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In memorium...



BUDDY POPPIES — Mayor Dayton Robertson urges citizens to wear a Buddy Poppy as evidence of gratitude to the men and women of this country who risked their lives in defense of freedoms Americans enjoy. Misty Doty pinned Mayor Robinson's Poppy on as Connie Robbins and June Rowlings, VFW Auxiliary members, look on. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Buddy Poppies to be sold in honor of fallen veterans

In honor of Memorial Day and veterans, donations for Buddy Poppies will be taken from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday at Wal-Mart and United Supermarket.

VFW auxiliary members will be taking the donations.

Also, a series of flag ceremonies will be held in memory of fallen veterans beginning at 9 a.m. Monday at the VFW Post, American Legion, Snyder Cemetery, Hillside Memorial Gardens, concluding at the Scurry County Courthouse.

The public is invited to the ceremonies.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars was the first organization to promote a nationally-organized campaign for the annual distribution of poppies assembled by disabled and needy veterans.

The poppy movement was inspired by the poem "In Flanders Field" written by Col. John McCrae of the Canadian forces before the United States entered World War II.

The VFW conducted a poppy sale prior to Memorial Day, 1922, using only poppies that were made in France. In the 1923 poppy sale, due to difficulty and delay in getting poppies from France, the VFW made use of a surplus of French poppies that were on hand and the balance was provided by a firm in New York City manufacturing artificial flowers.

It was during the 1923 campaign that the VFW evolved the idea that resulted in the VFW Poppy Buddy; fashioned by disabled and needy veterans who were paid for their work as a practical means of providing assistance for these comrades.

In February, 1924, the VFW registered the name Buddy Poppy with the United States Patent Office, and certificate was issued on May 20, 1924, granting the VFW all trademark rights in the name "Buddy" under the classification of artificial flowers.

The VFW has made that trademark a guarantee that all poppies bearing that name and the VFW label are genuine products of the work of disabled and needy veterans. No other organization, firm or individual can make legal use of the name "Buddy Poppy."

The 1924 encampment of the VFW at Atlantic City granted this privilege, under the provision that all poppies would be produced according to the specification set forth by the National Buddy Poppy Committee, and that all poppies would be assembled by disabled veterans in government hospitals and by needy veterans in workshops supervised by the VFW.

Today, VFW Buddy Poppies are assembled by disabled, needy and aging veterans in VA hospitals across the country. The majority of proceeds derived from each sale conducted by the VFW posts and their ladies auxiliaries is retained locally to provide for veteran services and welfare.

Memorial Day prompts closings

A number of offices and businesses will be closed Monday for the Memorial Day holiday.

City and county employees will have the day off with the exception of city landfill workers. The landfill will be open Monday but closed Saturday.

All financial institutions in town observe the holiday and will close Monday.

West Texas State Bank, Texas Savings Bank, Snyder National Bank, First American Bank and American State Bank will not be open.

The Scurry County Museum, located on the Western Texas College campus, is closed today through Monday for the holiday weekend while the Scurry County Library will be closed Saturday through Monday.

The Scurry County Senior Citizens Center will also be closed Monday as will the Texas Workforce Commission, located on the WTC campus.

Snyder Post Office will not be open Monday. Mail will be placed in post office boxes, but no mail will be delivered.

Movie extras needed

Producers for Grand Champion, a movie being filmed in Snyder, are calling for extras at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Scurry County Coliseum.

Those wanting to be extras should wear attire appropriate for rodeos and stock shows. That includes boots, cowboy hats, jeans, western shirts, and rodeo belts. Non-acceptable attire includes black or white shirts, shirts with logos, or brightly-colored shirts.

Potential extras should have a notecard with their name, telephone number, address and age listed to be turned in.

At 8 tonight...

Hermleigh will graduate 10 seniors in ceremonies

Ten Hermleigh seniors and seven eighth graders graduate tonight in the high school auditorium. Ceremonies will get underway at 8.

Guest speaker will be Debra Dennis, a former Hermleigh teacher. Valedictories will be given by Billy Lambaren, the high school's top student, and Shae Rinehart, eighth grade valedictorian. Salutatories will be given by senior Lori Eckert and eighth grader Justin Kelley.

Lambaren is the son of Bertha Lambaren and Tony Lambaren. Eckert's parents are Nelson and Darlene Eckert. Justin is the son of Magdelena Harty. Shae's parents are James and Vivian Rinehart.

Principal Clarence Spieker will present awards and Supt. Jerry Church and Tim Dacus, school board president, will present the diplomas. Kelly Murphy will conduct the tassel ceremony.

Ushers are Cheyenne Walker, Alana Culp, Christopher Bilberry and David Duck.

Senior Maria Martinez will give the invocation and senior Janet Eckert will give the benediction. Susan Rosson will play the processional and recessional.

The senior class consists of Sheena Diean Callaway, April Sherene Digby, David Lee Digby, Janet Michelle Eckert, Lori Rochelle Eckert, Amber Renee Harbin, Billy Joe Lambaren, Maria Antonia Martinez, Chris McClure and Samantha Monique Smith.

Eighth graders are Amy Botts, Danny Elder, Jose Granados, Cassie Harbin, Justin Kelley, Shae Rinehart and Karl Smith.

Sen. James Jeffords...

Bush had no prior warning of switch

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush had no advance warning that Sen. James Jeffords of Vermont was about to quit the Republican Party and hand control of the Senate to Democrats, a top White House aide said today.

"The president told me he felt when Senator Jeffords came to the White House on Tuesday his mind was pretty much made up — that he had decided he was going to leave the Republican Party," Bush counselor Karen Hughes said on ABC's "Good Morning America."

"We first heard from one of Senator Jeffords' closest friends on Tuesday morning, and when that senator, Sen. (Olympia) Snowe (R-Maine), called our chief of staff, she urged him not to tell anyone because she said no one knew about this," Hughes said.

While there had been rumblings that Jeffords was unhappy with Bush's agenda and was considering defecting, "no one took them seriously," Hughes said. Jeffords announced Thursday that he would become an independent and vote with Democrats in organizing the Senate. That will give the Democrats control of the Senate agenda and committees.

Asked whether Bush's inability to keep Jeffords in the party showed a weakness on the president's part, Hughes pointed to Senate passage this week of a big tax cut and House approval of major parts of Bush's education plan.



GOTCHA! — Police officer Jason McMillan holds onto a baby goat behind United Supermarket this morning. The kid, along with a sibling and its mother, eluded McMillan and officer Trey Wilson from the area of the Scurry County Library to the supermarket. The officers caught the nanny goat while Jimmy Wilson roped one of the kids. Joyce May and officer McMillan apprehended the other kid. (SDN Photo by Joyce May)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Gardening and landscaping are man's effort to improve his lot."

When seniors at Hermleigh receive their diplomas tonight, summer vacation is officially underway.

It seems that activities have stalled, but it won't last for long. Next month is shaping up to be exceptionally busy.

In addition to summer school at both **WTC** and **Snyder ISD**, the chamber will host the annual **Western Swing Festival** starting June 6. The fly-in at Winston field is June 9.

Kids' College at WTC starts on June 11 and the chamber banquet is Tuesday, June 12. At the end of that week is the **Scurry County Rodeo** and the **Sammy Baugh Golf Tournament.**

All of that is in addition to normal summer stuff like baseball, softball, golf and tennis tournaments – and perhaps a family vacation. Also fast approaching is the July 4th celebration and fireworks display. An added attraction this year is the hot air balloon rally.

The date for starting back to school is no longer in limbo. A bill that proposed classes starting no earlier than Aug. 21 is stalled in committee. If passes, it would not take effect until 2002.

Four Snyder linksters were named all-state. Lady Tigers earning all-state recognition were **Andra Lancaster** and **Kara Harrison.**

Snyder Tiger golfers making the Class 4A all-state team were **Zach Starnes** and **Levi Mandrell.**

On June 2, three Snyder High School graduates will join the North squad in the Big Country All-Star Football Classic in abilene.

The trio includes **Mark Medley, Matthew Grimmett** and **Tremaine Johnson.**

They will line up across the line from the south team that will include a former Snyder resident.

Sterling Doty of Stephenville is an lineman for the south team. His dad, **Bob Doty,** is the former rodeo coach at Western Texas College and current coach at Tarleton State University.

Lady Tigers softball team members named to the District 4-4A all-district squad were **Whitney Webb, Shelly Fisk, Jennifer Newman, Ashley Martinez** and **Cameron Mackey.**

Second team honors went to **Kira Diaz** and **Vanessa Freeman** while **Kelsi Johnson, Jacque Alvarez, Chaelyn Robinson** and **Valerie Hernandez** were all-district honorable mention.

Enjoy the Memorial Day weekend.

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ASK US

Q—Does the city have plans to clean out Deep Creek?

A—The city has plans, but not the manpower. It is trying to coordinate a cleanup project using Price Daniel Unit inmates.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 83 degrees; low, 60; 7 a.m. Friday, 60; no precipitation, total for 2001, 6.91 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy, 20% rain chance, low around 60, SE wind 5-15 mph. Saturday, partly cloudy, 20% rain chance, high 85-90, S wind 10-20 mph.



Danny Clowdon
Partly Cloudy

Sunset:
8:39 p.m.
Sunrise:
6:46 a.m.
Of 144 days in 2001, the sun has shone 132 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

You will like yourself better when you have the approval of your conscience.
—Orison Swett Marden

Date Book

Friday, May 25, 2001

Today is the 145th day of 2001 and the 67th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1789, Secretary of War Henry Knox visited the Senate to deliver copies of Indian treaties. He also delivered a message from President Washington asking the Senate for its "consideration and advice" on the treaties.

On this day in 1898, an expeditionary force commanded by Gen. Wesley Merritt sailed from San Francisco bound for Manila, the Philippines.

On this day in 1973, Skylab 2, the United States' first space station, was launched into orbit.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ralph Waldo Emerson (1803-1882), philosopher; Bill "Bojangles" Robinson (1878-1949), dancer; Igor Sikorsky (1889-1972), aviation engineer; Gene Tunney (1898-1978), boxing great; Theodore Roethke (1908-1963), poet; Miles Davis (1926-1991), musician; Beverly Sills (1929-), opera singer, is 72; Raymond Carver (1938-1988), writer; Dixie Carter (1939-), actress, is 62; Connie Sellecca (1955-), actress, is 46.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1935, at the Big Ten track and field championships, Jesse Owens tied one world record (in the 100-yard dash) and broke three world records (in the long jump, the 220-yard dash and the 220-yard hurdles) in less than an hour.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "There is creative reading as well as creative writing." — Ralph Waldo Emerson

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (May 22) and first quarter (May 29).

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BOUND FOR AUSTIN – Thirty-three Snyder High School band students left Thursday morning for the state UIL solo and ensemble contest Saturday in Austin. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gor-

Kournikova pulls out ot French Open

PARIS (AP) — Russian tennis star Anna Kournikova pulled out of the French Open, but she was busy endorsing products at a sportswear manufacturer's flagship Paris store.

"I'm definitely really disappointed about not playing at the French Open, obviously. But I'm glad to be here in Paris," said Kournikova, smiling at hundreds of fans who jammed the store on Thursday.

The French Open starts Monday. The 19-year-old tennis star withdrew last week, due to a foot injury that has kept her out of tournaments since the Gaz de France in February.

events

TEXAS LOTTERY

RESULTS

Cash Five

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

3-12-22-25-29

Pick 3

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

6-3-5

Pennsylvania mayor accused of murder will not run again

YORK, Pa. (AP) — Mayor Charlie Robertson is quitting his campaign for a third term as he deals with a murder charge stemming from the shooting of a young black woman in the city's 1969 race riots.

After narrowly winning the Democratic primary last week, Robertson vowed to carry on with his campaign, but on Thursday he said it had become clear that he could not do so because of the serious toll the riot aftermath was taking on the city.

"It's in pretty bad shape with what's happening," said Robertson. "I would have loved to continue serving the city for another four years in order to make sure these good things keep happening. But, I recognize that this is not possible."

Robertson, whose term expires in January, has said in the past that he would not resign from office.

Councilman Ray Crenshaw, whom Robertson narrowly defeated in the Democratic primary, praised Robertson's decision.

"I certainly think it's the right thing to do," said Crenshaw, the city's first black candidate for mayor. "He has created an image for our city that is going to take some doing to untarnish."

Robertson is one of nine white men charged in the July 1969 shooting death of Lillie Belle Allen, 27, on the fourth night of riots that began after a white gang member shot and injured a black man.

Prosecutors say Robertson, who was then a city police officer, provided ammunition to men who shot at a car in which Allen was riding.

Robertson also gave hunting-rifle bullets to white gang members and told them to kill blacks, prosecutors allege. Court papers quote Robertson as having said: "If I weren't a cop, I'd be leading commando raids against niggers in the black neighborhoods."

Robertson denies giving away ammunition or making the "commando raids" remark. He has said he had racist feelings at the time but is not a racist today.

Earlier in the riots, Henry Schaad, a white rookie police officer, was fatally shot in a black neighborhood. Robertson and other officers attended a rally in a park, and he has admitted yelling "white power!" at the rally.

Al Gore will be honored in Tennesee

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (?) — Former Vice President Al Gore will return to his home state of Tennessee on June 12 to be honored by the Anti-Defamation League's Southeast region.

Gore and his wife, Tipper, will be presented with the 2001 Johnny Cash Americanism Award, given annually to those dedicated to fighting prejudice and bigotry.

The Gores will be honored at a $200-a-person dinner at the Renaissance Nashville Hotel. Proceeds will benefit the Anti-Defamation League.



Virginia Clinkinbeard

Clinkinbeard to graduate

Virginia Fenton Clinkinbeard of San Jose, Calif. will graduate Saturday from San Jose University. The 1992 Snyder High School graduate, will receive her master's degree in business administration.

Clinkinbeard graduated from Baylor University in 1995 with a bachelor's degree in computer science. She is employed at Iprint. Inc., an Internet printing corporation, as a lead producer. She is married to Brian Clinkinbeard, the son of Lucille Clinkinbeard of Snyder.

Mrs. Clinkinbeard is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Fenton of Snyder and the late Mrs. Margie Dunn. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Myron Fenton of Snyder and Mrs. Ernestine Powell of Dallas.

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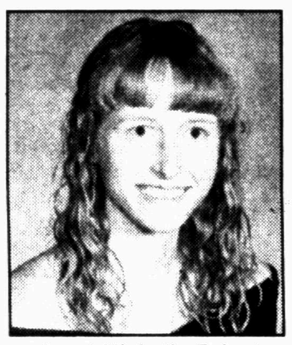
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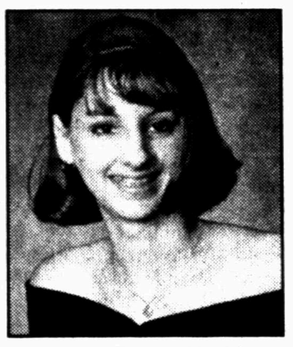
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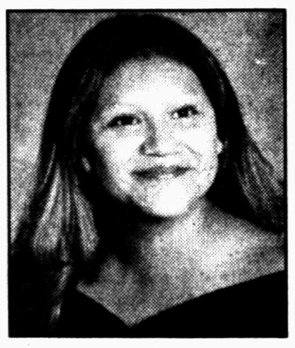
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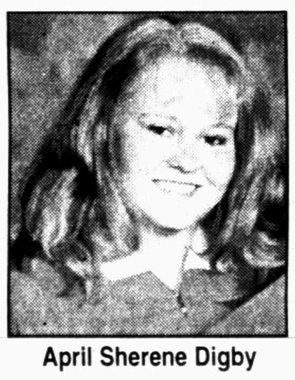
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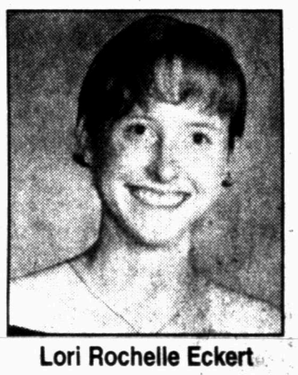
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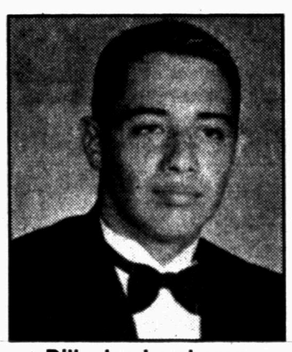
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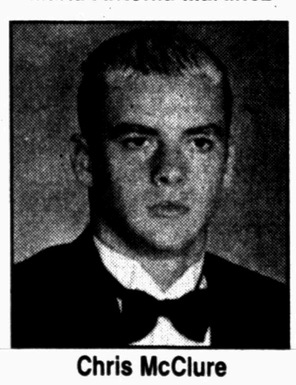
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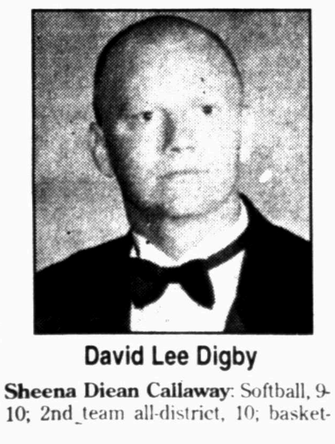
Lori Rochelle Eckert



Billy Joe Lambaren



Chris McClure



David Lee Digby



Samantha Monique Smith

Sheena Diean Callaway: Softball, 9-10; 2nd team all-district, 10; basketball, 9-12; district champs, 9, district runner-ups, honorable mention, 10, 1st team all-district, 11; Abilene Reporter News Player of Week two times in a row, Big Country Athlete, 1st team, all-district, 2nd alternate All-Star Game, 2nd team, all-region, 1st team, all-state, 12; one-act play, 11-12, advanced to district, honorable mention, all-star cast at zone, all-star cast at district, 12; Beta Club, 11-12; A or A-B honor rolls 9-12; cheerleader, 12, mascot, 11; All-American Cheerleader nominee, 12; homecoming queen nominee, 12.

April Sherene Digby: Freshman: Drill Team, softball; Sophomore: Drill Team, softball, track; Junior: Drill Team, softball; Senior: Drill Team.

David Lee Digby: Sophomore: All-district football running back and middle linebacker; Junior: All-district running back and middle linebacker, grand champion hog at Scurry County Stock Show; Senior: All-district football running back and middle linebacker, basketball honorable mention; regional qualifier, 300m hurdles, shot put, football homecoming king.

Janet Michelle Eckert: Freshman: Softball, Drill Team, FFA; Sophomore: FFA, Houston Stock Show 8th place; Junior: FFA, one-act play, Drill Team, A-B honor roll; Senior: FFA, grand champion pig and senior showmanship swine, Scurry County Stock Show, outstanding showman and reserve grand champion lamb, Hermleigh Stock Show, Houston Stock Show 7th place, judging team, one-act play, honorable mention, all-star cast, advanced to district in one-act play; basketball; Drill Team, homecoming sweetheart, A-B honor roll, Beta Club.

Lori Rochelle Eckert: Salutatorian, 90.98 GPA; Freshman: FFA, Softball, cross country, cheerleader; Sophomore: FFA, 4th place San Angelo Stock Show, 16th place Fort Worth Stock Show, A-B honor roll; Junior: FFA, Drill Team, one-act play, Beta Club, Academic Challenge, grand champion pig, Hermleigh Stock Show, A-Honor Roll, homecoming queen nominee, class president, most friendly, yearbook editor.

Amber Renee Harbin: Freshman: Softball, Drill Team, reserve champion Hampshire, Hermleigh Stock Show, one-act play; Sophomore: Softball, Drill Team; Junior, Drill Team; Senior: Newspaper editor for journalism class.

Billy Joe Lambaren: Valedictorian, 91.02 GPA; Freshman: Cross Country, 1st place regional qualifiers team; basketball, district champions, class president, class favorite, A honor roll; Sophomore: Basketball: all-district, Beta Club, homecoming king nominee, class treasurer, class favorite, A honor roll; Junior: Basketball, district champions, all district, played in All-American Shoot out in Austin, WTC art contest, honorable mention, Beta Club, one-act play, Farm Bureau Citizenship Seminar in San Angelo, class vice president, A honor roll, Mr. HHS nominee; Senior: Football honorable mention receiver; basketball, all district, 2nd team all-region, all-star game, played in All-American Shoot Out in Austin, WTC art contest, merit award, one-act play, all-star cast, one-act play, advanced; Beta Club, president; homecoming king nominee, assistant yearbook editor, class treasurer, class favorite. A-B honor roll.

Maria Antonia Martinez: Freshman: Softball; Sophomore: Class president, class favorite; Junior, Basketball, Football team manager; Senior: Basketball, business manager for journalism class.

Chris McClure: Junior: Basketball, district champs, honorable mention corner back; homecoming king nominee; Senior: Class vice president; all district free safety, regional qualifier, long jump.

Samantha Monique Smith: Freshman: softball manager; Sophomore, basketball; Junior: basketball, Drill Team, one-act play; Senior: Basketball, honorable mention; class favorite, Drill Team, FFA, web page designer.

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Coun urine

WACO (AP) — A ney has obtained a to prevent the Te ment of Public Saf lyzing a urine sa truck driver involv dent that killed a st

The move came inquest into the M that killed DPS Se Richard Cottle.

Report: vandal

DALLAS (AP) investigating a 911 prominent black was vandalized tha swastikas and scrawled on the applied by a black

The Dallas M reported in today's police are question public school em reported seeing th ing white paint or Community Unite Church.

The couple, wh withheld their iden 911 operator, sayin retaliation from school trustees.

The graffiti was on the front of th next day, fueling desecration by rac

Dear

By Abigail V

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DEAR ABBY: today about the la about drinking and same time, becaus and almost burn down.

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— ONE OF A L DRINKERS

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Court stops truck driver's urine from being analyzed

WACO (AP) — A Dallas attorney has obtained a court order to prevent the Texas Department of Public Safety from analyzing a urine sample from a truck driver involved in an accident that killed a state trooper.

The move came as part of an inquest into the May 9 accident that killed DPS Senior Trooper Richard Cottle.

McLennan County Justice of the Peace David Pareya issued a subpoena for a urine sample supplied on the day of the accident by M.S. Carriers truck driver Antonio Gonzalez of Laredo.

The sample, already screened by a government-approved lab in Houston, was ordered sent to DPS lab in Austin. Results of the initial test came back negative when screened for marijuana, cocaine, opiates, amphetamines and PCP. Gonzalez' breath also tested negative for alcohol.

Before DPS technicians could analyze the sample, Mike Sharp, a Dallas attorney who represents Gonzalez and the Tennessee-based trucking company, convinced 53rd State District Judge Suzanne Covington of Austin to grant a temporary restraining order to block the analysis. Sharp is also seeking an injunction.

Sharp said the first screen follows strict Department of Transportation guidelines for commercial truck drivers, but any other use of the sample violates Gonzalez's constitutional rights against unlawful search and seizure, due process and privacy rights guaranteed by transportation department regulations.

Sharp said it concerns him that the DPS would be in charge of analyzing specimens in a case in which one of its own officers was killed.

McLennan County Assistant District Attorney Matt Johnson, who represents the state in the inquest, said additional testing of the sample is necessary to conduct a proper investigation.

"This is part of a thorough examination of all facts necessary to determine the manner, means and cause of death of Senior Trooper Richard Cottle," Johnson said. "I think the chemical analysis on the urine specimen is part of Judge Pareya's conducting a thorough investigation under his authority as a magistrate."

Cottle was traveling to Dallas to testify before a grand jury early the morning of the accident, when he came upon a wreck involving two 18-wheelers. Authorities believe foggy conditions caused Cottle to run into the back of one of the trucks.

Report: Minority church's vandal may have been black

DALLAS (AP) — Police are investigating a 911 call the night a prominent black Dallas church was vandalized that suggests the swastikas and other graffiti scrawled on the church were applied by a black youth.

The Dallas Morning News reported in today's editions that police are questioning a couple of public school employees who reported seeing the youth sloshing white paint on the St. Luke Community United Methodist Church.

The couple, who are white, withheld their identities from the 911 operator, saying they feared retaliation from black Dallas school trustees.

The graffiti was found scrawled on the front of the church the next day, fueling suspicions of desecration by racists. Backers of this year's hate-crimes bill in the Legislature cited the incident as a hate crime in the final debate leading to the bill's passage. Governor Rick Perry signed that bill into law.

However, police officials said they were not investigating the incident as a hate crime.

The witnesses told police they were driving home past the church on Interstate 30, just east of downtown Dallas, about 10:30 p.m. May 2. In the call made May 3, they said they saw a boy, at least 15 years old, scrawling the graffiti in white latex paint on the church front, said Sgt. Terry Martin of the police intelligence unit.

Investigators are looking at members of the church youth choir, which practiced until 10:20 p.m. the night of the vandalism.



SPECIAL OLYMPICS BOUND — Snyder Go-Getters left Thursday morning for the University of Texas at Arlington's Special Olympics slated today through Sunday. The Go-Getters include Tommy Cotton, coach; Kenneth Gentry, bus driver; Michael Cotton, Randy Underwood, Jimmy Wells, Tom Crawley, Marc Fisk, Marvin Butler, John Nix, coach; Lela Stevens; Chandra Tate, coach; Susie Mullen, Cameron Brown, Rebekah Brown, Jerry Tucker, coach; and Juanita Glass, coach. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Dallas police officials are enforcing hair length code

DALLAS (AP) — Dallas Police Department officials are continuing their crackdown on officers in violation of the department's hairstyle policy, placing at least two officers on administrative leave for refusing to cut their locks.

The officers had been warned that the dreadlocks do not conform to department policy, officials said.

Officers Gina L. Mosley, 30, and 47-year-old Frank Hasty were sent home last week after they showed up to work with dreadlocks.

Officer Elizabeth Gates, 34, is taking vacation after receiving a memo saying her hairstyle did not comply with department policy. If she returns to work, she will be placed on administrative leave, department officials said.

Several other officers with similar hairstyles also have been warned to change them, police said.

Last week a spokesman who had been wearing dreadlocks brought attention to the department's ban on the hairstyles under policies developed in the 1970s.

Senior Cpl. Chris Gilliam, 37, who had been growing the hairstyle for about two years, was ordered not to appear on television interviews until he cut his dreadlocks off.

Some in the department say cornrows, dreadlocks and other hairstyles worn primarily by black officers erode the respect needed by police officers to be effective in their work.

Chief Terrell Bolton has told officers and members of his top command staff that he does not approve of the hairstyles.

"The bottom line is that we have to comply with the general orders," said Janice Houston, special assistant to the chief of police. "There's a misconception out there that one group is being targeted, and that's not true. Everything and everyone needs to be in compliance."

Letters are pouring into Bolton's office in support of the officers' hairstyles.

"Hairstyle has nothing to do with whether you are a good or bad police officer or person," said Ronald E. Hampton, executive director of the National Black Police Association. "It's totally absurd for a police department in the 21st century to be worried about hair. Have they solved all the crime in Dallas?"

The policy says officers should present a "neutral and uniform image, to effectively relate to all segments of the population they serve."

Male officers' hairstyles must be tapered on the sides and back and the hair is not to be ragged, unkempt or extreme. Female officers are allowed to wear braided hairstyles close to the head but are not allowed to wear ponytails or pigtails.

Officers with dreadlocks say they pin their hair so it stays behind their ears and collar to conform to those guidelines.

A "hair committee" made up of officers from various departments convened several months ago to discuss the hairstyles. But no one on the committee had dreadlocks or any of the other hairstyles discussed.

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A good way to personally show your gratitude for the sacrifices of our disabled veterans is to make a donation and wear a "Buddy" Poppy.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Kitchen creations improved by a liberal dash of spirits

DEAR ABBY: I read the letter today about the lady who warned about drinking and cooking at the same time, because she fell asleep and almost burned the house down.

Ever since I was a child, my mother told me about how my great-grandfather, Charles Gabriel, would write hymns along with his good friend, Samuel Clemens. They would sit at the same table and share a bottle of gin between them while they created their celebrated masterpieces.

My mother received royalties from his saintly work until her death.

Today I do most of my creative work in the kitchen while drinking. I'm not driving. I usually have some beautiful music in the background, and never once have I "fallen asleep" like "Karen in Tampa" did. I enjoy every minute I spend in the kitchen, and so do those who join us at our dinner table.

Please don't give responsible drinkers a black eye. Just think what turn our American literature would have taken if we had removed that bottle of gin from Mark Twain's table 120 years ago! **— ONE OF A LONG LINE OF DRINKERS**

DEAR DRINKER: ... and Dashiell Hammett's and Dorothy Parker's and F. Scott Fitzgerald's, to name a celebrated few. Some of our gifted writers might have been "less entertaining," but they would have lived longer.

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DEAR ABBY: You mentioned obsessive-compulsive disorder in your answer to the wife of the farmer who hoards useless objects in their cluttered home. You told your readers that help was available.

Obsessive-compulsive disorder is characterized by fearful and repetitive thoughts (obsessions) and senseless rituals (compulsions) that temporarily reduce the fearful thoughts. Hoarding is one of several forms of OCD. Other forms include contamination obsessions and washing or cleaning compulsions, persistent doubts, such as whether or not one has locked the door, and the urge to count, order or "even up" objects.

Please let your readers know that the Obsessive-Compulsive Foundation is a great resource. The national OC Foundation and many local chapters exist to educate people about this treatable neurological disorder; to help them locate qualified professionals in their area; and to give people the information and support they need to manage their OC symptoms so they can lead happy, productive lives.

Abby, people can contact the national OC Foundation at (203) 315-2190, or at Web site: www.ocfoundation.org. Readers will be referred to local groups across the United States. **— SUSAN A. RICHMAN, PRESIDENT, METRO CHICAGO OC FOUNDATION**

DEAR SUSAN: Thank you for your helpful letter. An estimated 5 million to 6 million people suffer from this problem. I'm sure they and their families will be relieved to know you are there for them.

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DEAR ABBY: After reading the article about the Easter lily causing the death of a cat, I thought I had better write to you.

Two years ago during our Easter dinner celebration, we moved our Easter lily to make room for some guests. We relocated it too close to our cockatiel, and after he nibbled some of the petals, we later found him dead.

So, Abby, Easter lilies aren't safe for birds either. **— MARGARET IN TUCSON**

DEAR MARGARET: What a sad story. Perhaps the safest place for the Easter lily was on the poor little creature's grave. Bird lovers, be warned.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North	06-25-31
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	♥ 7 4	
	♦ A 9 7 6 5 2	
	♣ 8 5 4	
West		**East**
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♥ Q 6 5 2		♥ 10 9 8 3
♦ Q 3		♦ J 10 4
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	♦ K 8	
	♣ Q J 10 9 6 3	

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ J

Friday, May 25, 2001

More snippets of information

By Phillip Alder

Englishmen David Bird and Marc Smith are putting out a series of short booklets. Numbers four through six are entitled "Entry Management," "Safety Plays" and "Tricks with Trumps" (Master Point Press). Each comprises 64 pages, with the chapters containing compact, key information, and ending with Points to Remember and a quiz.

From which book does this deal come? How would you plan the play in three no-trump? West leads the spade jack: two, five, king.

Craftily, the authors give no auction. That South hand is awkward for a natural system. Still, starting with a strong, artificial and forcing two clubs, then showing the long suit, cannot be far wrong. Some — reasonably — would bid no-trump on the first or second round. Anything could work out well or badly.

You don't have time to play on clubs; the opponents will establish and run their spades first. Instead, cash the diamond king, cross to dummy's diamond ace, and play a third diamond, discarding your spade ace!

Now, if the defenders continue spades, you have managed to create a dummy entry for the established diamonds. Probably, though, East will switch to the heart 10. Win with the ace and continue with the club queen. Here, West has to win with the ace, and everything is under control. However, if East wins the first club and plays another heart, you should finesse the jack.

Each booklet is $8.95 postpaid from Baron Barclay Bridge Supplies. Call (800) 274-2221 to order.

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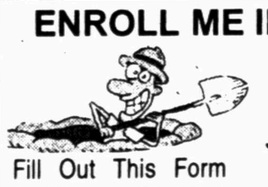
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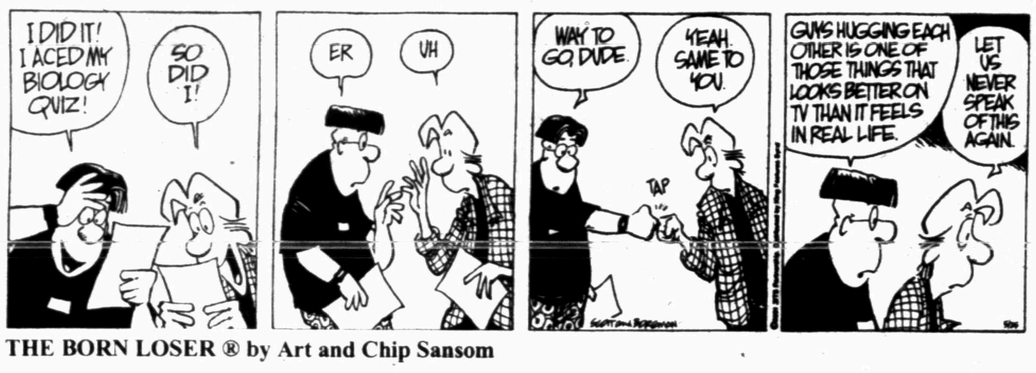
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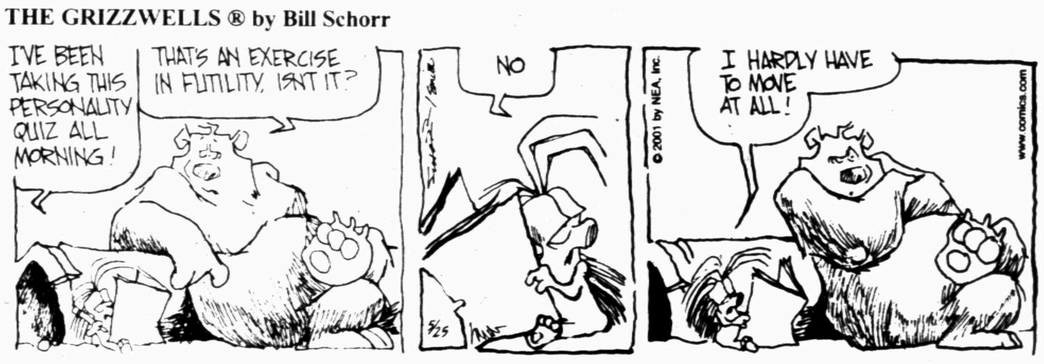
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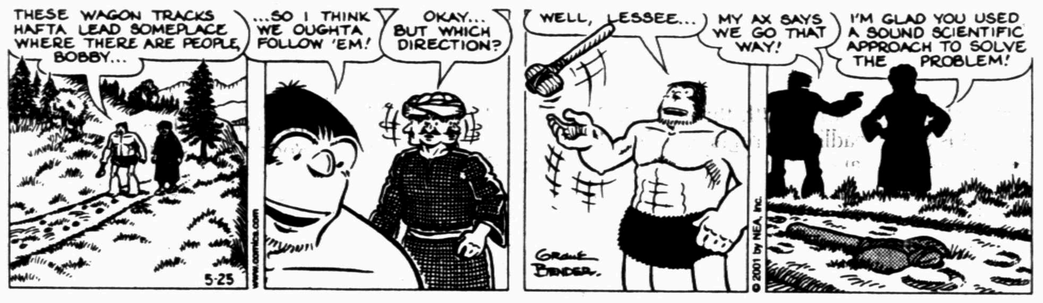
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14 Connected to the Internet
15 Former Soviet leader
16 Hurt
17 Boxer Oscar De La —
18 Ref's kin
20 Mexican money
21 Heat-resistant glass
23 Playground staple
27 Resident of Boise
32 Roof edges
33 Former Sec. of State Cyrus —
34 Pass (a law)
35 Make accustomed
36 Sturdy cotton fabric
39 Ancient chariot
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46 Greek letter
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55 Stow cargo
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57 Strained
58 Silvery (poet.)

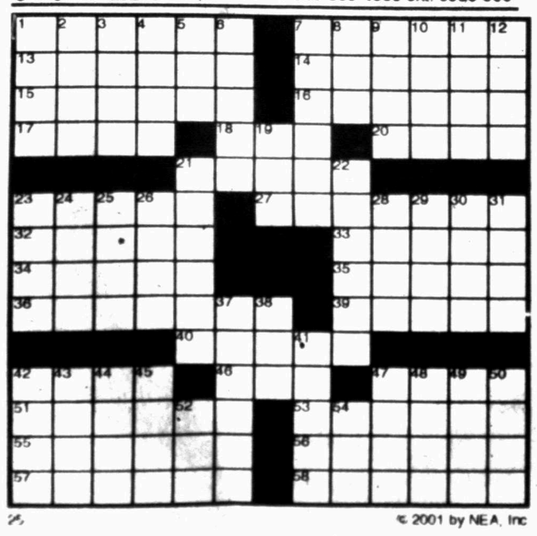
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2 Sondheim's "— the Woods"
3 Potter's material
4 Tropical nut
5 Medieval poem
6 Boredom
7 Soaked up
8 Actress Merkel
9 Trim (hair)
10 Motion picture
11 Small bills
12 Decorate anew
19 Roman 1,051
21 Part of a sonnet
22 Musician Cugat
23 Observed
24 Singer Cantrell
25 Tennis player Lend!
26 Pack of cards
28 — Christian Andersen
29 Burden
30 Farm measure
31 Require
37 Gained
38 Ultimate (degree)
41 Large artery
42 "Yo!"
43 Ancient musical instrument
44 First garden
45 Citrus drinks
47 Hit hard with the fist
48 Overdue
49 Harrow's rival
50 Fender-bender result
52 Inhabitant of 44 Down
54 "Auction" end

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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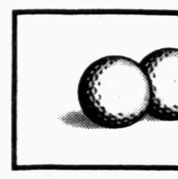


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"You say you were hunting a bear when it jammed?"

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SPORTS

Callaway inks letter of intent

HERMLEIGH — Hermleigh basketball standout Sheena Callaway is getting the shot to continue her playing career in college.

Callaway, a Class A all-state selection her senior year, signed a letter of intent Thursday with Bacone College in Muskogee, Okla.

The Lady Warriors will make the jump from the junior college ranks to NAIA competition next season as a part of the Red River Conference.

"I'm excited and a little scared at the same time," said Callaway. "I'm scared because it's 500 miles from home, but I'm excited about getting the chance to play college basketball."

The former Lady Cardinal plans to major in math and minor in English. She is the daughter of Jimmy and Diane Callaway.



COLLEGE CAGER — Hermleigh's Sheena Callaway, front right, signs a basketball letter of intent Thursday with Bacone College in Muskogee, Okla. Seated with the former Lady Cardinal is her mother Diane Callaway. Looking on are, from left, HHS principal Clarence Spieker, Lady Cardinal coach Paul Morton and HISD superintendent Jerry Church. (SDN Staff Photo)

Rodriguez leads Texas past Tampa Bay

ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. (AP) — Alex Rodriguez didn't rest well after a poor performance. Instead, he stayed up late and watched himself on videotape.

"Let's just say I did a little homework," he said after hitting two homers and driving in five runs to lead the Texas Rangers over the Tampa Bay Devil Rays 9-3 Thursday night.

"In a long season you have to review and revise some of things you've done well and the things you haven't done well. I took some time in the video room at the hotel and saw some good things. There was a lot of positive reinforcement. You lock it into your brain and go from there."

Rodriguez hit a two-run homer off Tanyon Sturtze (1-4) in the first inning and added a three-run shot off Mickey Callaway in the sixth for his fourth two-homer game this season.

Ten of his 17 homers have come in May, tying Juan Gonzalez's club record for the month.

"You see him get his two, three, four hits every night to drive in two or three runs and you get used to seeing it," Rangers pitcher Rick Helling said. "I guess that shows you how special the player is when you kind of take for granted the things that he does."

Rodriguez went 3-for-4 with a walk, hiking his batting average 10 points to .330.

Helling (2-6), meanwhile, pitched eight solid innings, allowing three runs and nine hits to win for the first time since April 22. The right-hander walked one and struck out five as his ERA dropped from 7.19 to 6.72.

"Obviously, numbers-wise it was my best outing of the year," Helling said. "I threw closer to like I usually throw. I think my mechanics are getting closer to how they're supposed to be. I'm not where I want to be yet, but I'm definitely closer. Tonight was a step in the right direction."

Rodriguez made up for striking out three times and stranding seven runners in a 10-6 loss to the Devil Rays on Wednesday night. He has seven homers and 20 RBIs in his last 13 games, and the Rangers have homered in a club-record 17 straight games since May 6.

"It burned me a lot," Rodriguez said of striking out once with the bases loaded and another time with a runner on third with Texas trailing 7-6. "I take that stuff personal when I get an opportunity to do some damage or put us ahead."

Texas scored twice in the first, fourth and fifth innings to build a 6-2 lead.

Ken Caminiti and Ivan Rodriguez both had two-run doubles off Sturtze, who allowed six runs and seven hits in five innings. A-Rod's second homer made it 9-3 and gave him the 19th multi-homer game of his career.

Sports Briefs

Volleyball camp

Snyder volleyball camp is scheduled for July 16-19 from 9 a.m. until noon each day. Incoming fifth through ninth grade girls are eligible, and cost is $40. Deadline to register is July 13.

For more information, call Coach Patty Grimmett at 573-9416 or 575-1785. If no answer, leave a message.

Men's softball

Snyder Men's Softball League is holding registration through next Friday. For more information, call 573-8842, 573-6862 or 573-4332.

Strength, conditioning camp

Snyder Tiger strength and conditioning camps are scheduled for this summer at the SHS field house. Sessions are slated for June 4-29 and July 2-31.

Incoming 10th-12th graders meet at 7:30 a.m., followed by incoming 7th-9th graders at 10:30. Cost is $25 per session, or $40 for both. For more information, call the SHS field house at 574-6039.

Block party

The Boys and Girls Club is holding a "block party" today until 4 p.m. at the athletic field behind the club. All first through 12th graders are welcome.

Various games and contests are scheduled, and cost is five cents per event. Hot dogs, hamburgers and lemonade will be provided. One-day club memberships are available for $7.50.

Memorial Day tourney

The Memorial Day Scramble will be held at 10 a.m. Monday at Snyder Country Club. Cost is $20 per player. Call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101 to sign up.

Volleyball tournament

A volleyball tournament to benefit SHS tennis player Horacio DePaz is scheduled for June 2 at Towle Park. Cost is $50 per team, and T-shirts will be awarded to the top two squads.

DePaz is raising money to participate in the People to People Sports Ambassadors Program tennis tournament in Australia. For more information, call 573-0889 or 573-5248.

Ira basketball camp

The Ira Bulldog Basketball Camp will be held June 12-15 from 9 a.m. until noon. All incoming third through seventh grade boys and girls are eligible, and cost is $40. To register, call Coach Bubba Edwards at 573-2227.

Tuesday scramble and all-day MGA

The Men's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club holds its weekly scramble at 5:30 p.m. each Tuesday.

Also, an all-day MGA event will be held each Thursday.

WGA play day

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its weekly play day at 9 a.m. Wednesday. Format this week is bingle, bangle, bungle.

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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	28	17	.622	—
Atlanta	22	24	.478	6½
Florida	21	24	.467	7
New York	20	27	.426	9
Montreal	19	28	.404	10

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	26	19	.578	—
Chicago	26	20	.565	½
Milwaukee	25	21	.543	1½
Houston	24	21	.533	2
Cincinnati	19	27	.413	7½
Pittsburgh	15	30	.333	11

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Diego	26	21	.553	—
Arizona	25	22	.532	1
Los Angeles	25	22	.532	1
San Francisco	24	22	.522	1½
Colorado	23	23	.500	2½

Wednesday's Games

Chicago Cubs 4, Cincinnati 2
Los Angeles 6, Colorado 4
San Diego 7, Houston 6
Philadelphia 4, Pittsburgh 0, 1st game
Philadelphia 5, Pittsburgh 2, 2nd game
N.Y. Mets 4, Montreal 2
Milwaukee 7, St. Louis 3
San Francisco 5, Arizona 1
Atlanta at Florida, ppd, rain

Thursday's Games

St. Louis 7, Milwaukee 4
Chicago Cubs 3, Cincinnati 0
San Diego 3, Arizona 1
Philadelphia 6, Pittsburgh 5
N.Y. Mets 11, Florida 3

Friday's Games

Milwaukee (Levrault 1-0) at Chicago Cubs (Wood 2-4), 3:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Benes 3-3) at Cincinnati (Reitsma 2-4), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Vazquez 4-5) at Philadelphia (Telemaco 4-1), 7:05 p.m.
Florida (Penny 4-0) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 5-2), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Ritchie 0-5) at Atlanta (Maddux 3-4), 7:35 p.m.
Arizona (Ellis 3-2) at San Diego (Jones 2-5), 10:05 p.m.
Houston (Miller 6-1) at Los Angeles (Prokopec 5-1), 10:10 p.m.
Colorado (Hampton 6-1) at San Francisco (Hernandez 3-6), 10:35 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Florida at N.Y. Mets, 1:10 p.m.
Milwaukee at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
Colorado at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 7:05 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 7:05 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Houston at Los Angeles, 10:10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Pittsburgh at Atlanta, 1:05 p.m.
Florida at N.Y. Mets, 1:10 p.m.
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 1:15 p.m.
Montreal at Philadelphia, 1:35 p.m.
Milwaukee at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
Colorado at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.
Houston at Los Angeles, 4:10 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego, 5 p.m.

American League
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New York	26	20	.565	—
Boston	25	20	.556	½
Toronto	24	22	.522	2
Baltimore	22	24	.478	4
Tampa Bay	13	33	.283	13

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	30	14	.682	—
Minnesota	30	14	.682	—
Detroit	21	23	.477	9
Kansas City	18	28	.391	13
Chicago	15	29	.341	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	33	12	.733	—
Oakland	22	23	.489	11
Anaheim	20	25	.444	13
Texas	17	29	.370	16½

Wednesday's Games

Seattle 5, Minnesota 4
Baltimore 12, Anaheim 5
N.Y. Yankees 7, Boston 3
Cleveland 4, Detroit 3, 10 innings
Toronto 9, Chicago White Sox 6
Tampa Bay 10, Texas 6
Kansas City 4, Oakland 1

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Cleveland 8, Detroit 5

Friday's Games

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N.Y. Yankees (Hernandez 0-4) at Cleveland (Wright 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 2-3) at Detroit (Holt 4-3), 7:05 p.m.
Anaheim (Rapp 1-4) at Tampa Bay (Lopez 3-4), 7:15 p.m.
Oakland (Mulder 5-2) at Minnesota (Mays 6-2), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Halama 3-4) at Kansas City (Reichert 4-4), 8:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Yankees at Cleveland, 1:05 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 1:35 p.m.
Texas at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Oakland at Minnesota, 3:05 p.m., 1st game
Oakland at Minnesota, 8:05 p.m., 2nd game
Anaheim at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 5:05 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Toronto at Boston, 1:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Cleveland, 1:05 p.m.
Anaheim at Tampa Bay, 1:15 p.m.
Texas at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.
Oakland at Minnesota, 2:05 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 2:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 8:05 p.m.

Anderson's return could bolster Spurs

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The San Antonio Spurs look forward to the return of two stars — one who's been injured and another who's been missing in action.

Derek Anderson, San Antonio's second-leading scorer during the season, will play for the first time in nearly three weeks tonight when the Spurs face the Los Angeles Lakers in Game 3 of the Western Conference finals.

"He had a great practice yesterday and a great practice today. He will play," Spurs spokesman Tom James said Thursday at Staples Center, site of the series' third and fourth games.

David Robinson did play against the Lakers in the first two games, but not well. And he knows it.

"I've got to stay out on the floor and add some stuff on the scoreboard," said Robinson, who shot only 9-of-25 and was plagued by foul trouble as the Spurs lost twice at the Alamodome. "I've just got to be a lot smarter."

Robinson, who along with Tim Duncan provides the Spurs with a pair of 7-foot stars, got off to a fast start in Game 1, but didn't contribute a great deal after the first quarter.

He played only 27 minutes in Game 2 after picking up his third and fourth fouls in quick succession early in the third quarter. He got No. 4 while arguing with an official about No. 3.

"I hope we get the same David Robinson, I cannot tell a lie," Lakers forward Rick Fox said. "I don't expect that to be the case. I hope he doesn't relieve the pressure on Tim Duncan."

About Robinson being blamed for his team's losses, Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said: "It's always been, 'When the Spurs win, the Spurs win. When they lose, it's on David.' That's unfair."

Anderson, meanwhile, hasn't played since separating his right shoulder May 5 on a flagrant foul by Juwan Howard of the Dallas Mavericks.

"I feel great, I feel 100 percent right now," he said, noting he has no pain or swelling. "I would like to start — continue where I left off — we'll see. It's not up to me."

Popovich said he hadn't reached a decision, but that was before Thursday's practice.

Anderson gives the Spurs their best defender against Kobe Bryant, who scored 73 points in the first two games.

Bryant said he also believes Anderson brings a significant presence at the other end of the floor.

"They're going to try and push the ball hard," Bryant said. "Derek adds speed to their offense, speed to their team. That's one of the ways they figure they can beat us — get into an up-tempo game."

Even with Anderson back, and even if Robinson plays up to his capabilities, the Spurs face a daunting task.

The defending champion Lakers have won 17 straight games — eight to finish the season and nine to start the playoffs.

The next two games are at Staples Center, where the Lakers are 35-10 this season, including four wins in the playoffs.

Only two NBA teams have ever lost the first two games of a best-of-seven series at home and rallied to win.

The Spurs know they must shoot better if they're going to have a chance. They've made only 61-of-148 shots (41 percent), and just 9-of-31 from 3-point range (29 percent) in the series.

That's not good, especially for a team that led the NBA in 3-point shooting during the season.

Hawks hold off Loboes

In what turned out to be a pitcher's duel, the Iowa Park Hawks simply had more firepower.

Iowa Park ace Chase Wright rang up 16 strikeouts, and the Hawks produced timely hits when they needed them to hold off the Monahans Loboes, 4-2, Thursday night in a Class 3A regional semifinal at Moffett Field.

The Iowa Park southpaw struck out two batters in all but one inning, and issued only two walks.

The Hawks owned the lead from the start after Wright belted a first-inning triple to plate Nick Kennedy in the top of the first.

Iowa Park squandered a chance to stretch the margin in the third when it left the bases loaded, but responded with a run in the fifth.

Jimmy Miller drew a lead-off walk, then moved to second on a bunt by Mitch Singleton. Tim Denney lined a single to center field to drive in Miller for a 2-0 lead.

Monahans trimmed the deficit to 2-1 in the bottom of the fifth on a walk and an Iowa Park error, before the Hawks put the game away for good in the sixth.

After Wright reached on an error and Brandon Willeford drew a free pass, Jerome Wilson blasted a double off the center field fence that brought home courtesy runner Zac Miller. Michael Horton, running for Willeford, later scored on a wild pitch to give the Hawks a 4-1 cushion.

Wright took over from there. The lefty struck out the side in the sixth, and killed a Monahans rally in the seventh.

A Casey Wilson single, followed by a Joey Aguilar double notched one run for the Loboes, before the Hawks buckled down. Wright got the first out on a ground ball, then struck out the next two batters to end the game.

Iowa Park improved to 23-10 on the year and advances to face the Perryton-Abilene Wylie winner in next week's regional finals.

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Conference Finals
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Saturday, May 19
L.A. Lakers 104, San Antonio 90

Monday, May 21
L.A. Lakers 88, San Antonio 81, L.A. Lakers lead series 2-0

Tuesday, May 22
Philadelphia 93, Milwaukee 85

Thursday, May 24
Milwaukee 92, Philadelphia 78, series tied 1-1

Friday, May 25
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 9 p.m.

Saturday, May 26
Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 27
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 5:30 p.m.

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Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.

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Boeing sent the warning in March after several airlines asked about the effect of the disinfectant — sodium hypochlorite or bleach — on airplanes, spokeswoman Liz Verdier said Thursday from the company's headquarters in Seattle.

The disinfectant can turn planes' brakes, axles and landing gear brittle and make them wear faster than normal, a potential safety hazard, according to Boeing and Air Force officials.

Verdier said Boeing does not know of any mechanical failures because of the use of the disinfectant.

Planes arriving at airports in England, France, Italy and Spain have been sprayed with the disinfectant since March to prevent the spread of the disease, according to Doug Wiser, a landing gear system engineer at Utah's Hill Air Force Base. It is not used at airports in the United States, he said.

Foot-and-mouth disease does not affect humans but has led to the destruction of thousands of cattle and sheep in Europe. The disease is airborne and could spread to a country through dust stuck to a plane.

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp			37.39	37.05 37.20—.62
AOL TimeWrn			53.72	53.10 53.30—.98
AT&T Corp			21.06	20.76 20.78—.32
Albertsons			28.73	28.45 28.56—.20
Alltel			57.30	56.75 56.98 + .40
AmEl Pw			50.93	50.34 50.38—.73
AndarkPtr			64.10	63.05 63.27—1.03
ATMOS Egy			23.39	23.30 23.38 + .03
Aviall			10.77	10.50 10.77 + .17
BP PLC			53.87	53.60 53.60 + .20
BakerHughes			39.53	38.60 39.53 + 1.03
Bank of Amer			60.00	59.40 59.53—.46
BellSouth			41.15	40.80 40.87—.03
Beth Steel			3.30	3.20 3.22—.03
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Caterpillar			54.65	53.84 53.91—.49
Chevron			95.00	94.10 94.22—.06
Citigroup s			52.83	52.06 52.15—.42
CocaCola			49.10	48.10 48.22—.87
ColgatePal			57.25	56.60 56.67—.52
ComclMetals			26.10	26.05 26.05—.10
CooperIn			39.29	38.61 38.65—.61
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Dillards Inc			17.10	16.81 16.94—.27
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CINCO DE MAYO — Four classes at Central Elementary recently presented a Cinco de Mayo program. Magdalena Jaimes' bilingual third graders are pictured in the first two photos. The boys are (top photo) front row from left, Gilberto Medina, Quintin Bass, Jacob Kemp, Anthony Segura, Joel Gallegos, Adalberto Medina, Antonio Estrada, Joe David De Paz; back row from left, Humberto Juarez, Victor Soberon, Michael Guardado, Samuel Rubio, Jose Antonio Ferrusca. The girls (second photo) are front row from left, Ashley Fuentez, Gabby Arredondo, Bianca Cabrera, Samana Arizmendi, Alexandra Rios, Wendy Moran, Martha Cabrera, Kristie Valadez. Celia Barrera's bilingual kindergarten students are (third photo) standing from left, Misael Arellano, Michael Rodriguez, Dariela Garcia, Ector Gonzales, Jacqueline Rubio, Alma Cabrera, Sonia Cabrera, Rebecca Chacon; kneeling from left, Mario Garcia, Damian Medina, Orlando Murillo, Rodolfo Rodriguez, Janell Espinoza, Jennifer Facio, Aby Sanchez, Estefany Olivarez. Josefina Velaszuez' bilingual pre-kindergarten students (fourth photo) are front row from left, Adalberto Jaimes, Ana Munoz, Andrew Miranda, Yesennia Cabrera, Flavio Borrego, Jainie Fuentez; back row from left, Victor Pena, Jessica Guardado, Itzel Arellano, Bernice Soberon, Valentin Medina, Benjamin Alvarado. Rose Smith's kindergarten students are (bottom photo) front row from left, Ajay Garcia, Martin Torres, Ashley Silva, Mercedez Platero, Brandon Mireles, Mario Ortega, Teenwolf Gomez; back row, Anthony Sosa, John Muniz, Harley Collins, Timmy Hart, Daniella Vasquez. Not pictured: Robby Alba, Randi Sanchez. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Saturday, May 26, 2001

Events in the year ahead can fuel your ambitions and provide you with the motivation you'll need to turn difficult situations into successes. Increase earnings will happen in the process.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — When involved in any type of decision making today, avoid bringing others into the assessment. Two is company; three is a crowd. But four will completely bungle the reasoning. Trying to patch up a broken romance? **The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.**

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — There's a good chance you could be put upon today by someone who thinks that, just because you did a favor for him or her in the past, you should reciprocate on a regular basis. Don't be a patsy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — It'll be your own fault today if you allow yourself to get trapped into a social activity that you either dislike or that contains people you'd rather avoid. Be your own person.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Take the necessary time to plot your moves carefully in all that you do, and especially avoid being impulsive. It might be too easy for you to trip over your own feet today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Acknowledgment for the kindness and generosity you extend to another today may not be forthcoming. That person may just be an ingrate or thoughtless in his or her response. Ignore it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Unfortunately, today you might be your worst enemy when it comes to managing your resources. While plugging up leaks with one hand, you could start pulling out the corks with the other.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — The best way to handle a serious matter today may be to treat it with a light, gentle touch, without forgetting the gravity of the situation. Tough treatment could be met with added resistance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — You're good, but you are no magician when it comes to handling jobs beyond your scope of skills. To be effective and productive today, don't overburden yourself with what you can't handle.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Your self-will might meet its limitations today when a strong-willed companion attempts to browbeat you into doing something you know won't serve your best interests. Be on guard.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — If you attempt to manipulate others today, people might appear to give you cursory compliance, but, in reality, they really won't do things your way and end up leaving you in the lurch.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Be smart and don't tell an associate who always shoots down anything you say with negative thinking what your plans are today. Do your thing first, then tell him or her later.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Your decision-making processes may not be in good working order today, so it behooves you to stay clear of anything that involves dipping into your wallet.

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Amtrak president says they can't meet conficting goals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Amtrak President George Warrington appealed to political leaders to resolve, at last, whether the railway's chief mission is to provide national passenger service or to break even financially.

"For 30 years Amtrak has been expected to perform like a business and at the same time serve community needs like a nonprofit organization. We cannot do this," Warrington said Thursday in a speech at the National Press Club.

Amtrak could face dissolution if it fails to meet a congressional mandate to wean itself from annual federal operating subsidies by 2003. Transportation Secretary Norman Y. Mineta is among those who say they are skeptical Amtrak can meet the deadline.

Warrington maintains Amtrak will achieve self-sufficiency in time, but only because the government allows it leeway in calculating its costs on paper. In reality, he said, Amtrak's longer-term future depends on the government's willingness to spend more on rail, not less.

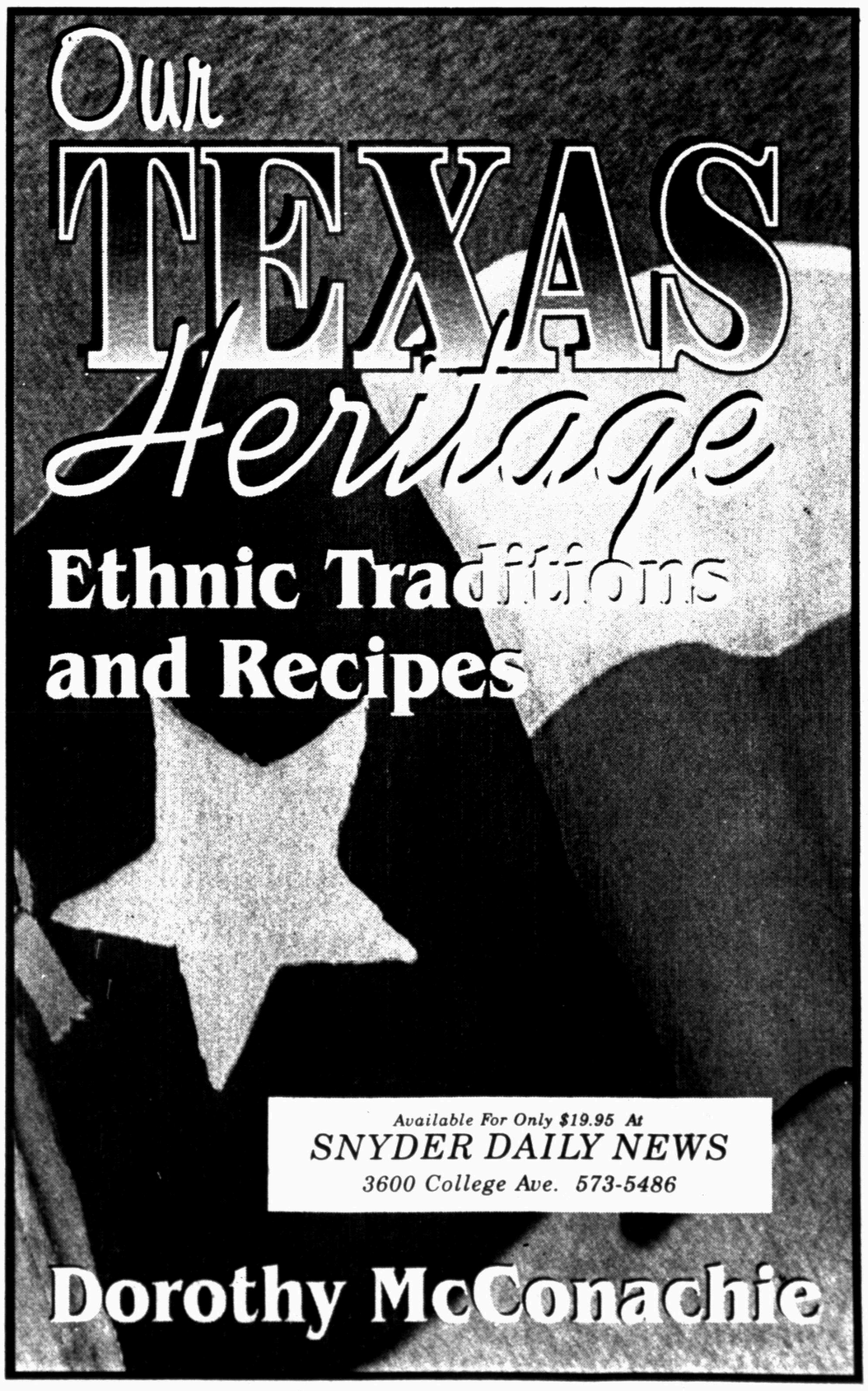
Also, Amtrak must decide whether to continue using revenue from profitable routes and ventures to subsidize routes that lose money. In 1998, just one of Amtrak's 40 routes, the Northeast Corridor from Boston to Washington, made money.

Warrington, 48, took the reins of Amtrak in 1997 after three years as president of that corridor.

Under Warrington, Amtrak has asked Congress for $30 billion over 20 years to close what he calls a "rail investment gap." It also wants to issue $12 billion in bonds over 10 years to raise money for high-speed rail lines around the country.

To highlight the railway's need for capital, he said Acela Express high-speed trains, capable of reaching 150 mph in the Boston-Washington corridor, are restricted to 25 mph near Baltimore where some rail tunnels date to the Civil War.

Warrington spoke as Washington scrambled to deal with the new reality of a Senate in control of Democrats for the first time since 1994.



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Tax cut negotiations continue

WASHINGTON (AP) — The hours are dwindling for the House and Senate to strike a deal with President Bush on details of the $1.35 trillion, 11-year tax cut in time for the Memorial Day recess.

This morning, Bush called Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., the House Ways and Means Committee chairman, and Sen. Charles Grassley, R-Iowa, the Senate Finance Committee chairman, and urged them to quickly complete a conference report on the tax cut package, said White House spokesman Ari Fleischer.

Negotiators met until midnight Thursday and planned more sessions today.

"We made a little progress," said Sen. Don Nickles, R-Okla., a member of the House-Senate conference committee.

Key issues included the level of the top income tax rate, which Bush and the House adamantly want to drop from 39.6 percent to 33 percent but the Senate would set at 36 percent. Lawmakers have discussed splitting the difference at 35 percent.

There was also an effort to move forward the dates many of the tax cuts would take effect, in many cases set at five or more years from now.

Another key question was whether to keep a provision added by Senate moderates to allow people with low incomes to claim part of a $500 tax credit, which would gradually rise to $1,000.

Democrats and Republicans said the final bill would likely contain the essential elements of Bush's original 10-year, $1.6 trillion plan: across-the-board income tax cuts, the eventual repeal of the estate tax, the repeal of the marriage penalty paid by millions of two-income couples and doubling of the $500 child credit.

The Senate legislation would have an immediate effect by creating a new 10 percent tax rate — retroactive to Jan. 1 — for the first $6,000 of an individual's income, and $12,000 for a married couple. That would mean a tax savings of $300 per taxpayer or $600 for a couple.

White House Chief of Staff Andrew Card joined the evening negotiations. Other key players were Thomas, Grassley, Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., and Sen. John Breaux, D-La.

Even Democrats who have opposed the bill indicated they would not try to slow its progress. Vermont GOP Sen. James Jeffords said his switch to an independent wouldn't take effect until the tax bill is wrapped up, meaning Democrats could gain control over the Senate once it passes the bill.

"The tax bill will go through in respect to Jim Jeffords," said Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y.

Unlike the Bush and House plans, the Senate bill would give greater benefits to people with low and middle incomes.

Investigation into possible war crimes cover-up slated

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia (AP) — Police said today they were investigating allegations that former President Slobodan Milosevic ordered top officers to hide the bodies of victims from the Kosovo conflict to cover up war crimes.

Police investigating a truck filled with bodies from Kosovo that was dumped into the Danube River in 1999 said they uncovered a wider program ordered by Milosevic to hide atrocities — the first time Yugoslav authorities have linked the former leader to war crimes.

The announcement appeared to be aimed at paving the way for extradition of Milosevic — jailed since April 1 — to the U.N. war crimes tribunal in The Hague, Netherlands.

The tribunal has charged him with atrocities against ethnic Albanians during a 1999 crackdown in Kosovo. But so far, Belgrade has been reluctant to hand him over.

Belgrade prosecutors have charged Milosevic with abuse of power during his 13-year rule. But the government is now drafting a law that would permit the extradition of suspects like Milosevic to The Hague if local courts find a basis for war crimes accusations.

"When we finish the investigation, we will file criminal charges," said Serbian Interior Minister Dusan Mihajlovic.

"For now it's clear that this was a case of removing evidence of criminal acts," he said, when asked whether war crimes charges against Milosevic in Yugoslavia will result.

Police official Dragan Karleusa said that in a March 1999 meeting, Milosevic ordered top police commanders "to remove all evidence" of civilian casualties in the crackdown and to remove corpses that could be subject to "possible investigation by The Hague tribunal."

Those present at the meeting — which took place about the time NATO airstrikes on Yugoslavia began — included former Interior Minister Vlajko Stojiljkovic, also wanted by the U.N. tribunal.

Karleusa said police learned about the meeting while investigating revelations that a refrigerator truck was dumped into the Danube in 1999 with bodies of people from Kosovo province, apparently ethnic Albanian victims of the war.

The truck was pulled out of the river by local authorities in 1999 and more than 50 bodies were found inside, Karleusa said. But then Milosevic associates ordered the local officials to stop investigations and declared the affair a state secret, he said.

22-year-old man attempts suicide

• ***Attempted suicide***

A 22-year-old man was transported to Cogdell Memorial Hospital early this morning after overdosing on a large quantity of over-the-counter medication.

The man was admitted to the hospital and was listed in stable condition this morning.

• ***Forgery***

At 10:32 a.m. Thursday, Davidson's IGA manager C.R. Perez requested an officer at the store in reference to a male subject trying to pass a forged check on Lionel Torres' account. The subject was not arrested, but the incident is under investigation. An offense report for forgery was filed.

• ***Shoplifters***

An offense report for Class C theft was filed at 1:17 p.m. Thursday in reference to an 11-year-old male at the Movies & Videos Superstore taking a Playstation video game cartridge.

An 18-year-old man was arrested at Wal-Mart at 1:47 p.m. Thursday for Class B theft after taking a CD player from the store.

• ***Theft***

Ravona Glover reported the theft of a porcelain figurine from her 2304 43rd Street residence at 3:50 p.m. Thursday.

• ***Close patrol***

Officers were asked to keep a close patrol of the neighborhood in the 3300 block of Avenue U in reference to homes and vehicles in the area being toilet papered and shoe polished.

• ***Arrests***

Class A assault and family violence landed a 30-year-old man in jail at 3:55 p.m. Thursday.

A 36-year-old man was arrested at 10:59 p.m. Thursday on Abilene Department of Public Safety warrants for speeding and no driver's license and a Lubbock County warrant for assault.

• ***Fire notes***

Snyder Fire Department was dispatched to a fire at 2:33 p.m. in the back of the E.D. Walton Construction Co. yard. Old lumber and brush was burned.

At 9:30 p.m. Thursday, firefighters were dispatched to a car fire at L&L at 3812 College. Snyder EMS transported one female to Cogdell. No additional information was available from the fire department, and the hospital would not release any information.

The department also responded to a brush fire at 10:18 p.m. Thursday three miles north of Snyder on U.S. Highway 84.

Obituaries

Rosa Bigham

1926-2001

Rosa Lee Bigham, a longtime Snyder resident, died Thursday, May 24, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Bigham, 74, is set for 2 p.m. Sunday in the First Baptist Church Chapel. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.



Rosa Bigham

Born Nov. 29, 1926 in Nowata, Okla., she married Gerrel Bigham on Dec. 24, 1945 in Pampa. They lived the first nine months of their marriage in San Diego until Mr. Bigham was discharged from the Marine Corps.

They returned to his hometown of Lefors before making Snyder their home during the oil boom, in September, 1949.

Mr. Bigham moved a house to 4500 College Ave. which has served as the family home since January, 1954.

Mrs. Bigham was the bookkeeper for the house-moving firm of Bigham and Sons Inc. A member of the First Baptist Church, Mrs. Bigham was a past Matron of the Order of Eastern Star, Chapter 450.

Survivors include her husband, Gerrel Bigham of Snyder; three daughters, Gloria Cato and her husband, Gary, of Snyder, Marcella Thomas of Lubbock and Teresa Bigham of Harlingen; a son, Danny Bigham of Lubbock; two sisters, Gorda Baten of Whitesboro and Pat Crocker of Pampa; three brothers, O.J. Miller of McLean, Paul Miller of Odessa and David Miller of Borger; one grandchild, Kimberly Lane; and two great-grandchildren, Colton and Cenna Lane.

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Lentie Clark

1923-2001

Lentie Bell Clark, sister of O.P. Tate of Snyder, died Friday, May 18, at her home in Temple.

Funeral service for Mrs. Clark, 78, will be held at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Paul A. Tate will officiate, and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born on March 14, 1923 in Jayton to O.P. and Nellie Gallagher Tate, she married Wellborn F. Clark Sr. on July 29, 1939 in Post. He died in 1999.

Mrs. Clark worked as an accountant and was a member of the First Baptist Church in Belton.

She also was preceded in death by one son, W. Frank Clark Jr. in 1996; and one grandson in 1986.

Survivors include one daughter, Paula L. Johnston of Temple; another brother, Curtis Tate of Belton; four grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Family visitation will be held from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. Saturday at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Rena K. Thames

1951-2001

LUBBOCK — Rena Kaye Thames of Lubbock, daughter-in-law of Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Thames of Snyder, died Wednesday, May 23, in University Medical Center.

Funeral service for Mrs. Thames, 49, will be at 3 p.m. Friday in Resthaven's Abbey Chapel. The Rev. Don Barkely will officiate. Graveside service will be at 5:30 p.m. Friday in Muleshoe.

Born May 28, 1951 in Muleshoe, she was a graduate of Muleshoe High School. She married Donovan R. Thames July 28, 2000 in Clovis, N.M. She worked for Covenant Home Health Care for four years and attended Trinity Church in Lubbock.

Survivors include her husband, Donavan R. Thames of Lubbock and formerly of Snyder; three sons, Ryan Durrett of Lubbock, David Thames of Brownwood and Chris Thames of Lubbock; a daughter, Adrienne Halloway of Lubbock; her parents, Homer and Doris Lackey of Muleshoe; three brothers, Stacy H. Lackey of Dallas, Gary Lackey of College Station and Jesse R. Lackey of Fort Worth.

Hospital

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Splash Day

Towle Park swimming pool will open at 1:30 p.m. Saturday for the summer.

York Rite festival

Scurry Masonic Lodge will hold a York Rite festival beginning at 7 a.m. Saturday at the Masonic Lodge. Chapter/Council degrees will be conferred. The cost is $100. (regularly $175). Contact Masonic members prior to Saturday to fill out the petition and pay fees.

Farewell reception

Students and friends will hold a farewell reception for Judy Haines from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday at the Ritz Theatre. Everyone is welcome.

Pot luck dinner

Snyder Church of Nazarene will hold a pot luck dinner after the morning worship service on Sunday. The dinner is in honor of the memory of Ethel Herrington.

Youth rally

Ira First Baptist Church will host a youth rally starting at 6 p.m. Sunday. The rally will feture music by Macy Hill and Mark Winn as the featured speaker.

Genealogical society

The Scurry County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the children's room in the Scurry County Library. Dave Hanes will speak on Native American legends and war. Visitors are welcome and dues are $12.50 per person or $15 per couple per year.

Late registration

Late registration for Western Texas College's Kids' College will continue through June 6. However the classes to make will be decided by Friday, June 1. Classes will be held June 11-21. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 223.

Camp Spring homecoming

Camp Spring's homecoming will begin at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 3. Please bring a covered dish for the potluck meal. Ice, cups, plates and flatware will be furnished. Call Carla Guinn Bavousett at 573-8948 for more information.

Colonial Hill VBS

Colonial Hill Baptist Church will hold Vacation Bible School from 8:30-11:45 a.m. on June 4-8 for grades K-6.

Vacation Bible School

The 37th St. Church of Christ has set its "Jesus to the Rescue" Vacation Bible School for June 4-6, from 9 a.m. to noon. It is for ages two years through the sixth grade. For more information, call Kinney Mabry at 573-0154.

Presbyterian VBS

Children ages 3-12 are invited to Vacation Bible School June 4-8 at the First Presbyterian Church, 2706 Ave. R. Hours are 9 a.m. until noon and theme is "The Ark." For information, call 573-6915.

CPR provide course

Western Texas College has set a CPR Provider Course for Monday, June 4, and Wednesday, June 6, at the Vocational Nursing Building, 7C, from 6-10 p.m. Cost is $45. Register early as space is limited. For more information call, 573-8511, ext. 390.

WTC swimming pool

The WTC swimming pool will open Monday, June 4, for public use. Lap swimming: M-TH 6:30-8 a.m. Open swimming: M-TH 2-5 p.m. Cost is $3 per person or $50 for a semester pass. The pool is also available for parties on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, contact Mike Harrison at 573-8511, ext. 279.

Winston Field fly-in breakfast

The first Winston Field fly-in breakfast will be held from 8-10:30 a.m. on Saturday, June 16. The public is invited to the event and can eat breakfast with the pilots for $3. There will be numerous airplanes on display, including antique aircraft.

Biker Sunday

The second annual Biker Sunday will be Sunday, June 24, at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Services start at 10:45 a.m. and there will be bike rodeo games, door prizes, free food and a live band.

Discovery school

Discovery School at First United Methodist Church is open for the summer, taking ages up through 8 years. Drop-ins are welcome. For more information, call 573-4770.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information, call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakely Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Suspect in deputy's shooting makes first court appearance

HOUSTON (AP) — The 18-year-old man charged with this week's fatal shooting of a Harris County sheriff's deputy acknowledged the crime after his arrest, a prosecutor said today at the accused killer's initial court appearance.

Jesus Flores, his left wrist heavily bandaged because of what authorities said was a suicide attempt Wednesday, the day after his arrest, was denied bond and assigned a court-appointed lawyer during a brief hearing before state District Judge Joan Huffman.

Flores is charged with capital murder in the Tuesday morning shooting of Deputy Joseph Norman Dennis, 35. Authorities say Flores pulled a gun and shot Dennis as the deputy tried to arrest him for causing a disturbance at his sister's northwest Harris County home.

Dennis was being buried today.

Flores was arrested in the neighborhood after a nine-hour manhunt.

District Attorney Chuck Rosenthal attended this morning's hearing.