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Annual convocation signals back-to-school time in Snyder

Snyder ISD's annual convocation to signal the opening of another school year will be held Thursday morning at Scurry County Coliseum.

The event gets underway at 8:30 a.m. with a continental breakfast and musical selections from the Snyder High School band under the direction of Walter Reneau.

SHS senior Trey Gorman will serve as master of ceremonies.

Platform guests will be Rep. David Counts, Snyder Mayor Dayton Robertson, Western Texas College president Dr. Harry Krenek and Mark McCormick, president of the local school board of trustees.

The morning address will be delivered by Supt. Gayle Lomax and the keynote address will be given by John Corcoran of Carlsbad, Calif.

Corcoran is the author of the book, "The Teacher Who Couldn't Read" and he has served on numerous educational advisory commissions and corporate boards.

He is a member of the board of the San Diego Council on Literacy and a recent board member of the National Institute on Literacy, appointed by President Bush and continued under President Clinton.

He has testified before the U.S. Congress Sub-Committee on Early Childhood Education and Family and to the Sub-Committee on Oversight and Investigation for the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities.

Corcoran is a nationally-known speaker who has spoken in 43 states to students, professional and volunteer teachers, civic groups and organizations, as well as to small businesses and Fortune 500 companies.

He has appeared on 20/20, Larry King Live and The Oprah Winfrey Show.

Following the convocation, teachers will report to their respective campuses at 1 p.m. Teachers will also have a work day on Friday.

The first day of school for the local district is next Wednesday.

In preparation for the first day of school, students at Snyder Junior High School can tour the school on Monday from 7-8 p.m. and homerooms can be located.

On Tuesday, Stanfield Elementary will host a "Meet the Teachers" night from 6-7 p.m. Students can locate their classrooms, meet their new teachers and leave their school supplies.

HELPING HAND — Food Cupboard volunteer Keta Jones sacks groceries this morning to be distributed to Scurry County families in need. The facility, which is a Ministerial Alliance program, helps approximately 240 families a month in Scurry County. That figures to approximately 596 individuals. (SDN Staff Photo By Joyce May)

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Nothing is fool proof to a sufficiently talented fool."

Maybe the third time is the charm.

It looks like an opportunity to get adopted - by somebody with green stuff.

We read a wire service report out of Minneapolis that a sick man is looking for a worthy heir to his $375,000 estate.

Clayton Goward, 79, says he doesn't have anybody suitable to inherit his estate, so he placed a classified ad in the local newspaper seeking interested parties.

Right off the bat, there were 32 responses. Some letters came from people who told of their financial woes and could use the money. Other letters came from churches and charities. He also got letters advising him to "be careful."

Divorced with three sons, the man says the relationship with them is still strained despite efforts to visit and make amends.

We've tried to be adopted before, but were flatly rejected. However, we once did get a free steak dinner from a fellow coffee drinker. The late Stanley Noah. Stanley, who was plain spoken, was clear that we shouldn't expect anything else.

And we didn't even get a cup of coffee from Si Steinberg, much less the steak dinner.

We think the chap in Minneapolis may have difficulty finding that special person. He has only one requirement.

He wants somebody who loves him, not his money.

Well, there's always the lottery.

We've read numerous stories about lawsuits that have resulted over somebody winning a lottery jackpot and failing to live up to a verbal agreement to share with a friend.

You may recall the waitress in Big Spring who was sued by a customer because he claimed she promised to split the pot with him. The customer won the lawsuit.

Then there was more bad news. The husband of the waitress filed for divorce, and got half of what was left.

But recently in Austin, two friends did exactly what they said they would do. The wife of a TV anchor bought a lottery ticket for her husband to give his best friend for a birthday gift.

The birthday boy said he would split the pot if it turned out to be the winning ticket for the $37 million jackpot.

The cash option had been chosen, so the two friends each got $19.4 million and smiled all the way to the bank.

Republicans promise passage of tax bill despite veto threat

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans, shrugging off a promise of a veto, nailed down the details of an agreement that would lower the tax rate of every American who pays income tax and promised passage by the end of the week.

"This is a great bill," House Ways and Means Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, said in announcing the deal late Tuesday. "I hope the president will not veto a bill that has so much help for Americans."

The 10-year, $792 billion tax cut package put together by House and Senate Republicans would gradually cut 1 percentage point off each personal income tax rate. It also would provide relief from the so-called marriage penalty, cut the personal capital gains tax rate and eventually eliminate the estate tax.

Faced with the start of the August vacation at the end of the week, negotiators moved with unusual speed over two days of talks to resolve differences in the House and Senate bills, each of which totaled $792 billion in cuts but differed substantially in details.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., and House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., were actively involved in the negotiations, while Democrats, who overwhelmingly opposed the GOP plans, were shut out of the talks.

"The Republicans have sequestered themselves in a room in order to piece together a political bill they know is going nowhere," said Rep. Charles Rangel, D-N.Y., ranking Democrat on the Ways and Means panel.

The White House brushed off warnings by Lott and House Majority Leader Dick Armey that prospects are dimming that Congress and Clinton can agree on a tax bill this year. "The remarks sound like two leaders in a sandbox," presidential spokesman Joe Lockhart said. "If they don't get their way, they don't want to play."

He said the GOP tax numbers "just don't add up."

Sen. Kay Baily Hutchison

U.S. Senator Kay Bailey Hutchison will host a town-hall meeting in Gail on Wednesday, Aug. 11. Sen. Hutchison will be at the Borden County Courthouse at 2:45 p.m.

Local person's trial underway

Testimony was continuing this morning in Lubbock's 237th District Court in the murder trial of Ruben Martinez of Snyder.

Martinez, 20, of 2507 Ave. X is accused of killing Rudy Hernandez, 39, of Lubbock on Oct. 24. Also charged in the incident is Oscar Martinez, 19, of Lubbock.

A jury of seven men and five women is hearing the case and District Judge Sam Medina is presiding.

Cameron Cowan is prosecuting the case for the state and Martinez's lawyer is Mark Fesmire.

Martinez was arrested on the murder charge in Snyder on Oct. 29 by Lubbock police detectives after he had been taken to the Law Enforcement Center for questioning.

Martinez had served time in the local jail for public intoxication and failure to maintain liability insurance.

Renovations almost complete at Beacon

Renovations are nearing completion on the Beacon Lodge and the general manager said the motel will be open by Sept. 1.

"We would like to be open a few days before that, but we will be open for sure on Sept. 1," general manager Robert Echols of Albany said. "We are not positive we will have everything finished then, but we will be open."

The motel is being restored to its original design.

"We are restoring the motel as much as possible to the '50s motif it was built in."

The lobby, meeting room and continental breakfast areas will all be decorated in black and white tile and Coca-Cola tables and chairs.

"It will be an all '50s motif with Coca-Cola decorations. Guests will even set down on turning café stools to register."

Thirty-six rooms will be available and Echols said every effort will be taken to hire local staff.

There will not be a swimming pool.

"Instead we will have a park and picnic area," Echols said. "We are doing landscaping on that right now."

Beacon Lodge owners are Gene and Donna Thompson of Fort Worth. The couple also owns motels in Terlingua, Fort Davis, Anson, Beard, Cisco, Cross Plains and Hubbard Creek Lake.

The Thompsons also own two motels in Albany.

"We are looking forward to being a big part of the community."

A grand opening date will be

GOOD JOB — Snyder head coach David Baugh visits with a player this morning during the Tigers' first practice of the season The team's annual Watermelon Bowl is slated for Aug. 13. (SDN Staff Photo)

Local woman jailed following indictment

A 32-year-old Snyder woman was arrested Tuesday following her indictment Monday by the Scurry County grand jury on forgery charges.

Addie Lee Jackson was arrested at her residence at 1610 27th St. at 8:45 a.m.

Jackson is accused of forging a check for $200 on a closed bank account of Jerry Etheredge on April 10. Following her arrest, Jackson was released from jail on a $5,000 bond.

ASK US

Q—Who is in charge of preparations for the county fair?

A—Phil Robinson is heading the committee for the Sept. 16-18 event. He can be reached at 573-7985 or 573-3026.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 95 degrees; low, 70; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 72; no precipitation; total for 1999, 17.47 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy, 30% chance of storms. Low 65-70. SE wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy, 20% chance of storms. High, upper 80s. SE wind 5-15 mph. Thursday night, partly cloudy, slight chance of evening storms. Low 65-70.

Eldon Morris
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:37 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:03 a.m.
Of 215 days in 1999, the sun has shone 208 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is a process; working together is success."
—Henry Ford

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NASA spacecraft captures data on asteroid

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — An asteroid targeted by a NASA spacecraft last week may be a chip off a bigger rock orbiting elsewhere in the solar system, researchers said.

Deep Space 1 flew within 16 miles of Braille, a peanut-shaped object about 1.3 miles long. The July 26 flyby was the closest ever by a spacecraft, at about twice the distance of a jetliner cruising above the Earth's surface.

Its camera failed to take close-up pictures during the encounter, but a spectrometer was able to capture data on the surface composition.

"It's often said a picture is worth a thousand words, but today under this circumstance a spectrum is worth a thousand pictures," said Robert Nelson, a mission scientist at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena.

Braille is remarkably similar to Vesta, a much bigger asteroid that orbits millions of miles away between Mars and Jupiter, mission scientists said Tuesday. Both contain rock that was once molten — something rarely found in other asteroids.

The simple explanation is that "Vesta was a victim of a collision of some sort and that it spewed off chips of the old rock," said Bonnie Buratti, a member of the mission's science team. Pictures from the Hubble Space Telescope also show Vesta, which is about 325 miles across, has a large impact crater on its surface.

Scientists will continue to run computer models to find out how Braille could have traveled so far. Braille has an irregular orbit between Earth and Mars. Vesta is in a belt of asteroids between Mars and Jupiter.

Such studies could help scientists figure out ways of redirecting asteroids that may threaten Earth, said Eileen Ryan, an assistant professor of physics at New Mexico Highlands University in Las Vegas, N.M.

"We can prepare for a possible asteroid hazard situation as we learn more about how they break up," she said.

Such information might be useful in about 4,000 years when Braille's orbit could put the 1.2-mile long, peanut-shaped rock on a collision course with Earth. Further number crunching is necessary to better assess the danger, Buratti said.

Despite the misdirected camera, controllers said they were pleased with both Deep Space 1's science results and its successful testing of a dozen new technologies for future missions — including autonomous navigation, ion propulsion and a combination camera-spectrometer.

Deep Space 1's mission is scheduled to end Sept. 18. If NASA extends its mission, the barrel-shape probe will encounter two comets in 2001.

The $152 million probe was launched in October.

Oil companies adjusting to price swings

HOUSTON (AP) — With oil prices volatile as ever, the successful companies are those that can benefit from both the booms and the busts, an industry analyst said Tuesday in releasing an annual production survey.

Victor A. Burk, managing director of energy industry services for Arthur Andersen, said continued price uncertainty makes betting on the market a risky proposition at best.

"The industry has been on a roller coaster," Burk said. "The companies that have survived and prospered are those that have learned from both the highs and lows and been able to adapt to the forces that have dramatically changed this industry."

The survey, "Global Exploration and Production Trends," found that capital spending on 1998 oil and gas projects actually increased 5 percent despite a low-price climate that cut revenues 24 percent and profits 87 percent for 182 publicly traded energy companies.

"On the surface, 1998 was a year of apparent contradictions, with revenues, profits, cash flow and prices down, but spending up despite higher costs," Burk said.

One explanation is that companies ratcheted up exploration and production budgets when prices were riding high in 1997. Once prices began softening, much of the spending was irreversible.

"In other cases, capital spending continued continued because companies believed prices would recover during 1998," Burk said. "However, by mid-year most of those companies made the decision to cut capital spending."

With prices having rebounded to over $20 a barrel, carryover cuts from 1998 has dampened overall 1999, which could be down 20 percent.

One company that throttled back before last year's price plunge was independent Apache Corp. By saving cash and paying down debt, the Houston company was in position this spring to buy 22 offshore fields and 16 production leases from Shell Exploration and Production Co.

The sale closed in mid-May as prices soared.

"Most independents run like hell quarter to quarter to try and increase production," said Steve Farris, Apache president. "What we told ourselves internally was that we were going to at least attempt to look at the longer-term basis so we didn't just run with the herd. It was a tough thing to do at the time (when prices were high)."

Since acquiring Shell's shallow-water Gulf of Mexico holdings, oil prices have run $4 over projections. Apache plans to recondition wells and boost production, ensuring cash flow for years to come.

According to the Arthur Andersen survey, 100 of the surveyed companies lost money in 1998. Burk warned that companies should not merely count on today's improved prices to return to profitability.

"Every company reacted in one way or another to the drop in oil prices, but the successful companies reacted proactively, with a plan for not only surviving but creating opportunities during the low-price environment," Burk said.

Nine cases handled Monday in Snyder's municipal court

The City of Snyder Municipal Court docket for Monday handled nine cases, including one juvenile and eight adults.

A 16-year-old male pleaded guilty to speeding and was fined $48 and $46.25 court costs. He was approved for defensive driving.

A 19-year-old male pleaded guilty to disregarding a red light, no valid driver's license and no insurance. Fines and court costs of $370 were levied. He was given time to pay.

The case against a 21-year-old female for expired vehicle registration was dismissed when proof of registration was produced.

A 24-year-old male pleaded guilty to no insurance and no valid driver's license. Fines and court costs totaling $293 were handed down with time to pay given.

An 18-year-old male pleaded guilty to minor in possession — alcohol, a second offense, He was fined $200 and $43.25 court costs. Time to pay was given. He was also ordered to attend an alcohol awareness course and his driver's license was suspended for 30 days.

A 20-year-old male pleaded guilty to minor in possession — alcohol, prior convictions, was fined $300.75 and $43.25 court costs. He was given time to pay and ordered to attend an alcohol awareness course and a 60-day driver's license suspension. He also was ticketed for no seat belt and fined court costs totaling $77.

A 30-year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication. He was fined $100.75 and court costs of $43.25, which he paid in full.

A 41-year-old female pleaded no contest to public intoxication. She was fined $100.75 and court costs of $43.25, which she paid in full.

A 37-year-old male pleaded not guilty to Class C assault-family violence. The case was set on pretrial docket.

Some banking online risks remain

WASHINGTON (AP) — Nearly half the banks, thrifts and credit unions in a survey had not taken all the necessary steps to limit risks to consumers using Internet banking, congressional investigators say.

But they noted Tuesday that they found no financial losses or security breaches in online banking.

The number of financial institutions offering Internet banking has nearly tripled over the past year, and more than 6 million Americans go online to transfer money between accounts, pay bills, check account or investment balances and apply for loans.

Date book

Wednesday, Aug. 4, 1999

Today is the 216th day of 1999 and the 45th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1892, Sunday-school teacher Lizzie Borden was arrested for the ax murders of her parents. She was later acquitted.

On this day in 1957, the Everly Brothers sang "Wake Up Little Susie" on the "Ed Sullivan Show."

On this day in 1964, the bodies of three civil-rights workers who had been missing since June 22 were found in Mississippi.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Percy Bysshe Shelley (1792-1822), poet; Knut Hamsun (1859-1952), writer; Helen Thomas (1920-), journalist, is 79; Maurice "Rocket" Richard (1924-), hockey great, is 75; Mary Decker Slaney (1958-), track athlete, is 41; Roger Clemens (1962-), baseball star, is 37.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, Tom Seaver of the Chicago White Sox defeated New York 4-1. It was his 300th major-league victory.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Poets are the unacknowledged legislators of the world." — Percy Bysshe Shelley

TODAY'S MOON: Last quarter.

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Last Week's Photos: 1. Linda Cartwright 2. Barbara Savage 3. Carolyn Ivison 4. Janice Cartwright 5. Joyce Cartwright 6. Lynda Fraley 7. Linda Ivison 8. Nadine Jennings 9. Sherry Kee 10. Donna Billingsley

YARDS OF THE MONTH — Snyder Garden Club members chose the home of Roy and Bettie McQueen and Gene and Mary Dulaney to honor as yards of the month, and West Texas State Bank as the most improved business of the month. In the top photo, garden club members (from left) Dolores Merritt and Pam Browning place the sign at the McQueen's residence at 2513 31st Street. In the middle photo, Merritt and Browning are pictured with Mary Dulaney (center) at 3112 Ave. X. In the bottom photo, Browning and Merritt are shown with Andy Parker, West Texas State Bank employee, at the drive in area where new landscaping has been implemented. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Women sue actor

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two adult film stars have filed a lawsuit against Charlie Sheen and his bodyguard for an alleged assault at the movie star's home.

Erin Siemen, whose stage name is Charlisse L'Amour, and Christina Lee Stramaglia, who performs as Teri Star, contend they were roughed up by Curtis Hunt on July 26 after they arrived at the door of Sheen's home.

Miss Sieman alleges that she was summoned to the home by Sheen, but when she and Miss Stramaglia arrived, there was no response.

She then hopped over the fence and was punched in the face by Hunt, the lawsuit alleges. Miss Stramaglia said she was also assaulted by Hunt after hopping the fence.

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THURSDAY

Al-Anon brown bag; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; noon to 1 p.m.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

Just For Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; patriotic program, Masonic Hall; 1912 35th Street; 7:30 p.m.

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 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 573-9742.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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North 08-04-99
♠ K 9 8 2
♥ Q 7 5 3
♦ A J 6
♣ 10 4

West
♠ A 7 5
♥ 10 4
♦ 10 7 3 2
♣ K Q J 7

East
♠ J 10 4
♥ K 9 8 6 2
♦ 9 4
♣ 9 8 6

South
♠ Q 6 3
♥ A J
♦ K Q 8 5
♣ A 5 3 2

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

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

Opening lead: ♣ K

Try to get into your opponent's mind

By Phillip Alder

Benjamin Disraeli, a British prime minister in the last century, said, "Frank and explicit — that is the right line to take when you wish to conceal your own mind and to confuse the minds of others."

In today's deal from Vancouver, West found a clever defense that sowed a misleading seed into the mind of the declarer.

North used Stayman to try to uncover a 4-4 major-suit fit. But when South denied a major with his two-diamond rebid, North settled for three notrump.

At the first table, declarer, Dutch world champion Wubbo deBoer, ducked his club ace until the third round. Then, he played a spade to dummy's king. When that won, he took a successful heart finesse. Next, deBoer cashed his four diamond tricks and the heart ace. Finally, he exited with the club five. This endplayed West, who had to concede a trick — declarer's ninth — to the spade queen. Nicely played!

At the other table, though, after winning the first two tricks with the king and queen of clubs, Rene Milner switched to the heart 10. As he didn't establish his club suit, the declarer, Israeli international and American resident Sam Lev, concluded that Milner couldn't have the spade ace. So, after winning with the heart jack, Lev crossed to dummy with a diamond, then played a spade to his queen. However, when that lost to the ace and West played another heart, declarer couldn't win more than eight tricks: one spade, two hearts, four diamonds and one club. Nicely misled!

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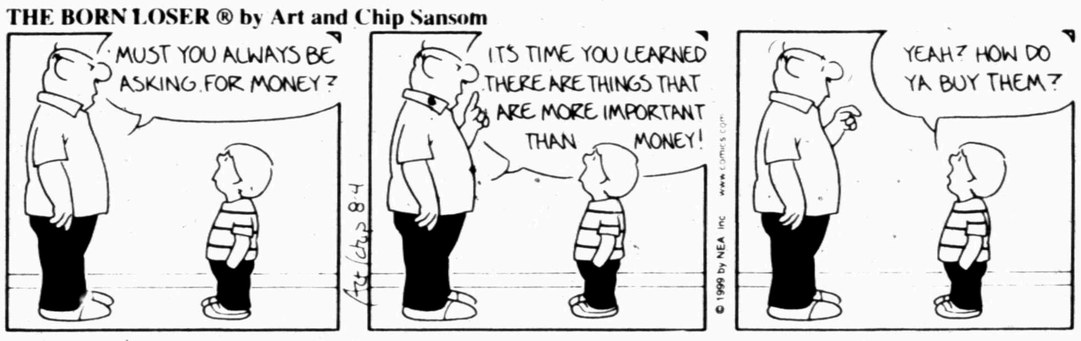

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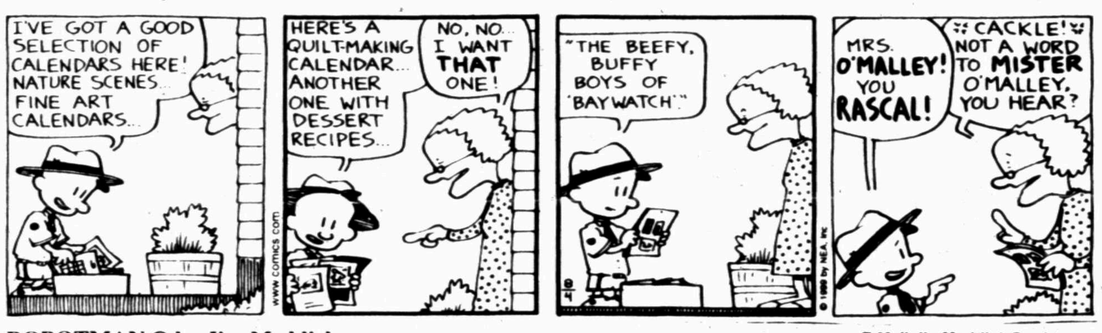

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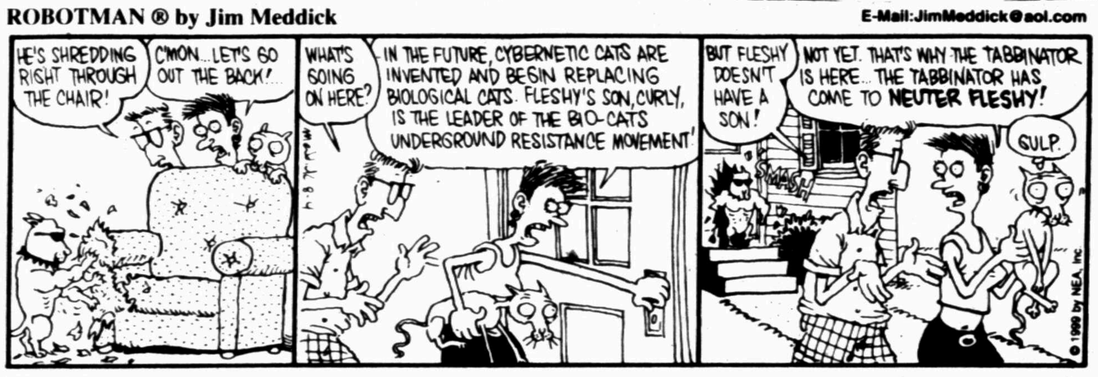

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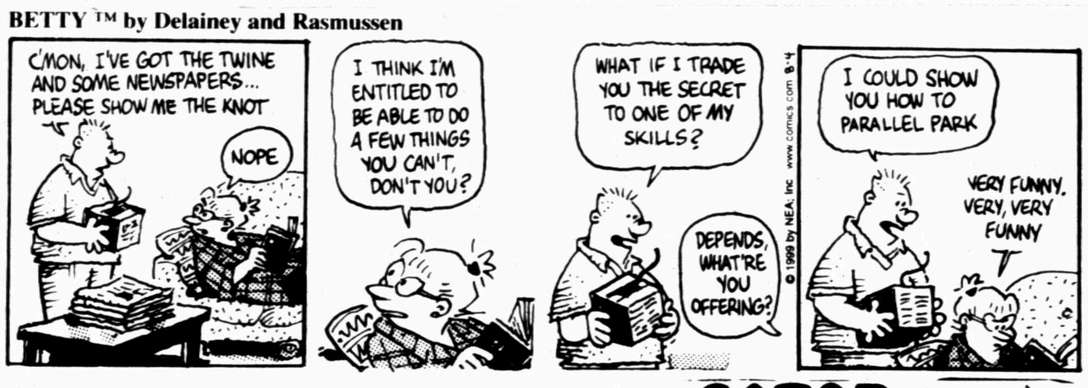

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Rare gas
6 Repair
10 Nearsightedness
12 Actor Jim —
14 Chief arteries
15 Runs off to wed
16 RR terminal
17 Sault — Marie
19 Current events
20 Calendar box
23 Unsoiled
26 Timber tree
27 Great respect
30 In good working order
32 — Tower
34 Stocking cap ornament
35 Entangles
36 Pigpen
37 Actor Mineo
39 French school
40 Support (a cause)
42 Chicken chow —
45 JFK sight
46 African native
49 Card combination
51 Elicited
54 Slow-moving animals
55 Actress Signoret
56 Large knife
57 More rational

DOWN

1 Dec. holiday
2 Small island (var.)
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25 Like pie?
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28 Wishing —
29 Otherwise
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33 Turn toward
38 Part of L.A.
40 Growing out
41 Southwestern Indians
42 Map abbr.
43 Skinny fishes
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53 Actress Thurman

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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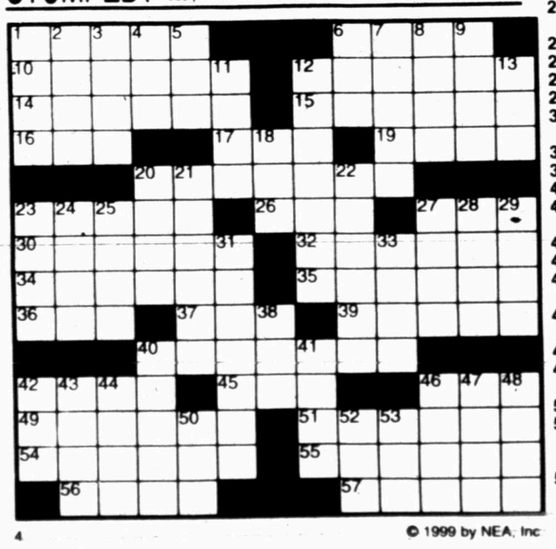

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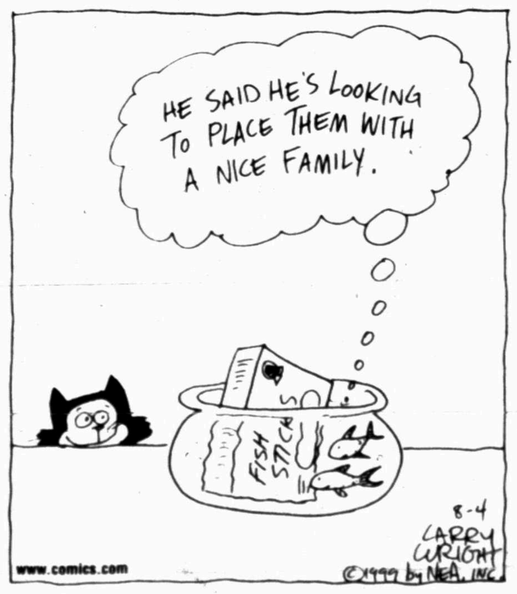

GATOR IDS

The alligator is a member of the reptile family. The alligator is a coldblooded animal, meaning that its body temperature is the same temperature as the temperature around it. Can you find words that begin with the letters in **reptile?** The words must belong to the categories in the chart.

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"WE SHOULD BE STOCKIN' UP ON COOKIES FOR Y2K."

SPORTS

ROOM TO RUN — The Snyder Tigers go through a non-contact scrimmage drill this morning during the opening workout of the season. Snyder's football, volleyball and tennis teams began practice today, along with the football squads at Ira, Hermleigh and Borden County. At SHS, 94 players reported for the first practice. (SDN Staff Photo)

With injured toe...

Deion will miss all of preseason

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Deion Sanders will not return to the Dallas Cowboys until September, and even that may be a bit optimistic, team owner Jerry Jones said Tuesday.

"I know we won't see him in a preseason game," Jones said, confirming for the first time what had long been suspected.

Sanders is in training camp but not practicing with the team as he rehabilitates his left big toe. He underwent surgery to fix an extreme case of turf toe in April.

There had been no estimate of when the All-Pro cornerback might suit up until Tuesday, when Jones said: "I see him really trying to push himself sometime in September."

However, Jones also noted that if Sanders sits for all of September, he would miss only two games because Dallas has an early bye-week. The Cowboys' third game is Oct. 3 against division rival Arizona in Texas Stadium.

"We only play two games in September," said Jones. "We could let him do some football activities all of that month and see if he can play after that. If he only misses two games, I'd say we hit a home run."

Sanders' injury kept him out of five games last year and limited him in two others. The Cowboys were 8-3 in games he played and 2-3 without him. He returned for the first-round playoff loss to the Cardinals and played in the Pro Bowl, but was still in pain two months later and opted for surgery.

Missing training camp and preseason games is nothing new for Sanders, who earlier in his career didn't start playing football until he finished the major league baseball season.

Jones said he doesn't expect the layoff to be a problem.

"Other than his rehabilitation on his toe, Deion is going to be in football shape by September," Jones said. "We're not going to push anything anyway. It's going to have to be obvious to himself and to everybody that he cannot in any way be compromised."

Rodriguez, Rangers continue strong run

ARLINGTON (AP) — It's hard to tell who's on a better run, Ivan Rodriguez or the Texas Rangers.

Rodriguez went 4-for-5 with three runs scored as the Rangers remained unbeaten in nine games against Minnesota this season with a 9-5 victory Tuesday night. Rodriguez is 19-for-28 over his last six games.

Texas is 16-3 since the All-Star break.

"That's what good teams do," said Rangers reliever Tim Crabtree, who got the final five outs to give his bullpen a breather. "You beat the teams you should beat and play .500 against the teams like the Yankees, Boston and Cleveland. If we continue to do that, we should be in good shape."

Rodriguez singled in the first, second, sixth and eighth innings. He didn't have a base-stealing opportunity and remains at 19 steals for the season as he tries to become the first catcher in major league history with at least 20 homers and 20 steals.

"I'm feeling good and hitting the ball hard," Rodriguez said. "I do my best every day. It feels great to be able to do a job and help the team win."

Rodriguez hit two homers in Monday night's 5-4 victory over the Twins, giving him 21 for the season. He also has a 12-game hitting streak.

"I've never seen anyone in a better groove," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "The way he's swinging the bat right now is tough to top. He's seeing the ball so well and he's not trying to pull it. Almost all of his hits are to right and right-center."

Juan Gonzalez went 2-for-4 with three RBIs to help the Rangers to their fifth victory in their last six games. Gonzalez had an RBI single in the first and drove in two more with a second-inning single.

Rusty Greer and Rafael Palmeiro drove in two runs each for the Rangers.

Mike Morgan (12-6) survived a three-run fourth, taking advantage of a 6-1 lead after two innings to win for the sixth time in his last seven decisions. The 39-year-old right-hander allowed five runs and 10 hits in five innings.

"I wasn't real sharp," Morgan said. "I was lucky to go five. But our offense is on a streak and we have the best bullpen in baseball. We're winning as a team."

Todd Walker had four hits for the Twins, who lost their third straight.

The first six Rangers reached base against Benj Sampson (3-2). Roberto Kelly took first on Corey Koskie's throwing error, and Rodriguez followed with a single. Greer, Gonzalez, Palmeiro and Todd Zeile all had RBI singles as the Rangers took a 4-0 lead.

"We sure got off to a tough start with the error," Twins manager Tom Kelly said. "We did hit some balls, though. We weren't pushovers. The boys kept playing. We just got off to a bad start."

Minnesota scored a run in the second on Koskie's double, but Texas kept up the pressure against Sampson, loading the bases to knock out the rookie left-hander.

Gonzalez's two-run single against reliever Dan Perkins extended Texas' lead to 6-1 and Ruben Mateo's fifth homer in the third made it 7-1.

In the fourth, RBI singles by Christian Guzman, Walker and Ron Coomer reduced Texas' lead to 7-4. Guzman's sacrifice fly in the sixth pulled the Twins within 7-5.

Texas extended its lead to 9-5 in the sixth on Greer's RBI single and Palmeiro's sacrifice fly.

Hampton wins sixth straight

HOUSTON (AP) — It doesn't matter if Mike Hampton reveals his pitching strategy. Nobody seems to be able to do anything about it.

Using his complete bag of tricks, Hampton allowed three hits in seven innings to win his sixth straight decision and become the second 15-game winner in the NL as the Houston Astros beat the Los Angeles Dodgers 7-2 Tuesday night.

"I've had all the pitches before, but I've just learned to change speeds on my fastball more," Hampton said. "If you get in a rhythm, the hitters can time you.

"I've learned to take a little off and then put a little more on. That's why I get a lot of ground balls."

Hampton (15-3) won for the 10th time in 11 starts and matched Kent Bottenfield of St. Louis with 15 victories. Pedro Martinez is the only AL pitcher with 15 wins.

"He was effectively wild," Eric Karros said. "He doesn't throw that many balls over the plate. He goes deep in the count. He gives you a ball and a strike, a ball and another strike.

"He throws just enough strikes to keep out of trouble. He came real close to walking seven or eight guys, but he didn't do it. He came up with the strike when he needed it."

The Astros won for the ninth time in 11 games, and they have won 17 of 22. The Dodgers have lost 11 of 14 games.

"After his first couple of starts this season, he's had consistently good stuff," Astros manager Larry Dierker said. "He's had just a few lapses with his control that kept him from finishing the game."

Hampton equaled his career-high in wins.

Major League Baseball

American League
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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	63	42	.600	—
Toronto	60	49	.550	5
Boston	57	49	.538	6½
Baltimore	46	60	.434	17½
Tampa Bay	43	64	.402	21

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	65	41	.613	—
Chicago	51	54	.486	13½
Kansas City	45	61	.425	20
Minnesota	44	61	.419	20½
Detroit	42	65	.393	23½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	64	42	.604	—
Oakland	56	50	.528	8
Seattle	53	53	.500	11
Anaheim	44	61	.419	19½

Tuesday's Games

Chicago 9, Detroit 6
Cleveland 5, Boston 4
Toronto 3, New York 1
Texas 9, Minnesota 5
Kansas City 7, Anaheim 0
Seattle 5, Tampa Bay 2
Oakland 12, Baltimore 2

Wednesday's Games

Toronto (Escobar 9-7) at New York (Irabu 8-3), 12:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Colon 10-3) at Boston (Portugal 6-8), 1:05 p.m.
Baltimore (J.Johnson 2-5) at Oakland (Haynes 7-9), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 8-9) at Texas (Loaiza 3-1), 8:35 p.m.
Kansas City (Witasick 4-8) at Anaheim (Hill 3-10), 10:35 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Eiland 1-6) at Seattle (Meche 2-1), 10:35 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Detroit (Weaver 6-7) at Baltimore (Ponson 9-7), 7:35 p.m.
Boston (Rose 6-3) at Anaheim (Finley 5-10), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago (Sirotka 7-10) at Oakland (Olivares 9-9), 10:05 p.m.
New York (Clemens 9-4) at Seattle (Moyer 10-5), 10:05 p.m.

National League
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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	65	43	.602	—
Atlanta	64	44	.593	1
Philadelphia	58	48	.547	6
Montreal	41	62	.398	21½
Florida	41	66	.383	23½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	65	42	.607	—
Cincinnati	61	43	.587	2½
St. Louis	54	53	.505	11
Pittsburgh	52	53	.495	12
Milwaukee	49	56	.467	15
Chicago	48	56	.462	15½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	60	48	.556	—
San Francisco	57	50	.533	2½
San Diego	50	56	.472	9
Colorado	47	59	.443	12
Los Angeles	46	60	.434	13

Tuesday's Games

Pittsburgh 7, Atlanta 1
Cincinnati 2, Colorado 1
Philadelphia 6, Florida 5
St. Louis 6, San Diego 0
New York 10, Milwaukee 3
Montreal 9, Chicago 4
Houston 7, Los Angeles 2
San Francisco 3, Arizona 1

Wednesday's Games

Montreal (Powell 0-3) at Chicago (Trachsel 3-14), 2:20 p.m.
Philadelphia (Byrd 12-6) at Florida (Springer 5-10), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 8-4) at Pittsburgh (Ritchie 9-7), 7:35 p.m.
Colorado (Kile 6-10) at Cincinnati (Neagle 1-3), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Rogers 0-0) at Milwaukee (Peterson 1-1), 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (K.Brown 11-6) at Houston (Holt 2-10), 8:05 p.m.
San Diego (Clement 5-10) at St. Louis (Mercker 4-4), 8:10 p.m.
San Francisco (Nathan 2-1) at Arizona (Anderson 3-2), 10:35 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Colorado (Astacio 11-9) at Cincinnati (Guzman 0-0), 12:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Valdes 8-9) at Houston (Reynolds 13-7), 1:35 p.m.
Montreal (Thurman 3-7) at Chicago (Lieber 8-4), 2:20 p.m.
Philadelphia (Person 5-3) at Florida (Nunez 4-3), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 8-4) at Pittsburgh (Schourek 3-5), 7:05 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 9-5) at St. Louis (Luebbers 1-1), 8:10 p.m.

Spurs could sign Porter

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Veteran guard Terry Porter is close to signing with the San Antonio Spurs, a newspaper reported today.

The Spurs and several other teams have courted Porter since the free-agency period began in July. Miami wanted to re-sign him, but apparently was reluctant to spend more than its $1 million exception, the San Antonio Express-News reported.

In addition to the $2 million middle-class exception, the Spurs also have the $2.65 million medical exception they received for Sean Elliott.

Elliott announced last month that he plans to have a kidney transplant because of deteriorating renal function. It has not been determined when the surgery would take place. It is unknown whether Elliott will be able to return to the NBA after the operation.

Porter can play either guard position. The Spurs could use him as a backup for point guard Avery Johnson, but also is considered a strong-enough defender to play behind guard Mario Elie.

Talbott aces fifth at SCC

Anita Talbott fired a hole-in-one Tuesday during Women's Golf Association competition at Snyder Country Club.

Talbott used a 6-iron to ace the 130-yard 5th hole. Suzy Reed witnessed the accomplishment.

Women's Golf Association

July 6 – all irons: Peggy Hardin, first place, 32.5; Kaye Cypert, second place, 36; Esther Guelker, low putter, 13; Norma Thompson and Esther Guelker, chip in.

July 13 – vs. club champion: Cynthia Jackson, club champion, 70; Doris Downing, first place, 70; Judy Moss, Vivian Norwood and Peggy Hardin, (tie) second place, 74. Doris Downing, low putter, 27; Cynthia Jackson, Gwen Sealy and Maria Dollins, chip in.

July 20 – queen of the hill: Jo Sterling, low gross, 92; Jo Sterling, low net, 68; Jo Sterling, low putter, 29; Juanita Hester and Donna Stehley, chip in.

July 27 – flag tournament: Peggy Hardin, first place; Luann Burleson, second place; Esther Guelker, Suzy Reed and Norma Thompson, (tie) low putter, 28; Luann Burleson and Esther Guelker, chip in.

WNBA Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	14	10	.583	—
New York	13	10	.565	½
Detroit	10	13	.435	3½
Orlando	9	13	.409	4
Washington	7	17	.292	7
Cleveland	6	18	.250	8

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	20	4	.833	—
Los Angeles	16	6	.727	3
Sacramento	14	10	.583	6
Minnesota	12	10	.545	7
Phoenix	10	13	.435	9½
Utah	8	15	.348	11½

Tuesday's Game

New York 61, Utah 59

Wednesday's Games

Minnesota at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Orlando at Washington, 7 p.m.
Los Angeles at Utah, 9 p.m.

SDN Sports Briefs

SCC scramble and MGA

A members' scramble is held each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club. At 5:30 each Thursday, the Men's Golf Association hosts a 9-hole event. Thursday's format varies.

Kiwanis golf tourney

The Snyder Kiwanis Club Hubert and Mary Cargile Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday at Western Texas College. All proceeds will benefit the Kiwanis Cargile Scholarship Foundation at WTC.

There will be drawings for merchandise, and cash prizes for the top four teams. Hole-in-one prizes are $10,000 and Top-Flite Tour Irons.

Entry fee is $120 per team. Players can register by calling Brenden McNeil at 573-1432, Russell Fisk at 573-3438 or 573-3267, and Melanie or Linda at American State Bank, 573-4041. Sign-ups will also be taken at the WTC pro shop.

Junior high football

Dates for junior high football players to pick up equipment have been set. Eighth grade gridders will be issued equipment from 2-3:30 p.m. Friday. Seventh graders may pickup gear from 2-3:30 p.m. Monday.

Bowling league meeting

The Men's Commercial Bowling League will hold its organizational meeting at 7 p.m. Sept. 2 at Snyder Lanes. League play begins Sept. 9.

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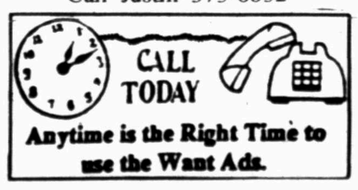

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, August 5, 1999

You're now entering a new cycle where impressive improvements can be made, both socially and materially. The year ahead could be one of many favorable circumstances.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This is an excellent day for negotiations of all types, whether they are with business associates or someone who is dear to your heart. If something needs to be discussed, do so now. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Aside from the great pride you'll take in a job well done, there is a possibility of peripheral advantages that come along with it. Diligent effort has its rewards.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Successful measures can be taken today to improve a couple of friendships that might need a little shoring up. Now is the time to butter up that person with whom you'd like to get closer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Good changes that affect your financial wherewithal could be on the way. However, if they do not come through today, be patient. They're coming.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You always have a way with words, but today this talent may be at a high point. You could be especially effective in matters that require intricate communication skills.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Instead of bluntly voicing your demands today, use the soft sell or understate your requests. The use of subtle suggestions allows the other party to respond more readily.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Your strong leadership skills may be needed today for something in which you're involved that has potential benefits for all concerned. Take the initiative.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you become aware of someone today who sorely needs some assistance, allow your nobler and gentler instincts to prevail. Come to this person's aid without any fanfare.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) What you say, how you act and even what you wear could be closely scrutinized by those with whom you'll be involved today. It behooves you to be at your best.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) When it comes to material matters, you'll be in your bailiwick, especially when they involve family or home needs, so don't hesitate to handle the checkbook today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) It may not come out of a textbook or be learned from a teacher, but you could be in store for a very constructive learning experience resulting from a personal encounter today.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) A potentially profitable situation that's brought to your attention today could use your special input. Even if the endeavor is already underway, see if you can become involved.

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Woman set free

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Sixteen years after prison doors shut on Ellen Reasonover, three years after an audio tape surfaced that would set her free, the 42-year-old stepped from the shadow of a life sentence, her murder conviction overturned.

"It's a dream come true," Reasonover said, crying and shaking as her attorneys escorted her from the Chillicothe Correctional Center. "I always kept faith, and I believed one day my innocence would be proven."

Whether her freedom will be permanent remains to be seen.

Missouri Attorney General Jay Nixon said Tuesday his office would not appeal. But St. Louis County Prosecutor Robert McCulloch said he remains convinced Reasonover played a part in the murder, and he is considering refiling charges.

Reasonover was convicted in 1983 in the fatal shooting of clerk James Buckley, 19, during a robbery attempt at a suburban St. Louis gas station.

No witnesses saw her and no fingerprints were found. But when she called police with a tip and gave a phony name, she became a prime suspect. The testimony of two fellow inmates put her away.

Reasonover was sentenced to life in prison without parole for 50 years.

It wasn't until 1996, 13 years into her sentence, that defense attorneys learned of a secret jailhouse tape of Reasonover and a former boyfriend.

Berry's World

Thanks

I would like to take this time to thank everyone for all the response that we received during the fund raising for ceiling fans and microwave for the Hermleigh Community Center.

A special thanks to Katherine Wemken and Charlene Merritt for taking charge of collecting the funds and to Bro. Rex Reynolds, Kevin Roemisch and Jackie Roemisch for hanging the fans.

Thank you Snyder and Hermleigh.

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Midday Stocks

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High Low Last	
AMR Corp	65¾ 65 1-16 65⅛— ⅛
AT&T Corp s	51 3-16 50⅝ 50 13-16— 1-16
Albertsons	49 9-16 49 3-16 49⅜— 5-16
AlldSignal	64 7-16 63¾ 64⅜+13-16
Alltel	73¾ 72 13-16 73⅜+ ⅛
AmOnline s	92 86¾ 87 13-16— 1
Ameritech	75 74 3-16 74¾+ ⅛
AndarkPtr	37 36 36 13-16+ 9-16
ArmcoInc	6⅝ 6 9-16 6 9-16
AtlRichfld	91 15-16 91⅛ 91 11-16+15-16
ATMOS Egy	24⅛ 24 9-16 24⅛— 1-16
Aviall	14¼ 13 1-16 13⅛— 1⅛
BP Amoco	117 15-16 116 15-16 117⅜+15-16
BakerHughes	33 7-16 32 15-16 33 5-16+ 9-16
Bank of Amer	66 64 7-16 65⅛+ ⅞
BellAtl	65 64¼ 64 13-16+13-16
BellSouth s	49 15-16 49 5-16 49 9-16— ¼
BethSteel	7 9-16 7 5-16 7⅜— 3-16
BurlNoSFe s	31 5-16 30 13-16 31⅛
CBS Corp	45⅝ 44 11-16 45 5-16+ ⅛
Caterpillar	58¼ 57½ 58⅛+ ¼
CenSoWst	21 15-16 21 11-16 21⅞+ 3-16
Chevron	94¼ 92¼ 93 11-16+11-16
Citigroup s	45¼ 44¼ 45⅛+ 1
Coastal	41 3-16 40½ 41 1-16+ 9-16
CocaCola	61⅞ 60 11-16 61 9-16+ ¾
ColgatePal s	49⅝ 48½ 48 9-16—13-16
ComclMetals	33 1-16 32⅞ 32 11-16— 5-16
CooperIn	56⅛ 55 9-16 55⅝+ 1-16
CyprusAmax	13 5-16 13 3-16 13 3-16— 3-16
DaimlrChry n	76 13-16 76 3-16 76 7-16+ ⅛
DallSemicn	50 9-16 50 1-16 50 1-16— 3-16
DeltaAirl s	60 59¾ 59⅞
Dillards Inc	31 3-16 30 3-16 30⅝— 3-16
DowChem	123 118¾ 119 3-16— 5½
DuPont	72 13-16 71⅛ 72 3-16+ ½
EastmanChem	52¼ 51¼ 52 + 1¼
EstKodak	70⅞ 70⅛ 70 11-16+ ½
EDS Corp	58¾ 57 5-16 57 9-16— 9-16
Entergy	31⅛ 30⅝ 30 13-16+ 3-16
Exxon	79⅝ 78 7-16 79 9-16+ ¾
FstBksAm	17 15-16 17 15-16 17 15-16+ 1-16
Flowers	16⅞ 16 7-16 16½— ⅛
FordMotor	50 11-16 49⅞ 50 1-16
GTE Cp	75 5-16 74½ 75 1-16+1 1-16
GenDynam	66 5-16 65 65 11-16 1-16
GenElec	109 15-16 107⅞ 109⅜++ 1⅞
GenMills	83¼ 82 11-16 82 11-16— 7-16
GenMotors	63⅛ 62 3-16 62 13-16— ¼
GaPacGP s	50⅛ 48 1-16 50 + 2
GlobalMar	17⅞ 16½ 17 + ⅜
Goodrich	41⅛ 40 5-16 41 1-16+1 1-16
Goodyear s	54 15-16 54 1-16 54 3-16
GtAtlPac	35¼ 34¼ 35 5-16+ 9-16
Halliburtn	47¼ 46 13-16 47⅜+13-16
Hanson ADS	44 1-16 43 15-16 43 15-16— 3-16
HarteHanks	26 3-16 25 13-16 25 13-16— 5-16
HomeDepot	60 13-16 59 13-16 60⅛— ½
IBM s	121 15-16 119 9-16 121¼+ 1⅞
IntlPaper	55 53 5-16 54⅛+ 2⅛
JohnsonJn	94 93¼ 93 9-16— ⅛
K mart	14 7-16 14 3-16 14⅜+ 1-16
Kroger Co s	26 25 11-16 25 11-16— 3-16
Litton	67 13-16 67⅜ 67⅞+ 7-16
LockheedM s	35 7-16 34⅞ 35⅜+ ⅞
Lowes Cos	50 7-16 48¾ 49⅛— 1⅜
Lubys	15⅝ 15 15 1-16+ 3-16
LucentTech s	65⅞ 64½ 65 — 3-16
MayDeptStr s	38 13-16 38¼ 38⅛—11-16
MediaOne	72⅛ 71⅛ 71 15-16— 1-16
Medtronic	70⅝ 70¼ 70⅛— 9-16
Mobil	102½ 100 11-16 102 1-16+ ⅞
Monsanto	41 11-16 40 3-16 41 7-16+1 5-16
MorganJP	128⅝ 126½ 128⅜+13-16
Motorola	92 1-16 89 5-16 91⅜+ ⅜
NCR Corp	46 11-16 46⅜ 46½+ ⅛
Navistar	45 7-16 44⅝ 45 5-16+ ⅞
Penney JC	43 15-16 42¼ 43 13-16— 5-16
PennzEnrgy s	16⅞ 16 3-16 16 9-16+ 5-16
PepBoys	16⅝ 16⅜ 16⅜— ⅛
PepsiCo	38⅛ 38 3/8 38⅜+ 5-16
PhelpDodge	59 5-16 58 7-32 59⅛+ ¾
PhilipPet	51 9-16 50 13-16 51⅜+ ⅜
PilgrmPrd B	12 13-16 12⅞ 12⅞+ 1-16
Polaroid	23 9-16 23½ 23 9-16
Praxair	48 9-16 47½ 48½+ 1½
ProctGamb	93¼ 92 11-16 93⅛— 9-16
PubSNwMx	19 15-16 19 13-16 19 13-16+ 1-16
ReliantEngy	27 15-16 27 13-16 27 15-16+ ⅛
RoyalDut	61⅞ 60 11-16 61⅜+13-16
SBC Comm	58⅝ 57⅞ 58⅛
SaraLee s	21 15-16 21 11-16 21⅞+ ¼
Scripps EW	50¾ 50⅛ 50⅜+ ⅛
SearsRoeb	40⅝ 40⅛ 40⅛— 1½
SherwinW	27 3-16 27 27/4+ 1-16
SmithklBchm	62¼ 61 61 13-16— ⅞
SouthernCo	27⅛ 26⅞ 27 3-16+ ⅛
SwstAirl s	17⅞ 17 5-16 17⅜+ 1-16
SprintFON s	51⅞ 51 51 1-16— ⅞
SprintPCS n	61⅞ 61⅛ 61⅜+ ¼
Sunoco Inc	31 30 7-16 30⅞+ 7-16
TNP Ent	38 37⅞ 37 15-16— 1-16
Tandy s	49 47⅞ 48⅛— ⅞
TempleInland	69⅞ 66 69⅛+3 1-16
Tenneco	22⅞ 22⅛ 22 11-16— 1-16
Texaco	63 61⅛ 62 13-16+15-16
TexInd	34 13-16 34⅛ 34⅛+ ⅛
TexasInst	142½ 140¾ 142⅜+ 1⅛
TexasInst wi	71 9-16 71 9-16 71 9-16+ 5-16
TexUtil	43 42 9-16 42⅞
Textron	84 82 9-16 83 11-16+ 3-16
TriconGlbR	41⅞ 40 5-16 40⅞— 1⅛
TrinityInds	32 13-16 32⅜ 32 13-16+ ¼
TritonEngy	11 3-16 10⅞ 11 + ⅛
TylerTech	5 11-16 5 11-16 5 11-16— 1-16
US West Inc	56⅛ 55 7-16 55 13-16— 5-16
USX-Marathn	31 1-16 30 5-16 30 9-16+ 1-16
USX-USS	26⅛ 25 11-16 25 13-16— ⅛
UnCarbde	61⅞ 59⅛ 60⅞+11 7-16
UnionPacif	55½ 54⅛ 55 7-16+ ⅜
UnitedTech s	66 1-16 65⅞ 65⅜+ 5-16
Unocal	40 1-16 39 1-16 39⅜+13-16
Venator Grp	10 9⅞ 10 + ⅛
WalMart s	41 7-16 40 15-16 41 3-16— ⅞
WellsFargo	39 1-16 38⅝ 38⅞— 1-16
WstnGasRs	16⅛ 15 15-16 16
WinnDixie	39⅞ 38 13-16 39⅜— ½
Xerox Cp s	49⅞ 48 5-16 49 + ½

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Dell	39 5/8	+3/16
Wal Mart	41	-15/16
Compac	23 1/8	-3/8
Dol. Gen.	25 3/4	-5/8
GTE	74 15/16	+15/16
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Scurry County Country

Teleconference to focus on 1999 crop report

LUBBOCK — Farmers can get an up-close analysis of USDA's Aug. 12 crop report and discuss its market implications at a 7:30 a.m. teleconference on Aug. 13 at the Lubbock County Extension office, said a Texas A&M ag economist.

"Our teleconference network features comments from some of the most highly respected market analysts," said Dr. Jackie Smith, extension ag economist. "Marketing clubs can call in on 800-lines to participate in the teleconference by listening to the presentations and asking questions.

"Lubbock-area marketing clubs will host our Aug. 13 teleconference under the leadership of Lubbock County Extension agent Stanley Young and Doug Halvarty, leader of the Lubbock County Marketing Club," Smith said.

The Texas Agricultural Extension Service and several farm and commodity organizations sponsor more than 50 county marketing clubs for Texas ag producers. These clubs help growers improve their marketing skills. The teleconference network is a once-a-month series of meetings featuring expert comments on current market developments and how producers can apply specific marketing strategies to capitalize on the market.

Extension introduced the Master Marketer Program in 1996, to train marketing clubs leaders who help organize and conduct marketing clubs in their home counties, the economist noted.

"Marketing clubs meet once or twice a month. Members learn how to apply risk management tools such as forward-pricing, futures and options," Smith said. "The clubs often trade commodity options as a group to gain limited-risk trading experience.

"Clubs allow hands-on participation and observation of actual market dynamics. Club members learn at their own pace and experience first-hand the costs and benefits of marketing and risk management alternatives. Each teleconference runs for about 45 minutes through toll-free 800 telephone lines."

Pat McClatchy, coordinator of the teleconference network, will conduct the Aug. 13 conference call from Texas. The discussion will center on USDA Aug. 12 crop report and its market implications. Marketing club leaders can call Dr. Carl Anderson at 409-845-8011, or Smith at 806-746-6101, to get instructions on how to connect with the teleconference.

Anderson, Smith and the teleconference team will also lead a marketing program beginning at 7 p.m. in Lamb County on Aug. 12 — coordinated by extension agent Dirk Aaron and hosted by three Lamb County marketing clubs and Security State Bank of Littlefield.

"There is no registration fee, but space is limited at the Aug. 12 meeting. Still, there may be an opportunity for producers outside of Lamb County to participate," Smith said. "This meeting at Lamb County Electric Co-op will include a meal. Producers can call Aaron at 806-335-4222, ext. 235, to inquire about participation or to register.

Producers who want to participate in the network's 1999 teleconferences should contact their county Extension agent or local marketing club leader. Producers or county agents who want more information on marketing clubs or the Master Marketer Program should contact Smith at 806-746-6101, or visit http://age-coext.tamu.edu/marketer/list.htm on the World Wide Web.

Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

What to do if the freezer stops

It pays to know what to do if your equipment stops working. At any time of the year, your freezer may fail to function because of various reasons. The best time to decide how to handle such an emergency is before it happens.

When a freezer does fail to work, the first rule is to keep the door closed. In a well-filled freezer, food will probably remain frozen about two days if the door is kept closed.

1) Try to determine the cause. It might be something simple like a blown fuse, a shortage in the electrical circuit or an accidental disconnection. Restore normal operation as quickly as possible and check the food for thawing.

2) Check with the utility company to see how long it will be before the power is restored. If the freezer has failed because of mechanical problems, read the instruction book to see if there is something you can do to get it back into operation.

What to do to keep your food from thawing

If your freezer is not likely to be operating again within a day, you can do one of several things.

— Check with a neighbor or friend with space in his or her freezer for your food.

— Check the possibility of moving your freezer's contents to a local freezing plant. Move your food in insulated boxes or between thick layers of newspapers and blankets. Get the food to an operating freezer as soon as possible.

— If dry ice is available, this may help for a given time. Dry ice is very cold. Handle it quickly and always wear heavy gloves to prevent the ice from burning your hands. When you buy dry ice, have it cut into small enough sizes to use. Don't try to cut or chip it yourself. Ask the dry ice company to wrap each piece in newspaper for you.

A 50-pound cake of dry ice is enough to protect solidly frozen food in a full 20 cubic foot freezer for three to four days. A 25-pound cake should hold the temperature of a half-full, 10 cubic foot freezer below freezing for two to three days.

Put heavy cardboard on top of packages of frozen food in each compartment of your freezer and put the dry ice on top of the cardboard. Close the freezer. Do not open the freezer again until you need to replace the dry ice or until the freezer is working again. You can provide extra insulation for your freezer by covering it with blankets or quilts. Fasten coverings away from the air vents on the outside of the freezer. The power may come on unexpectedly and ventilation will be needed. The harmless gas given off by the dry ice also needs to escape.

Dry ice is carbon dioxide in its solid form. It evaporates rather than melts and leaves no liquid. You may notice an odor caused by the carbonic acid, which is formed by the dry ice and moisture in the freezer. It is harmless. Simply leave the freezer door open a minute to let it escape.

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

State veterinarian advises owners to vaccinate horses against mosquito-borne disease

Dr. Terry Beals, Texas' state veterinarian, is advising owners to have equine vaccinated against encephalomyelitis, or "sleeping sickness," a mosquito-transmitted disease that can cause serious illness or death among affected horses, donkeys, mules or ponies. Eastern Equine Encephalomyelitis (EEE) has been diagnosed in several horses and emus in East and Southeast Texas and Louisiana. The disease should not be confused with Equine Infectious Anemia (EIA), an equine virus for which there is no vaccine or cure.

"A vaccine is readily available to protect equine against both the Eastern and Western forms of encephalomyelitis. The vaccine is administered by private practicing veterinarians and requires two injections, 30 days apart. A booster shot is then needed annually or biannually," said Dr. Beals, who heads the Texas Animal Health Commission, the state's livestock health regulatory agency. He said some veterinarians also employ the encephalomyelitis vaccine in an off-label use to protect ratites (emus, rheas, and ostriches) against the disease.

Dr. Beals encouraged owners to have equine vaccinated with a three-way or "trivalent" vaccine that also protests against the Venezuelan form of encephalomyelitis, if the animals travel or reside south of Highway 90, which crosses from Del Rio, east through San Antonio, Houston and Beaumont. "Venezuelan Equine Encephalomyelitis (VEE) has been diagnosed in the U.S. since the 1970s but cases in Mexico have been reported occasionally, to be shipped internationally," he said. Equine, traveling to other countries, often are required to have a negative VEE test and VEE-vaccinated animals may be rejected, due to "false-positive" test results.

EEE has been isolated from 27 different types of mosquitoes in the U.S. The mosquitoes feed on infected birds and then transmit the encephalomyelitis viruses. Signs of infection in equine may include aimless wandering, fever, circling, convulsions and paralysis. Because rabies and "sleeping sickness" can mimic each other, the sick animal should be tested to confirm a diagnosis and thereby, protect the health of the owner or caretaker.

"Besides having the animals vaccinated for the encephalomyelitis viruses, owners should destroy mosquito breeding grounds. Drain containers that hold stagnant water, put fresh water in troughs and birdbaths.

COUNTY TREASURER'S REPORT

ORDER OF THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS, APPROVING THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE 2ND CALENDAR QUARTER, 1999 TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME, BE IT KNOWN THAT:

THE COMMISSIONERS COURT OF SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS, did duly convene in Special Session at its meeting place in the Courthouse in the City of Snyder at 10:00 o'clock A.M. on Monday, August 3, 1999 and, the entire membership of said court, viz., Ricky Fritz, County Judge, presiding, and Ralph W. Trevey, Roy Idom, Jr., Howard Limmer., and Chloanne Lindsey, Commissioners for Precincts, 1, 2, 3, and 4, respectively, being present, the matter of the comparison and examination of the Quarterly Report of Charlie Bell, Treasurer for Scurry County, for the period April 1 thru June 30, 1999 came to the attention of said Court and the said Court compared and examined the same, and inspected and counted all the actual cash, certificates of ti and demand deposits, and other assets in the hands of the Treasurer belonging to the County at and as the time of such report: NOW, THEREFORE, the Commissioners Court finds that the Treasurer at and as of the time of his said report did not have actually in his hands any money or other assets of Scurry County but the same were all on deposit in the Snyder National Bank of Snyder, Texas, the official County depository, except the following, viz., Texpool; and that from the commencement of business at 8:00 o'clock A.M. on April 1, 1999 thru June 30, 1999, the beginning and ending balances for each fund of the Treasurer of Scurry County, Texas, for such quarterly period are fully and accurately reflected by the following tabulation attach hereto, incorporated herein by reference, and made a part hereof for all purposes;

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF we, the aforesaid and undersigned County Treasurer, County Judge, and each Commissioner, swear that the above and foregoing averments are complete and correct and that the requirements of Article 1636, Vernon's Annotated Civil Statutes of Texas 1925, as amended, have been in all things duly complied with by the County Judge and each Commissioner aforementioned in the Special Session of said Court of Scurry: WHEREOF WITNESSETH OUR HANDS on the first above date.

SCURRY COUNTY TREASURER
SECOND QUARTERLY SUMMARY

FUNDS	CASH & INVESTMENT BALANCES DATE: 03-31-99	RECEIPTS	TRANSFERS IN	DISBURSEMENTS	TRANSFERS OUT	CASH & INVESTMENT BALANCES DATE: 06-30-99
GENERAL						
Departmental				$984,293.80		
Jury				2,176.44		
Permanent Improvement				130,496.00		
Airport				25,202.31		
Health Unit				33,812.72		
Park & Coliseum				68,909.28		
Library				48,956.95		
TOTALS						
GENERAL FUND	$18,551.32	$1,150,690.33	$1,168,249.81	$1,293,847.50	$1,010,533.32	$33,110.64
PAYROLL CLEARING FUND	368.40	31,864.39	863,589.32	894,819.41	674.18	328.52
TEXPOOL FUND	7,783,753.57	91,263.07	625,611.00	270,000.00	1,115,000.00	7,115,627.64
ABANDONED VEHICLE FUND	2,658.52	109.99	0.00	52.80	0.00	2,715.71
D.A.R.E. PROGRAM FUND	744.38	8.15	0.00	104.53	0.00	648.00
HEALTH UNIT FUND	11,488.24	5,020.06	0.00	4,809.24	3,833.01	7,866.05
JUVENILE PROBATION FEES FUND	1,723.14	5,011.99	0.00	640.00	0.00	6,095.13
LIBRARY DONATIONS FUND	1,532.47	1,594.20	0.00	1,163.74	0.00	1,962.93
COGDELL DEPRECIATION FUND	25,496.25	421.51	136,000.00	152,306.67	0.00	9,611.09
COGDELL REFUND FUND	(2,315.99)	52.65	35,927.58	39,353.58	0.00	(5,689.34)
COGDELL PAYROLL FUND	1,411.09	1,522.95	947,541.13	949,633.93	0.00	841.24
COGDELL OPERATING FUND	481,496.48	3,504,659.38	0.00	2,398,089.20	1,310,079.71	277,986.95
TOTAL ALL FUNDS	$8,326,907.87	$4,792,218.67	$3,776,918.84	$6,004,820.60	$3,440,120.22	$7,451,104.56

Airport Revenue 2nd Quarter	$10,375.08
Interest 2nd Quarter	$101,961.56
Interest Earned to Date	$214,121.03

Charlie Bell
Charlie Bell, Scurry County Treasurer

(s) Charlie Bell, County Treasurer
(s) Ricky Fritz County Judge
(s) Ralph W. Trevey Commissioner for Precinct No. 1
(s) Roy Lee Idom, Jr. Commissioner for Precinct No. 2
(s)Howard Limmer Commissioner for Precinct No. 3
(s) Chloanne Lindsey Commissioner for Precinct No. 4

SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to by the said Charlie Bell, Ricky Fritz, Ralph W. Trevey, Roy L. Idom, Jr., Howard Limmer., and Chloanne Lindsey before me, the undersigned, Scurry County Clerk for Scurry County, Texas.

ATTEST
(s)Joan Bunch, County Clerk of Scurry County, Texas
(Seal)

Lubbock's auction report

The Lubbock Stockyard Inc. had a run of 664 head of cattle for the Thursday, July 29, sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and calves were steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows:
(High dressing — cutters — utility) 38-43
Canner and low cutters: 31 to 37
Slaughter bulls 46-57
Feeder steers — choice:
300-400: 95-115
400-500: 82-94
500-600: 77-85
600-700: 75-81
700-800: 70-76
Feeder Heifers — choice:
300-400: 85-95
400-500: 75-87.50
500-600: 72.50-77.50
600-700: 68-74
700-800: 64-73
Feeder bulls — good and choice:
500-600: 75-85
700-800: 63-72.50
Cow and calf pairs:
Good: 675-900
Grade: 550-650
Springers: 400-650
Baby calves: 100-175
Doodlers: 150-240

Colorado City auction report

The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 791 head of cattle for the Saturday, July 31, sale. Feeder steers and heifers were mostly steady. Slaughter cows were steady with bulls $3 higher. Bred cows and pairs were steady. Trading active and demand good.

Feeder steers:
200-300: 103-112
300-400: 94-105
400-500: 86-91
500-600: 76-83
600-700: 73.50-76
700-800: 71.50-73
Feeder heifers:
200-300: 90-96.50
300-400: 83-93
400-500: 76-83.50
500-600 73.50-77.50
600-700: 70-74.50
700-800: 68.25-72.75

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Clinton studies national debt

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration, seeking ways to manage the government's finances in a new era of budget surpluses, said today it is exploring buying back a portion of the $3.6 trillion national debt held by the public, something that has not been done since 1972.

The Treasury Department released for public comment a proposal that would allow it to take competitive offers from bond holders on a voluntary basis to reduce the amount of debt. Officials said that after a 60-day comment period they hope to establish final rules for the procedure by January.

"It is critically important that we manage the debt held by the public as efficiently as we can in this new environment," Treasury Secretary Lawrence Summers told reporters.

The Treasury has not bought back securities since 1972, when a few existing bonds and notes held by the public were swapped for new debt issues.

Because of huge budget deficits in the 1980s and early 1990s, the national debt has exploded, climbing from less than $1 trillion before Ronald Reagan took office to $5.5 trillion currently.

Of that amount, $3.6 trillion is in public hands and the rest is held by government trust funds, the largest one being the Social Security trust fund.

The government last year enjoyed its first budget surplus since 1969. And the administration is projecting that last year's record $69.2 billion surplus will be followed by an even bigger surplus of $98.8 billion this year, marking the first back-to-back surpluses since Dwight Eisenhower was president in 1956 and 1957.

Indeed, the administration and the Congressional Budget Office are projecting continued surpluses over the next 15 years enough to totally eliminate the $3.6 trillion in debt held by the public in 2015.

This prospect is requiring Treasury to explore ways to better manage the massive Treasury securities market.

Up until now, it has been able to just reduce the size of new borrowings rather than being required to buy back debt from the public. But officials said they do not want to reduce current offerings too much and believe they can save taxpayers money through lower interest rates by buying back debt already held by the public, much of it at higher rates than current offerings receive.

Summers told reporters that use of debt buybacks raises a "number of complex issues that will need to be worked out."

Officials stressed that any government purchases would be on an entirely voluntary basis. They would be done through a type of reverse auction in which the government would announce the type of securities it was interested in buying and accept the most competitive bids from holders of those securities.

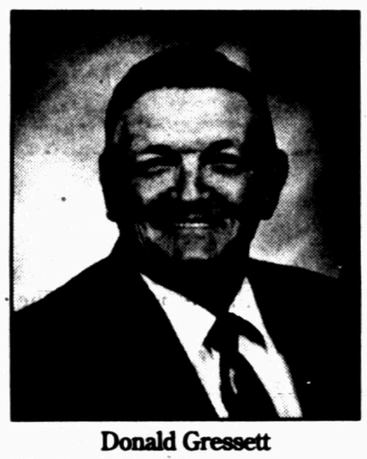
If bond holders wanted too much to sell their securities back to the government, Treasury would have the option of making no purchases for that option.

Gary Gensler, treasury undersecretary for domestic finance, said after all the public comments are received, the administration hopes to publish a final rule by Jan. 1. But he said no determination has been made on when the first debt buyback would be held.

Gensler announced another change in Treasury auctions today that will take effect immediately, a reduction in the number of times new 30-year bonds are sold from three times a year to only twice. The sales will occur in February and August; November sales will be stopped.

The debt buybacks and the reduction in sales of 30-year bonds are part of the government's effort to make sure that the average length of maturity for its debt does not increase too much.

Obituaries



Donald Gressett

Donald Gressett

1930-1999

Funeral service for Don Gressett, longtime Snyder businessman and former city councilman, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the First Baptist Church. Dr. Marty Akins, pastor, will officiate.

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

Mr. Gressett, 68, died Tuesday, Aug. 3, at his home in Snyder following a sudden illness.

Born Dec. 5, 1930 in Sterling City, he grew up in Forsan and graduated from Forsan High School in 1948 and attended West Texas State University. He was an U.S. Navy veteran and married Sara Chanslor on June 28, 1953 in Amarillo.

Mr. Gressett went to work for Lota' Burger in Pampa. The company transferred him to Lubbock in 1952, and in 1955, he was transferred to Snyder when the Lota' Burger location was on North College Ave.

Gressett purchased the business, and in 1963 he moved it to the present location on South College Ave. After 42 years in the business, he sold it and retired in May 1996.

At the time of his retirement, Gressett recalled one day in which he prepared 2,300 hamburgers.

Mr. Gressett was also known in Snyder for alerting motorists of expired inspection stickers, a longtime project that grew out of trying to be helpful to senior citizens.

Mr. Gressett served as a member of the Snyder City Council from April, 1980 to April, 1984. He was a longtime deacon of Snyder's First Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by a brother, William (Bubs) Gressett.

Survivors include his wife, Sara Gressett of Snyder; a daughter and son-in-law, Kelly and Tim Courtney of Snyder; a son and daughter-in-law, Stephen and Terry Gressett of Midland; a sister, Dorothy Pye of Hobbs, N.M.; four grandchildren, Ben Cook and Whitney Warner, both of Snyder, and Sherman Gressett and Berkleigh Gressett, both of Midland.

Family visitation is set for 6 to 8 tonight at the funeral home.

Mason Wilt

1922-1999

AMARILLO - Mason S. Wilt, the father of Cyndee Gayle of Snyder, died Monday, Aug. 2, in Amarillo following a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Wilt, 77, is set for 6 this evening in the Schooler Funeral Home Brentwood Chapel. Dr. Alan Pickering, minister of Southwest Church of Christ in Temecula, Calif., will officiate.

Graveside service is set for 11 a.m. Thursday in the Resthaven Cemetery in Lubbock.

Born in Philadelphia, he graduated from school there and served in the U.S. Army during World War II in the European Theater, Headquarters Company 66th Infantry, 2nd Battalion. He graduated from Texas Tech in 1949 with a degree in chemical engineering. He lived in Borger for 32 years where he was a chemical engineer for Phillips Petroleum.

Mr. Wilt moved to Bartlesville, Okla., for 18 months and back to Amarillo in 1984. He was a member of the Chess Club and a Life Master Bridge Player. Mr. Wilt was a volunteer for the IRS at the Senior Citizens Center.

Survivors also include his wife, Mary Wilt of Amarillo; a son, Rex Mason Wilt of Amarillo; a sister, Marion Defeo of Maple Shade, N.J.; six grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center, P.O. Box 950, Amarillo 79176.

Esther Bearden

1904-1999

Esther Jane Bearden of New York, sister of Blanche Arnold of Snyder, died Tuesday, Aug. 3, in a New York City hospital.

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on April 2, 1904 in Brashear, Tex., she moved to Scurry County in 1919 and to New York as an adult.

She is also survived by Ann Wedgeworth Martin of New York, whom she raised.

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Three arrests, theft, accidents keep Snyder law officers busy

Three people were jailed in Scurry County Tuesday on outstanding warrants.

At 6:37 a.m., officers arrested a 26-year-old male on the Old Lubbock Hwy. for Class A assault/family violence, a Gray County warrant for violation of probation/driving while intoxicated and a Taylor County warrant for assault causing bodily injury to a family member.

Department of Public Safety troopers took a 43-year-old male into custody at 10:03 a.m., two miles south on U.S. Hwy. 84 on a Johnson County warrant for bond forfeiture on an original charge of theft.

A 24-year-old male was taken into custody at 6:05 p.m. by officers in the 2300 block of Avenue G on a capias warrant for public intoxication.

One offense report for burglary of a vehicle was filed Tuesday. Richard Vanous reported at 6:50 p.m. that someone had stolen his CD player.

Officers worked a two-vehicle accident at 5:04 p.m. Tuesday in the 4000 block of Hwy. 208. Involved were a 1996 Dodge Limited van driven by Domingo Gomez Murguia, 29, of Amarillo and a 1991 GMC 1500 pickup driven by Christina Renee Goswick, 25, of 600 North Avenue Q.

Goswick was transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital where she was treated and released.

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 5:34 p.m. in the 700 block of 23rd Street. Involved were a 1999 Ford F-150 pickup driven by Stephanie Ann Hernandez, 21, of 700 East 37th Street, Apt. 120, and a 1993 Mercury Sable driven by Benjamin Reyes Gomez, 24, of 1505 23rd Street.

Officers are investigating a hit-and-run accident that occurred sometime early this morning. An unknown vehicle struck a utility pole in the 2500 block of Avenue U and left the scene.

Felony gun charge against man nixed

A charge of felony possession of a firearm against a 38-year-old Austin man has been dismissed.

Robert Harvey Merritt of 8616 Soho in Austin was arrested in Scurry County on CR 3101 by Deputy Steven Schwartz on July 10.

The charge was dropped after it was learned Merritt's criminal history was entered incorrectly in Department of Public Safety records, Sheriff Darren Jackson said.

"His criminal history was mistakenly entered in DPS records as a final conviction when in fact it should have been shown as a dismissal," Jackson said.

He said Merritt had a prior felony conviction in El Paso County on a burglary charge. However, he received deferred adjudication, which means the conviction should have been taken off his record.

"Once DPS corrected the records, we dismissed the charge," Jackson said.

SNB open house winners revealed

Lisa Murphy of 2901 Ave. M was the winner of the vacation for two drawing held Saturday during the open house of Snyder National Bank's new drive-through facility.

Murphy's name was drawn as the winner of a trip to Cancun. Other prize winners were:

—Lewie Thomas of 202 36th, $500 cash.

—Samatha Boyd Campbell of Lubbock, $500 cash.

—/Ruthie Vasquez of 106 Canyon, $1,000 cash.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Charity Davidson of Colorado City, Rudy Gonzales, Blanche Jackson, Sharrylon Vestal and Darryl Calley.

DISMISSALS: Dessie McMillan and Carol Vanous.

CENSUS: 33 (Med., Surg.-10, Long-term Care-23, OB-1).

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

37th Street VBS

Vacation Bible School at 37th Street Church of Christ continues through 7 p.m. today. Classes will be held for kindergarten through adult. The public is invited.

Hobbs school registration

Any Snyder student wishing to return to Hobbs School should register at Snyder High School until 4 p.m. today. Certain requirements must be met and a parent or guardian must accompany the student.

Ira Booster Club

The Ira Booster Club will meet at 8:15 this evening in the school cafeteria.

Joy School

Joy School at East Side Church of Christ is now state licensed and will be open five days a week. The school is for ages 18 months to pre-kindergarten and begins next Wednesday. Parents may choose days wanted. Call 573-3554 for 575-1138 for more information. Registration is Thursday from 9-11:30 a.m.

Sonshine School

Registration for Sonshine School at 37th Street Church of Christ is being held for pre-school through age five. For more information call the church office at 573-0154 or Lora Lord at 573-1700.

King's Kids registration

First Baptist Church is currently registering for King's Kids, ages 1-5, and for Mothers' Day Out, six months to five years old. Call 573-2631 for more information.

Children's Day Out

Children's Day Out, a Tuesday-Thursday child care program at First United Methodist Church, has spaces available for two and three year olds. School begins Tuesday. Call 573-4770 for more information.

Rock and Roll quilting club

The quilting club meets every Monday from 8 a.m. until noon at Hermleigh Community Center for free quilting lessons. Everyone is invited. Call 863-2426 for more information.

Seniors swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at Western Texas College.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "What to Expect When You Visit the Church," followed by "What Can I Believe?"

Social Security rep in Snyder

Representatives of the Social Security Administration will be in Snyder Tuesday at the Senior Citizens Center, 2603 Ave. M.

Support groups

Four different support groups meet at 6:30 the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church. The groups include divorce recovery, cancer support group, grief support and adult children caring for aging parents. Child care is provided.

Gramm staffer due here

Sondra Ziegler, a representative of U.S. Senator Phil Gramm's staff, will be in Snyder from 1-1:45 p.m. Aug. 13 in the county courtroom to meet with any local citizen.

Garage sale items needed

Lighthouse Assembly of God, 1900 Trinity Blvd., is accepting items for their garage sale to benefit the church building fund. Furniture, clothes, appliances and other items are appreciated. Call 573-5124 or 573-2947 for pickup.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ASC Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Pick 3

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

1-0-9

(one, zero, nine)

Cash Five

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

2-3-16-29-35

(two, three, sixteen, twenty-nine, thirty-five)

Mortgage rates higher than 8 percent

NEW YORK (AP) — Mortgage rates have crept above 8 percent for the first time in two years, causing predictions of a slowdown in the U.S. housing boom and mortgage refinancings that could ripple throughout the economy.

The first signs of a letup in demand are expected to appear in home construction and eventually to spread into the manufacturing and retail sectors.

"Construction will be the first area to be impacted, followed by sales of household goods," said Mark Vitner, an economist at First Union Capital Markets Group in Charlotte, N.C. He predicted a 10 percent to 20 percent dropoff in the number of home sales during the fall.

Vitner said the expected ripple effect is significant because home construction and household goods are the only U.S. manufacturing sectors that have experienced growth in recent years.

Sales of existing single-family homes jumped 10.6 percent to a seasonally adjusted annual rate of 5.53 million units in June, the highest level ever, according to the National Association of Realtors.

June's performance followed two consecutive months of sales declines and exceeded many analysts' expectations. Housing experts said the increase was likely caused by home buyers who jumped into the market as mortgage rates began to accelerate toward 8 percent.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Hard-Working Wife Suspects Husband No Longer Loves Her

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I have been married for four years, and I consider myself a good wife. I take extra care of my husband when he's sick or in pain. I cook for him and clean the house. I practically wait on him hand and foot.

But during the last two years, he has changed in ways that make me feel suspicious and angry. He spends a lot of time with his ex-wife. He buys her roses, chocolates, candy and jewelry. He's never bought me anything like that at all. He quit being intimate with me two years ago. That's when he started his five-hour visits with his ex-wife.

I have had this nagging suspicion that something more is going on between him and his ex. I can't ask him if he's cheating on me. He has a very short fuse. He yells, swears and threatens me. I lost my sense of being assertive after our first year of marriage.

If he doesn't love me, why won't he tell me? Whatever's going on with him has put a terrible strain on my heart. Abby, please help!

CONFUSED IN SACRAMENTO

DEAR CONFUSED: The relationship you are describing between yourself and your husband is not a marriage; it's indentured servitude. You have been such a good cook, nurse and housekeeper — and completely nonassertive since the first year of your marriage — that he doesn't want to lose those services.

When a man sees a woman regularly, and buys her candy, flowers and jewelry, it's safe to assume that something is up. After two years, you have already tolerated more than many women would. Bite the bullet and ask him what's going on with his ex-wife. If he gets ugly again, be ready with an ultimatum, and have his bags packed when you do it.

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DEAR ABBY: When I read the letter from "Snoopy Mom," who boasted about how she read her children's diaries, eavesdropped on their telephone calls and searched their belongings, I felt truly sorry for her.

My children, now 27 and 24, never gave me a reason to doubt them. Their belongings, in my opinion, were theirs — and not for my perusing. Both were very active from early childhood throughout college. Neither ever abused their curfews.

My son was a three-time college All-American — the first in the history of his college. My daughter was president of her college class. Both graduated, and today enjoy successful careers.

I told them early on that they could enjoy life as long as they did it responsibly. The minute they demonstrated to me that they were not capable of that, their lives would have changed dramatically.

I'm glad I never had to make that change!

PROUD MOM IN OHIO

DEAR PROUD MOM: As I pointed out to "Snoopy Mom," if parents have a legitimate reason to question their child's honesty, it's only common sense to check. However, if teens have proven by their actions that they can be trusted, nosiness is not a legitimate reason to conduct a search.

Predictably, I received bushels of heartfelt letters from teens who were outraged by "Snoopy Mom's" letter. Tomorrow, we'll hear what they had to say.

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Marbles have their own slang names. Glass marbles with colored swirls are known as **glassies**. Steel ball bearings used as marbles are called **steelies**.

Less TV advised for young kids

NEW YORK (AP) — Children under 2 shouldn't watch television at all and older kids shouldn't have TVs in their rooms, the American Academy of Pediatrics recommends in a new report.

The report in this month's issue of Pediatrics magazine is the first from the 55,000-member academy on how to better manage children's use of television. Details were outlined in today's New York Times.

The group said TV viewing can affect the mental, social and physical health of young people. Its recommendations were based in part on the thinking that babies need close interaction with people for proper brain development — and that TV time can take away from people time.

Pediatricians should also ask for a child's "media history" along with a medical history, the report recommends. The academy is supplying members with a sample checklist for young patients, including questions about movies, video and computer games, music videos and the Internet.

Other recommendations include critical discussion of what children watch and keeping TVs and computers in common spaces where use can be monitored.

The academy, which spent two years developing the policy, suggested in 1990 that children be limited to one to two hours.

News helicopter spots women in water

MIAMI (AP) — Three people whose boat sank during a thunderstorm spent a night floating in the Atlantic Ocean before they were spotted by a passing boater and a television news helicopter.

Vicky Scanlon, Daniel Hernandez and Anna Goodwyn, who were all wearing life jackets, suffered dehydration, jellyfish stings and nasty sunburns. But they were treated and released from a hospital Tuesday.

"I'm finished with the water for a while," Ms. Goodwyn said. "I don't think I'm going fishing anymore, unless it's in a little pond about 3 feet deep."

The three were caught in a thunderstorm about 3:30 p.m. Monday while out in a 15-foot boat. It went down off Elliott Key, about 20 miles southeast of Miami, in or near Biscayne National Park.

"The waves come into your mouth so strong that you can't breathe," Ms. Goodwyn said as she was brought ashore and airlifted to a hospital.

After they floated together through the night, Hernandez said he decided to try swimming 11 miles back to shore for help. He was rescued by a boater about 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, and the Coast Guard asked news helicopters to watch for the missing women.

Ms. Goodwyn and her daughter, tied together and bobbing around a channel marker miles offshore, were located by the crew of WTVJ-TV's chopper around 11:30 a.m.

The Miami station aired live shots of the women bobbing in the water, Ms. Scanlon crying with relief and waving at the helicopter.

Police set for rally

WASHINGTON (AP) — Police in the nation's capital say they are braced for a neo-Nazi rally and counterdemonstrations scheduled Saturday in front of the White House.

U.S. Park Police said Tuesday they expect about 300 people to participate in the American Nationalist Party-sponsored four-block march along Pennsylvania Avenue to Lafayette Park and about 500 counter-demonstrators.

Assistant Police Chief Terrence Gainer says 80% of the District of Columbia force will be on the job.

Dr. Gott

By Dr. Peter Gott

Daily shampooing unnecessary for kids

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My daughter-in-law washes her children's hair every night and dries it with a blow-dryer. Is there any danger of introducing hot air into the children's ears?

DEAR READER: There is no harm from hair-dryer air being blown into children's ears, provided the device is used in the suitable manner recommended by the manufacturer. This air is hot and can be uncomfortable, but it will not damage ears. However, I'm curious as to why your daughter-in-law washes the children's hair nightly. This is not necessary. Unless the youngsters' heads become dirty from play or school, they need not be shampooed more than once or twice a week.

Many years ago, New Englanders used to put their children into long underwear in November... and take them out in April. I admit a certain distaste for this practice; I think that we owe our children more than one bath every six months. Nonetheless, these colonial children survived and were fruitful.

Daily shampooing for children with normal hair and activity level is, I believe, a reflection of adults' preoccupation with over-cleanliness. I suggest that, under ordinary circumstances, your daughter-in-law might bathe the kids several times a week, but lay off doing the hair so often.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is it possible to control emotional and behavioral problems by following a special diet and taking vitamins?

DEAR READER: Most of us feel better when we eat prudently and take care of ourselves. Sometimes we can't — or won't — eat balanced diets that provide adequate nutrition and vitamins. We then run the risk of illness or, rarely, emotional instability due to malnutrition. In general, a properly balanced diet is necessary for both physical and mental health.

There are some misguided people who believe that special diets and megavitamin therapy can control emotional and behavioral aberrances. However, there are no valid scientific studies that show this to be true. Despite testimonials by the occasional media personality, the value of diet — and vitamin — therapy is, at best, anecdotal and unproven.

It's important to remember something called the "active placebo effect." Human nature being what it is, we all derive benefit from ANY treatment that we BELIEVE to be effective, whether or not it truly is. This fact of life confuses more doctors and fouls up more experiments than you can imagine. Still, we deal with active placebos every day, and I'm not going to deny that special diets and vitamins may help, solely because some patients want and expect them to do so. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Fads I: Vitamins & Minerals." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

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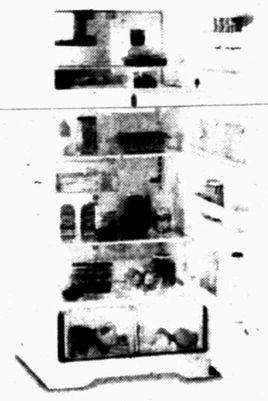

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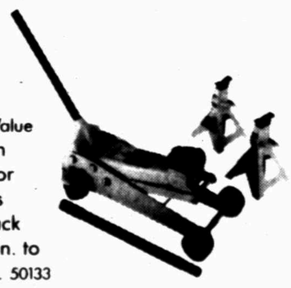

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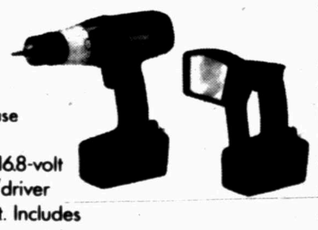

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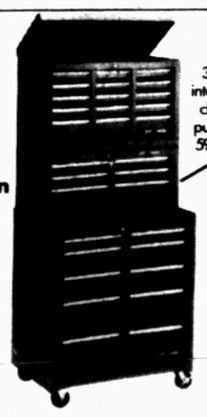

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