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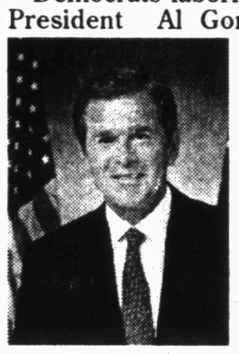
Judge ready to rule on hand counting ballots

MIAMI (AP) — Florida's contested presidential election grew steadily more complicated today as a federal judge promised a speedy ruling on George W. Bush's bid to halt hand recounts in scattered counties. The state's top election official vowed to wrap up the vote recount by late Tuesday afternoon.

Democrats laboring on Vice President Al Gore's behalf threatened a lawsuit of their own — this one to allow the hand recounts to proceed and to become part of the final tally.



Gov. Bush

Bush's lead in the unofficial AP count grew by 100 to 388 as Polk County certified new results.

Convening a hearing in a courtroom in Miami, U.S. District Judge Donald Middlebrooks told lawyers for the two sides he wanted to "get it done quickly," adding he knew his decision would be appealed.

"I am not under an illusion I am the last word on this, and I am rather grateful for that," he said.

The judge made his observation as state election officials promised to press ahead with plans to finish counting by Tuesday at 5 p.m. and certify a winner by Saturday, after an unknown number of overseas absentee ballots are rolled into the totals.

"The law unambiguously states when the process of counting and recounting the votes cast on Election Day must end," Katherine Harris, Florida's secretary of state, said in a written statement distributed in Tallahassee.

"For this election, that time is 5 p.m. Nov. 14, which is tomorrow."

Bush, Gore and the nation all awaited the outcome of the legal and political duel in Florida. The candidate who gains the state's 25 electoral votes stands to become the nation's 43rd president after one of the closest presidential elections in history.

Nearly one full week after the nation voted, there seemed little prospect for a swift resolution.

Both sides seemed to be guessing that the Texas governor's margin would grow when the overseas votes were tallied by Friday afternoon.

That made the hand recounts, and the court arguments, critical. Already, officials in Volusia and Palm Beach counties were deep into hand recounts. Officials arranged to begin sorting through thousands of ballots in Broward County on Monday, and in Miami-Dade, the board set a meeting for Tuesday.

In memory...

FITTING TRIBUTE — In the top photo, Texas Ranger John Billings captured this snowy scene at Hillside Memorial Gardens Wednesday. Left, veterans Robert Neblett, Jack Brewster Jr. and Ken Minyard at the American Legion's flag raising ceremony Saturday morning. (Top, contributed photo, left, SDN Staff Photo)

Audit to be presented...

College board to meet

A representative from May & Hrbacek of Sweetwater will present its annual audit to Western Texas College trustees this evening.

Todd Hrbacek will be at the 7 p.m. meeting to review the audit report with trustees.

The company has performed the audit for the college for the past several years.

In other action, the board will consider the retirement of Dr. James R. Durham, who has been with the college since August, 1988. Dr. Durham, professor of history, has submitted his retirement letter effective at the end of the fall semester.

Trustees will also discuss recommended revisions in three of the college's board policies, including the use of school facilities by current and former board members, the required teaching load for full-time faculty and the implementation of a monetary penalty for employees who submit a resignation after June 1.

The administration also is looking for board approval to seek bids on the purchase of a boiler for the dishwasher system in the cafeteria, the replacement of the heating and cooling pipes in the dorm and the purchase of laptop computers to be used for extension center registration.

Another discussion item is a resolution initiated by the Dallas Community College District trustees requesting the WTC board join them in urging the Texas Legislature to repeal certain sections of the legislation that created the mandated Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test for entering college freshman.

WTC President Dr. Harry Krenek said the Dallas college trustees believe placement testing is necessary, but it should be left to the discretion of the individual colleges and not state mandated.

"There is a good bit of disagreement both across the state and on our on campus about TASP," Dr. Krenek said. "We have given faculty and staff the opportunity to express their perspective, and this info is included for the board's review."

John Gibson, dean of vocational education, will present information to the board about training programs that will be available to the Walls employees who will soon lose their jobs due to the plant's closing.

"We did this before when they closed one other time," Dr. Krenek said.

The training programs will be in cooperation with the West Central Texas Council of Governments.

The board also will be informed of the public access channel that will be a part of the new contract the city has with Cox Communications.

"It does provide an educational channel, and we would like to come back in December or January and discuss with the board ways we could use this channel," Dr. Krenek said.

An update will also be given on the employment of a drama instructor for the college. Dr. Krenek said an offer was made to an instructor, but he declined.

"In all likelihood, we will not have someone in place in the spring semester as we hoped."

Forgeries are investigated

A 43-year-old man was taken in for questioning Saturday morning in connection with several forgeries that have occurred in Snyder over the past couple of weeks.

Sgt. Brian Haggard of the Snyder Police Department said the man was attempting to pass a forged check on Joy Early's West Texas State Bank account at United when the store called authorities.

The man had passed a check on Early's account at Town & Country on East Coliseum at 7:36 a.m. Saturday.

Officers also investigated a forgery at 7:28 that morning at Town & Country on North College where someone had forged a check on Bessie Callaway's West Texas State Bank account.

Sgt. Haggard said the man was released after questioning, but he is one of three suspects that have been identified in the recent wave of forgeries.

"Right now I have four cases going involving forgeries over the past two weeks. He is one of the suspects. With him, I have two other suspects identified."

The detective said the cases are still under investigation, but he is expecting to pass them on to the district attorney within the next week or so.

"The reason it takes so long is because it takes a while for all the checks to come in," Sgt. Haggard explained. "By the time they go to bank, go back to the business and the business contacts me, it usually takes a couple of weeks. Some convenience stores use check companies and that even takes a little longer."

He said check collection companies don't always know that the check is forged, so they may attempt to collect from the account owner first.

"If it shows closed account or insufficient funds, the check collection company may not know it's forged."

WTC students to present two productions this week

Even though Western Texas College does not have a drama instructor, several students have joined together, under the direction of fellow student Angel Ociel Castelan, to present two Christmas plays this week.

"Rudolph the Day After" will take to the stage first, followed by "Christmas Crisis at Mistletoe Mesa." A 10-minute intermission between plays is also planned.

The action begins at 8 p.m. Thursday in the Fine Arts Theatre. Additional performances are set for 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday. The final show will be a 2:30 matinee on Sunday.

Ticket prices include $5 for adults and $3 for students and senior citizens.

Castelan said "Rudolph The Day After" is a sketch comedy, and delves into what happens to Rudolph after the Great Ride on Christmas Eve. It examines in a funny way how Rudolph changes and the repercussions those changes have on his friends.

Castelan describes "Christmas Crisis at Mistletoe Mesa" as a "melodrama and over–the-top, western comedy/Christmas play."

A mother and her son want to take over the town, so they decide to ban Christmas. The heroes have to "save the day."

The resignation of Dr. Helen Cogan, who had been the drama instructor for two years, put the drama department on hold.

In the interest of keeping the drama department up and running," Castelan said he agreed to spearhead the Christmas production. Several WTC drama students and one from Snyder High School also came on board.

In the Rudolph production, Trey Shirley plays Rudolph and Cody Slatton is Santa. Other characters are Vern, played by Thomas Lowery; Sheila, Amber Atkinson; Morty, Justin Guy; Guido, Wes Hardin; Donner, Jeff Ellis; Blitzen, Chris Jones.

In the Mistletoe Mesa melodrama, Cody Slatton plays a bully. Diedra West is Tiny Kim; Chris Jones, Happy Holiday; Damon Early, Mama Grunch; Kris Hollis and Thomas Lowery, Ebenezer Grunch; Amber Atkinson, Holly Bush; Cody Slatton, Chief Dashing Through Snow; Justin Guy, prospector; Kara Babcock, SHS senior, plays Mary Christmas.

Castelan, a 1996 graduate of Ira High School, has been involved with theatre since junior high. He has performed in numerous school plays, including college, and community productions since graduating.

He is pursuing a humanities degree in anthropology and social studies.

'Christmas Happenings' is Thursday

Western Texas College will hold its annual "Christmas Happenings" Thursday.

Scheduled events include a holiday quilts exhibit at the Scurry County Museum from 5:30 to 7 p.m., a planetarium presentation of *A Christmas Story* at 6 p.m. and the singing of Christmas carols at 6:45 p.m.

The traditional Christmas tree lighting ceremony will be at 7:05 p.m. followed by a talent show at 7:15 p.m. Both events will be held in the central courtyard.

ASK US

Q—Will Gail again have its Lighting of the Star event?

A—Yes. It is set for the day after Thanksgiving at 7 p.m.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 69 degrees; low, 37; high Sunday, 47; low, 27; 7 a.m. Monday, 37; no precipitation; total for 2000, 20.15 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear, low near 25, light wind. Tuesday, partly cloudy, high 50-55, S wind 5-15 mph.

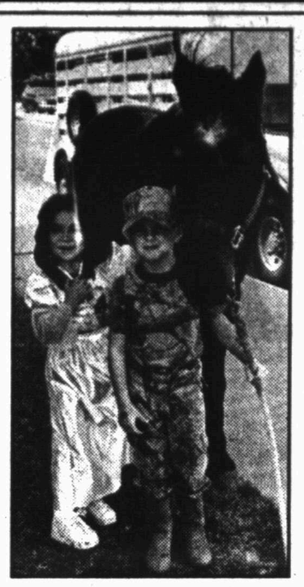
Josie Ornelas
Partly Cloudy

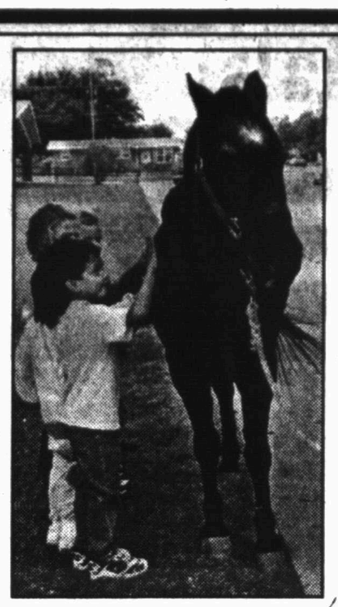
Sunset: 5:47 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:11 a.m.
Of 317 days in 2000, the sun has shone 311 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

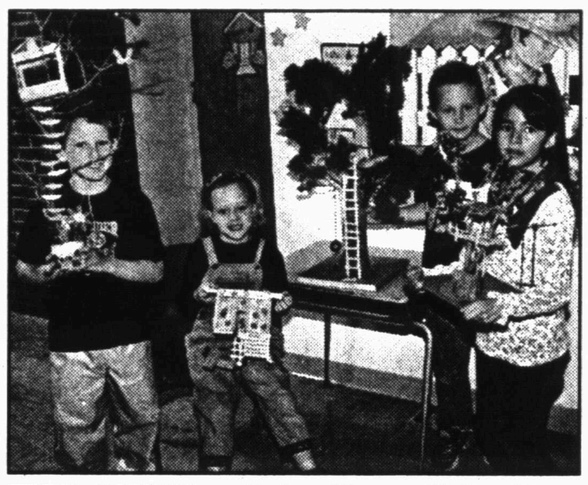
People will pay more to be entertained than educated.
—Johnny Carson

What's happening at Stanfield?

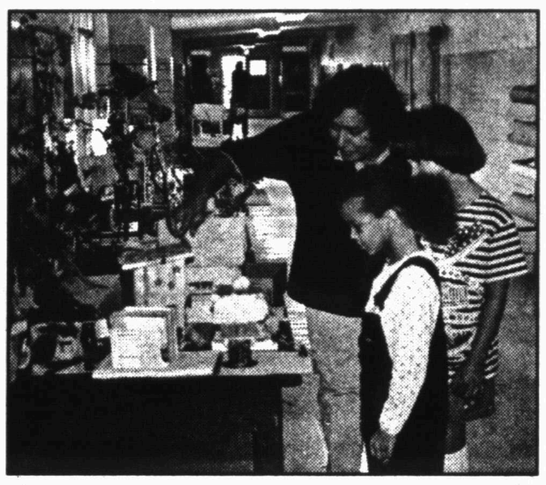




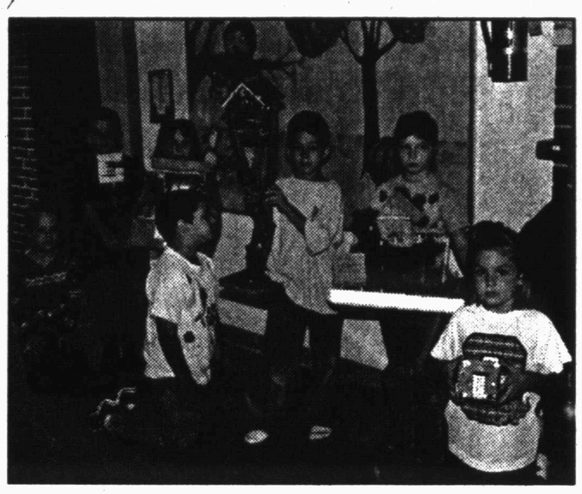
BROWNIE VISITS — Randy Head, (far right photo) recently brought Brownie to visit Stanfield kindergarten students. Kim Kruger's class was the first to get acquainted. Brownie was Randy's son, Ethan's, horse before he outgrew him. Ethan and fellow classmate Brianna Carrisalez, are in the far left photo)



TREE HOUSES — Paden Kinney, Kailey Gleen, Chad Greene, Angie Hernandez (from left) hold some of the tree houses students made recently.



Makenna Scott, Meagan Robbins and Martha Arellano (front to back) view the tree houses that were displayed down the main hall.



Blaire Toombs and Brandon Elam (from left, in front) look at the tree houses being held by (from left) Chris Ward, Heather Crawford, Zac Smith, Anna Fortney, Lyndsie Dunson.

SDN Photos by Shirley A. Gorman

Project aims to draw millions into 'global conversation'

By The Associated Press

Would you switch your race if you knew you could not change it back? When you die, what do you think will most likely happen to you? How often do you think about your weight?

Those are just some of the questions people around the world will be asked this week as part of Planet Project's effort to draw them into a "global conversation" of topics ranging from health to politics to religion to child rearing.

Planet Project organizers hope to get 8 million to 10 million responses over the Internet from Wednesday through Saturday, and at least 50,000 more from 500 "digital ambassadors" to people without Internet access.

The poll results will not be something that could be extrapolated for global implications — they represent only the people being questioned, not their towns, cities or countries, Planet Project officials said.

The goal is to get people of different nations to share and compare thoughts, beliefs, similarities and differences.

"You could compare yourself to someone in New York or Pennsylvania or California, to females in Russia or males in Brazil. There are a lot of different ways to slice it," said Dan Hucko, a vice president for Harris International, which drew up the questions and will analyze the results. "You can slice it by age, you can slice it by geography, you can slice it by demographics."

The questionnaires are written in eight languages, and are designed to take respondents five to 10 minutes to complete. There also is a "student underground" poll, with questions drawn up by students.

Since it is computerized, once people have answered, they can compare their own answers to all the others which have been submitted.

The digital ambassadors spread across 115 countries will get the questionnaires to those without Internet access.

"I have teachers who in some cases are making this a project in their classrooms. They're the equivalent of high school teachers, and students are going to be going out and doing polling," said Janine Firpo, who was in charge of choosing those ambassadors.

In Oceana and Latin America, the questions will be asked by loan officers from nonprofit groups which lend small amounts of money — as little as $75 — to people whose businesses are too small to get loans from anyone but loan sharks.

"We also have women who are working in refugee camps and working with women who are in crisis, in places like Kosovo and Rwanda," Firpo said.

Each will use a handheld computer and wireless transmitter to record and send answers. They get to keep the gear.

Because of that, the Rwandan "ambassadors" also will do election exit polls "to be sure people voting in the elections feel it was a fair election and they weren't pressured. They work on a lot of social issues and policy issues in those countries," Firpo said.

Five ambassadors will be in the United States: One is going into the swamps of Louisiana's Cajun country; one from Bayside, N.Y., will go into the inner-city Bronx; one is in Alaska; one in Philadelphia, Miss., will go into Choctaw tribal schools; and one will work with Mexican immigrants in Kent, Ohio.

In addition, in 48 countries thousands of employees from 3Com — which helped create the software being used for the project — will interview people in their own cities, at shopping malls, Internet cafes and libraries. Others will take handheld and laptop computers to poll urban people without Internet access.

On the Net:
http://www.planetproject.com/index.html

Former NY commissioner retains his security detail

NEW YORK (AP) — The city's former police commissioner, Howard Safir, is still protected by a taxpayer-funded security detail, officials said Sunday.

Safir quit as police commissioner in August to take a job with a private law enforcement company. His successor, Bernard Kerik, confirmed in a statement that Safir is provided with security but did not specify the size of the detail.

"Security details are routinely made available to former police commissioners and mayors ... after they leave city service, as well as sitting state and federal judges," Kerik said. "Each security assignment is based on an individual threat-assessment."

"The security provided to former Commission Safir is commensurate with the need established by the Department's Intelligence Division," Kerik added.

The New York Post, which first reported on Safir's security detail Sunday, said it consisted of two sergeants, 11 detectives, four NYPD cars, including a van and a limousine, which the Post said take Safir everywhere — to his new job, to doctors treating his prostate cancer, and to evening outings like the World Series.

Each member of Safir's detail earns about $80,000 a year, the Post said.

The Post said Safir cited a few dozen threats made against him following the cases of Abner Louima, who was tortured by police in a Brooklyn precinct, and Amadou Diallo, an unarmed immigrant who was fatally shot by police.

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Hermleigh fellowship set Tuesday

Following the Hermleigh High School girls basketball game Tuesday, everyone is invited to a community wide fellowship at 8 p.m. in the school cafeteria. The purpose is to show appreciation for the hard work and dedication of the high school football program.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 2000

Projects, concepts or merchandise that are the products of your imagination and creativity will be very marketable in the year ahead. Seek out the experts who can get you to the marketplace.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) If you choose to discuss your personal affairs today with a close confidant, that's okay. However, make an extra effort not to talk about secret matters in front of casual acquaintances. Astro-Graph year ahead predictions make great Christmas stocking stuffers for all signs of the Zodiac. Mail $2 for each to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10158. Be sure to state the Zodiac signs you desire.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Even when investments are endorsed by someone you highly respect, do not make them impulsively. Financial conditions are questionable today, and more investigation is required.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Should you jump to conclusions and misinterpret the motives of someone who is merely trying to acquaint you with the issues, you could behave in a manner you'll regret.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Be especially careful about whom you delegate any important task or assignment to today. A poor choice could have very unacceptable results.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) It may not be fair, but you will be judged by the company you keep today. Avoid associating with anyone whose standards and ethics do not measure up to yours.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) It is well and good to have great ideas, but unless you're both a good starter and strong finisher today, there's little chance anything will come of your conceptions.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A hasty commitment you make today could end up being the reason for not getting an important assignment completed on time. It may cause some unpleasant moments for you with the boss.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A frivolous friend could get you involved in a nonessential activity today that may cost you far more than you bargained for. Know what you're getting yourself into.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Provided you don't require of others what you demand of yourself today, it's okay to be assertive and push yourself beyond reasonable bounds.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) I wouldn't worry too much about what obstacles others might place in your path today, because you'll do a pretty good job of that yourself. You could be your own worst enemy if not careful.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be extra careful in your financial or business negotiations today, because the details could be quite tricky to deal with. What first looks like a good deal may be anything but.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you see yourself as a loser today before you even give yourself a chance to try, you can expect your achievements to be rather minimal. You are what you think.

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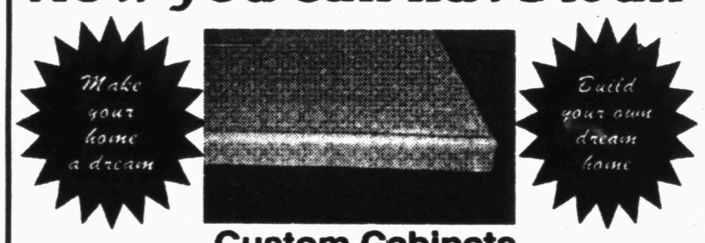

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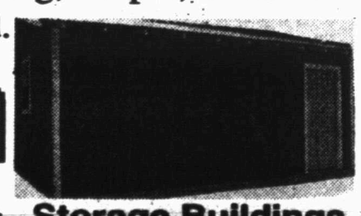

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San Antonio lifts water restrictions, after six months

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Not that they'd want to with the first cold snap of the season expected, but today marked the first day after more than six months residents can water their lawns when they like.

"Officially, all restrictions will be off," Calvin Finch, conservation director for the San Antonio Water System, was quoted by the San Antonio Express-News today. City Manager Alex Briseno approved lifting the restrictions beginning at 12:01 a.m., Finch said.

Instead of being restricted to lawn sprinkling for 14 hours on one designated day each week, residents can water any time, except between 10 a.m. and 8 p.m. when watering is banned year-round.

Residents may want to hold off on a celebratory spritzing with temperatures expected to rise no higher than the 40s in San Antonio and overnight lows Tuesday expected to dip below freezing.

Chances are few will need to either. The city reported 5.6 inches of rain in October and more than 5.6 inches so far in November.

The city entered the first stage of a three-stage water conservation plan in May after the Edwards Aquifer dropped below 650 feet above sea level.

The Edwards Aquifer Authority's emergency drought rules expired last today, ending the restrictions for Bexar, Caldwell, Comal, Guadalupe and Hays counties.

San Antonio's drought ordinance requires the city to remain in a given stage for at least 30 days after the aquifer rises above that stage's trigger level before the city manager can call an end to it.

Officials: State short-changed again in funding for free trade highways

FORT WORTH (AP) — Texas officials say they're getting much less federal money than they should for maintaining roadways like Interstate 35, where free-trade-related truck traffic is blamed for burgeoning accident rates and severe crowding.

Officials differ on whom to blame for Texas' unequal share of the highway funding: ineffective county and state officials or political favoritism benefiting Arkansas, California and New York.

Three years ago, Congress acted to distribute federal highway dollars more fairly to states. But in the latest round of funding for the National Corridor Planning and Development and the Coordinated Border Infrastructure programs announced Nov. 3, Texas received 6.5 percent of the funds announced by the Federal Highway Administration last week.

Almost half of the money was earmarked for studies on proposed Interstate 69, which is to run from the U.S.-Canadian border to Laredo and the Rio Grande Valley.

Texas' 6.5 percent share of the money comes despite the fact that Texas bears 79 percent of the trade traffic from Mexico.

With federal money going elsewhere, state legislators say they are considering dipping into the state's surplus, using money earmarked for toll roads, returning appropriated money to the state's highway funds and issuing bonds to pay for future roads.

"We will reinvent the way we fund highway projects," state Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram for Sunday's editions. "It is unacceptable that I-35 between Dallas and Austin is the most dangerous interstate in the nation."

The lack of highway funds in the face of increased traffic from Mexico has been blamed for accelerated wear and tear on state highways, especially along I-35 which runs from Laredo, along the Texas-Mexico border, through Dallas and Fort Worth and then up to Duluth, Minn.

Figures from 1997 show that $37 billion worth of cargo came and went through Laredo on I-35, with 1,227,464 trucks crossing the border.

North Texas officials say free trade and the lack of money to improve I-35 show up every rush hour.

I-35W in Fort Worth has more serious accidents than anywhere else in Tarrant County and I-35E in Dallas County averages one lane-closing accident every two days, transportation official said.

"I've been driving into the area for seven years and it was bad then, but nothing like the gridlock now in Fort Worth and south of Fort Worth," said David Perry, a trucker who hauls produce from Missouri to Texas for Indiana Western Express.

Officials in North Texas are particularly miffed over three rejected grants for improvements to I-35 in Dallas and Fort Worth.

"Based on technical merits, Texas expected about 80 percent of the funds from Washington," said Michael Morris, transportation director for the North Texas Council of Governments. "To date, the region has submitted three applications and we haven't received a penny yet."

Morris said the council of governments had applications for a $10.6 million federal grant to fix highway bottlenecks and a $5.4 million grant for an early warning system for truckers turned down.

One North Texas transportation consultant said Texas has lagged behind other states for NAFTA highway funding because state leaders did not have a clear target for the money.

"When money comes into a state, it's no longer in control of the counties," said John Polster, a consultant for Denton County.

Remains of two Bay of Pigs pilots buried after 39 years

MIAMI (AP) — Two Cuban exile pilots who died in the Bay of Pigs invasion have been buried 39 years after they crashed while fighting to topple Fidel Castro's communist regime.

Crispin Garcia and Juan de Mata Gonzalez died in the mountains of Nicaragua when their bomber crashed trying to land at a secret airfield on April 18, 1961, three days after U.S. aircraft began bombing Cuban air bases. Both were 26.

Their remains were found a year and a half ago, then sent to a military office in Hawaii that works to identify remains using dental and medical records. Surviving family members were asked to submit DNA samples for comparison with the remains of the two pilots, who belonged to Brigade 2506.

The two pilots were buried Saturday, after being formally honored with a Veterans Day funeral by various organizations in Miami's Cuban exile community.

"We are temporarily burying our brothers in the land of freedom, until the day we can take them to a free Cuba, democratic and independent," said Juan Perez-Franco, president of the Bay of Pigs veterans' association.

Family members of both pilots attended the services, including Garcia's son, Franklin, who was 5 when he last saw his father.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 11-13-00
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♦ K 10 9 8 5
♣ K Q 10 3

West
♠ 10 5
♥ A J 10
♦ Q J 2
♣ A J 7 6 4

East
♠ 8 7 2
♥ 7 6 5 4 3
♦ A 7 6 3
♣ 8

South
♠ A K Q J 9 6 4 3
♥ 9
♦ 4
♣ 9 5 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ Q

Friday, Nov. 3, 2000

The nose can smell later

By Phillip Alder

Geir Helgemo lives in Trondheim, Norway. His partner in many of his major successes has been Tor Helness, a friendly, tall Osloan with a great smile. In this deal, though, Helgemo and Helness were in opposition. That always adds a little spice to the game.

In the other room, Helness was North in seven diamonds, the third-best grand slam. He won the spade lead and had to broach diamonds immediately. When he started with dummy's queen, he was two down. Declarer couldn't avoid losing a spade and a diamond.

The one-diamond response was two-way: either weak with no major, or at least a game-going hand with diamonds and either a major or club support. Two clubs was natural and announced slam-try strength! After South confirmed long clubs, there were three control-bids (cue-bids) followed by Roman Key Card Blackwood, the reply showing two aces and the club king.

Seven no-trump had a big advantage: the diamond suit could wait. After winning with the spade ace, Helgemo ran his club suit. When West showed up with four clubs to go with his probable spade length, a bad diamond break became more likely. So, Helgemo led the diamond eight: 10, king, four. Now came the diamond seven, and after East played low smoothly, so did Helgemo.

That gave 20 international match points to the Trondheimers, and they beat Oslo 99-96.

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Stars ride in event

SANTA CLARITA, Calif. (AP) — Jay Leno and Peter Fonda were among some 20,000 riders who took part in the annual 50-mile motorcycle "Love Ride."

The event Sunday, billed as the "largest motorcycle fund-raising event in the world," was expected to raise more than $1 million for charities.

Other celebrity participants included singers Billy Idol and Pat Boone, actor Larry Hagman, stuntman Robbie Knievel and game-show host Chuck Woolery.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Couple mends broken marriage through forgiveness and love

DEAR ABBY: To those who wonder, "Can people fall back in love after having an affair?" the answer is yes. Here's what happened to me:

Six years ago, my wife found out that I had been having an affair with a woman at work for more than three years. Her husband called my wife and told her all the details. It happened five days before Christmas, and I had to call both our families to explain why we would not be attending the holiday gatherings. I also had to explain to our teen-age daughter why I was moving out of our home.

We are a very close family, and when I faced the ugliness of what I had done and the hurt I caused, I realized what a fool I'd been.

After convincing my wife that I would do absolutely anything to stay married to her, she allowed me to move back home and seemed willing to give it a try.

We worked with a wonderful counselor who helped us to rediscover each other, and we fell in love all over again — 25 years after we'd done it the first time. We also became best friends, and truly have a dream marriage now.

Abby, I will always feel guilt and sadness about what I did. However, love and forgiveness gave us a way to begin again. — **BLESSED IN ALABAMA**

DEAR BLESSED: That must have been one chilly Christmas. I'm pleased your story has a happy ending.

Many people will be reassured by your testimonial that a marriage can survive after infidelity has been uncovered. The most important ingredient for a successful marriage is two people who really need each other. That understood, with counseling and both parties willing to work at rebuilding their relationship, there's no reason for a reconciliation to fall.

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DEAR ABBY: Operation Dear Abby, your annual call for letters to servicepersons stationed on foreign soil during the holidays, should be extended to include veterans in hospitals and nursing homes.

Although many of these veterans have family and friends to visit and write to them, others are alone. I volunteer a couple of days a week at a veterans home in Oregon. I drive their recreational bus for field trips and help with the needs of the veterans while we're on trips. However, there are many other needs volunteers could fill: reading to veterans, writing letters for them, or just spending a little time visiting with them.

If some of your readers would like to help and there are no nearby veteran facilities, the American Legion, the VFW or the library can provide an address to which they can send cards and letters. Veterans hospitals are located all over the United States.

Thank you for considering an extension to your Operation Dear Abby. — **BONNIE L. KENDALL, DALLESPORT, WASH.**

DEAR BONNIE: That's a terrific idea. We owe our freedom to our veterans. But why stop with volunteering during the holidays? Volunteering 12 months a year — if possible — would be a meaningful gift to those who sacrificed so much for us.

Readers, our veterans are waiting and they need you. The time you give them will be much appreciated. You'll get more than you give by volunteering. I always have.

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To receive a collection of Abby's most memorable — and most frequently requested — poems and essays, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby's "Keepers," P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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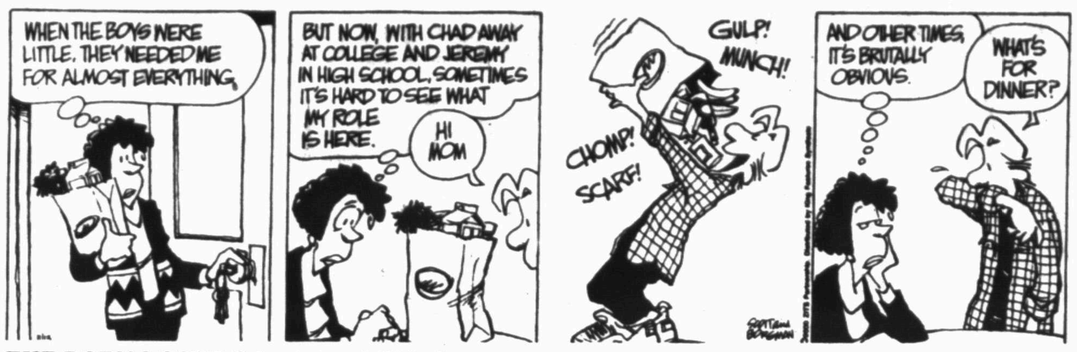

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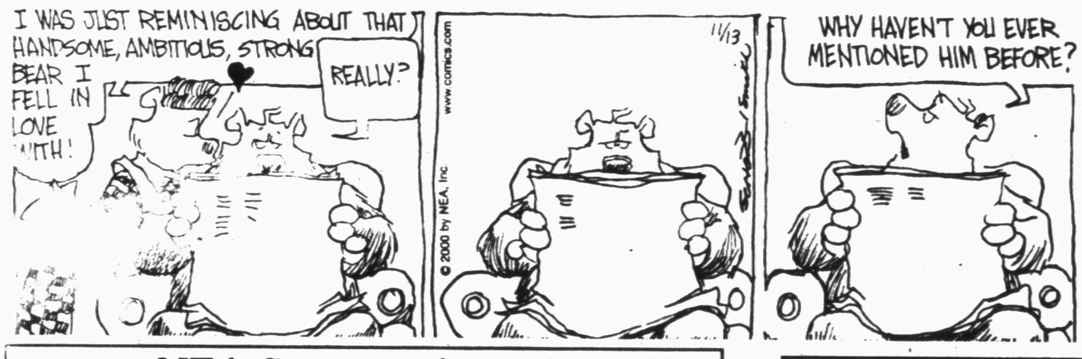

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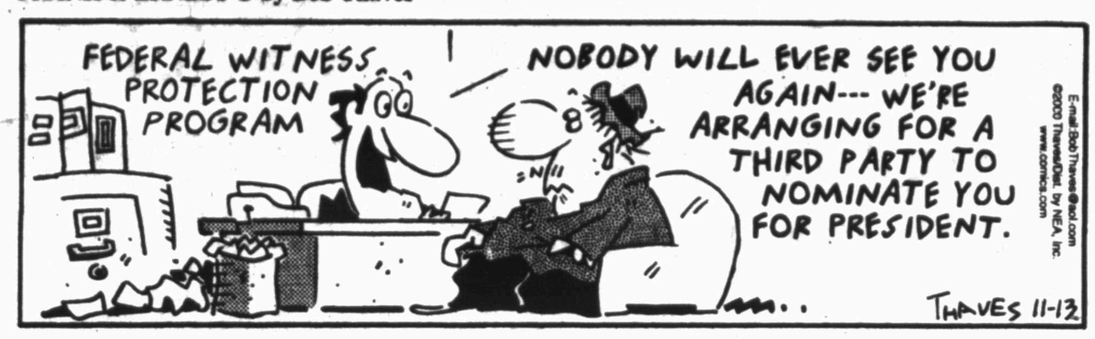

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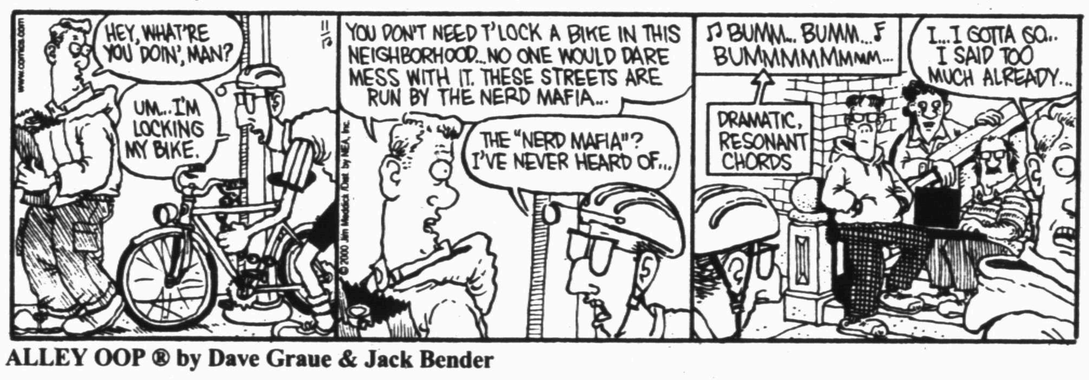

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"How many times have I told you not to run with a wedding cake?"

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1 Shoes without high heels
6 Holding device
10 Loan shark
12 Free- — - — (brawl)
14 Leatherneck
15 Rootlessness
16 LAX info
17 Sleeping spot
19 Like a pin?
20 Mental pictures
23 Plants, collectively
26 Sticky stuff
27 Mother of Mlle.
30 Crystalline gem
32 Homelier
34 Like pulpy peaches
35 Puzzling problem
36 "Evil Woman" grp.
37 Comparative ending
40 Palest
42 Type of tone
45 Celebratory poem
46 Videotape type
49 Reveal
51 Of an ethnic group
54 Complain
55 — Newton-John
56 Absorbed
57 Tempestuous

DOWN

1 Show one's anger
2 Future atty.'s exam
3 Emanation
4 "Pod" start
5 D.C. hotshot
6 Erich — Stroheim
7 O. Henry's forte
8 Identical
9 Lamb's pen name
11 Ms. McEntire
12 Film technique
13 Allow to
18 Omelet need
20 Eye part
21 Singer Johnny —
22 Maris and Clemens
23 Musical instrument
24 Recline indolently
25 Bread spread
27 Feminine title
28 Earth inheritors?
29 Goofs
31 Tiny opening in a door
33 Cafe au —
38 Disencumber
40 Arctic inhabitant
41 Architect Saarinen
42 Used a spade
43 Letters on a cross
44 The bard's river
46 "— is difference!"
47 Head growth
48 Kill
50 "Metric" start
52 TV alien
53 102, Roman

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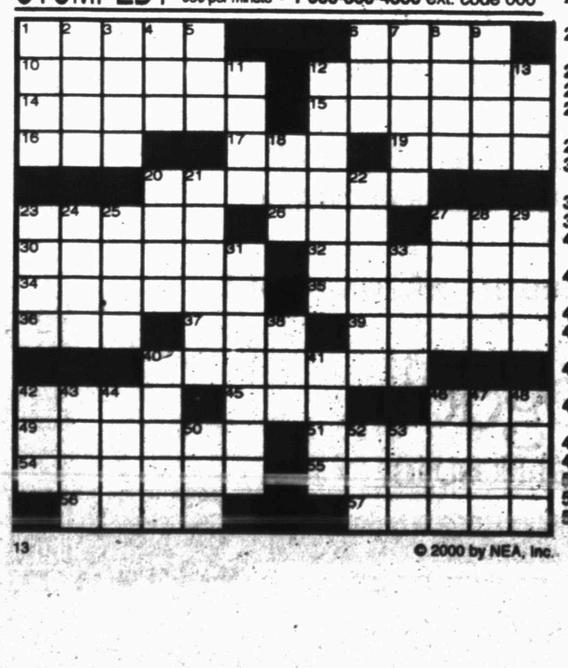

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Snyder Daily News Comics

DENNIS THE MENACE ® by Hank Ketcham

"CAN WE USE THE RESTROOM WHEN WE FLY OVER CITIES?"

SPORTS

Local team knocks off Wolves, 6-0

COLORADO CITY — Ricky Sanchez found the endzone late in the fourth quarter Saturday to push Snyder past Colorado City, 6-0, in a fifth and sixth grade football all-star tilt.

Sanchez broke free from 25 yards out with just over three minutes remaining in the game.

Colorado City tried to answer but was turned away by a Jamie Arnold interception.

Sanchez led Snyder with 55 yards, while Dustyn Murdock ran for 36 and Wesley Price added 24.

Defensively, Dillon Matthies caused a fumble, and Lucas Munoz recovered it.

Snyder will be in action again at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at Andrews.

ALL-STAR GRIDDERS — Snyder's fifth and sixth-grade all-stars defeated Colorado City on Saturday and will be in action again Tuesday at Andrews. Members of the team are, front row from left, Dustin Murdock, Jamie Arnold, Dillon Matthies, Keith Manlief, Jessie Connor and Wesley Price. On the middle row are Blane Knipe, Ricky Sanchez, Tyler Driggers, Donald Jeffery, Matthew Schoolcraft, Arthur Perez, Trey Poyner and Brent Bollinger. On the back row are Joe Garza, Adam Smith, Ryan Mitchell, Brandon Morris, Brooks Gafford, Lucas Munoz, Lance Day and James Simmons. Not pictured are Ryan Claxton and coaches Jack Whitworth, Keith Matthies, Russell Gafford, Dewayne Murdock, Brad Hinton, Ray Connor and Charlie Bollinger. (Contributed Photo)

Lakers top Rockets, despite ailing O'Neal

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Bothered by sore thumbs, Shaquille O'Neal had his third consecutive mediocre game. This time, the Los Angeles Lakers managed a victory.

With O'Neal hurting and in foul trouble, Kobe Bryant scored 37 points and ended the Lakers' two-game losing skid with a 105-99 victory over the Houston Rockets on Sunday night.

O'Neal sprained his right thumb during the game and X-rays were negative. Other than admitting both thumbs were sore, O'Neal brushed off questions about the injury.

"His thumb was really bothering him," said teammate Brian Shaw, who started at guard. "The ball hasn't been rolling off his hand like it normally does."

O'Neal had 14 points and five rebounds before fouling out with 4:34 remaining. He had 13 points and 17 rebounds in a loss at San Antonio on Wednesday and 24 points and seven rebounds in an 84-74 defeat at Houston.

"I was trying to get everybody else involved so we played an overall better team game, and we were able to win a game even though I fouled out," O'Neal said. "It's vital that we build momentum from this win."

The Lakers tied a franchise low for points scored in the previous Houston loss. Their offense recovered this time behind Bryant, who dominated the third quarter when O'Neal was scoreless in nine minutes.

"When you lose two in a row, you've got to come out and win that third game," said Bryant, who played 44 minutes. "I told Phil (Jackson) I felt like going the full 48. I told him that in San Antonio, too. I felt good in practice and I felt comfortable tonight."

Los Angeles led most of the way, but saw a 16-point lead shrink to three points early in the fourth quarter. O'Neal came off the bench with 7:30 remaining to score three quick points before fouling out with 4:34 remaining. He finished with 14 points and five rebounds.

"He was taken out of the game. I thought there was a couple of bad, unnecessary calls," Jackson said. "He did a good job defensively for us. There's a lot of things that he did well that don't show up on the stat sheet."

Reserve Moochie Norris led the Rockets with 15 points. Houston's bench produced 52 points.

Hakeem Olajuwon had 13 points and seven rebounds, leaving him two boards short of 13,000 for his 16-year NBA career.

"We played them the same way we did the first game," said Maurice Taylor, one of two Houston starters held to single digits. "They just made some shots down the stretch that they didn't make last week."

Bryant, who scored 32 points in the San Antonio loss, contributed to a 14-8 spurt at the start of the third quarter that put the Lakers ahead by 16.

"When Shaq is not in the game, Kobe is going to hit the shots," said Cuttino Mobley, who had 13 points. "That is who takes the shots, Kobe and Shaq. When you make your shots, you get in a rhythm, and that's what he did."

Even with O'Neal quiet in the third, Los Angeles built a 10-point lead going into the fourth quarter. With O'Neal on the bench, the Rockets cut their deficit to 84-81 by scoring nine of the first 11 points of the fourth.

Houston got within three on a basket by Kenny Thomas with 8:56 remaining.

"We gave ourselves a chance, but we couldn't get a break at the end," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said. "Even though we had a better second half, we were just shooting ourselves in the foot in the first half with (11) unforced errors."

Dallas 23, Cincinnati 6...

Aikman returns to fuel Cowboys' win

IRVING (AP) — Troy Aikman felt a little stiff and was a bit wary of how he'd feel Monday morning.

But for four quarters on Sunday, Aikman did just fine, completing 24-of-37 passes for 308 yards and a touchdown to lead the Dallas Cowboys to a 23-6 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals.

Troy Aikman

In throwing for his most yards since the 1999 opener, Aikman showed no signs of the back problem that kept him out of last week's game and forced him to endure a second series of pain-relieving injections.

"I felt if I didn't get hit, I'd be OK," Aikman said, adding that he wasn't concerned about the cold, wet conditions. "I moved around better than I thought I would. Now the key is to see how it reacts after playing on Astroturf and cooling down."

Aikman made it clear from the start that this was going to be his day, even though it was his first outing without Joey Galloway or Raghib Ismail, the two opening day receivers both out with knee injuries.

Aikman completed 12 of his first 13 attempts, the only misfire a highly catchable pass to James McKnight. All nine Dallas drives either ended in points or with the Cowboys in position to score. They did not punt.

"We all know Troy is compromised with his back right now," Cowboys owner Jerry Jones said. "It's even more impressive for him to come out and have the day he had with the way he's feeling."

Dallas (4-6) came up empty on its first two drives as Emmitt Smith, who had an awful game, fumbled at the Cincinnati 1-yard line and Tim Seder missed a 39-yard field goal.

After the Bengals (2-8) took a 3-0 lead, Aikman responded a 21-yard completion to McKnight, a 19-yard underhanded flick pass to Smith while running to his left and a 35-yard touchdown to McKnight.

The improvisation on the pass to Smith was a sure indication that Aikman's body and mind remain sharp. Yet the way the ball fluttered was an easy target for postgame jibes.

"Sometimes, that's how I throw horseshoes — end over end," Jones said. "I think that play inspired us."

Aikman finished a game for only the fifth time this season and is 3-2 in those. He's been knocked out of two others, both losses, and backup Randall Cunningham is 1-2 in his starts.

"It has been a frustrating year, to be honest," said Aikman, who missed two games because of a concussion and another because of his back. "The loss last week was a disappointment. But playing at home, it was nice victory.

"It was nice for us to be able to throw the ball and make some plays. We have not been able to be very consistent this season. It was good for some of our young guys to play and gain some confidence."

McKnight caught eight passes for a 164 yards, both career bests, and Wane McGarity had four catches for 51 yards.

"Troy did a great job of getting the receivers the ball," McGarity said. "I think the offense as a whole did a good job of taking advantage of the opportunities their defense gave us."

Local Schedule

TUESDAY

BASKETBALL: Snyder JV and varsity boys at San Angelo Central, 6 and 7:30

BASKETBALL: Midland Lee at Snyder JV and varsity girls, 6 and 7:30

BASKETBALL: Ira girls at Hermleigh, 6:30

Texas High School Football Playoffs

CLASS 5A
Division I
Region I
EP Franklin (6-4) vs. EP Montwood (5-4), 8:30 p.m. Friday, EP Socorro Activities Complex
San Angelo Central (7-3) vs. Midland Lee (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Stadium.
Haltom City (6-4) vs. Lewisville (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Texas Stadium
Mansfield (7-3) vs. Duncanville (9-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium
Division II
Region I
EP Andress (8-2) vs. EP Americas (4-6), 1 p.m. Saturday, Andress Stadium.
Lubbock Monterey (9-1) vs. Abilene (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lowrey Field
Coppell (5-5) vs. McKinney (7-3), 6 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium
De Soto (7-3) vs. South Grand Prairie (6-4), 4 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium
EP Coronado (7-3) vs. EP Del Valle (10-0), 8:30 p.m. Thursday, EP Conquest Stadium
Amarillo (5-5) vs. Abilene Cooper (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Lowrey Field
Carrollton Turner (7-3) vs. Keller Fossil Ridge (7-3), 9 p.m. Friday, Texas Stadium
Arlington Lamar (6-4) vs. Euless Trinity (8-2), 7 p.m. Saturday, Texas Stadium
CLASS 4A
Division I
Region I
EP Ysleta (5-5) at EP Mountain View (7-3), 8 p.m. Friday, TBA
Hereford (9-1) vs. Frenship (8-2), 1 p.m. Saturday, Canyon Kimbrough Memorial Stadium
WF Rider (5-5) vs. Grapevine (7-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Wichita Falls
FW Wyatt (5-4) vs. Burleson (9-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Bedford Pennington Field
Division II
Region I
EP Riverside (7-3) vs. Fabens (6-4), 8:30 p.m. Friday, El Paso Riverside Stadium
Canyon (6-4) vs. Big Spring (6-4), 1 p.m. Saturday, Lowrey Field
Wichita Falls (10-0) vs. Justin Northwest, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Wichita Falls
FW Dunbar (5-4) vs. Brownwood (7-3), 1 p.m. Saturday, Haltom Birdville FAAC
EP Parkland (7-3) vs. Pecos (6-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, TBA
Borger (6-4) vs. Andrews (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Plainview
Burkburnett (6-3), vs. Southlake Carroll, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Coppell
Stephenville (8-2) vs. FW Western Hills (6-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Haltom Birdville FAAC
CLASS 3A
Division I
Region I
Perryton (7-3) vs. Littlefield (6-4), 5 p.m. Saturday, Amarillo Dick Bivins Stadium
Lamesa (9-1) vs. Monahans (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Odessa Ratliff Stadium
Abilene Wylie (10-0) vs. Vernon (4-6), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Ft. Worth Clark Field
Division II
Region I
Sanford-Fritch (8-1) vs. Shallowater (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hereford
Sweetwater (7-3) vs. Bridgeport (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Stephenville
Lake Worth vs. Hillsboro (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Cedar Hill
Dalhart (4-6) vs. Muleshoe (10-0), 5 p.m. Friday, Amarillo Dick Bivins Stadium
Crane (8-2) vs. Denver City (7-3), 2 p.m. Saturday, Odessa Ratliff Stadium
Ballinger (7-3) vs. Graham (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Abilene Shotwell Stadium
Ferris (7-3) vs. Glen Rose (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Haltom Birdville FAAC
CLASS 2A
Division I
Region I
Reagan County (4-6) vs. Sonora (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Lake View Stadium
Colorado City (9-1) vs. Idalou (9-1), 2 p.m. Saturday, Andrews
Friona (9-1) vs. West Texas High (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Canyon Kimbrough Memorial Stadium
Holliday (9-1) vs. Olney (10-0), 7 p.m. Thursday, Wichita Falls
Division II
Region I
Mason (6-4) vs. Ozona, 8 p.m., Saturday, San Angelo
Stanton (8-2) vs. Sundown (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Seminole
Abernathy (8-2, W5) vs. Spearman (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Canyon High School
Quanah (7-3) vs. Hamlin (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Hamlin
McCamey (5-5) vs. Eldorado (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Ozona
New Deal (9-1) vs. Coahoma (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Snyder
Lockney (6-4) vs. Canadian (8-2), 8 p.m. Friday, Amarillo Dick Bivins Stadium
Memphis (4-5) vs. Albany (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Seymour
CLASS A
Region I
Wheeler (6-4) vs. Nazareth (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, White Deer
Petersburg (9-1) vs. Knox City (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Childress
White Deer (7-3) vs. Stratford (10-0), 7:30 Thursday, Amarillo Dick Bivins Stadium
Crosbyton (7-3) vs. Paducah (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Floydada
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SIX-MAN
Regions I-II
Follett (9-1) vs. Turkey Valley (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Miami
Whitharral (8-1) vs. Jayton (5-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Slaton
Wellman-Union (8-2) vs. Ira (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Gail
Grandfalls-Royalty (8-2) vs. Balmorhea, TBA
Groom (10-0) vs. Miami (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Lefors
Patton Springs (8-1) vs. Lazbuddie (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Silverton
Highland (10-0) vs. Ropes (6-4), TBA
Ackerly Sands vs. Sanderson, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Imperial

Saturday's Major College Football Scores

EAST
Brown 34, Dartmouth 26
Cornell 35, Columbia 31
Delaware 31, Massachusetts 19
Duquesne 23, Lafayette 14
Fairfield 66, Canisius 0
Gardner-Webb 38, New Hampshire 35
Georgetown, D.C. 20, St. Peter's 16
Holy Cross 32, Colgate 3
Iona 31, Siena 21
Lehigh 51, Fordham 17
Maine 42, Northeastern 17
Marist 13, La Salle 12
Penn 36, Harvard 35
Princeton 19, Yale 14
Rhode Island 26, Connecticut 21
Robert Morris 43, Albany, N.Y. 34
Sacred Heart 20, St. Francis, Pa. 0
Syracuse 31, Temple 12
Towson 15, Bucknell 13
West Virginia 31, Rutgers 24, 2OT
William & Mary 48, Villanova 41, 2OT
SOUTH
Alabama A&M 27, Alcorn St. 20
Alabama St. 44, MVSU 28
Appalachian St. 35, W. Carolina 28
Auburn 29, Georgia 26, OT
Bethune-Cookman 35, Howard 0
Charleston Southern 25, Liberty 0
Cincinnati 13, Memphis 10, OT
Davidson 22, Austin Peay 7
Delaware St. 31, Norfolk St. 28
E. Kentucky 52, Kentucky St. 0
ETSU 24, Chattanooga 22
East Carolina 62, Houston 20
Florida 41, South Carolina 21
Florida St. 35, Wake Forest 6
Furman 27, Wofford 18
Georgia Southern 32, Elon 9
Jackson St. 38, New Haven 37
Jacksonville 31, Wagner 22
Jacksonville St. 28, Louisiana-Lafayette 14
LSU 20, Mississippi 9
Louisiana Tech 42, Louisiana-Monroe 19
Louisville 38, Army 17
Marshall 51, Miami (Ohio) 31
Miami 35, Pittsburgh 7
Middle Tennessee 45, South Florida 9
Mississippi St. 29, Alabama 7
Murray St. 62, Tennessee St. 40
N. Carolina A&T 31, Hampton 28
N.C. State 35, Duke 31
North Carolina 13, Maryland 10
Richmond 21, James Madison 2
S. Carolina St. 57, Morgan St. 37
Sam Houston St. 27, Northwestern St. 13
Southern Miss. 33, UAB 30, OT
Southern U. 49, Texas Southern 29
Tenn.-Martin 31, Wingate 30
Tennessee 63, Arkansas 20
Troy St. 20, McNeese St. 16
Tulane 50, Navy 38
VMI 41, The Citadel 21
Vanderbilt 24, Kentucky 20
Virginia Tech 44, UCF 21
W. Kentucky 28, Indiana St. 3
MIDWEST
Akron 49, Buffalo 14
Cent. Michigan 21, W. Michigan 17
E. Michigan 39, N. Illinois 32
Illinois St. 44, E. Illinois 41, 2OT
Iowa 27, Northwestern 17
Kansas St. 29, Nebraska 28
Michigan 33, Penn St. 11
Michigan St. 30, Purdue 10
N. Iowa 60, Prairie View 14
Notre Dame 28, Boston College 16
Ohio 23, Bowling Green 21
Ohio St. 24, Illinois 21
S. Illinois 21, Youngstown St. 20
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Texas 51, Kansas 16
Toledo 31, Ball St. 3
Valparaiso 23, Aurora 10
Wisconsin 43, Indiana 22
SOUTHWEST
Ark.-Pine Bluff 44, Lane 18
Arkansas St. 53, North Texas 28
Missouri 47, Baylor 22
Oklahoma 35, Texas A&M 31
SMU 24, Tulsa 20
SW Texas 38, Stephen F.Austin 21
TCU 24, Fresno St. 7
Texas Tech 58, Oklahoma St. 0
UTEP 28, Rice 21
FAR WEST
Air Force 44, Colorado St. 40
Boise St. 66, Utah St. 38
CS Northridge 45, Cal Poly-SLO 27
Dayton 27, San Diego 14
E. Washington 27, Portland St. 24
Hawaii 37, Nevada 17
Idaho 44, New Mexico St. 41, 2OT
Idaho St. 58, Montana St. 14
Iowa St. 35, Colorado 27
Montana 30, Weber St. 28
Oregon 25, California 17
Oregon St. 33, Arizona 9
S. Utah 35, Morehead St. 21
Sacramento St. 28, N. Arizona 24
St. Mary's, Cal. 45, Drake 43
Stanford 29, Arizona St. 7
UNLV 18, New Mexico 14
Utah 34, Wyoming 0
Washington 35, UCLA 28
Washington St. 33, Southern Cal 27

National Basketball Association

All Times EST
EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	7	0	1.000	—
New York	5	2	.714	2
Orlando	4	4	.500	3½
Miami	3	3	.500	3½
New Jersey	3	3	.500	3½
Boston	2	4	.333	4½
Washington	2	6	.250	5½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	5	1	.833	—
Indiana	4	2	.667	1
Charlotte	4	3	.571	1½
Toronto	4	3	.571	1½
Detroit	3	5	.375	3
Chicago	1	5	.167	4
Milwaukee	1	5	.167	4
Atlanta	0	7	.000	5½

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Utah	5	1	.833	—
San Antonio	5	2	.714	½
Dallas	4	3	.571	1½
Vancouver	4	3	.571	1½
Denver	3	4	.429	2½
Minnesota	3	4	.429	2½
Houston	3	5	.375	3

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Phoenix	6	1	.857	—
Sacramento	6	2	.750	½
L.A. Lakers	4	3	.571	2
Portland	4	3	.571	2
L.A. Clippers	2	5	.286	4
Seattle	2	6	.250	4½
Golden State	1	5	.167	4½

Saturday's Games
New Jersey 126, Seattle 91
Indiana 94, Detroit 84
Cleveland 86, Washington 73
New York 81, Charlotte 67
Philadelphia 85, Boston 83
Toronto 98, Chicago 75
San Antonio 91, Vancouver 78
Minnesota 103, Milwaukee 92
Phoenix 84, Miami 82
Portland 111, Houston 88
Sunday's Games
Detroit 101, Seattle 92
Sacramento 109, Dallas 84
Denver 95, L.A. Clippers 79
Orlando 105, Golden State 99, OT
L.A. Lakers 105, Houston 99
Monday's Games
Portland at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

National Football League

All Times EST
AMERICAN CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	8	2	0	.800	217	126
Indianapolis	7	3	0	.700	279	213
Buffalo	6	4	0	.600	199	189
N.Y. Jets	6	4	0	.600	223	216
New England	2	8	0	.200	167	206

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tennessee	8	2	0	.800	204	149
Baltimore	7	4	0	.636	191	128
Pittsburgh	5	5	0	.500	160	119
Jacksonville	3	7	0	.300	186	235
Cleveland	3	8	0	.273	120	244
Cincinnati	2	8	0	.200	93	217

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	8	1	0	.889	256	172
Denver	5	4	0	.556	268	201
Kansas City	5	5	0	.500	250	236
Seattle	4	7	0	.364	185	260
San Diego	0	10	0	.000	152	253

NATIONAL CONFERENCE
East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	7	3	0	.700	192	153
Philadelphia	7	4	0	.636	230	170
Washington	6	4	0	.600	185	158
Dallas	4	6	0	.400	227	219
Arizona	3	7	0	.300	161	277

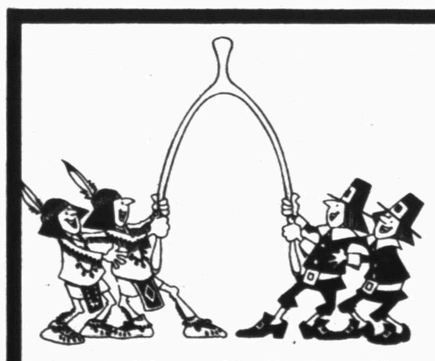
Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Minnesota	8	2	0	.800	248	218
Detroit	6	4	0	.600	182	197
Tampa Bay	6	4	0	.600	252	167
Green Bay	4	6	0	.400	209	207
Chicago	2	8	0	.200	140	246

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	8	2	0	.800	392	303
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	203	152
Carolina	4	6	0	.400	193	173
Atlanta	3	8	0	.273	186	290
San Francisco	3	8	0	.273	274	330

Sunday's Games
Detroit 13, Atlanta 10
Buffalo 20, Chicago 3
Dallas 23, Cincinnati 6
New Orleans 20, Carolina 10
Seattle 28, Jacksonville 21
Baltimore 24, Tennessee 23
Minnesota 31, Arizona 14
Cleveland 19, New England 11
Philadelphia 26, Pittsburgh 23, OT
Miami 17, San Diego 7
San Francisco 21, Kansas City 7
St. Louis 38, N.Y. Giants 24
Tampa Bay 20, Green Bay 15
Indianapolis 23, N.Y. Jets 15
Monday's Game
Oakland at Denver, 9 p.m.
Sunday, Nov. 19
Detroit at N.Y. Giants, 1 p.m.
Buffalo at Kansas City, 1 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Chicago, 1 p.m.
Oakland at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Arizona at Philadelphia, 1 p.m.
Indianapolis at Green Bay, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at Tennessee, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at New England, 1 p.m.
Carolina at Minnesota, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Denver, 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Jets at Miami, 4:15 p.m.
Dallas at Baltimore, 4:15 p.m.
Atlanta at San Francisco, 4:15 p.m.
Jacksonville at Pittsburgh, 8:20 p.m.
Monday, Nov. 20
Washington at St. Louis, 9 p.m.



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Police investigate a variety of offenses over the weekend

• ***Runaways***

Two 16-year-old females were reported as runaways Saturday morning. The mother of one of the girls called at 7:20 a.m. while the second mother reported her daughter gone at 7:32 a.m.

• ***Vehicle located***

A vehicle reported stolen last week from Jimmy Elam was located Saturday morning by the Abilene Police Department.

• ***Shoplifter***

A 16-year-old female was taken into custody at Lawrence IGA at 5:34 p.m. Saturday for shoplifting. The girl was later released to her parents, and a report for Class B theft was filed.

• ***Gunshots***

Dispatchers received a call at 9:21 p.m. Saturday reporting possible gunshots in the area of the 3300 block of 29th Street. Officers were unable to locate anyone in the area discharging a firearm.

• ***Prowler***

A woman called police at 10:52 p.m. Saturday to request officers keep a close patrol of the area in the 3700 block of Avenue U in reference to an unknown subject attempting to break into her car. She told officers that the man grabbed the car handle, but fled when the dome light came on.

• ***Cell phone stolen***

Mike Harrison contacted authorities at 11:57 p.m. Saturday to report that his cell phone had been stolen from his daughter's 1995 Ford Escort while the vehicle was parked at the Cinema in the Snyder Shopping Center.

• ***Family violence***

An offense report for family violence was taken at 3:06 a.m. Sunday.

• ***Arrests***

At 1:41 a.m. Sunday, Department of Public Safety troopers arrested a 57-year-old man for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

Three subjects were taken into custody at 1:42 a.m. Sunday in the 2700 block of Avenue I. A 30-year-old man was jailed for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated while a 21-year-old female and a 22-year-old female were arrested for public intoxication.

A 39-year-old man was booked into custody at 3:34 a.m. Sunday for the offense of public intoxication while a 25-year-old woman was jailed for the same offense at 4:23 a.m. Sunday.

City warrants for disorderly conduct and failure to appear landed a 37-year-old man in jail at 9:46 a.m. Sunday.

Officers booked an 18-year-old man into custody at 10:20 a.m. Sunday on warrants for failing to wear a safety belt and failure to appear while a 26-year-old female was booked into custody at 10:44 a.m. on city warrants for no liability insurance and failure to appear.

An 18-year-old female was arrested at 11:30 a.m. Sunday on a warrant for public intoxication.

At 11:39 a.m., a 20-year-old man was taken into custody on warrants for expired motor vehicle registration and two counts of failure to appear.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Could stove cause nosebleeds?

DEAR DR. GOTT: Last winter I had numerous nosebleeds without warning. An ENT specialist found no problem. X-rays and a CT scan were negative. Could our wood-burning stove be the cause?

DEAR READER: Most nosebleeds are due to thinning, dryness or injury of the delicate lining of the nostrils, especially in the area of the septum, which separates the nostrils.

In winter, dry, cold air will dehydrate the nasal lining, causing cracking and bleeding that may be worsened by home heating with wood. Also, upper respiratory infections are more prevalent during winter months and can contribute to nasal congestion and nosebleeds.

Most nosebleeds are easily treated with direct pressure (pinching the nostrils together) and decongestant nose sprays. Cautery (burning the bleeding vessel) may be necessary in severe or resistant cases.

DEAR DR. GOTT: What can you tell me about an enlarged heart? Does strenuous work, such as moving heavy furniture or carrying heavy things, cause additional enlargement?

DEAR READER: The heart enlarges either by hypertrophy or by dilation. Hypertrophy means growth of heart muscle. This can be normal or abnormal. For example, well-trained athletes exhibit physiological hypertrophy: Cardiac muscle becomes larger and stronger to accommodate the increase in physical activity. Most athletes have large, slowly beating hearts that indicate adaptation to training, a natural phenomenon.

On the other hand, cardiac muscle can grow and hypertrophy when the heart must overwork against resistance, such as high blood pressure or a narrow valve. This situation is dangerous unless corrected, because, over time, the heart muscle loses its ability to adapt; it weakens and fails. This is the reason hypertension and valvular disease must be treated in order to protect the heart from literally working itself to death.

Dilation means that cardiac muscle has lost its reserve and tone, stretched and become inefficient. This is always abnormal.

A large, dilated heart is a cardinal sign of heart failure. It can result from inadequate oxygen supply to the muscle, as seen in arteriosclerosis, or from direct toxic effects on the muscle from vitamin deficiency, alcohol abuse or primary diseases of heart muscle (cardiomyopathy). If detected early, dilation can successfully be treated with drugs, such as digitalis, to strengthen cardiac muscle.

Unfortunately, advanced dilation is almost impossible to correct because the muscle has become irreparably damaged and permanently stretched, much like a rubber band that loses its elasticity. Abnormal hypertrophy usually leads to dilation, the serious end result of a damaged heart.

Therefore, the answer to your question depends on the type of enlargement. A healthy athlete with a big heart can move furniture and carry heavy objects until the cows come home.

Increasing the work of a weak, dilated heart, however, is extremely dangerous and can lead to heart failure. The heart has already failed to compensate for a normal workload; a further increase in cardiac demands will accelerate cardiac deterioration and worsen heart function.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Understanding Heart Disease." 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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Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Nov. 12-None.

DISMISSALS: Melisa Chaviz and son, Ann Gregory of Colorado City and Kelly Murphy of Hermleigh.

CENSUS: 34 (Med./Surg.-8, Long-term Care-24, OB-1 and Nursery-1)

Births

Freddie and Christy Rocha are parents of a seven-pound son, Marcus Andrew. Marcus was born on Nov. 5 in Robert E. Bush Naval Hospital in 29 Palms, Calif.

Maternal grandparents are Betty Morgan of Snyder and Jerry Morgan of Colorado City and great-grandparents are Carl and Bonnie Foree of Snyder. Paternal grandparents are Fred and Helen Rocha of Snyder and great-grandparents are Henry and Nora Rocha of Poth, Tex.

FedEx is expanding

LITTLE ROCK, Ark. (AP) — FedEx Corp. is buying American Freightways for $950 million in cash and stock, a move that would expand FedEx's next-day ground freight delivery services.

FedEx is to exchange $28.13 in cash and stock for each American Freightways share and will also assume $250 million in debt in the deal, announced Monday.

The offer is 61 percent higher than American Freightways' close of $17.50 a share Friday on the Nasdaq Stock Market.

Harrison, Ark.-based American Freightways is the fourth-largest company specializing in shipments of less than a truckload, generally carrying freight from several companies on the same truck.

FedEx, based in Memphis, Tenn., already owns Viking Freight, which also specializes in moving partial truckloads. With the acquisition of American, FedEx would rank second in that type of freight.

American Freightways and Viking Freight will operate independently under their own brand names under FedEx, which has 200,000 employees and contractors. American Freightways has 17,000 employees.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	33.75	32.31	33.50	+ 1.31
AT&T Corp	20.63	20.13	20.19	—.13
Albertsons	24.81	24.06	24.69	+ .13
Alltel	62.50	61.63	61.81	—.94
AmerOnline	49.45	48.53	48.92	—1.58
AmEl Pw	43.25	42.00	42.44	+ .44
AndarkPtr	61.70	59.55	59.70	—.80
ATMOS Egy	23.88	23.63	23.63	—.13
Avnet	5.00	5.01	5.01	—.13
BP Amoco	51.13	50.69	50.69	
BakerHughes	37.31	36.31	36.56	—.13
Bank of Amer	48.69	47.44	48.00	—.38
BellSouth	49.25	47.06	49.00	+ 1.13
Beth Steel	3.00	2.94	2.94	—.06
BurlNoSFe	26.50	25.88	25.88	—.38
Caterpillar	36.31	35.19	36.25	+ .25
Chevron	85.31	84.31	84.38	+ .25
Citigroup s	51.13	49.50	49.75	—1.75
Coastal	74.88	73.25	73.38	—.88
CocaCola	61.63	60.75	60.81	—1.19
ColgatePal	60.10	59.32	59.41	—.11
CooperIn	37.81	37.25	37.81	+ .50
DaimlrChry	46.94	46.36	46.66	+ .37
DallSemicn s	33.88	32.63	33.19	—.69
DeltaAirl	46.88	45.13	46.63	+ .56
Dillards Inc	10.75	10.13	10.56	—.06
DowChem s	32.44	30.50	31.88	+ 1.00
DuPont	43.38	42.00	42.88	+ .38
EastmanChem	43.00	42.00	42.63	+ .19
EstKodak	47.00	46.06	46.69	—.13
EDS Corp	50.81	49.56	50.44	—.63
Entergy	40.19	38.81	39.69	+ 1.13
ExxonMobil	91.13	89.63	90.00	+ .44
Flowers	15.75	15.50	15.63	+ .25
GenDynam	71.00	69.94	70.81	+ 1.06
GenElec s	53.25	51.63	51.81	—2.31
GenMills	41.19	40.63	40.88	—.13
GenMotors	55.94	55.13	55.50	—.13
GaPacGP	27.19	26.63	26.75	+ .25
GlobalMar	27.31	26.13	26.25	—.69
Goodrich	37.00	36.13	36.81	+ .38
Goodyear s	17.28	17.01	17.27	—.23
GtAtlPac	9.13	8.69	8.75	—.44
Halliburtn	38.13	37.13	37.63	+ .50
Hanson ADS	26.25	26.13	26.25	+ .13
HartleHanks	22.69	22.56	22.56	
HomeDepot s	37.75	35.44	36.75	+ .75
Honeywellintl	51.50	50.81	50.94	—2.56
IBM	95.38	91.06	92.81	—1.31
IntlPaper	36.88	35.88	36.19	+ .13
JohnsonJn	95.31	92.81	93.31	—1.25
K mart	5.94	5.81	5.94	+ .13
Kroger Co	26.19	24.88	26.19	+ 1.69
Litton	57.44	57.00	57.31	+ .25
LockheedM	32.05	31.70	31.99	+ .10
Lowes Cos	39.88	38.63	39.25	—.69
Lubys	5.56	5.31	5.50	+ .13
LucentTech	22.06	21.06	21.31	—.56
MayDeptStr	27.75	27.56	27.69	—.06
Medtronic	55.38	54.56	54.75	—.75
MorganJP	156.00	153.00	153.63	—3.38
Motorola s	22.00	20.94	21.38	—.44
NCR Corp	45.63	45.06	45.19	—.94
Navistar	32.94	32.50	32.69	—.19
Penney JC	10.69	10.44	10.63	+ .06
PepBoys	4.25	4.06	4.13	—.13
PepsiCo	49.31	48.13	48.88	+ .06
Pharmacia	59.25	58.25	58.31	—.94
PhelpDodge	48.38	47.44	48.19	—.25
PhilipPet	61.94	60.69	61.50	+ 1.06
PilgrmPrd B	7.75	7.50	7.75	+ .06
Polaroid	9.00	8.50	8.69	+ .06
Praxair	36.56	35.31	36.44	+ .88
ProctGamb	73.00	71.38	72.25	+ .38
PubS NwMx	25.13	24.00	24.81	—.13
RadioShack	49.88	47.63	48.50	—.75
ReliantEngy	42.81	41.06	41.31	+ .44
RoyalDut	60.69	60.06	60.25	+ .25
SBC Comm	57.63	56.31	57.44	+ .44
SaraLee	22.00	21.56	21.75	+ .06
Scripps EW	58.38	57.63	57.63	—.63
SearsRoeb	28.60	27.75	28.60	+ .55
SherwinW	23.06	22.56	23.06	+ .44
SmithKlBchm	66.94	66.00	66.38	—.56
SouthernCo	29.94	29.06	29.44	+ .56
SwstAirl	29.56	28.75	29.44	+ .19
SprintFON	24.88	24.00	24.69	+ .63
SprintPCS s	24.81	23.25	24.06	
Sunoco Inc	29.31	28.56	29.00	—.50
TXU Corp	38.88	38.00	38.31	+ .25
TempleInland	46.06	44.81	45.56	+ 1.56
Texaco	60.88	59.94	59.94	—.06
TexInd	21.63	20.94	21.00	—.88
TexasInst s	40.88	38.38	40.00	+ 1.25
Textron	54.31	53.25	54.00	+ .50
TriconGlbR	30.00	29.56	29.63	—.31
TrinityInds	22.81	22.69	22.75	—.25
TritonEngy	26.88	24.88	26.75	+ 2.38
TylerTech	2.13	2.00	2.00	
USX-Marathn	27.81	27.44	27.56	+ .38
USX-USS	14.56	14.38	14.44	—.06
UnCarbide	48.31	45.00	47.63	+ 1.56
UnionPacif	48.44	47.69	47.69	—.25
UnitedTech	66.75	65.31	65.88	—.31
Unocal	35.19	34.19	34.81	+ .94
Venator Grp	14.00	13.44	13.50	—.38
VerizonComm	57.50	55.81	56.88	+ .39
WalMart	44.75	42.50	44.25	+ .56
WellsFargo	47.31	46.38	46.56	—.56
WstnGasRs	22.94	22.75	22.75	
WinnDixie	21.13	20.44	20.81	+ .19
Xerox Cp	8.25	7.88	8.19	+ .19

Smog retrofits for Houston-area expensive

HOUSTON (AP) — A coalition of Houston-area chemical, oil and utility companies says state environmental officials' proposed tougher air quality standards are too ambitious and could force many plants out of business.

The Business Coalition for Clean Air, a collection of 120 Houston-Glaveston-area industrial companies, will release an economic study this week estimating that retrofitting plants to cut nitrogen oxide emissions by 90 percent could climb to $7 billion industrywide, the Houston Chronicle reported Sunday.

The smog mandate will require "a huge remodeling exercise," said Doug Deason, an Exxon Mobil official representing the business coalition.

Many companies have little or no experience with the environmental technologies the plan would demand, Deason said. The group has said most plants will have to wait until 2007, when smog-reducing technology is widespread and cheaper. That year is also when the Houston-area must comply with federal air quality standards.

The industry group has offered a counterproposal to cut nitrogen oxide emissions by 75 percent, arguing that it is the best the industry can do today and that the cut would still be the strictest nationwide, tougher even than in the Los Angeles area.

Collectively, the area's dozens of petrochemical, utility and other industrial plants are the region's largest source of nitrogen oxide, which helps create smog.

Officials with Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, which is scheduled to publish revised recommendations for the smog plan by Friday, remained unswayed.

"Smart people in a competitive marketplace will find a way to do it cheaper," TNRCC Executive Director Jeff Saitas told the Houston Chronicle in Sunday's editions.

"At this point, I haven't seen enough justification to say that 90 percent is not an appropriate requirement," Saitas said. "Ninety percent wasn't a made-up number. A lot of research went into it, and we established that we believe 90 percent is achievable."

The plan, due to the federal Environmental Protection Agency before the end of the year, would bring Houston and its seven surrounding counties into compliance with federal air standards.

The 19-point plan also includes unprecedented restrictions on highway speeds and limits on when construction crews could operate heavy equipment and when homeowners could use gas-powered lawn equipment.

Postal Service announces new stamps for 2001

WASHINGTON (AP) — Civil rights leader Roy Wilkins and physicist Enrico Fermi, Thanksgiving and the Islamic holiday Eid, legendary ballparks and Amish quilts will be commemorated on U.S. postage stamps next year.

The Postal Service proclaimed "A New Century of Stamps" on Monday, announcing its plans for commemorative stamps for the year 2001.

"U.S. postage stamps are a reflection of the American experience," said Postmaster General William Henderson, and "inspiring subjects and designs continue to bring history to life."

In addition to the commemoratives — stamps with a limited sale marking special people and events — the Postal Service is likely to release new "definitive" stamps, its standard issues for common rates.

That's because a boost in stamp prices is expected in January, probably increasing the first-class rate from 33 cents to 34 cents and changing other prices, calling for the new standard stamps.

The first new commemorative scheduled is a Love stamp and Lovebirds stamped envelope, in January.

The Lunar New Year comes next, marking the Year of the Snake in the 12-year Oriental series.

Also in January, the post office will mark the centennial year of the birth of Wilkins, releasing the 24th stamp in the Black Heritage series. Past stamps in the series have included Patricia Roberts Harris, Malcolm X, Bessie Coleman and Martin Luther King Jr.

A sheet of 20 stamps will salute famed American illustrators. Included will be works by James Montgomery Flagg, Maxfield Parrish, Rose O'Neill, Edwin Austin Abbey, Frederic Remington, Rockwell Kent, N.C. Wyeth and Norman Rockwell.

Also in the art world, the beloved "Peanuts" comic strip will be featured on a stamp next year.

Another set will recognize some of Baseball's legendary playing fields, including Ebbets Field in Brooklyn, N.Y., Tiger Stadium in Detroit, Yankee Stadium in New York, Forbes Field in Pittsburgh, Fenway Park in Boston and Comiskey Park in Chicago.

From the world of comedy and music, stamps will feature TV legend Lucille Ball, conductor and composer Leonard Bernstein and Looney Tunes, the classic Warner Bros. animated cartoons.

There will be a joint stamp issue with Sweden Post saluting the centennial of the Nobel Prize, the annual award for outstanding achievement in physics, chemistry, physiology or medicine, literature, economic sciences and peace.

In addition, Fermi, one of the pre-eminent physicists of the atomic age and winner of the Nobel Prize for physics in 1938, will be honored on a stamp on the centenary of his birth.

There will be a stamp calling attention to diabetes. Unlike the current breast cancer stamp, this does not carry a premium price for fund raising.

Three holidays will be marked with stamps in 2001: Thanksgiving, the Islamic holidays Eid and Christmas.

Eid al Fitr marks the end of the fast for Ramadan, while Eid al Adha is called the Holiday of the Hajj, the time when Muslims visit Mecca.

Other stamps planned in 2001 include an issue honoring veterans.

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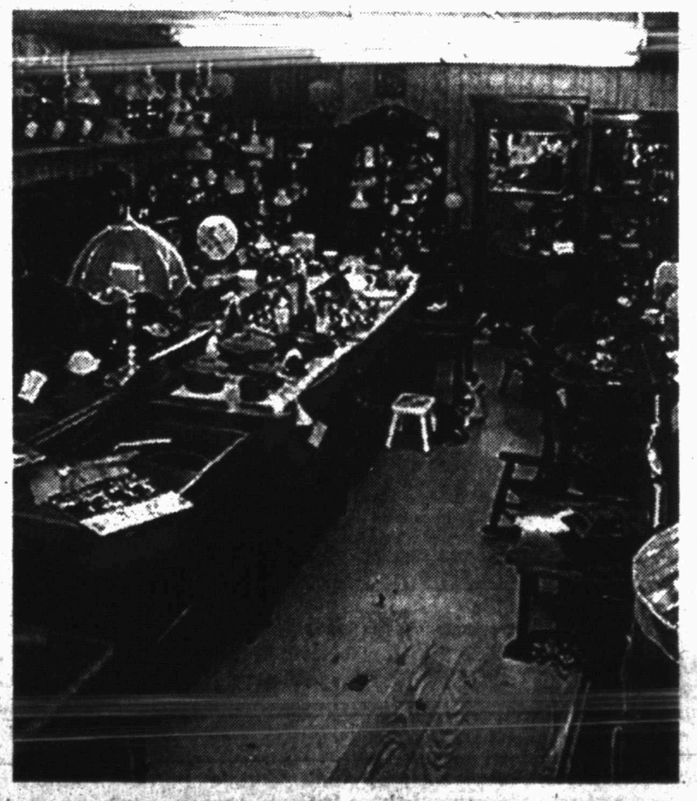

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Asian trip aims to cement relations with former foe

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton, with little more than two months remaining in his presidency, is embarking on an Asian journey centering on a historic visit to Vietnam to cement ties with a former wartime adversary.

Clinton's trip, beginning Monday, has at its other focus a summit of more than 20 Asian-Pacific leaders in the sultanate of Brunei. It is going ahead despite the current stalemate in the U.S. presidential election. Administration officials say it demonstrates that the nation's business is continuing without interruption.

While at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit, Clinton also will confer with Russian President Vladimir Putin and Chinese President Jiang Zemin.

But the emotional highlight is certain to be Clinton's visits to Hanoi, the capital of a unified Vietnam, and to Ho Chi Minh City, formerly Saigon.

The trip is the first ever to a unified Vietnam by an American president. It comes 25 years after U.S.-backed South Vietnam surrendered to North Vietnam, leaving in doubt the fate of many Americans classified as missing in action.

Clinton is keenly aware of the painful sensitivity of the issue, especially among U.S. veterans of the Vietnam War and among the families of those still missing. The issue was a central focus when he spoke at Veterans' Day ceremonies Saturday at Arlington National Cemetery.

"Our nation has sought to move forward in developing these relations in a way that both honors those who fought and suffered there, and does right by the missing and their families," the president said.

Landfill innovation being tested could change design

KINGSLAND, Ga. (AP) — A Camden County landfill is getting a new cover made of discarded material from paper mills, and how it stands up to rain may change the way golf courses are designed.

Most landfills are covered with a layer of claylike soil that repels water and keeps animals out of the trash. But growing grass on the cap is difficult, and water can seep through garbage and into groundwater.

The $670,000 cover planned for the Camden landfill uses a mixture of compost, fertilizer and fiber too small for paper production. Browning-Ferris Industries is installing it at no cost to the county, hoping it will serve as a model for potential customers throughout the Southeast.

But the material could prove useful for more than keeping trash dry. BFI believes its durability and ability to absorb tremendous amounts of water make it ideal for fairways and greens on golf courses.

"It would help your shot," said Joe Laubenstein, manager of Houston-based BFI's pulp paper division and the material's designer. "You would always have green grass on the golf course."

The cover acts as a "giant sponge" and is less likely to erode when grass is planted to hold it in place, said Laubenstein, who worked 18 years in the golf-course industry before joining BFI.

The 15-acre Camden County landfill, in Kingsland near Georgia's southeast corner, was closed when it reached capacity in 1993. BFI chose the site because of its size and its location — close to Florida, home to potential customers if that state approves the new cover.

Electoral College sportswear get boost

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — Shelve the Notre Dame T-shirt and put the Michigan cap on the rack. The hip collegiate garb this strange political season bears the name of a school that doesn't exist: Electoral College.

The excruciatingly close contest for the White House has given a boost to Electoral College Sportswear and Accessories, a Maine business inspired by the nation's system of choosing a president.

Orders for collegiate-style T-shirts, sweat shirts and caps have been pouring in thanks to greater public awareness of the electoral system in the cliffhanger race between Republican George W. Bush and Democrat Al Gore.

John and Marcia Diamond have taken time off from their regular jobs to handle the extra demand — several hundred orders the week of the election. The business is so overwhelmed with mail, Internet and phone orders that the couple plans to hire two full-time workers to help out.

Their products got an extra boost from an Election Day appearance on C-SPAN, whose viewers tend to be the kind of customers that Electoral College targets: political junkies who find Senate proceedings irresistible and appreciate the company's slogan, "America's Most Selective Four-Year Institution."

"It's very much an insiders' joke," said John Diamond, a former majority leader of the Maine House of Representatives. "I'll walk by in airports and people will say ... 'Hmm, is that a public school?' and I'll say, 'In a way, yes.'"

Pols can opt for a couple of looks: apparel bearing the sporty "Electoral College Athletic Department" logo or the "school seal," which features the White House and the words "Established 1787," the year the system emerged as a compromise between those Founding Fathers who wanted Congress to elect the president and others who favored a popular vote.

Donnajean Garner, owner of Patrick's Pub in Costa Mesa, Calif., doesn't consider herself a political fanatic but bought some items for her boyfriend, to whom she was explaining an aspect of the system.

She came upon the company's Web site while looking for the names of California's electors.

"He's going to get a kick out of it," she said. "I just hope I get it soon, so it's still topical."

Marcia Diamond, now a teacher and assistant principal, once worked as a deputy press secretary to former Maine Sen. George Mitchell. Her husband is the public affairs director for the University of Maine.

They got the idea for Electoral College when John was a delegate to the 1988 Democratic National Convention and saw the array of political memorabilia.

Six years later, they trademarked "Electoral College" after learning the term, although part of the political lexicon for years, is not an actual entity. The Constitution refers only to presidential "electors," not an "Electoral College," and the term "Electoral College" did not come into vogue until years later, Diamond said.

With the possibility that Bush could win the presidency despite Gore leading in the nationwide popular vote, the country's electoral system has come under scrutiny.

"Our concern is that people will stop debating the issue ... as long as they continue that debate, we have a product to sell," John Diamond said.

On the Net:
Electoral College Sportswear & Accessories: http://www.acadia.net/ecsa

Ex-mob boss details mob hits

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — One-time mob boss Ralph Natale, cooperating with federal authorities for the past year, has described details about 14 mob hits that include two in the 1970s in which he says he was the triggerman.

FBI memos include Natale's insights into mob "sit-downs" called to resolve internal disputes and descriptions of deadly underworld politics, The Philadelphia Inquirer reported Sunday.

Natale, a former head of the Philadelphia-South Jersey mob, is testifying in the federal corruption trial of Camden, N.J., Mayor Milton Milan.

The 69-year-old mobster pleaded guilty earlier this year to murder, extortion, gambling and drug trafficking and admitted using an associate to bribe Milan in return for favors to mob-influenced businesses.

The Inquirer reported that Natale told the FBI that a South Philadelphia bookmaker was gunned down because his brother admitted to the 1993 murder of Michael Ciancaglini, a close associate of reputed mobster Joseph Merlino, the newspaper said. It said Natale described another Merlino associate telling him, "It was a pleasure and a honor to do this for Michael and for us."

The newspaper also reported that Natale provided information into the 1996 disappearance of mob associate Michael Avicolli, who Natale said was shot and buried in northern New Jersey for "having an affair" with the wife of another mobster.

Defense attorneys and mob sources told The Inquirer that Natale embellished and distorted many of the stories to inflate his own self-importance.

"He's well rehearsed," said Edwin Jacobs Jr., Merlino's attorney, who described Natale's stories as "fiction."

Natale is also a prosecution witness in a federal racketeering case against Merlino and eight others that is expected to begin next year.

Date Book

Monday, Nov. 13, 2000

Today is the 318th day of 2000 and the 53rd day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1805, Johann Georg Lehner of Vienna invented the frankfurter.

On this day in 1940, Walt Disney's "Fantasia" opened in movie theaters.

On this day in 1974, whistleblower Karen Silkwood died in a car accident while on her way to deliver documents on nuclear power-plant safety to a government official.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Saint Augustine (354-430), Christian church father-philosopher; Edwin Booth (1833-1893), actor; Robert Louis Stevenson (1850-1894), writer; Louis Brandeis (1856-1941), U.S. jurist; Whoopi Goldberg (1949-), actress, is 51; Joe Mantegna (1947-), actor, is 53.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1985, Lynette Woodard, the first woman to play for the Harlem Globetrotters, scored seven points in a game against the Washington Generals. The Globetrotters won 81-65.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "To know what you prefer instead of humbly saying Amen to what the world tells you ought to prefer is to have kept your soul alive." — Robert Louis Stevenson

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 11) and last quarter (Nov. 18).

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Oil Patch News

Borden County

Fagadau Energy Corp. will drill the No. 22-1 D.C. Newton, a 7,000-foot wildcat located 10 miles north of Gail. Location is in Section 22, Block 30, T6N, T&P survey.

Sharpe Image Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1-23 Gulliams, an 8,500-foot wildcat located 12 miles northeast of Gail. Location is in Section 23, Block 2, T&NO survey.

Texaco will drill the No. 3425 Jo-Mill field unit, nine miles northwest of Vealmoor. Planned for a depth of 7,450 feet, location is in Section 14, Block 33, T4N, T&P survey.

Apache Corp. has completed the No. 46-A T.J. Good in the Jo-Mill field, 30 miles southwest of Gail. The venture was finaled to produce 43 barrels of oil and 57 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,043-069 feet, and location is in Section 37, Block 33, T4N, T&P survey.

Kent County

George R. Brown Partnership will drill the No. 1-Bella in the S.N.B field, 17 miles northwest of Jayton. Planned for a depth of 6,400 feet, drill site is in Section 5, Block B, F.S. Scott survey.

Howard County

Atropos Production Corp. has completed the No. 1-93 Guthrie in the Signal Peak field, eight miles northwest of Forsan. The venture was finaled to produce 10 barrels of oil and 20 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,435-635 feet, and location is in Section 93, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Anadarko Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 100-A Snyder in the Snyder field, six miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned for a depth of 3,900 feet, drill site is in Section 28, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 2868-A Snyder in the Snyder field, six miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned depth is 3,900 feet, and location is in Section 28, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 2883 Snyder in the Snyder field, six miles southeast of Coahoma. Also planned for a depth of 3,900 feet, location is in Section 28, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 2883 Snyder in the Snyder field, six miles southeast of Coahoma. Contracted for 3,900 feet, location is in Section 28, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 1-B Susie Snyder in the Snyder field, five miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned depth is 2,915 feet, and location is in Section 20, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Westport Oil and Gas Inc. will drill the No. 125 Dora Roberts in the Howard-Glasscock field, two miles southeast of Forsan. Planned depth is 2,940 feet, and location is in Section 137, Block 29, W&NW survey.

ICA Energy will drill the No. 4 Clay in the Howard-Glasscock field, three miles southeast of Forsan. Scheduled for a depth of 2,600 feet, location is in Section 126, Block 29, W&NW survey.

Santa Fe Snyder Corp. will drill the No. 1-41 Texaco, an 8,300-foot wildcat located eight miles southeast of Coahoma. Drill site is in Section 41, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Pioneer Exploration will drill the No. 6-B Billie Hanks in the Hylton field, eight miles south of Nolan. Planned for a depth of 6,400 feet, drill site is in Section 21, Block Z, T&P survey.

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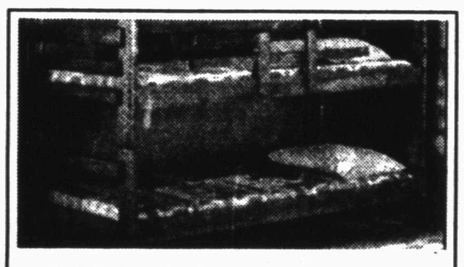

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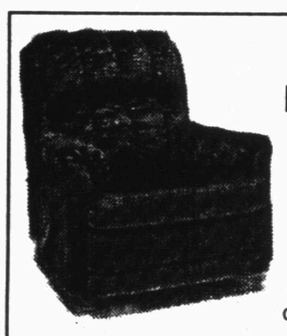

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Independent PRC ups stamps one cent

WASHINGTON (AP) — The cost of mailing a letter will be going up a penny, probably in January.

The independent Postal Rate Commission acted Monday on a request by the Postal Service for a rate increase to offset rising costs.

Under the commission's action, the price of a first-class stamp will rise to 34 cents. But the 22-cent cost of a second ounce of first-class mail will stay the same, as will the 20-cent postcard. The Postal Service had asked that the second-ounce rate be raised by 2 cents and the postcard by 1 cent.

The post office Board of Governors will decide when the higher rates will go into effect. Jan. 7 is said to be the likely date.

The Postal Rate Commission approved the increase after months of hearings and deliberations. The higher rate for a first-class stamp will bring in about $1 billion a year.

The commission also raised the cost of mailing one pound of Priority Mail from $3.20 to $3.50.

The last rate increase, which tacked a penny onto the cost of a first-class stamp, was Jan. 10, 1999.

Because it takes so long to print the billions of stamps needed when new rates take effect, the Postal Service already has interim stamps in the works.

In the past, those changeover stamps carried letter designations, A through H, but that practice has been discontinued.

The next first-class non-denominated stamp is likely to go on sale before the end of the year to allow people to stock up for the change. It will carry a picture of the Statue of Liberty.

Linn's Stamp News, the weekly magazine for stamp collectors, reports that other non-denominated stamps in preparation include four issues showing flowers, a postcard-rate stamp featuring a bust of George Washington, a Priority Rate stamp showing the Capitol dome and an Express Mail stamp with an image of the Washington Monument.

The post office's proposed increases averaged about 6 percent over all classes of mail.

In addition to letters and postcards, the Postal Service sought significant rate increases for such things as magazines and catalogs. Magazine publishers called the requested rate jump "devastating" to their business.

The post office is required by law to base its rates on the cost of handling each type of mail; when rate cases go before the rate commission, hours are spent debating whether costs have been properly allocated.

Commissioners to meet on Tuesday

Scurry County commissioners will convene at 10 a.m. Tuesday to canvass results from last Tuesday's general election.

The meeting will be in the county courtroom on the third floor of the Scurry County Courthouse.

No other business is on the agenda.

Lee Scott wins the last football contest

The final SDN football contest of the year came down to the wire.

Lee Scott missed only three games, and was two points off the tiebreaker score, to claim the $50 top prize. Ann Everett won the $25 second-place prize with three misses and difference of four points on the tiebreaker.

Pat Maxfield missed four picks and edged out four other entries on the tiebreaker to take the $15 third place prize.

Also missing only four games were Justin Jones, Jonelle Knight, Chris Maxfield and Bill Clayton.

Obituaries

Travis Allen

1918-2000

Travis P. Allen of Snyder died this morning at his home.

Services for Mr. Allen, 82, are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on Oct. 31, 1918 in Brown County, he married Frances Wellborn on Oct. 30, 1937 in Scurry County. Mr. Allen was a farmer and stockman and had worked for the Soil Conservation Service for 35 years. He was a member of the Christian Fellowship Church in Colorado City.

He was preceded in death by a son, Calvin Allen; one brother; one sister; and a number of half brothers and sisters.

Survivors include his wife, Frances Allen of Snyder; two daughters and sons-in-law, Sandra and Fred Turner of Brady and Comelle and Roger Williams of Lubbock; one son and daughter-in-law, Charles "Woody" and Jean Allen of Lubbock; three grandchildren; 29 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.

Nelson Jones

1928-2000

Nelson Albert Jones, a resident of Snyder since 1940, died Saturday, Nov. 11, at his home in Snyder.

Funeral service for Mr. Jones, 72, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. James Merrell, Ira Methodist Church minister, and the Rev. Lloyd Stice, pastor of the Trinity United Methodist Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery.

Born Feb. 26, 1928 in Crockett, he was a paratrooper in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He served in the military for eight years and attained the rank of master sergeant.

A member of the Union Baptist Church, Mr. Jones had worked as a driver for a number of years for Big County Autoland.

He married Nona Hale Carter on Feb. 26, 1982 in Snyder. She survives.

Survivors also include a daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and Steven Carter of Little Elm, Tex.; three sons, Paul Jones of Lewisville, Jimmy Dale Dolloff of Big Spring and Wilson Jones of Dallas; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Mary and Clarence Wright of Snyder and Nelline and James Hamm of Corsicana, Tex; five grandchildren, Matt and Michelle Carter of Little Elm, Courtney Jones of Bridgeport, and two children of the Dolloff family; and one great-grandchild.

Family visitation will be held from 7 to 9 this evening at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

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Beth Roberts

1928-2000

Beth Bills Adcock Roberts, a native of Scurry County, died Friday, Nov. 10, in Austin.

Funeral service for Mrs. Roberts, 71, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the St. Luke's Methodist Church in Midland.

Interment will follow at 3 p.m. in the Snyder Cemetery.

Visitation will be held from 6 to 8 this evening at Pipkin Funeral Home in Midland.

Beth Roberts

Born Nov. 21, 1928, she was the daughter of Albert and Rhoda Merritt Bills, prominent Scurry County farmers and ranchers.

A resident of Austin, she was the former manager of the Midland Women's Club.

She was preceded in death by her parents and by a brother, Gene Harold Bills.

Survivors include her husband, Wayne Roberts of Austin; two daughters, Darla Nelson of San Antonio and Dena Buttenhoff of Rocky Face, Ga.; three stepdaughters, Dixie Stewart of Lubbock, Rita VanZant of Big Spring and Connie McBride of Andrews; a stepson, Wayne Roberts of Midland; a brother, Larry Bills of Snyder; three sisters, Donna Sullenger of Odessa, Joy Watley of Carlsbad, N.M., and Lenora Winkler of Odessa; 14 grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Cook-Walden Forest Oaks Funeral Home in Austin.

Leon Davis

1938-2000

POST - Thomas "Leon" Davis, the brother of Carolyn Allen of Snyder, died Saturday, Nov. 11, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Funeral service for Mr. Davis, 62, is set for 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Post Church of Christ with Paul Jones, minister, officiating.

Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Justice-Mason Funeral Home.

Born Oct. 18, 1938 in Acton, he moved to Garza County with his parents, T.F. and Ruby Nell (Blacklock) Davis, to farm and ranch.

A graduate of Post High School, he married Marie Howard on Dec. 21, 1957 in Post. They lived in Post until 1959, moving to Lubbock. They returned to Post in 1978 and he worked for Postex Cotton Mill. He worked as a carpenter for a number of years and later worked for Snyder Machine Shop.

A Baptist, Mr. Davis was a member of the Girl Scout Council for many years.

His mother, Ruby Nell Davis, died in 1996.

Survivors also include his wife, Marie Davis of Post; three daughters, Theresa Baumann of Rowlett, Julie Tyler and Karen Worthington, both of Abilene; his father, T.F. Davis of Post; two brothers, Darrel Davis of Fort Worth and Leslie Davis of Post; and five grandchildren.

Robert Little

1939-2000

BIG SPRING – Robert Little Sr., a former resident of Scurry County, died Saturday, Nov. 11, in Midland Memorial Hospital.

Graveside service for Mr. Little, 61, is set for 3 p.m. Tuesday in Mount Olive Memorial Park. Arrangements are under the direction of Myers and Smith Funeral Home.

Born Jan. 20, 1939 in Dublin, he moved to Big Spring from Snyder in 1962. He had lived in the Big Spring, Snyder and Colorado City areas all of his life. He worked for Coors Distributing for 21 years until 1983. He owned and operated the Outpost convenience store in Colorado City from 1984 to 1995. He was a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Jean Little of Big Spring; two sons, Robert Little of San Angelo and Jeremy Little of Big Spring; a daughter, Teresa Franco of Colorado City; his mother, Jessie Little of Big Spring; a brother, Ronnie Little of Lubbock; four sisters, Barbara Smith, Phillis Hogan and Gerry Buchanan, all of Big Spring, and Debbie Masters of Lubbock; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Jesse Owens

1920-2000

SWEETWATER — Jesse Henry Owens, father of Jay Owens of Snyder, died Thursday, Nov. 9, at his home.

Service for Mr. Owens, 80, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the at McCoy Funeral Home Chapel. Burial will follow in the Sweetwater Cemetery with military graveside rites, conducted by the Nolan County Honor Guard who will serve as pallbearers.

Born Sept. 14, 1920 in Merkel, Mr. Owens had lived in Sweetwater most of his life. A graduate of Sweetwater High School, he was an Army Air Force veteran of World War II.

Mr. Owens was a carpenter and a member of the VFW and American Legion. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his mother and father, Ellington and Velma Owens; and a brother, Henry Owens.

Survivors include two other sons, Philip Sprinkle of Leonardtown, Md., and Ellington Owens of Sweetwater; a daughter, Pam Hanzel of Sweetwater; and six grandchildren.

Lillian Robertson

1913-2000

TOMBALL — Lillian Chambless Robertson, former Snyder resident, died Wednesday, Nov. 8, in Sweeny.

Mrs. Robertson was born on May 6, 1913 in Dallas.

Service for Mrs. Robertson, 87, was held Friday in the Klein Funeral Home Chapel in Tomball. Burial was in Klein Memorial Park.

Mrs. Robertson lived in Snyder for 27 years and worked in the cafeterias for SISD until her retirement. She also worked at summer Boy Scout camps for a number of years. Mrs. Robertson was a member of the Methodist Church in Brazoria.

Her son, Billy Joe Chambless, and her grandson, Tracy Joe Chambless, preceded her in death.

Survivors include a daughter-in-law, Janice Chambless of Lake Jackson; three granddaughters, Nikki Jo Self of Lake Jackson, Teri Lynne of Sweeny and Denise Childers of Brazoria; eight great-grandchildren; and three great-great-grandchildren.

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Church of God revival

The Church of God, 21st and Ave. O, is having revival services at 7 p.m. daily through Wednesday. The Rev. Vernon Groce is the evangelist.

West Elementary PTO

West Elementary's Parent-Teacher Organization will meet at 7 tonight in Room 4. All parents and teachers are invited.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "Seeing Scripture as Jesus Did," followed by "The Word of God."

Lions Club

Snyder Lions Club will not meet at its regular time Tuesday, but will meet at 6:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club for a Partners in Service night.

East reading night

East Elementary will host a family reading night from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday. Refreshments will be served. Parents are urged to attend with their children, and childcare for pre-school will be provided.

4H horse club

The Scurry County 4H horse club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the East Elementary cafeteria.

Fun with math, science

Snyder Junior High School will have a fun night of math and science learning strategies for eighth graders and their parents from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday in the cafeteria.

Scout popcorn sales

Boy and Cub Scouts are selling popcorn through Tuesday. Contact any member or call Jo Schooler at 573-7807, or Trina Garvin at 573-3310 or Rhonda Fletcher at 573-7065.

Vocational nurse program testing

Testing for the next class of the vocational nursing program at WTC is set for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday and again Nov. 29. Testing will also be at 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 6 and 9 a.m. on Jan. 5. An extended application process will allow students to take the exam at 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 31, or 9 a.m. on Feb. 9. Classes begin March 1. To schedule an appointment, call the counseling center at 573-8511, ext. 313.

Gold Coaters luncheon

A luncheon for Snyder Gold Coaters will be held at noon Wednesday in the WTC cafeteria.

Senior citizen swimnastics

Snyder Senior Citizen Center swimnastics is held from 10-11 a.m. on Monday, and 1-2 p.m. on Thursdays. For additional information, call 573-4035.

FBC worship service

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

West Family Reading Night

West Elementary's Family Reading Night is held every Thursday from 6-7:30 p.m. Refreshment, prizes and childcare are provided.

Discovery School open house

Discovery School will have an open house at 7 p.m. Thursday at the First United Methodist Church. The community is invited to meet the staff and tour the facility. The school provides daycare for children between the ages of six weeks and four years old. For more information, call Barbara at 573-4770.

Thanksgiving dinner

The family council of Snyder Healthcare Center will hosts its annual Thanksgiving Dinner at 6:30 p.m. Thursday. Turkey, dressing and rolls will be furnished. Familes bring vegetables, salads and desserts.

PTK talent show

Phi Theta Kappa honor society will host a talent show Thursday at the courtyard at Western Texas College. First prize will be $100 and second prize will be $50. Entry fee is $5, and all entries must be related to water. Deadline for entries is 5 p.m. Tuesday. For more information, contact Jennifer Beard at 573-8511, ext. 266.

Enchilada dinner

An enchilada dinner to benefit the Lady Drillers traveling basketball team will be held Friday from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. Adult tickets are $5 and children tickets 10 and under are $3. Tickets are available at Permian Communications and The Cuttery.

Garage and bake sale

Historic Scurry County will have a garage sale and a bake sale beginning at 8 a.m. Saturday at the Dermott School. Donations of items may be brought to the school on Friday. Call Billy Haynes at 573-7167 to have donated items picked up.

Thanksgiving Service

The Scurry County Ministerial Alliance is sponsoring a Thanksgiving Service at 6 p.m. Sunday at the First Baptist Church. Guest speaker is Dr. W. E. Thorn, former president of Dallas Baptist University.

Ira 2001 annuals

The 2001 Bulldog annuals are on sale. The cost is $26 with your name on the cover or $22 without. They will be offered for sale until Nov. 21. The supply is limited. To order, contact Ira ISD's principal's office at 573-2628.

Tiger Times yearbook

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

Troop 27 to turn 50

Boy Scout Troop 27 will celebrate its 50th anniversary at First United Methodist Church on Dec. 3, from 2:30-5 p.m. The troop is seeking past information and memorabilia to share at this celebration. If anyone has anything to share or would like to attend, please contact Joe or Terry Hefner at 863-2446 after 7 p.m. Max Snider at 574-2784 or Chris Smauley at 573-5183.