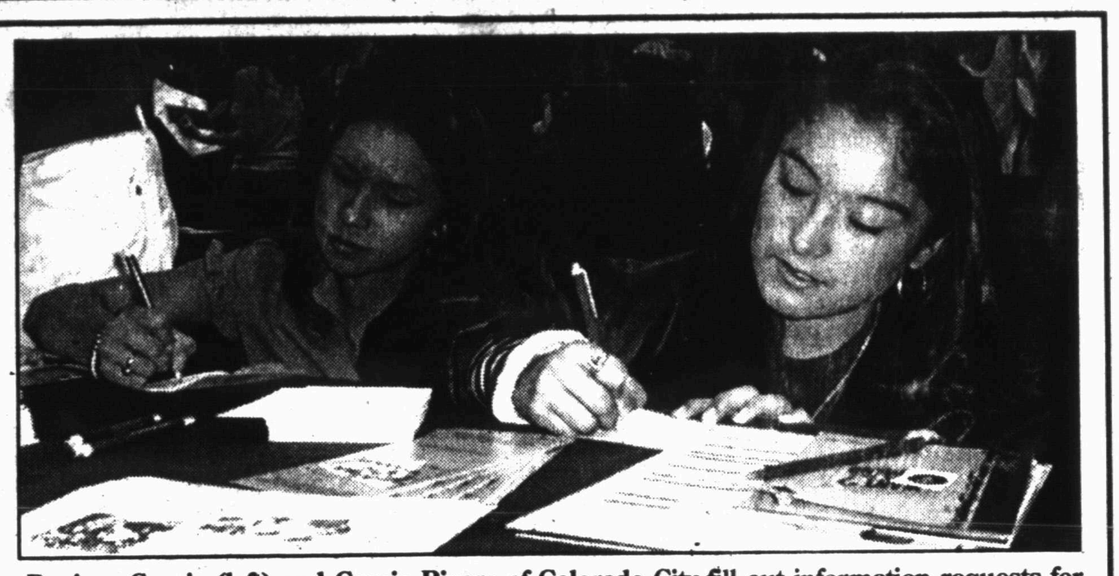
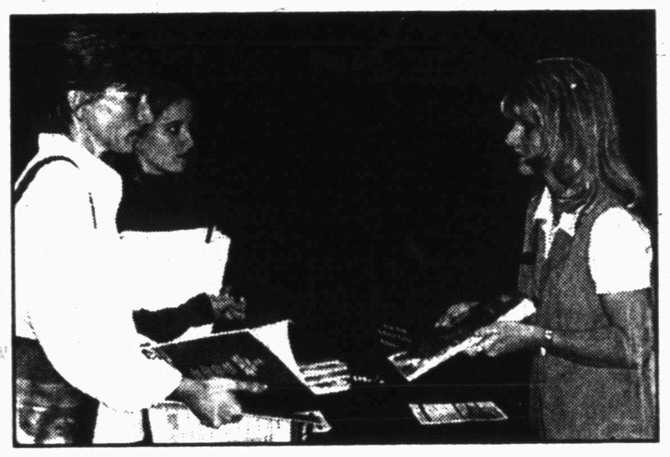
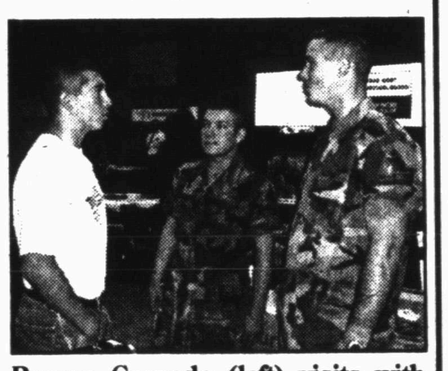


Desiree Garcia (left) and Cassie Rivera of Colorado City fill out information requests for Hardin-Simmons University during College Day activities at Western Texas College today.

WTC hosts College Fair...



Judy Haines and daugther Valery (from left) visit with Tera Nassett, admissions advisor for Texas State Technical College in Sweewater. Representatives from more than 30 colleges, universities, technical schools and branches of the armed services were at the fair.



Ramon Granado (left) visits with National Guard members Omar Hernandez and Patrick Ely.

Cogdell board makes home health changes

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers this morning unanimously approved a contract with a management firm to operate the hospital's home health unit in hopes of improving its market share.

Beginning Monday, ARAPAHO Healthcare Resources will manage Codgell's home health facility.

ARAPAHO will provide the manager for the unit while employees will continue to be employed by Cogdell.

Interim CEO Steve Holmes told the board that nurses and other employees would remain on the hospital payroll in order to protect their longevity and other benefits.

The contract with ARAPAHO is for four years with the cost to the hospital through the first of the year set at $800 per month.

Beginning Jan. 1, the cost will increase to $1,000 monthly.

Jason Bullard, owner of the company, told the board that the firm's goal was to make the home health agency a financial success.

Bullard said local and Lubbock physicians would be aggressively recruited to refer patients to use Cogdell's home health care unit.

"We would like to increase the number of patients served from the present 25 to 30, to 50 or 55," said Bullard.

In summing up his presentation to the board, Bullard said his company was affiliated with six to eight other Covenant managed hospitals and their philosophy was to provide top-notch management service while keeping the local board and hospital management well-informed on the operation of the unit.

Prior to the vote on the contract, Jim Bullard, Covenant's vice president for regional services, told the board that Jason was his son, and he felt that fact should be made public before the vote.

Jim Bullard told the board that he has no financial interest in ARAPAHO.

Board member Stanley Martin said he did not feel there was any conflict of interest.

"From my stand point, there's not a conflict of interest," emphasized Martin. "It looks like a good deal to me."

After the first year of the contract, Cogdell can cancel by giving 60 days notice.

In other action items this morning, the board approved an extension of the contract with local physicians for manning the hospital's emergency room.

The extension is for one year beginning March 1, 2001. The board also approved raising the ER physician's pay to the same level formerly paid to EMCARE, the company that formerly provided physicians for the ER.

Non-holiday pay per hour, will be increased 99 cents to $75.19 per hour, and holiday pay will increase $12.79 per hour to $112.79. The increase amounts to about $10,000 yearly, said Holmes.

Holmes also updated the board on the radiology construction project and made note of change-orders of some $29,000. He said the project is expected to be completed around Thanksgiving.

The board also heard the yearly home health evaluation report from Sherma Barham, the medical staff report from Dr. Bid Cooper, and the financial report from hospital controller Selina McGuire.

Jo Beth Hardegree also presented a report from the Texas Medical Foundation.

Board president Jim Bob Cave presided and board members present were Martin, Dink Foree, Nan Swanson and Terry Williams. E.D. Walton was absent.

Also present was George Parsley, new CEO, who will take over from Holmes beginning Monday.

Holmes has served as interim CEO since August. Holmes' tenure at the hospital drew praise from Cave and other board members.

Bluegrass festival will get underway Friday

Activities in conjunction with the Wagon Wheel Music Park's very first event — a bluegrass festival — get underway Friday afternoon and continue through Sunday.

Finishing touches are being put on the new outdoor stage, and music will get underway at 2 p.m. Friday as the New Grass Express takes the stage. Lost and Found will take the stage at 3 o'clock.

Billy Joe Foster will play from 4 until 5, and New Grass Express will be on stage again at 6 o'clock following the dinner break.

Foster will play at 7, followed by Lost and Found at 8 p.m.

The featured performer, Jimmy Martin, will take the stage at 9 p.m.

Music will get underway again Saturday at 1 p.m. as the Rocky Creek String Band performs.

There will b music all afternoon Saturday until the dinner break at 5.

Rocky Creek will be the first band on stage following the break. It will perform from 6 until 7.

Following Rocky Creek, Bill Burns will perform for an hour followed by Lost and Found. Martin will take the stage for the final event Saturday at 9 o'clock.

Martin, the featured entertainer for the first-ever event at the Wagon Wheel's music area, has been a major player in bluegrass music over a span of five decades.

Dubbed "The King of Bluegrass Music" during the 1970s, he was featured on the 1972 coalition album, "Will The Circle Be Unbroken," and the 1989 Volume II album of the same name.

A boyhood photo of the future star playing his first guitar became a familiar figure on promotional posters for the 1993 movie/video documentary "High Lonesome".

When Martin was 22 years old and at the backstage entrance of the then home of the Grand Ole' Opry, the Ryman Auditorium, he gained an impromptu audition with Bill Monroe. Monroe hired him on the spot.

Martin then played many stage shows with Bill Monroe and the Bluegrass Boys as the front man, lead singer and rhythm guitarist

Because of the lonesome quality of his voice and the fact of his singing in a slightly higher pitch than previous lead singers with the Bluegrass Boys, he is now widely credited with bring the "High Lonesome Sound" to bluegrass music.

Among the songs he introduced or popularized, "20-20 Vision", "Sophronie", "Ocean of Diamonds", "Tennessee", and "Sunny Side of the Mountain" to name a few, are among today's bluegrass standards.

Advance tickets are available today only at the Wagon Wheel Ranch at $25 per day, or $40 for the two-day event. Tickets at the gate are $30 per day.

There is no charge for parking. Food, drinks and camping spaces will be available.

Tommy Allsup, music director of the Wagon Wheel Music Park, also said there will be a Sunday sunrise church service at the park and a chuck wagon breakfast will be available.

RALLY WOMEN AT STYLE SHOW — Hackfeld's presented a style show of fall fashions and a luncheon at the Martha Ann Woman's Club for women attending the Region Texas State Rally of Holiday Ramblers. Models included Rennie Polk, Dumas; Faye Henderson, Clyde; Dorothy Willison, Odessa; Jeanette Walker, Baytown; Patti Byrne, Granbury; Marilyn Peake, Albuquerque, N.M.; and Shelba Wetheral, of Huntsville, Ala. Faye Henderson is shown at left. (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "When you try to make money talk, it usually just stutters."

What goes around, usually comes back around. And that also can be true of column material.

Snyder's Ramona Cain brought in a clipping that contained rules that all kids need to learn in school.

We responded that we had already published the item, and, in fact, the clipping was from the Snyder Daily News.

It has been suggested the information is worth running again. We agree.

Rules That Need to be Learned:

Rule 1. Life is not fair; get used to it.

Rule 2. The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something before you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3. You will not make $40,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice president with a car phone until you earn both.

Rule 4. If you think your teacher is tough, wait until you get a boss.

Rule 5. Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your grandparents had a different word for burger flipping. They called it opportunity.

Rule 6. If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes. Learn from them.

Rule 7. Before you were born your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way paying bills, cleaning your room and listening to you tell how idealistic and open-minded you are.

Rule 8. Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life has not. In some schools they have abolished failing grades, they'll give you as many times as you want to gt the right answer. This, of course, bears not the slightest resemblance to real life.

Rule 9. Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off, and very few employers will be interested in helping you find yourself. Do that on your own time.

Rule 10. Television is not real life. In real life, people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to real jobs.

Rule 11. Be nice to nerds. Chances are you'll end up working for one.

Rule 12. Smoking does not make you look cool, it makes you look moronic. And ditto for purple hair and pierced body parts.

Rule 13. Living fast and dying young is romantic – only until you see one of your peers at room temperature.

ASK US

Q—When is the annual firemen's Thanksgiving award dinner?

A—Nov. 21.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 81 degrees; low, 44; 7 a.m. Thursday, 49; no precipitation; total for 2000, 15.01 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear; low 50-55; S wind 5-10 mph. Friday, mostly sunny, high 80-85; S wind 10-20 mph.

Brittni Chaidez
Sunny

Sunset: 7:33 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:37 a.m.
Of 271 days in 2000, the sun has shone 268 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

There are those who cast their bread upon the waters hoping it will be returned to them toasted and buttered.

PlayStation 2 deliveries to be delayed

NEW YORK (AP) — Sony will deliver only half the number of PlayStation 2 video game consoles it originally estimated this fall, potentially making the holiday shopping season even more stressful.

Sony Corp. said Wednesday it can only ship 500,000 consoles by its North America debut on Oct. 26, instead of the 1 million units initially projected. It was expected to be the year's hottest holiday item.

The company blames production delays stemming from a component shortage. It said the initial shipment will be followed by 100,000 units per week until year's end.

Sony said the modified schedule will not affect availability of PlayStation 2 during the holiday season, anticipating there will be about 1.3 million units in supply.

"We will be able to supply a flow of products, instead of a huge initial spike," said Kaz Hirai, chief operating officer.

Sony Computer Entertainment America Inc. also said Wednesday that it would still meet its target of shipping 10 million units of the game worldwide, including 3 million to North America, by March 2001.

In March, when PlayStation 2 was first released in Japan, the company had a similar problem, delaying shipment of 260,000 units because of a shortage of computer hardware.

Thousands of people lined up outside stores in Tokyo the day before the game machines went on sale and, at most shops, the PlayStation 2 sold out within an hour.

Sony is counting heavily on the sleek, black console to give it a boost in its war against Japanese rivals Sega Enterprises, which makes the Dreamcast console, and Nintendo, maker of the N64 console and the portable Game Boy.

PlayStation 2, the successor to the 5-year-old PlayStation, has vivid graphics, an ability to connect to the Internet and can play DVD movies and compact discs. It will cost about $300.

The company is expected to launch PlayStation 2 in Europe on Nov. 24.

On the Net:
http://www.playstation.com

West Nile virus claims first death

HACKENSACK, N.J. (AP) — The West Nile virus has claimed its first victim in the United States this year, causing the death of an 82-year-old New Jersey man.

Officials did not immediately identify the man, who died on Sept. 14, 11 days after he became ill. They said that he had other ailments but that West Nile virus had been the principal cause of death.

"People shouldn't panic," Gov. Christie Whitman said Wednesday. She urged residents to wear insect repellent and long-sleeved clothes.

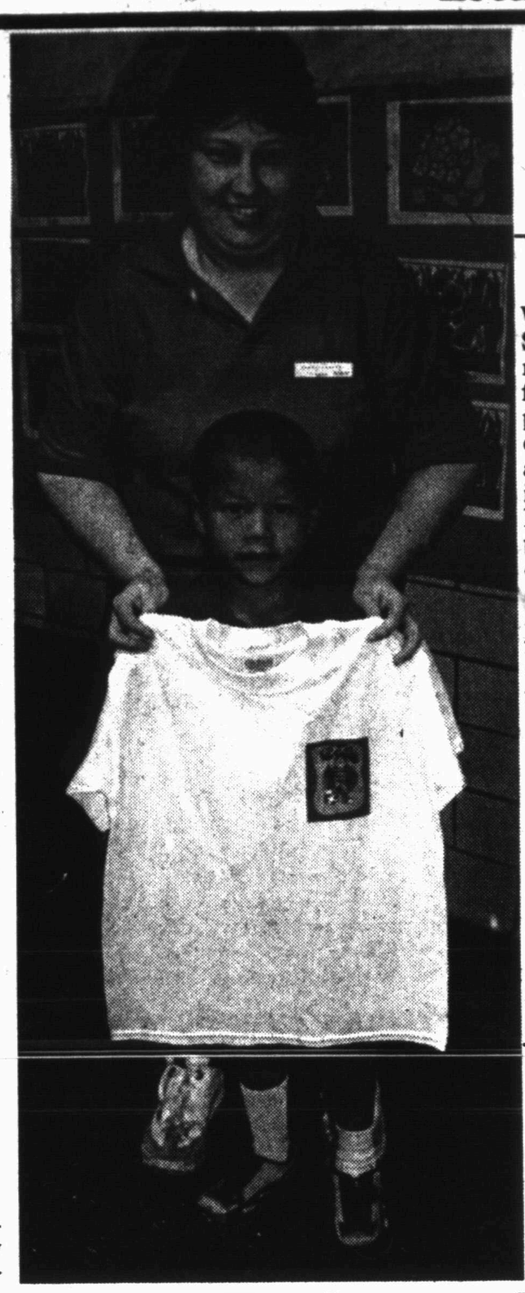
It is increasingly unlikely that there will be any more human cases this year since the cooler weather reduces the number of mosquitoes, said Tom Skinner, spokesman for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The virus also has been detected in birds in Maryland, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts and Rhode Island, and Pennsylvania officials Wednesday said they had found the virus in two dead crows outside Philadelphia.

Last year, seven people died and 55 others were infected in the New York metropolitan area during the first known appearance of the virus in the Western Hemisphere. The virus is typically transmitted by mosquitos.

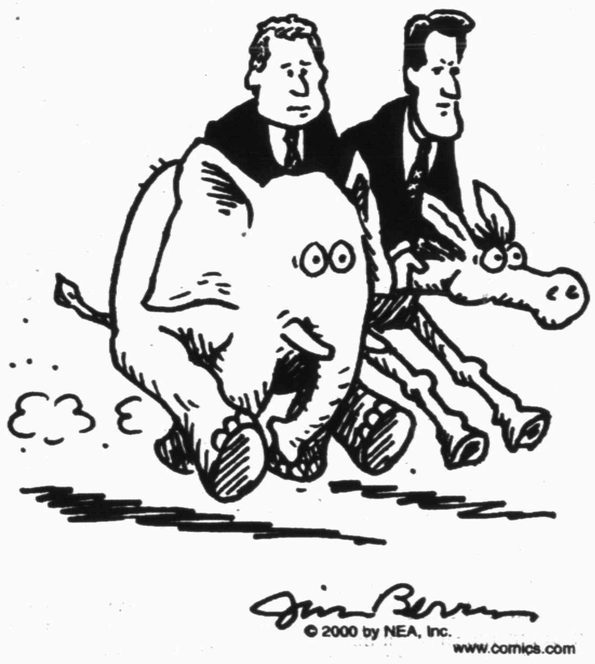
This year, 13 people have been infected in New York and four in New Jersey, according to the CDC. New York reported its 13th case on Wednesday.

The disease can cause flu-like symptoms and can be dangerous to young children, the elderly and people with weakened immune systems.



WINS TEE SHIRT — Aramark Foods, the food service provider for Snyder ISD, will give a tee shirt featuring Spike, the Nutrition Education Mascot, to one student from each elementary school. Stanfield's winner is Caleb Green, a first grader, who received his tee shirt from Shirley Daves, cafeteria manager. Each month students also receive trading cards featuring nutrition tips. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Berry's World



A VERY TIGHT RACE

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, Sept. 29, 2000

Even though you usually like to have a partner in your involvements, in the year ahead you'll have better chances for success when you operate independently of others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Although your financial picture may look better today than it did yesterday, continue to be prudent in all your money dealings, and start to amass a surplus. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that'll govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Chances are your leadership qualities and assertive skills will be more accentuated today, so now is a good time to press forward in matters that could advance your self-interests.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Today could be payback time. However, in your case, this involves two unrelated individuals, both of whom wish to do more for you than you did for them.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be optimistic concerning any dealings or involvements you have today with large organizations or groups. Everything should work out to your expectations.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Try to deal today only with the person who can make an on-the-spot decision when called for. Your probabilities for success are greatly enhanced if you can avoid intermediaries.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you're a good listener today, you should be able to take the ideas of others and reshape them to fit your situation and needs. One in particular could be extremely helpful to your cause.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) You have excellent chances of achieving financial support for one of your favorite projects today. Devote your time and energy to goals that are materially meaningful.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Once you make a commitment, you strive to keep it, regardless of any inconveniences you may encounter. Today, this action will win you the respect of your peers.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Be watchful today for some constructive undercurrents to begin stirring what could prove to be beneficial for you where your career or work is concerned. Put them to good use.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) An opportunity that could be helpful in establishing a better relationship with someone to whom you're attracted may present itself today. Look your best.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Saving money could be first and foremost on your mind today as you opt to take on a few do-it-yourself projects involving little things that require fixing. You'll do a good job.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Keep on the best of terms with pals who wield influence in areas you don't. Pleasant developments could be in the offing through people you know socially.

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Report: Ford to put Michelin tires on all new Explorers

NEW YORK (AP) — Ford Motor Co. plans to equip the bulk of its new Explorer sport utility vehicles with Michelin tires in the wake of a massive recall of Firestone tires, The Wall Street Journal reported Thursday.

Since the Aug. 9 recall, Ford has asked France's Groupe Michelin SA to supply as many tires as needed, according to the Journal, which cited an unnamed person familiar with the situation.

The move signals the end of a decade-long reliance on tires made by Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. and jeopardizes a century-old relationship between Firestone and Ford, its biggest customer.

A Firestone spokeswoman said Ford officials "haven't given us any indication of what percentage we're going to be or what number of tires to produce for them."

Lynn Mann, a Michelin spokeswoman, declined comment on the automaker's plans.

The government is currently investigating 101 deaths over the past decade that are allegedly linked to Firestone tires mounted mainly on Ford Explorers.

Ford is also negotiating with other tire makers to supply tires for the 2002 Explorer, which is to be available early next year, the newspaper said.

Jacques Nasser, Ford's chief executive, told the Journal it plans for the first time to allow dealers and consumers to choose which brand of tires they want on the Explorer. It also plans to offer a similar choice on its other vehicles, Nasser said.

Michelin began to discuss supplying the tires for the new Explorer in 1997, the newspaper said.

Sony sets out to make Walkmans be the cool brand

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Walkman has legs again.

Twenty-one years after introducing its "personal stereo" and seeing it become the epitome of cool, Sony Electronics found that in this digital era, younger music lovers tended to view the Walkman with the same sort of disdain that baby boomers have for eight-track tape decks.

Now in hopes of reversing the trend, Sony is stamping the hallowed Walkman brand on all 60 of its portable music devices, from the CD players once called Discman to the latest portable products that download digital music files from the Internet.

To create a new buzz, the company engaged in a summer-long marketing onslaught aimed at the trendsetting "Generation Y" — the age bracket ranging from 14 to 24 years old.

"They associated the name with analog tapes and clunky yellow tape players," said John D. Hambrick, the Sony executive in charge of restoring the Walkman brand.

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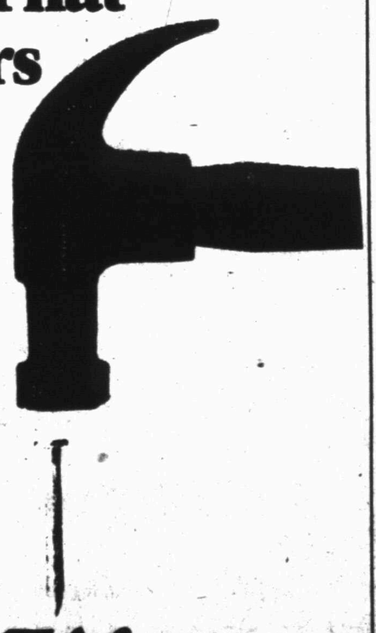

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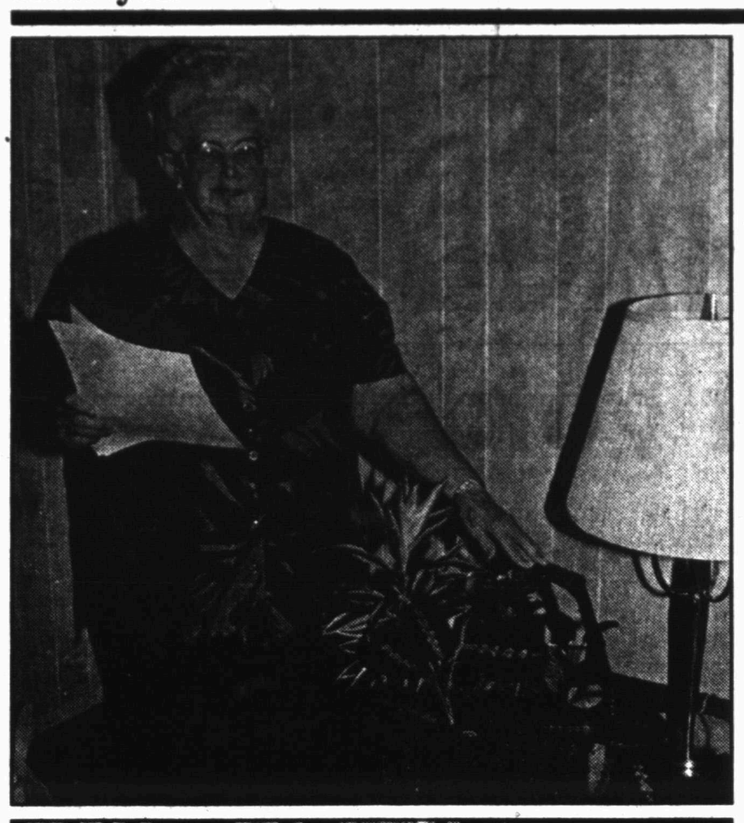

GARDEN CLUB SETS MEETING — Sandra Browning, pictured left, presented the program at the last Snyder Garden Club meeting on pot-et-fleurs. New members are pictured right, from left, Sue Lyons and Fran Bowden. Garden club members will meet next Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at the Martha Ann Woman's Club for its regular meeting and a seed and plant exchange. Anyone interested in joining can call Mrs. Browning, president, at 573-7277. (Contributed Photos)

LIONS DONATE TO MAWC — Snyder Lions Club donated $250 to the Martha Ann Woman's Club to help toward operation of the clubhouse. Lions meet each Tuesday at noon at MAWC. Donations to MAWC are tax deductible. Lions president, Mike Hartman, presented a check to woman's club treasurer Francene Noah. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762.

Rock and Roll Quilting Club evening meeting; Hermleigh Community Center; for more information call 863-2426; 6:30 p.m.

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

Rolling Plains Ratite Assn.; The Shack; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

Gloria Stuart along with cast members of Titanic unveiled Walk of Fame Star

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gloria Stuart was once a star. Then she became a star again. Now she has her own star.

The 90-year-old Oscar nominee knelt on the sidewalk Wednesday to unveil her star in the Walk of Fame along with "Titanic" director James Cameron and several other cast members.

"I didn't expect all this stroking. I have never had such a wonderful period in my life since the past three years on account of Mr. Cameron's 'Titanic.' I wake up every day and say how lucky I am. God loves you and I do too," said Stuart, who played 103-year-old Rose Calvert in "Titanic."

"This is a great celebration of Gloria. But before we get carried away and nominate her for sainthood, I need to tell you she has a potty-mouth," Cameron joked.

Stuart will soon be seen on television in a guest-starring role on the TV movie "The New Murder, She Wrote." She also stars with Mel Gibson in the upcoming film "Million Dollar Hotel."

"Titanic" represented a comeback for the actress, who starred in dozens of films in the 1930s and 1940s, including "Airmail," "The Old Dark House," "Here Comes the Navy" and "Poor Little Rich Girl."

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Tickets at the Gate: $30 per day
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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 09-28-00
♠ A 5 3
♥ 6 4
♦ A 6 5 3
♣ A 9 4 3

West
♠ Q J 10 8
♥ J 7 2
♦ K J
♣ 10 8 7 6

East
♠ 9 7 4
♥ Q 10 9 8 5
♦ Q 10 9 8
♣ Q

South
♠ K 6 2
♥ A K 3
♦ 7 4 2
♣ K J 5 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

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

Opening lead: ♠ Q

Thursday, Sept. 28, 2000

A missing trick, a new line

By Phillip Alder

Cicero, a Roman orator and philosopher, suggested that "no one is so old as to think he cannot live one more year."

No bridge player should be so pessimistic as to think he cannot win one more trick.

Today's deal looks a lot like yesterday's, yet there is one major difference. Again you are in three notrump. Once more, West leads the spade queen. How would you plan the play?

Despite knowing that they have at most five hearts between them (South would presumably have rebid one heart with four), North is still right to jump to three notrump, not to show his club support. Five clubs rates to have little or no play; three no-trump might be laydown, especially if South has five good clubs.

Declarer starts with seven top tricks: two spades, two hearts, one diamond and two clubs. The other two must come from the club suit, meaning that declarer needs to rake in four club tricks.

Perhaps your first reaction is to cash dummy's ace, but that is wrong. Even if you drop a singleton queen from the West hand, you cannot run the whole suit. The right start, because of dummy's potentially useful nine, is a low club from the dummy.

If East plays low, finesse the jack, hoping for the best. Here, though, East contributes the queen. Win with your king and cash the jack. When East discards, continue with a low club to dummy's nine, cash the ace, and cruise home, regardless of age.

Cicero lived from 106 to 43 BC; yet how did the Romans count the years?

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Births

Jay and Melinda Owens of Snyder are parents of a seven-pound, six-ounce son, Reed Bonham Owens. Reed was born at 8:21 a.m. on Sept. 21 in Abilene Regional Medical Center in Abilene. He was welcomed home by a brother, Austin.

Maternal grandparents are Norvell and Betty Langston of Roscoe. Paternal grandparents are H.E. and Wanda Norsworthy of Fort Worth and Jesse Owens of Sweetwater.

Oscar gets buddy

BOYS TOWN, Neb. (AP) — From now on, a buddy will bunk with Oscar at the Girls and Boys Town Hall of History.

The Academy Award had perched alone on the shelves of the home for troubled youth ever since actor Spencer Tracy won it for the 1938 movie "Boys Town."

Prepared Childbirth Classes
THURSDAYS 7-9 pm
(Total of Five Classes)
October 5, 2000 through Nov. 2, 2000
Classes will be held at Board Room at Cogdell Memorial Hospital; 1700 Cogdell Boulevard
(South Parking Lot)
Instructors:
Bonnie Carroll, RN
Linda Briseno, RN

This is the last class prior to Jan. 1, 2001

- Physiology of Pregnancy and Delivery
- Tips to Avoid Complications
- Breathing Techniques
- Newborn Care
- Breast Feeding Techniques
- Tour of Hospital OB Department
- Sibling Class (for future big brothers and sisters included in final class)

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Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings

Need foot support

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I am diabetic and am having a problem finding shoes wide enough in the toes and ball of the boot and narrower in the back part of the foot. I want these shoes in very, very soft leather, with very little or no heel on the bottom of the shoe, and I would prefer a "tie" shoe. I get ulcerated sores on my feet from the pressure of shoes. I know I am not the only diabetic person with this problem. I've come very close to losing my legs and now wear terry cloth slippers, but they are no good in Northwest Indiana winters! Any help you can give me will be appreciated. — **PATT HOWISEN, San Pierre, Ind.**

DEAR PATT: We had a nice chat with Brian Sullivan, a pedorthist (the equivalent of a pharmacist who fills prescriptions for shoes) at Lakeland Comfort Shoes in Lakeland, Fla. He explained that since you get ulcers on your feet, it's important for you to be fitted with the right shoe. You'll also need to have inserts made for the shoes. The inserts, especially those made of Plastazote, conform to the foot and relieve pressure, which helps to prevent ulcers. SAS is a brand that is approved by Medicare for diabetics. Brian said a firm called Rieckens (5115 Oak Grove Road, Evansville, IN 47715; (812) 476-8006) is a leader in the industry. You can give them a call, or visit their Web site at www.rieckensfootcare.com. The Vermont country store has several soft, comfy-looking shoes for indoor or summer wear, but they wouldn't do the trick in an Indiana winter. You can send for a Vermont Country Store catalog by writing to P.O. Box 3000, Manchester Center, VT 05255.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Would you please help me locate the old Ivory soap that came in large bars and was in the blue and white wrapper? I have a 91-year-old aunt who will not accept the fact that it is not made any longer. She does not like the liquid kind for doing her dishes. Any help will be greatly appreciated. — **PAT HAMILTON, Baton Rouge, La.**

DEAR PAT: We're sorry to tell you that the reason you haven't found the 9-ounce, large bars of Ivory soap is because they haven't been made since 1991. Since your aunt likes doing her dishes with soap as opposed to detergent, she could try a product that we're crazy about. It's a liquid soap — not a detergent — called "Sunshine." It's made by Soapworks, and you can order it from them at 15011 Wicks Blvd., San Leandro, CA 94577, or call them at (800) 699-9917. You can also visit their Web site at www.soapworks.com.

FEEDBACK: BEAR-CROSSING SIGN — JoAnn Bonds of El Monte, Calif., was looking for one of these. We heard from Susan LaManque of Affordable Signs & Designs at P.O. Box 239, Verona, NY 13478; (315) 361-5081. This company makes custom banners and plastic or metal signs. They are happy to provide layouts and quotes for custom signs. She sent along a photo of a bear-crossing sign, which we think would suit JoAnn to a T. For more information, write to Affordable Signs at the address above or e-mail them at SLAman99@aol.com.

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Damen Simpson

Fellowship held for Colonial Hill youth director

An all-church fellowship was held Sunday evening at Colonial Hill Baptist Church for Damon Simpson and his family who are moving to Mount Vernon.

He will begin his new ministry Sunday as associate pastor for education at First Baptist Church in Mount Vernon.

For the past five years, Damon has been youth director at Colonial Hill Baptist. He and his wife, Terri, have two children, Brennen and Kali.

The Simpsons expressed their love and appreciation to the members of the church for their support during their five years at the church.

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OLYMPIC COVERAGE

Jones on track with second gold medal

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Olympic history, the sequel.

A happy tale for Marion Jones, winner of the second track and field gold of the unprecedented five she's chasing. A sad story for the defending champion U.S. women's soccer team — it lost 3-2 in overtime to Norway, squandering a chance to win its second straight gold.

Jones pulled away from the world's best sprinters in Thursday's 200-meter final like she was turbocharged.

Under intense scrutiny both because of her quest for five track golds at one Summer Games — something no woman has ever achieved — and for the revelation that her shot-putter husband tested positive for steroids, Jones seemed completely at ease as she sped to the finish line in 21.84 seconds.

She stopped to kiss and hug husband C.J. Hunter, watching from the stands, after the race. Hunter has denied he knowingly took drugs to improve his performance.

Off the track, Jones got some good news when world-class U.S. sprinter Inger Miller said she would be back from a hamstring injury to compete in the 400-meter relay on Friday.

Jones also is part of the 1,600 relay team and is in the long jump final Friday. It's her weakest event.

"I don't think anybody doubted me in the sprints. But my real test will come tomorrow," she said.

In women's soccer, Norway won a dramatic gold medal game.

Dagny Mellgren scored in the 12th minute of sudden death, knocking a 7-yard shot to the left of U.S. goalkeeper Siri Mullinix. The American managed to get a hand on the ball, but couldn't deflect it enough to keep it out of the net.

Norway had been ahead 2-1 in regulation play, but Tiffeny Milbrett tied with virtually no time left, heading in a long cross from Mia Hamm.

The victory puts the Norwegians on roughly equal footing with the U.S. women in international soccer. Norway also won the 1995 World Cup, while the Americans were 1991 and '99 World Cup champions and won the gold in Atlanta four years ago.

The United States had 75 medals (31 gold, 18 silver, 26 bronze) at the end of Thursday, followed by Russia with 58 (19-18-21) and China with 56 (26-15-15).

— DRUG TESTING: At an Olympics tainted by drug use, a sports arbitration panel sent a clear message to athletes Thursday: When it comes to doping, "I didn't mean to" is no excuse.

The Court of Arbitration for Sport upheld the IOC's decision to strip Romanian gymnast Andreea Raducan of her all-around gold medal for taking an over-the-counter cold medicine containing a banned stimulant.

The drug, pseudoephedrine, often is found in cold remedies and was in the pills that Raducan took on her team doctor's advice.

The Romanians said the gymnast, just 16, shouldn't suffer for her doctor's mistake. That argument went nowhere with the arbitrators, just as it failed with the International Olympic Committee. The decision said athletes who test positive for drugs are breaking the rules "irrespective of whether or not the competitor intended to ingest the prohibited substance."

Raducan said she was disappointed, but knows she did nothing wrong.

The pseudoephedrine "didn't help me compete," she said. "On the contrary, it gave me some dizziness."

— TRACK AND FIELD: A shut out and an upset in the men's 200 meters.

With Maurice Greene and Michael Johnson both injuring themselves in the U.S. trials and failing to qualify in the 200, the American men couldn't manage a medal at the Olympics.

Coby Miller and John Capel finished seventh and eighth, while Greek Konstantinos Kenteris accelerated past the field in the last half of the race to pull off an upset victory. He finished in 20.09 seconds.

Except for the boycotted 1980 Moscow Games, the United States hadn't been shut out of a medal in the 200 since 1928.

In the decathlon, Estonia's Erki Nool took the gold. American Chris Huffins led throughout the competition, but faded in the 1,500-meters and finished with a bronze.

— DIVING: Synchronized golds for the Chinese divers.

Xiong Ni and Xiao Hailiang won the men's synchronized 3-meter springboard, with another pair from China — Li Na and Sang Xue — wiping out the rest of the field in the women's synchronized 10-meter platform.

U.S. divers were shut out of medals in synchronized diving, and again later in the women's 3-meter springboard.

China's Fu Mingxia won the springboard, joining Americans Greg Louganis and Pat McCormick as the only divers to win four gold medals in their careers.

— TENNIS: A second gold for Venus Williams and now one for Serena, too. The Williams sisters teamed up to rout Dutch players Miriam Oremans and Kristie Boogert 6-1, 6-1 in the finals of women's doubles, a day after Venus won the women's singles titles.

Yevgeny Kafelnikov thought about skipping the Olympic tournament because he didn't like the way he was playing. Finally, he decided to give it a shot. Good move.

The Russian beat German Tommy Haas 7-6 (4), 3-6, 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 to win the gold. Kafelnikov was so happy he tossed his racket 15 rows into the stands and threw a ball into the upper deck.

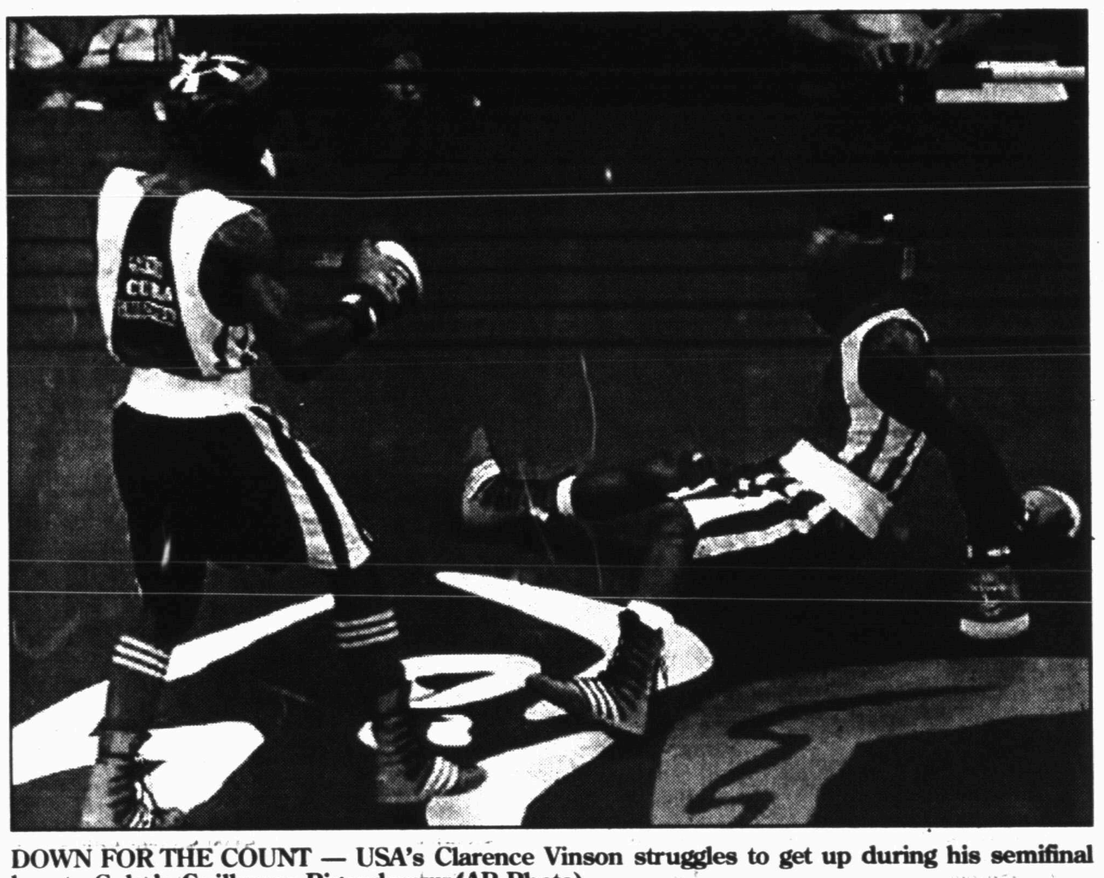
— WRESTLING: Another Russian champ fell to an American wrestler. Texan Brandon Slay took down defending Olympic gold medalist Bouvaissa Saitiev 4-3 in a 167 1/2-pound prelim freestyle match. U.S. wrestlers in the Greco-Roman and freestyle divisions have now beaten three Russian world champions in Sydney.

— BOXING: Bantamweight Guillermo Rigon-deaux stopped a five-bout losing streak for Cuban boxers by defeating American Clarence Vinson 18-6 in a semifinal fight. All boxers in the semifinals get a medal, so Vinson will go home with a bronze.

— BASKETBALL: As expected. The latest Dream Team beat Russia 85-70 in the quaterfinals of the Olympic tournament, but again the U.S. men won ugly. Russia led by 10 in the first half and Vince Carter got into a bit of a scuffle with a Russian player as the teams left the court at halftime.

The Americans took control of the game in the second half. Kevin Garnett led the United States with 16 points.

— TAEKWONDO: A new medal sport and a new gold for the United States. Steven Lopez defeated South Korean Sin Jun-sik to win the first American gold in taekwondo, which is making its debut this year in Sydney as an official Olympic sport.



DOWN FOR THE COUNT — USA's Clarence Vinson struggles to get up during his semifinal loss to Cuba's Guillermo Rigondeaux. (AP Photo)

Medal Leaders

223 Medal Events

Country	G	S	B	Tot
United States	32	18	26	76
Russia	19	18	21	58
China	26	15	15	56
Australia	15	22	14	51
Germany	9	12	20	41
France	12	13	8	33
Italy	11	6	11	28
South Korea	6	8	9	23
Britain	6	9	5	20
Romania	10	4	4	18
Netherlands	8	7	3	18
Ukraine	3	7	7	17
Japan	5	7	4	16
Cuba	5	8	2	15
Belarus	3	1	10	14
Bulgaria	5	3	2	10
Greece	4	5	1	10
Poland	4	4	1	9
Canada	2	2	5	9
Switzerland	1	6	2	9
Sweden	4	3	1	8
Spain	3	1	4	8
Czech Republic	2	2	3	7
Brazil	0	4	3	7
Hungary	3	2	1	6
Indonesia	1	3	2	6
Slovakia	1	3	1	5
Belgium	0	2	3	5

TV Schedule

NBC, MSNBC and CNBC television will highlight the following events during their coverage of the Summer Olympics in Sydney, Australia. All times listed are Eastern Standard Time.

TODAY

NBC—10:00 a.m.-Noon

Diving: Synchronized Diving Finals. Track & Field.

7:00 p.m.-Midnight

Track & Field (finals): Women's 200-meter, Men's 200-meter, Men's Long Jump, Women's Shot Put, Women's 20-kilometer Walk. Decathlon conclusion (1,500 meters). Diving: Women's Springboard Final. Equestrian: Team Jumping Final. Synchronized Swimming: Team Competition.

12:35 a.m.-2:05 a.m.

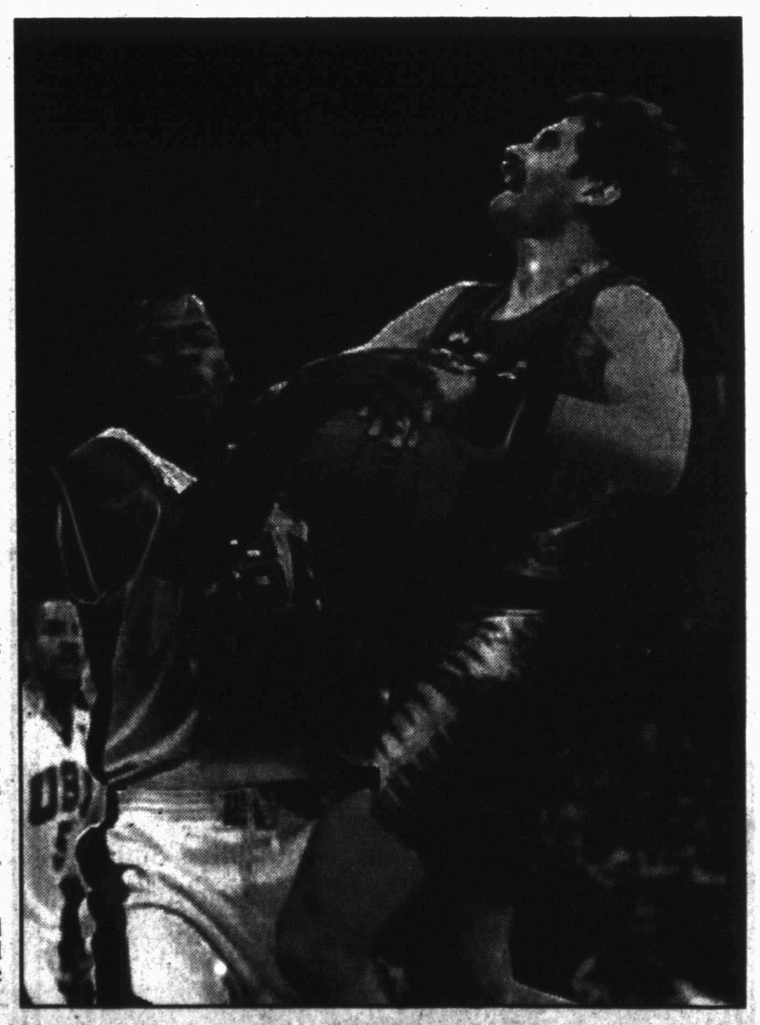
Basketball: Men's Quarterfinal. Track & Field.

MSNBC—10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Soccer: Women's Gold Medal Match. Tennis: Men's Singles Gold Medal Match. Gymnastics: Rhythmic Competition.

CNBC—5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Boxing: Semifinals. Tennis: Women's Doubles Gold Medal Match.



JUMP BALL — Ray Allen of the United States (12) fights for the ball with Russia's Serguei Bazarevitch during the Americans' 85-70 quarterfinal victory. (AP Photo)

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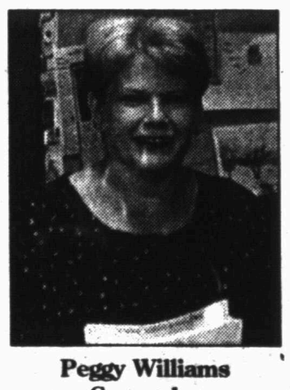

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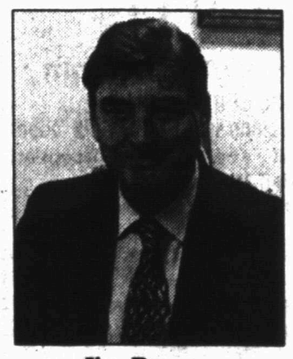

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SPORTS

Tigers set to battle Bulldogs; SHS seeks 1-0 start in district

It's always important to get off to a good start in district play, and in talent-laden District 4-4A, it's more than important. It's vital.

The Snyder Tigers will try to kick off district action with a victory Friday night when they visit Plainview for a 7:30 showdown with the Bulldogs.

Snyder racked up a 2-1 mark in non-district competition, while Plainview enters with a record of 1-2.

But Snyder head coach David Baugh knows the only victories that count, are the ones that come from here on out.

"When you have a district as tough as this one, every district game is a big one," said Baugh, now in his 13th year at the helm of the Tigers. "And with our next two ballgames against Frenship and Andrews, then this one is really important.

"I think Plainview and us are two pretty evenly matched teams. I expect a good ballgame. It will be a tough game, but every game is going to be tough in this district."

The key to Friday night's contest will be the running game. The Tigers must find a way to run against Plainview's eight-man front, and also limit the Bulldogs' production on the ground.

In Snyder's only loss of the season, Abilene Wylie used an eight-man front in the second half to shut down Snyder's ground attack.

"They put eight guys around the line of scrimmage, just like we do, and it makes it tough to run," said Baugh. "We'll have to be able to throw the ball effectively to loosen up their defense. If we can do that, it will make things a lot easier for our running game."

The Tigers' offense should be bolstered by the return of tailback of Josh Arizmendi. The senior will see his first action of the season Friday night, after missing the non-district slate due to injury.

On the defensive side of the ball, Snyder will face a Plainview offense that is similar to Wylie's. Plainview uses a multitude of formations, and will run or pass from all of them.

The Tigers must play disciplined defense, according to Baugh.

"We have to read our keys, and keep them contained," the SHS coach stated. "Sometimes they'll have two guys in the backfield, sometimes one, and sometimes they'll empty the backfield.

"We have to make sure we get lined up correctly, and don't leave anybody uncovered. They like to throw it, just as much as they run it, so we have to be ready for anything."

Good field position will be crucial for the Tigers. Plainview's aggressive defensive style can make it tough for opponents deep in their own territory.

The Bulldogs feature the district's leading punter, so the Tigers know what to expect in the special teams department.

"They have a real good punter, but he only stands nine yards deep," said Baugh. "You'd think you could block one, but he's real quick. He only takes one step, and then kicks it.

"He usually always kicks it to the returning team's left side. We're going to start the game with only one guy deep. But if we need to put two guys back there, we will."

The last time these two teams met was in 1997, with Snyder knocking off Plainview at Tiger Stadium.

In Friday night's other district action, Big Spring visits Andrews. Frenship hosts Estacado, and Levelland travels to Lake View.

District 4-4A Football

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

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

PROJECTED STARTERS
(Snyder in bold)

DEFENSE

ENDS
Max Blackwell, 5-11, 225, sr.
Jamaal Pruitt, 6-1, 185, jr.
Richard Gomez, 6-3, 205, sr.
Chad Ross, 6-4, 190, jr.

TACKLES
R.J. Hernandez, 5-8, 205, sr.
Tremaine Johnson, 6-0, 275, sr.
Manuel Salcedo, 6-4, 240, jr.
Adrian Pizana, 5-10, 223, sr.
Maurice King, 6-4, 215, sr.

LINEBACKERS
Mark Medley, 5-11, 205, sr.
Justin Pechacek, 6-1, 175, jr.
Tovares Brandon, 5-11, 150, sr.
Calvin Scholten, 6-0, 187, jr.
Brant McAdams, 6-1, 227, jr.
Justin Rushing, 5-9, 208, sr.

CORNERBACKS
Edwin James, 5-5, 155, sr.
Chris McLeod, 5-11, 145, jr.
Bryson Davis, 5-10, 172, sr.
Demetris White, 5-7, 156, jr.

STRONG SAFETY
T.J. Cagle, 5-11, 175, jr.

FREE SAFETY
Matthew Grimmett, 6-1, 170, sr.
Justin Raymer, 5-11, 160, jr.

OFFENSE

QUARTERBACK
Jesse Haines, 5-10, 165, sr.
Kyle Miller, 6-2, 192, jr.

RUNNING BACKS
Josh Arizmendi, 5-10, 180, sr.
Tovares Brandon, 5-11, 150, sr.
Brylon Bradic, 6-2, 180, jr.
Bryson Davis, 6-3, 244, jr.

WINGBACK/FLANKER
Edwin James, 5-5, 155, sr.
Adam Naron, 5-10, 163, sr.

SPLIT END
Matthew Grimmett, 6-1, 170, sr.
Jouric Wideman, 6-0, 190, jr.

TIGHT END
Braden Doolittle, 6-1, 185, sr.
Kody Holley, 6-2, 179, sr.

CENTER
Josh Knox, 5-10, 230, soph.
Adrian Rodriguez, 5-10, 213, sr.

GUARDS
R.J. Hernandez, 5-8, 205, sr.
Max Blackwell, 5-11, 225, sr.
Johnny Guzman, 5-9, 186, jr.
Kevin Parker, 5-10, 210, soph.

TACKLES
Tremaine Johnson, 6-0, 275, sr.
Lance Foreman, 6-2, 280, sr.
Miguel Flores, 5-11, 224, sr.
Kody Keith, 5-11, 223, sr.

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY

RODEO: Western Texas at Sul Ross

FOOTBALL: Plainview at Snyder JV, 5 p.m.

FOOTBALL: Snyder freshmen at Plainview, 6 p.m.

FOOTBALL: Snyder seventh and eighth grade at Merkel, 4, 5 and 6 p.m.

FOOTBALL: Trent at Hermleigh Jr. High, 6 p.m.

FRIDAY

FOOTBALL: Snyder at Plainview, 7:30

FOOTBALL: Ira at Blackwell, 7:30

FOOTBALL: Hermleigh, idle

FOOTBALL: Borden County at Wellman-Union, 7:30

RODEO: WTC at Sul Ross

Bulldogs, Coyotes seek six-man wins

The Ira Bulldogs will look to get back on track, while the Borden County Coyotes will try to notch their first victory of the season Friday night in area six-man football action.

Ira travels to Blackwell, and Borden County visits Wellman-Union, for a pair of non-district tilts. Both contests kick off at 7:30.

The Hermleigh Cardinals, still plagued by injuries, were forced to forfeit their match-up with Trent.

In Blackwell, the Bulldogs can even their mark at 2-2 with a victory over the Hornets. Ira is coming off a 43-8 setback last week to Ropes.

The Bulldogs will rely once again on their ground attack, fueled by running backs Nathan Smith and Jeremy Bowden.

In Wellman, the Borden County Coyotes will try to break into the win column, after opening the season with three straight losses.

The Coyotes fell to Ropes, Trent and Sands to begin the year, and will be looking to turn things around before taking on Whitharral next week.

District 6 Six-Man Football

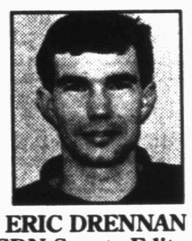
Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Highland	0	0	3	0
Westbrook	0	0	1	1
Ira	0	0	1	2
Loraine	0	0	1	2
Hermleigh	0	0	0	3
Borden County	0	0	0	3

Friday's games: Ira at Blackwell; Hermleigh at Trent; Borden County at Wellman-Union; Highland at Lueders-Avoca; Loraine at Veribest; Abilene Victory Christian at Westbrook.

Snyder's Pigskin Prognosticators

STANDINGS

Floyd	41-39	.513
Cypert	43-37	.538
Rodriguez	47-33	.588
Drennan	44-36	.550



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Estacado at Frenship	Frenship	Frenship	Frenship	Frenship
Levelland at Lake View	Lake View	Levelland	Levelland	Levelland
Oklahoma St. at Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas	Texas
Kansas St. at Colorado	Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.
Texas Tech at Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas Tech	Texas A&M	Texas Tech
Wisconsin at Michigan	Michigan	Wisconsin	Michigan	Michigan
Arizona at Stanford	Arizona	Arizona	Stanford	Stanford
Florida at Mississippi St.	Florida	Florida	Florida	Florida
Georgia at Arkansas	Georgia	Arkansas	Georgia	Georgia
Arizona St. at UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA
Dallas at Carolina	Carolina	Carolina	Carolina	Carolina
Tampa Bay at Washington	Tampa Bay	Tampa Bay	Washington	Tampa Bay
NY Giants at Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
Minnesota at Detroit	Minnesota	Minnesota	Detroit	Minnesota
Indianapolis at Buffalo	Indianapolis	Indianapolis	Indianapolis	Indianapolis
Arizona at San Francisco	San Francisco	San Francisco	San Francisco	San Francisco

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	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Atlanta	94	64	.595	—
y-New York	90	68	.570	4
Florida	75	82	.478	18½
Montreal	67	91	.424	27
Philadelphia	64	94	.405	30

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-St. Louis	93	65	.589	—
Cincinnati	82	76	.519	11
Milwaukee	72	86	.456	21
Houston	70	88	.443	23
Pittsburgh	66	92	.418	27
Chicago	64	94	.405	29

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-San Francisco	94	64	.595	—
Los Angeles	84	74	.532	10
Arizona	83	75	.525	11
Colorado	80	78	.506	14
San Diego	75	83	.475	19

x-clinched division title
y-clinched wild card

Wednesday's Games

Houston 10, Pittsburgh 1
N.Y. Mets 6, Atlanta 2
Milwaukee 10, Cincinnati 6
Florida 6, Montreal 3
Chicago Cubs 1, Philadelphia 0
Colorado 6, Arizona 4
St. Louis 3, San Diego 0
San Francisco 4, Los Angeles 0

Thursday's Games

Montreal (Lira 5-7) at Florida (Penny 7-7), 1:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Politte 3-3) at Chicago Cubs (Nation 0-1), 2:20 p.m.
Arizona (Reynoso 10-12) at Colorado (Wasdin 0-2), 3:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Dessens 10-5) at Milwaukee (D'Amico 12-6), 4:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Kile 19-9) at San Diego (Witasick 3-2), 5:05 p.m.
Houston (Lima 7-16) at Pittsburgh (Silva 10-9), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Maddux 19-8) at N.Y. Mets (BJJones 10-6), 7:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Estes 15-6) at Los Angeles (Brown 13-6), 10:10 p.m.

Friday's Games

Philadelphia (Chen 7-3) at Florida (Smith 5-6), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Van Poppel 4-5) at Pittsburgh (Serafini 2-5), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Thurman 4-8) at N.Y. Mets (Hampton 14-10), 7:10 p.m.
Colorado (Bohanon 11-10) at Atlanta (Ashby 8-5), 7:40 p.m.
Milwaukee (Estrada 2-0) at Houston (Elarton 17-6), 8:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Harnisch 8-6) at St. Louis (Stephenson 16-8), 8:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Hernandez 16-11) at Arizona (Anderson 11-6), 10:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Park 17-10) at San Diego (Williams 10-7), 10:05 p.m.

American League
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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	87	70	.554	—
Boston	83	75	.525	4½
Toronto	83	75	.525	4½
Baltimore	70	88	.443	17½
Tampa Bay	66	91	.420	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Chicago	93	65	.589	—
Cleveland	87	71	.551	6
Detroit	76	82	.481	17
Kansas City	75	83	.475	18
Minnesota	68	90	.430	25

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	89	69	.563	—
Oakland	88	69	.561	½
Anaheim	80	78	.506	9
Texas	70	88	.443	19

x-clinched division title

Wednesday's Games

Oakland 9, Anaheim 7
Toronto 4, Baltimore 0
Tampa Bay 11, N.Y. Yankees 1
Cleveland 8, Minnesota 2
Boston 2, Chicago White Sox 1
Kansas City 3, Detroit 0
Seattle 6, Texas 4

Thursday's Games

Anaheim (Karl 2-2) at Oakland (Appier 15-11), 3:35 p.m.
Texas (Helling 15-13) at Seattle (Moyer 13-10), 6:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 13-10) at Cleveland (Colon 15-8), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Carpenter 10-11) at Baltimore (Rapp 8-12), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Clemens 13-7) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 6-10), 7:15 p.m.
Detroit (Mlicki 6-11) at Kansas City (Meadows 6-2), 8:05 p.m.
Boston (RMartinez 10-8) at Chicago White Sox (Sirotka 15-10), 8:05 p.m.

Friday's Games

Minnesota (Mays 7-14) at Detroit (Weaver 10-15), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Trachsel 8-14) at Cleveland (Burba 16-6), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 19-8) at Baltimore (McElroy 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Arrojo 5-2) at Tampa Bay (Harper 1-2), 7:15 p.m.
Kansas City (Reichert 8-9) at Chicago White Sox (Parque 13-6), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Rogers 13-13) at Oakland (Olivares 4-8), 10:05 p.m.
Seattle (Abbott 9-6) at Anaheim (Ortiz 7-6), 10:05 p.m.

Mariners keep lead with win over Texas

SEATTLE (AP) — The Seattle Mariners know they have to keep winning. The Oakland Athletics are right on their heels, and they aren't letting up.

"We're playing good baseball. No question about it," Seattle manager Lou Piniella said after the AL West-leading Mariners stayed a half-game in front of the A's with a 6-4 victory over the Texas Rangers on Wednesday night.

"We need to keep it going because the team to the south of us isn't giving us much breathing room."

Oakland beat Anaheim 9-7 Wednesday afternoon. With four games left, the Mariners' magic number to make the playoffs is three over Cleveland, which is 11/2 games behind Oakland for the wild card spot.

The Mariners play their final home game Thursday night against Texas before heading to Anaheim for a season-ending weekend series.

Kazuhiro Sasaki, Japan's all-time saves leader, got the final five outs for his 36th save in 39 opportunities. He escaped a bases-loaded jam in the eighth inning to convert his 11th save chance in a row.

"Every pitch was so important," said Sasaki, who pitched 10 years professionally in Japan before signing with the Mariners as a free agent on Dec. 18. "I have to be emotionally ready for it."

Sasaki tied the major league record for saves by a rookie set by St. Louis' Todd Worrell in 1986.

"I'm not really thinking about records," said Sasaki, speaking through a translator. "I'm just glad the team is winning."

Sasaki relieved with a 5-4 lead and one out in the eighth and walked Royce Clayton, loading the bases. But Sasaki retired Rafael Palmeiro on a fly ball to shallow center field and struck out Chad Curtis.

Getting Palmeiro without allowing the tying run to score was the biggest play of the game.

"I just threw my best pitch with everything I had," Sasaki said.

"I did my part. I made five outs," said Palmeiro, who was 0-for-5 as Texas fell to 18 games under .500 for the first time since 1988.

The Mariners added an insurance run in the eighth when Dan Wilson doubled and pinch-runner Al Martin scored on a passed ball by B.J. Waszgis.

Sports Briefs

WGA weekly play day

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its weekly play day at 10 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be fairway everywhere on the front nine. A luncheon and business meeting will follow play.

Horseshoe pitching

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

Turkey shoot

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Golf tournament

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A 45-year-old male pleaded guilty to Class A assault, family violence. He was sentenced to 30 days in jail and $200.25 in court costs.

A 51-year-old female pleaded guilty to DWI with a blood alcohol level of .154. She was sentenced to 120 days in jail, probated 24 months, 180 days drivers license suspension, $235.25 in court costs and a $500 fine.

A 36-year-old female pleaded guilty to DWI with a blood alcohol level of .184. She received 60 days in jail, probated for one year, she must attend DWI school and pay $235.25 in court costs and a fine of $100.

A 58-year-old male pleaded guilty to DWI with a blood alcohol level of .150. He received a 60-day jail sentence that was probated for one year, he must attend DWI school and pay $235.25 in court costs and a fine of $500.

A 25-year-old male pleaded guilty to deadly conduct, a Class A misdemeanor. He was sentenced to two years deferred probation, and must pay $235.25 in court costs and a $1,500 fine.

On Sept. 20 four cases were heard, including a 23-year-old male who pleaded guilty to reckless driving, a Class B misdemeanor. He was sentenced to six months deferred probation, and ordered to pay $235.25 in court costs and a fine of $250.

A 35-year-old male pleaded guilty to DWI with a blood alcohol level of .139. He was sentenced to three days in jail, had his drivers license suspended for 90 days ordered to pay $210.25 court costs and a fine of $1,000.

A 26-year-old male pleaded guilty to DWI and refusal to take a breath test. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail, 180 days drivers license suspension and he must pay court costs of $210.25.

A 25-year-old male pleaded guilty to driving while license suspended. He was sentenced to 10 days in jail and must pay court costs of $210.25.

North Texas 911 line clogged

DALLAS (AP) — Cellular phone customers of Sprint PCS have flooded North Texas emergency operations center with thousands of calls after a computer glitch caused the dispatchers' number to appear on their bills.

When cell phone users received their bills, they tried calling the listed 214 number, which routed them into Waxahachie's 911 emergency center and clogged the system.

"The problem's been going on for about two months," Kay Lutrell, 911 dispatch supervisor, told Dallas television station WFAA.

Lutrell said the calls overloaded the 911 dispatch center in Waxahachie, about 30 miles south of Dallas, by the dozens. She said the caller from the farthest location was in Brazil.

Operator Marie Stevens said she has been keeping a log and trying to keep it under control.

"We want to apologize to the people in Waxahachie," said Peggy De Paoli of Sprint PCS.

Sprint officials said they have already fixed the problem with its billing software.

Boxer's defamation lawsuit is settled

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A former middleweight boxing champion has settled his defamation lawsuit against the makers of "The Hurricane," the critically-acclaimed movie starring Denzel Washington.

Joey Giardello, whose real name is Carmine Tilelli, filed the federal lawsuit in Philadelphia early this year against Universal Pictures, Beacon Communications and Azoff Films.

Terms of the settlement, reached Wednesday, were not disclosed.

Giardello alleged the film inaccurately showed him being "relentlessly pummeled" by Rubin "Hurricane" Carter in a 1964 title fight. He sought to have actual bout footage added to the end of the film and unspecified monetary damages.

Giardello said he is satisfied with the resolution.

Nutrition By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

Why do Pimas get diabetes?

DEAR DR. BLONZ: We have heard about the Pima Indians in Arizona who have a high incidence of diabetes. Apparently, the incidence of diabetes has continued to climb higher over the last couple of decades, such that about 80 percent of Pima are affected. Do you have any info on this matter? Is there a specific genetic component involved, or are the Pima pretty much representative of what happens when anyone has a hi-carb/low-fat diet and not much exercise? Surely they have tried a low-car' diet? — **D.W.**

Dear D.W.: There is a fascinating story here. The Pima Indians appear to have a genetic component that is not faring well under their current dietary style. It is called a "thrifty genotype," and it confers special advantages when the food supply is irregular and the environmental conditions are harsh.

A number of Pima Indians live in Northwest Mexico, having migrated there from the remote mountainous regions of Peru, where a good number remain. In both these areas, there is an inconsistent food supply throughout the year. The Pimas in Peru and Mexico have genetically adapted to the food availability in these regions and, as a group, they tend to be slim and do not suffer from type-2 diabetes.

There are Pimas, however, that have migrated to the Southwest United States, where they no longer have to cope with an irregular food supply. Those Pimas are suffering from an epidemic of obesity (and type-2 diabetes) attributable to this environmental change in their diet.

There is a definite insulin resistance and hyperinsulinemia in the Americanized Pima Indians. Scientists from around the world have been studying this population, because it offers a fascinating insight into the potential interplay between genetics and disease. I don't know if the Pimas have tried a low-carb diet.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: This past weekend, there have been a number of television advertisements for an herbal supplement that promises to increase bust size. I am, of course, skeptical, but if these might work and they wouldn't cause any harm, I would like to give them a try.

The television ad said that there was a money-back guarantee if there was not at least a one-half- to two-cup-size increase in 60 days. I have no idea what is in these pills, and I was hoping you might know. - T.B., San Francisco, Calif.

Dear T.B.: It is good that you are taking the time to check out this product before you send in your money. I wish I had positive news for you, but what you are asking about is totally unsubstantiated and anecdotal in nature. The product appears to base its success largely on a couple of unsolicited testimonials with no details as to dosage or actual changes in bust size.

There is no research evidence or even the hint that such evidence might be forthcoming. I found one herbalist who seems to be the source of these ideas. He expresses his own doubt about the veracity of these claims, stating that if he had indeed stumbled upon a secret to natural breast enlargement, he would be a wealthy man, which he reveals is certainly not the case.

Another telling fact is that I checked out a number of different herbal bust developers, only to find that they didn't use the same herbs! That, plus the utter lack of scientific evidence or reasoning, was enough to cast serious doubt as to their efficacy.

If you want to try this product because you think you will get your money back if it doesn't work, you should understand that there is no guarantee that the company will be around in 60 days, willing to return your money when you request it.

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	33.56	32.88	33.50	+ .13
AT&T Corp	28.63	27.63	28.44	+ 1.06
Albertsons	20.94	20.50	20.56	—.38
Alltel	50.31	49.88	50.25	+ .25
AmerOnline s	54.50	53.03	54.08	+ .58
AmEl Pw	38.44	37.13	38.38	+ 1.48
AndarkPtr	64.24	62.80	62.81	—.78
ATMOS Egy	20.50	20.00	20.38	+ .13
Avail	6.38	6.25	6.38	+ .06
BP Amoco s	52.63	52.13	52.38	—.94
BakerHughes	37.13	36.63	37.00	+ .13
Bank of Amer	53.25	52.19	53.25	+ .56
BellSouth	38.13	37.19	38.06	+ .88
Beth Steel	3.06	2.88	3.00	+ .06
BurlNoSFe	21.63	21.19	21.38	+ .25
Caterpillar	33.44	32.63	33.38	+ .56
Chevron	85.94	85.06	85.56	+ .13
Citigroup s	53.13	52.00	53.00	+ .63
Coastal	75.69	74.63	75.13	+ .50
CocaCola	55.13	54.13	55.00	—.63
ColgatePal	46.00	44.05	45.97	+ 1.47
ComclMetals	23.81	23.50	23.75	+ .19
CooperIn	33.94	33.31	33.75	+ .19
DaimlrChry	45.40	44.55	44.70	—1.24
DallSemicn s	31.94	31.50	31.94	+ .56
DeltaAirl	45.56	44.75	45.44	+ .13
Dillards Inc	10.69	10.25	10.63	+ .50
DowChem s	24.44	23.88	23.94	—.38
DuPont	39.56	38.63	38.75	—.38
EastmanChem	36.50	35.63	36.50	—.13
EstKodak	41.38	40.13	41.00	—1.50
EDS Corp	44.00	42.06	42.25	—1.19
Entergy	37.38	36.31	36.94	+ .79
ExxonMobil	89.88	89.13	89.25	
Flowers	20.50	20.31	20.44	+ .13
GenDynam	62.94	62.31	62.81	+ .69
GenElec s	59.75	59.19	59.44	
GenMills s	36.38	35.81	36.19	+ .69
GenMotors	66.25	65.06	65.94	—.38
GaPacGP	23.25	22.63	23.13	+ .69
GlobalMar	31.06	30.13	30.25	—.44
Goodrich	40.13	39.88	40.06	
Goodyear s	18.60	18.00	18.49	+ .47
GtAtlPac	11.06	10.88	11.00	+ .13
Halliburtn	49.19	48.00	48.31	—.38
Hanson ADS	26.31	26.00	26.25	+ .38
HarteHanks	27.88	26.81	27.81	+ .94
HomeDepot s	54.81	53.81	54.69	—.06
HoneywellIntl	35.81	34.81	35.63	+ .75
IBM	117.63	115.69	117.63	+ 1.00
IntlPaper	28.19	27.63	28.13	+ .38
JohnsonJn	96.44	95.31	96.31	+ 1.19
K mart	6.13	5.88	6.06	+ .06
Kroger Co	22.75	22.50	22.69	+ .13
Litton	44.44	44.19	44.25	—.19
LockheedM	32.99	32.08	32.64	—.22
Lowes Cos	47.00	45.88	46.81	—.19
Lubys	5.50	5.44	5.50	
LucentTech	31.81	28.81	31.63	+ 3.06
MayDeptStr	20.63	20.13	20.25	+ .19
Medtronic	50.44	49.56	50.31	+ 1.31
MorganJP	163.75	160.13	163.31	+ 2.13
Motorola s	29.00	28.19	28.69	+ .06
NCR Corp	37.31	37.00	37.06	
Navistar	30.38	30.06	30.38	—.13
Penney JC	12.50	11.75	12.25	+ .63
PepBoys	4.94	4.81	4.88	+ .06
PepsiCo	45.88	45.06	45.75	+ .25
Pharmacia	59.88	58.63	59.88	+ 1.44
PhelpDodge	41.56	41.06	41.19	+ .06
PhilipPet	64.13	62.88	63.00	—1.38
PilgrmPrd B	7.31	7.00	7.31	+ .31
Polaroid	13.88	13.56	13.88	+ .13
Praxair	36.50	35.13	36.38	+ .81
ProctGamb	64.94	61.06	64.81	+ 2.94
PubS NwMx	26.44	26.00	26.38	+ .19
RadioShack	65.50	63.81	65.19	+ .31
ReliantEngy	46.06	44.31	45.75	+ 1.42
RoyalDut	60.50	60.13	60.31	—.38
SBC Comm	47.75	47.13	47.56	+ .13
SaraLee	19.94	19.56	19.88	+ .31
Scripos EW	50.44	50.00	50.44	+ .69
SearsRoeb	34.74	33.09	34.59	+ .14
SherwinW	20.81	20.31	20.75	+ .44
SmithkBchm	66.88	65.88	66.88	+ .94
SouthernCo	32.44	31.94	32.31	+ .29
SwstAirl	23.88	23.44	23.88	+ .06
SprintFON	28.75	26.56	28.63	+ 2.13
SprintPCS s	33.25	32.38	33.25	+ 1.21
Sunoco Inc	27.13	26.69	26.69	—.06
TXU Corp	39.50	38.25	39.38	+ 1.17
TempleInland	38.19	37.25	38.00	+ .75
Texaco	52.50	51.63	51.75	—.50
TexInd	28.94	28.63	28.88	+ .25
TexasInst s	49.00	45.44	47.94	+ .06
Textron	45.50	44.00	45.06	+ .19
TriconGlbR	29.50	29.19	29.38	+ .19
TrinityInds	23.31	23.06	23.25	+ .25
TritonEngy	38.56	37.31	37.75	—.88
TylerTech	2.00	1.81	1.88	+ .06
USX-Marathn	28.25	27.81	27.81	—.44
USX-USS	15.50	15.13	15.19	—.06
UnCarbde	36.19	35.69	36.13	—.50
UnionPacif	38.50	38.00	38.31	+ .25
UnitedTech	70.25	69.00	70.19	+ 1.38
Unocal	35.38	34.75	34.75	—.38
Venator Grp	13.13	13.00	13.06	+ .06
VerizonComm	45.31	43.44	45.31	+ 1.88
WalMart	49.25	48.00	49.19	+ 1.06
WellsFargo	47.00	46.19	47.00	+ .69
WstnGasRs	24.75	24.50	24.50	
WinnDixie	14.63	14.06	14.56	+ .38
Xerox Cp	15.00	14.81	14.94	—.06

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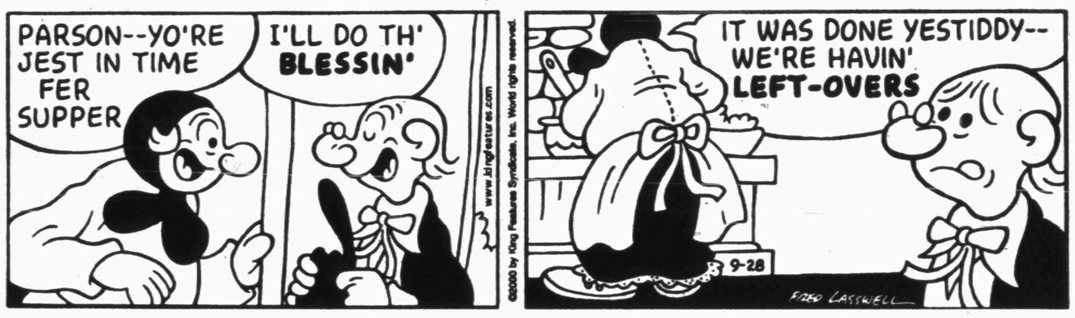

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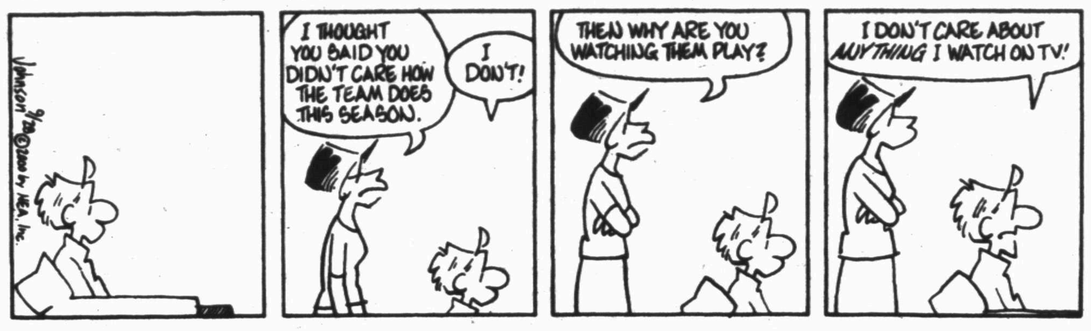

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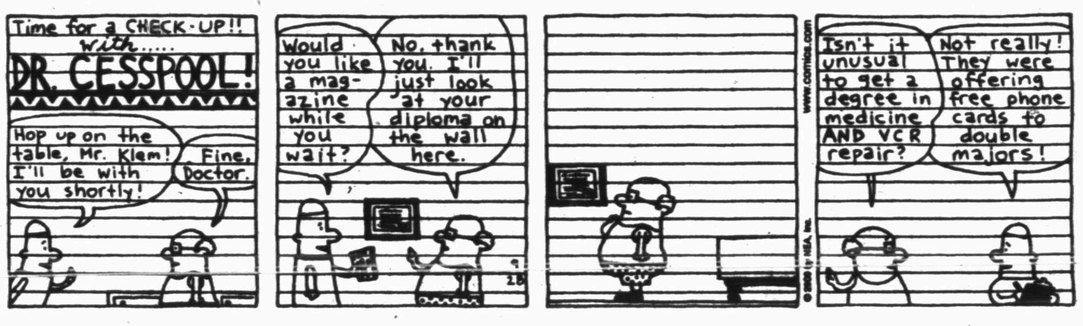

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"Your account is $28 overdrawn."

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Sleeping-sickness fly
7 Casual top
13 Big parties
14 Certain compound
15 Aquatic mammals
16 Ten years
17 TV's Peeples
18 Exist
20 "Gosh!"
21 Art deco name
23 Actor Brynner
24 Clarinet part
25 Finnish first name
27 Eastern philosophy
29 Brit. nobleman
31 Filbert, e.g.
32 Workers' assn.
33 Actress Joanne —
34 Monitor the content of
37 Hollywood's elephant boy
40 Ladder step
41 "— will be done"
43 Sole
45 Skill
46 Debtor's letters
47 Football coach Parseghian
48 Carport
51 Volcano part
54 Uses a pencil end
55 Breakfast food
56 Leave
57 Enthusiastically

DOWN

1 Steak choice
2 Mark Twain's forte
3 Property
4 "— Lion King"
5 Sun. speech
6 School composition
7 Coastal area
8 Opp. of NNW
9 Ad —
10 Pictures
11 Use coupons
12 In a difficult position
19 Wheel track
22 Basketball's Julius —
24 Ceremony
26 Greases
28 Yours and mine
30 Most like Santa's suit
34 Arrow poison
35 Capture
36 Greek letter
38 Sailed
39 Imaginary
40 Expressed anger
42 Desert plant
44 Ahead of schedule
49 Simile center (2 wds.)
50 Neighbor of Fr.
52 Gun the engine
53 Jackie's 2nd mate

Answer to Previous Puzzle

P	Y	R	I	T	E			O	L	I	V	E
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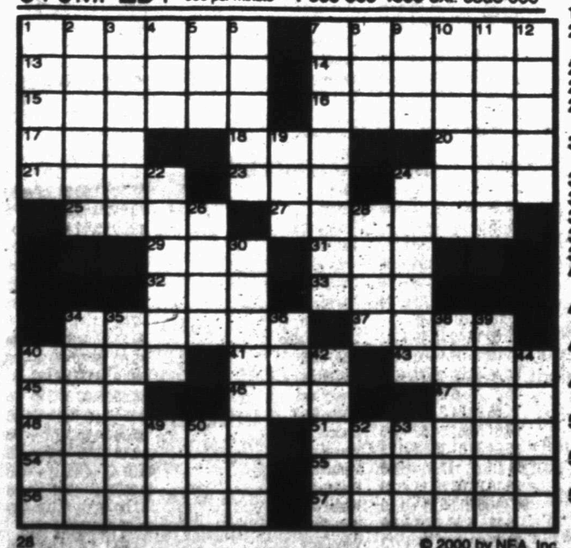

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Snyder Daily News Comics

DENNIS THE MENACE ® by Hank Ketcham

"SORRY, BOYS, BUT WE'RE ALL OUT OF LIONS AND TIGERS, AND WE SOLD OUR LAST ELEPHANT THIS MORNING."

KIT 'N' CARLYLE ® by Larry Wright

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Daughters hanging of posters causes dad to climb the walls

DEAR ABBY: My stepdaughters like to decorate their room with lots of posters and whatnots. The girls hang them using thumbtacks and constantly rearrange them. As a result, their walls are full of tiny holes. I don't mind their hanging one or two posters, but the number they hang (and move from place to place) is destructive and shows little respect for our home.

My wife disagrees. She is right when she says we can repair the walls when the girls are older, but I feel we are not teaching them discipline by allowing them to be so destructive. My wife is angry that I won't let this go.

Abby, if the girls refuse to respect my decision on the number of posters they can hang in their room, it makes it difficult for me to respect their decisions. Should I just shut up and allow them to hang and move their posters as they please? — **TICKED OFF IN LOUISIANA**

DEAR TICKED OFF: Posters are important to young people. These "interior design statements" are part of growing up. It has nothing to do with a lack of respect for you.

Look at it this way: The holes in the wall can be easily repaired when the girls outgrow this phase — as they will eventually. It's harder to "repair" an overly strict relationship. Loosen up, Dad, and don't sweat the small stuff.

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DEAR ABBY: About two years ago, I received a letter from a woman incarcerated in a California state prison. To make a long story short, I ended up sending her stationery, envelopes, stamps and many money orders — one for more than $600.

She told me she had no family and needed a place to live after she was paroled. Well, I took the bait, hook, line and sinker, and "helped" her for more than 18 months.

I'm 43 years old and thought I had finally found my future mate. Her letters seemed sweet and sincere. I felt sorry for her. She even sent me a document that looked genuine showing her "release date."

All of it was a lie. I'm sick to my stomach, not only because of the amount of money I sent her, but because I was hurt by someone I thought I could trust.

A few months ago I received the same story in a letter from a woman inmate in a Texas prison. Do you think these prisoners are passing my name around? Also, is there any way I can get my money back? — **FEELING USED IN UTAH**

DEAR FEELING USED: Write the wardens at both prisons, giving the names of the women who have contacted you. Prison officials should be aware that some inmates are committing still more crimes via the U.S. mail. As for the money you lost, you have learned an expensive lesson; consider it tuition in the school of experience.

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DEAR ABBY: Three years ago I had an affair with a handsome, intelligent man who turned out to be too good to be true. I discovered he had fabricated most of the information he gave me about himself, including his marital status and name.

I gave birth to his son out of wedlock. This man supports our child financially, but does not see him. This is his choice, not mine.

Abby, my question is this: Does my precious little boy deserve to go through life as a secret to his father's entire family, or do his grandparents on his father's side deserve to know of their grandchild?

My feeling is that if I were a grandparent in the autumn of my life, I would want to know this child, see him and love him. Please ask your readers to respond. Thank you for any insights. — **PROUD MOM**

DEAR PROUD MOM: Instinct tells me I will get strong opinions on both sides of this important question. Readers?

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What teens need to know about sex, drugs, AIDS, and getting along with peers and parents is in "What Every Teen Should Know." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Teen Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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Cancer benefits of canola diet studied

BISMARCK, N.D. (AP) — Feeding dairy cattle a diet of canola seed might, sometime in the future, result in milk that helps prevent breast cancer, a researcher says.

Dairy farmers say they would have to have a monetary incentive to feed canola seed to their cattle.

"It would depend on what kind of money (a farmer) is getting for his end product and what other feedstuffs are available, and the costs of those feedstuffs," said Gary Hoffman of Ashley, a spokesman for the St. Paul, Minn.-based Midwest Dairy Association.

Chung Park, a dairy nutritionist at North Dakota State University, is starting feeding trials to find out if canola seed in a cow's diet will produce milk higher in compounds that suppress the development of cancer, particularly in female mammary glands.

In theory, a cow's stomach will convert fatty acids in canola seed into conjugated linoleic acid, a nutritional supplement researchers say already has potential for melting fat, building muscle and reducing heart disease in humans.

"It has strong implications for canola producers in the state, and human health," Park said.

George Abbott, a spokesman for the American Cancer Society regional office in Denver, said people should be cautious about getting their hopes up.

"With any research program, if it's in the beginning stages, it's sort of wait-and-see," he said. "There's a lot of steps that have to be followed."

Many farmers already feed their cattle canola meal — a byproduct of the crushing process to extract edible oil from the canola seed. The research project, which also involves George Marx, an animal science professor at the University of Minnesota-Crookston, deals strictly with the canola seed, which will be crushed and fed to cattle.

If the research proves what Park suspects, the benefit to canola farmers would be a potential new market, said Barry Coleman, executive director of the Northern Canola Growers Association. The growers group is contributing $15,000 to the $40,000 study.

"If there is another market created for crushed seed for dairy cows ... that will certainly increase prices people will receive for their canola," Coleman said.

"It all depends on what the research shows," he said. "And if it shows what we hope, it depends on how much of an importance people place in having an increased CLA content in milk, and what kind of premium the dairy farmer would get for increasing the CLA content in the milk."

Killer is executed

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Time finally ran out for convicted killer Ricky McGinn.

McGinn, 43, who avoided the Texas death chamber twice earlier this year — first because of a tornado and a second time when Gov. George W. Bush uncharacteristically stepped in with a reprieve — quietly was executed Wednesday evening for raping and fatally beating his 12-year-old stepdaughter.

"I don't want nobody to be mad at nobody," he said in a brief final statement while strapped to the death house gurney, needles in each arm. "I don't want nobody to be bitter. Keep clean hearts and I will see y'all on the other side."

He smiled at his sobbing mother and siblings watching through a window a few feet away, then closed his eyes, sputtered and uttered a slight groan. Eight minutes later, he was pronounced dead.

McGinn insisted he was innocent of the 1993 killing of Stephanie Flanary and said additional DNA tests on hair and semen evidence would prove his case. Only minutes from execution June 1, McGinn won a 30-day reprieve from Bush so new tests could be conducted.

That death date had been rescheduled because a tornado swept through his lawyer's office in downtown Fort Worth.

The reprieve from Bush marked his first use of a Texas governor's authority to halt an execution for 30 days. The action, in the midst of Bush's bid to secure the Republican presidential nomination, was viewed as an example of compassionate conservatism, a favorite theme of his campaign.

McGinn's execution was reset for Wednesday when DNA test results disclosed last month confirmed his guilt.

"It was proven over and over," said Moszell Ham, whose granddaughter's death was tied to McGinn. "I hate the word closure. I despise that word. There's never going to be any closure... But there's satisfaction. I am really satisfied he can't get out and kill any more little girls.

"I saw him take his last breath and I know he's gone and can't hurt anybody. That's why I came."

Texaco will settle oil royalty dispute

HOUSTON (AP) — Texaco Inc. has agreed to pay $43 million to settle charges that it intentionally underpaid royalties due for oil produced on federal and Native American land leased from 1980 to 1998.

The settlement resolves allegations that Texaco paid less than it owed by systematically underreporting the value of the oil, officials with the U.S. Department of Justice said Wednesday.

The federal government has already reached settlement agreements with several other oil companies for underpayment of royalties, including: Chevron, $95 million; Mobil Oil, $45 million; BP Amoco, $32 million; Conoco, $26 million; and Pennzoil, $11.9 million.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Retin-A may help fade age spots

DEAR DR. GOTT: Although I am a healthy 91-year-old male, I am bothered by age spots on my face. What can I do?

DEAR READER: Brown pigmented spots on the skin are common in the elderly and often reflect damage incurred by sun exposure in earlier years. Frankly, given your age, I urge you to ignore these blemishes and rejoice that, at 91, you're in good health.

However, if you are truly concerned, see a dermatologist. There are many products available — such as Retin-A — that, when applied daily as a cream, will fade the spots you describe. The dermatologist can advise you.

DEAR DR. GOTT: When I was growing up in the 1940s in Chicago, public places were commonly shut down because of the threat of infantile paralysis. Is this the same as Lou Gehrig's disease?

DEAR READER: Poliomyelitis ("infantile paralysis") used to be a communicable nerve infection with the potential for causing severe, permanent paralysis. The virus infection was so serious that many victims lost the use of their respiratory muscles and had to be maintained with archaic breathing devices called iron lungs. Like you, I remember the polio epidemics of the 1940s. Fortunately, poliomyelitis is no longer a health concern in the developed world, thanks to extensive childhood vaccination programs.

On the other hand, amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (often called Lou Gehrig's disease, after the baseball hero who suffered from it) is primarily a disease of middle-age. Marked by a progressive degeneration of the nerves controlling muscular movement, the cause is unknown — although many diseases (including mercury and lead poisoning, thyroid disorders, inherited biochemical afflictions, diabetes, and brain tumors) may mimic the signs and symptoms of ALS. The diagnosis is made by a neurological examination that includes electrical muscle/nerve testing. There is no treatment and the outlook is grim: most patients die within five years of diagnosis.

Polio and ALS are believed to be separate diseases. One has been controlled; the other, sadly, has not.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My alternative health practitioner believes that potassium supplements will help cure my allergies. Is she correct? If not, is there any vitamin or mineral that will help?

DEAR READER: No to both questions.

Allergies are caused by a histamine reaction of the immune system to allergens, foreign substances that enter the body from the environment. The allergic reaction is not mediated by or related to potassium, a mineral that is, however, essential for normal metabolism and healthy living cells.

Potassium deficiency, a common consequence of many diuretics (drugs that wash fluid and potassium from the body), is marked by weakness, constipation and potentially life-threatening irregularities of the heartbeat.

Neither potassium nor any other vitamin or mineral supplement will relieve allergic symptoms, which can run the gamut from hay fever and rash to a serious state of shock. Such reactions are best treated with antihistamine drugs, such as Benadryl, Claritin, Zyrtec and Allegra.

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Date Book

Thursday, Sept. 28, 2000

Today is the 272nd day of 2000 and the seventh day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1542, explorer Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo discovered San Diego Bay, in what is now the state of California.

On this day in 1944, the first musical comedy written for television, "Boys From Boise," was broadcast in New York City.

On this day in 1961, "Hazel," starring Shirley Booth, premiered on television.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Confucius (551 B.C.-479 B.C.), teacher; Caravaggio (1573-1610), artist; Friedrich Engels (1820-1895), social theorist; William S. Paley (1901-1990), CBS founder; Ed Sullivan (1902-1974), TV personality; Al Capp (1909-1979), cartoonist; Marcello Mastroianni (1923-1996), actor; Brigitte Bardot (1934-), actress, is 66; Steve Largent (1954-), football star, is 46.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1920, eight Chicago White Sox players were indicted for throwing the 1919 World Series.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "When nature exceeds culture, we have the rustic. When culture exceeds nature, we have the pedant." — Confucius

TODAY'S MOON: Day after new moon (Sept. 27).

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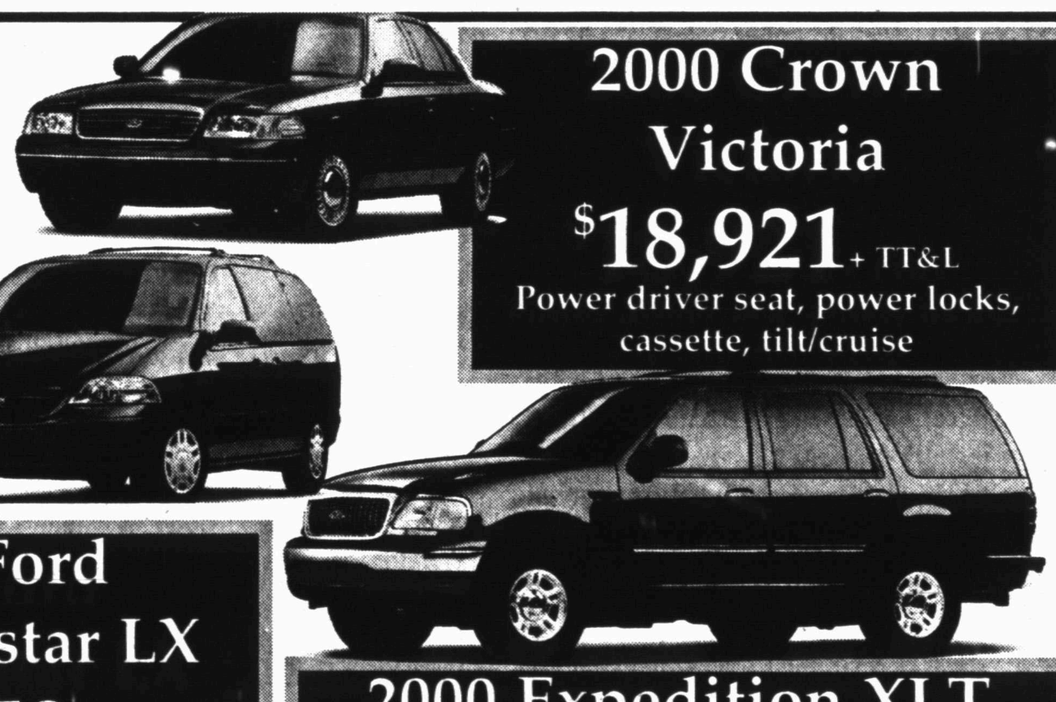

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Ferry captain faces multiple charges

PAROS, Greece (AP) — The captain and three crew members of a Greek ferry boat that sank, killing at least 66 people, were charged Thursday with multiple counts of murder.

Investigators were focusing on reports that the ship loaded with more than 500 passengers was apparently on automatic pilot minutes before striking a well-marked rocky outcropping, bolstering accounts by survivors that crew members were watching a soccer match on television Tuesday night when the ship sank two miles from shore.

Efforts by navy divers and rescue crews to find at least eight missing people were hampered by a fierce gale that has stopped all boat traffic to and from this holiday island. Rescue teams said there could be up to 14 missing.

Although the ship had just passed an inspection, a prosecutor was also investigating accusations the 34-year-old Express Samina had propulsion and steering problems. Described as a "rusting hulk" by the Greek Merchant Marine Mechanics Union, the ferry was to be decommissioned next year.

Greece's worst ferry sinking in 35 years has dealt a serious blow to this nation that prides itself on a maritime tradition dating back more than 2,000 years. In 1965, 217 people died in the sinking of the passenger ship Iraklion.

Survivors have also accused the crew of panicking and failing to organize the evacuation of the ship, saying life boats were not quickly deployed. Many attributed their rescue to the proximity of the shore, and a small fleet of fishing boats that sped to the sinking vessel.

Premier Costas Simitis held an emergency Cabinet meeting to discuss the shipwreck. Government officials said no mercy would be shown to those found responsible for the sinking.

"Criminals, a blind course on autopilot" screamed a banner headline in the normally staid daily Eltherotypia. "Murderers," ran another headline in the daily Eleftheros Typos.

Ship's captain Vassilis Yannakis, his deputy, Anastasios Psychoyos, and two crewmen were charged with four felonies, regional prosecutor Dimitrios Dadinopoulos said.

He said the charges included multiple counts of homicide with possible malice, causing serious bodily injuries with possible malice, violating maritime regulations, violating international regulations on avoiding an accident, and sinking a ship.

Nursing homes' deficiencies continue

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two years after federal investigators found serious care problems at many of the nation's 17,000 nursing homes, a new government report cites progress but notes an increase in homes with deficiencies.

"Vigilance by both state and federal officials must be unrelenting to ensure the safety and well-being of the nation's nursing home residents," William Scanlon of the General Accounting Office said at a hearing Thursday before the Senate Aging Committee.

President Clinton announced a series of initiatives to improve nursing homes after congressional hearings two years ago found significant problems. The GAO, Congress' investigative arm, has been monitoring the progress of those initiatives.

"While we've made some improvements, it still seems in many ways we've been stuck in the same position since day one," said Sen. John Breaux, D-La.

The committee's chairman, Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, said: "These efforts must be sustained — they must not be allowed to falter — in order for us to realize their potential for improved nursing home care."

The agency's investigation found a "marginal increase nationwide in the proportion of homes with documented actual harm." Seventeen states had an increase of 5 percent or greater of the number of homes with deficiencies. For instance, Arizona had the highest increase, 19.6 percent, followed by Arkansas with a 16.1 percent increase and New York with a 14.3 percent increase.

Investigators said the results could be caused by several things, including more rigorous efforts by states to identify problems. "The survey results could also suggest that nursing homes may not have made sufficient strides to measurably improve residents' quality care," Scanlon said.

Obituaries

Sue Trice

1915-2000

Sue Belle Teaff Trice, longtime Snyder resident, died Wednesday, Sept. 27, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

Sue Trice

Funeral service for Mrs. Trice, 85, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the First United Methodist Church. Dr. Craig Curry, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Born April 27, 1915 in Knox City, she had resided in the Snyder area since 1922. A graduate of Hermleigh High School, her family lived in the Camp Springs community, and moved to Snyder in 1965.

She married J.T. Trice on Dec. 28, 1936. He died Dec. 10, 1999.

Mrs. Trice was the bookkeeper at C.R. Anthony's for 35 years.

A member of the First United Methodist Church, she was a member of the Hayley Sunday School Class. She was active in the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center and she and her husband were active in Senior Citizens dances in the Big Country. Also, she was a member of the Altruian Study Club.

Mrs. Trice also was preceded in death by her parents, L.D. and Sarah Lou Markham Teaff; three sisters, Madge Derryberry, LaTrece Henderson and Edna Earl Teaff; and three brothers, J.B. "Shorty" Teaff, Garland Teaff and Little Rob Teaff.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and Gene Vernon of Snyder; one son, Jerry Trice of Chicago, Ill.; a brother and sister-in-law, Bill and Inez Teaff of Snyder; one sister, Betty Jo Stiffler of Topeka, Kan.; a sister-in-law, Cloma Teaff of Big Spring; four grandchildren, Carman Carpenter of Snyder, Richard Trice of Dallas, Jerilynn Trice of Houston, Tyler Trice of Chicago; and one great-granddaughter, Sarah Carpenter of Snyder.

Friends are making memorials to the Scurry County Senior Center, 2603 Ave. M, or to the First United Methodist Church, 2700 College Ave.

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Cleone Fulford

1921-2000

Cleone Fulford, longtime Fluvanna resident, died Tuesday, Sept. 26, in Lubbock following a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Fulford, 79, is set for 10 a.m. Saturday in the Fluvanna Baptist Church. The Revs. Thomas Hall and Cecil Foster will officiate. Burial will follow in the Fluvanna Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born July 25, 1921 in Gatesville, she married Ray Fulford on Jan. 7, 1939 in Clariot, Tex.

A resident of Fluvanna since 1939, Mrs. Fulford was a beautician and a member of the Fluvanna First Baptist Church and Quilting Club

She was preceded in death by three brothers, Edgar Kinsey, David Kinsey and D.D. Kinsey; and one sister, Leona Markham.

Survivors include her husband, Ray Fulford of Fluvanna; a son, Victor Fulford of Lubbock; four brothers, Ellis Kinsey of Stephenville, Wesley Kinsey of Fort Worth, Arvin Kinsey of Williston, N.D., and Marvin Kinsey of Dallas; three grandchildren, Lance Fulford of California, Xan Fulford of Austin and Jai Fulford of Lubbock; and three great-grandchildren, Hagen Fulford, Braxton Fulford and Candra Fulford.

Gladys Wade

1906-2000

Funeral service for Gladys Ida Wade, a former resident of Snyder, is set for 4 p.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church Chapel in Snyder with a son, the Rev. John Wade of Abilene, officiating.

Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Wade, 94, died Wednesday, Sept. 27, in Corn Heritage Village in Corn, Okla., following a lengthy illness.

Born March 10, 1906 in Merkel, she married Anthem Wade on June 4, 1939 in Merkel. Mrs. Wade, a homemaker, moved to Snyder in 1983 and had moved to Weatherford, Okla. She and her husband were missionaries on the Indian reservations in Oklahoma.

Her parents, T.D. and Mary Harris Wiman preceded her in death.

Survivors include her husband, Anthem Wade of Corn; a daughter and son-in-law, Betty and Ron Rooker of Weatherford, Okla.; two sons and daughters-in-law, Larry and Judy Wade of Lake Kiowa, Tex., and the Rev. John and Ann Wade of Abilene; two sisters, Pat Keeth of Weslaco and Ruth Wiman of San Angelo; two brothers, Talmadge Wiman of Sweetwater and Jim Wiman of Lubbock; and three sisters-in-law, Bird Wade and Lou Wiman, both of Snyder, and Gladys Shaw of Abilene.

Leila Darlin

1914-2000

Funeral service for Leila B. Seaton Darlin, a resident of Scurry County since 1976, was set for 4 p.m. today in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Tom Holcomb, minister of the East Side Church of Christ, was to officiate. Burial was to follow in Snyder Cemetery.

Mrs. Darlin, 85, died Tuesday, Sept. 26, at her home in Snyder, following a lengthy illness.

Born Oct. 4, 1914 in McCaulley, she married Walter D. Darlin on Nov. 27, 1932 in Spur. He died on March 15, 1997.

Mrs. Darlin was a homemaker and a longtime member of the Church of Christ. She lived in Lubbock and Brownfield before moving to Snyder where she was a member of the East Side Church of Christ.

She also was preceded in death by a sister, Era Bratcher.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Charles and Cynthia Darlin of Snyder and Walter Bruce and Mary Lou Darlin of Burleson; two sisters, Cora Rose Jones of San Angelo and Julie Woodard of Brownfield; four brothers, B.D. Seaton, J.C. Seaton, Ira E. Seaton and Bradley Seaton, all of Brownfield; three grandchildren, Sherry Hernandez of The Colony, Kenneth Wayne Darlin of Lubbock and Casandra Darlin of Snyder; and two great-grandchildren, Amber Hernandez and Michael Hernandez, both of The Colony.

BCD meets briefly

The Board of County Development met briefly Wednesday for its quarterly meeting, approving several routine items.

The board also tabled one item of new business concerning a presentation from C.D. Gray Jr., as Gray was not at the meeting.

He had indicated to board members that he needed to complete additional research before bringing a proposal before the board.

In routine items, the minutes from the BCD's June meeting were approved as was one bill for payment.

The financial statements were also reviewed and approved.

Four people jailed in past 24 hours

• ***Arrests***

A 20-year-old woman was booked into Scurry County Jail at 3:40 p.m. Wednesday on a warrant for theft by check.

Outstanding Department of Public Safety warrants for speeding, failure to appear and failure to wear a safety belt landed a 21-year-old man in jail at 10:03 p.m. Wednesday.

Two men, ages 19 and 21, were arrested at 12:33 a.m. today in the 3500 block of Avenue L for public intoxication.

• ***Missing goat***

Snuffy Burditt spoke to officers at 5:58 p.m. Wednesday in reference to one of his goats being stolen sometime over the past two weeks.

• ***Music disturbance***

Police received a complaint of a loud music at the College Park Apartments, 4503 College, at 12:03 a.m. today. A resident of one of the apartments was advised of the complaint.

• ***Accident***

A one-vehicle accident occurred at 12:12 a.m. today in the 3500 block of Avenue L. A 1995 Chevrolet driven by John Brzozowski Jr., 19, of 3902 Eastridge struck a utility pole owned by TXU Electric.

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Family night out

West Elementary will have family night out from 6 to 9 this evening at the Subway.

Bicycle rodeo

Snyder Cub Scouts will have a bicycle rodeo at 6 this evening at Stanfield Elementary.

Northeast family reading night

The Northeast Elementary family reading night will be from 6:30-8 this evening. Pizza and soft drinks will be served and childcare will be provided.

West book fair

Friday from 8 to 10 a.m. is the final day of the West Elementary Scholastic Book Fair being held in Room 8.

Choir booster deadline

Friday is the final day to purchase choir booster memberships. Cost is $15 and can be purchased from a choir student or by calling the school at 573-6301.

Joint class reunion

SHS classes of 1943, 1944 and 1945 will have a reunion Friday and Saturday. All events will take place at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. A social will be held Friday from 7:30-9:30 p.m., and a coffee will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday. A dinner is set for 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

Weigh Down registration

It's not too late to join the Monday night class for Weigh Down at the Word is Life fellowship hall. Class begins Monday at the church, 312 Coliseum Dr. Call Claudia Sanchez at 573-9615 to register.

SHS choir concert

SHS choirs will host its fall concert at 7 p.m. Monday in the Worsham Auditorium.

Author to visit Stanfield

Texas author Herb Marlow will visit Stanfield Tuesday. The first storytelling session begins at 8:30 a.m. Everyone is invited.

Lord's Acre fish fry

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

FFA boosters

Snyder FFA Booster Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the SHS ag building to discuss the trip to Louisville, Ky., and the fundraiser.

SHS choir boosters

The SHS choir boosters will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the choir room to paint signs for freshman students. All choir parents are invited.

FBC worship service

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

Chicken spaghetti supper

Snyder Tennis Booster Club is selling tickets for a chicken spaghetti supper to be held from 5-7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6, in the SHS cafeteria prior to the Snyder-Frenship football game. $5 tickets may be obtained from any tennis player, at the door or by calling 573-2700 or 573-1730. Carryouts will be available. Proceeds will be for the building fund.

His Joy Ministries Conference

The seventh annual His Joy Ministries Conference will be Oct. 6-7 at Word is Life Church. Barbara Murrell from Canton will speak for the third time. Music by Far Above Ministries and His Joy Ministries. Call 573-8401 for registration.

GED exams

GED exams will be administered at Western Texas College from 6-9 p.m. Oct. 10 and Oct. 24. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 574-2112, or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

Country and gospel music

A country and gospel music program will be held on the second Saturday of each month at the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center. The first one will begin at 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 14. Everyone is invited and there is no charge. Call 573-3996 for more information.

Discovery School

Discovery School at First United Methodist Church is receiving and registering babies from six weeks up. Spaces are also available for children 18 months through pre-K. Call 573-4770.

Tiger Times yearbook

The 2000-01 Tiger Times yearbook are on sale at the junior high until Nov. 21 in room 110 or the office. The full $14 may be paid now, or a deposit of $7 may be paid with the balance due in the spring. Checks must be made out to Snyder Junior High School. No extra copies will be available.

Museum needs holiday quilts

It's beginning to look like the holiday season, and the Scurry County Museum is starting to develop its holiday theme. For 2000, the theme is holiday quilts. If you have a holiday quilt, which means any holiday of the year, the museum would like to display the quilt, or any other quilted items, such as a pillow or wall hanging, from Nov. 1-Dec. 8. The items are needed by Oct. 23. Call the museum at 573-6107 if you have a quilt to lend.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Wednesday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 9-2-6

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $19 million.

The ticket was sold in: Gilchrist. The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 54 were: 9-17-23-44-45-49.