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Another Iraqi 'wanted' jailed

WASHINGTON (AP) — Coalition forces have captured one of Iraq's top biological weapons scientists, defense officials said today.

Huda Salih Mahdi Ammash, among the 55 most wanted members of Saddam Hussein's fallen regime, was taken into custody Sunday, a Defense Department official said. He had no other details about her detention.

Officials have not yet found any weapons of mass destruction. It was unclear how much cooperation they would get from Ammash, since all other high-ranking officials have denied under interrogation that there was such a program in recent year.

With her detention, the United States has now acknowledged holding 19 of the 55 most wanted.

U.S. intelligence officials said that Ammash, 49, is believed to have played a key role in rebuilding Baghdad's biological weapons capability since the first Persian Gulf War in 1991.

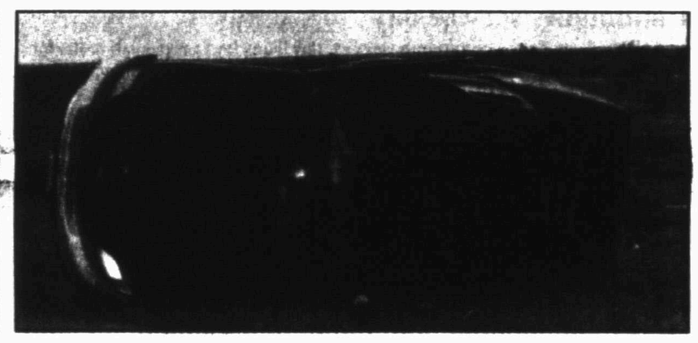
Born in 1953 in Baghdad, her father was Salih Magdi Ammash, a former vice president, defense minister and member of the Baath Party's leadership. Saddam reportedly ordered his execution in 1983.

Ammash was trained by Nassir al-Hindawi, described by United Nations inspectors as the father of Iraq's biological weapons program, officials said.



MORNING ACCIDENT — Snyder and Borden County emergency personnel, including fireman Doug Scott, responded to a four-vehicle mishap on U.S. 180 near the Fluvanna cutoff at 7 a.m. today. Four vehicles were involved and three sustained heavy damage. None of the occupants were seriously injured. Involved were a 1998 Mercury driven by WTC student Christopher Villalva, 20, of Seminole and a 2001 Ford pickup driven by Mike Burge, 43, of Stephenville. Also involed were a 1996 Pontiac driven by Victoria Brady, 40, of Gail and a 2000 Ford F-250 driven by Fred Clem, 52, of 2315 41st. Brady's son, Michael Duvall, 9, was a passenger. Only minor injuries were suffered in the incident, which occurred after Villalva's eastbound Tracer swerved into the westbound lane, according to DPS trooper Bill Blackley. (SDN Staff Photos)





Reinvestment zone okayed by county to aid economic growth

By Brian Brisendine
SDN Staff Writer

Scurry County commissioners' court this morning approved a reinvestment zone in northern sections of the county, having determined that the designation will contribute to economic development in the area.

The reinvestment zone, necessary for abatement to be granted, consists of 43 sections in the northern portion of the county.

The court heard from Cielo Wind Power representative Randy Sowell during a brief public hearing concerning the reinvestment zone. No one else was present.

Cielo intends to erect a minimum of 80 wind turbines at a cost of $700,000 each.

Sowell said two job fairs have been scheduled this month to accept applications for positions with the company and also to visit with contractors for construction.

The first will be held at 10 a.m. May 17 at Scurry County Coliseum and the second at 1 p.m. that afternoon in the Borden County community center.

In other business, Scott Crenwelge, county parks director, told the court the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department has scheduled an on-site visit in June concerning a $500,000 grant application.

"They don't conduct on-site visits unless they're considering the county for the grant, so that's positive news," Crenwelge said. "As for the state-wide budget cuts, the TPWD is operating like they'll have the money they need."

Crenwelge said rumors are circulating that the department could be scrapped entirely due to the large deficit facing the state, but added that TPWD always is looked at first under similar circumstances.

"We've been told that any time budget cuts are considered, everybody talks about getting rid of TPWD," he said. "But so far, it's never happened and Texas is such an outdoor recreation state, that most people don't think it ever will be cut out."

Crenwelge said the county would know if it received the grant in July. The TPWD notifies the applicants in time for those who did not receive the money to apply again.

But Crenwelge said he remains hopeful Scurry County will be successful.

"I honestly believe that if we don't get the grant this time, there won't be any money to be had for another two years because of budget constraints," he said.

In old business, the court again issued a request for bids for an exclusive contract for providing soft drinks at county facilities. Bids received will be opened and considered at the court's next meeting May 19.

A budget amendment for $6,326.08 was approved for equipment at the county health unit and no line-item transfers were presented.

County Judge Rod Waller presided and all commissioners were present to include Ralph Trevey, Jerry House, Howard Limmer and Chloanne Lindsey.

County fire response on city agenda today

Snyder city council members tonight will consider a new contract with Scurry County regarding the city fire department's response outside the city limits.

Highlights of the proposed agreement include a hold-harmless clause for city employees while fighting fires in the county, and that the county make quarterly payments to the city for fighting fires outside the city.

The first payment in the proposed agreement would be due Dec. 31.

The city also will ask the county to sign over the title to two water trucks.

The proposal also states that if there are fires at the same time in the city and the county, the Snyder fire chief will determine the advisability of sending trucks outside the city limits and the county will hold the city harmless for the decision.

In one other matter of old business, a mutual aid agreement between the city and other agencies is on the agenda.

This agreement applies to helping surrounding communities with fire, medical or law enforcement services — if needed — and they in turn, helping Snyder's departments.

In new business, probation director Cy Tabor will present an update on the STAR program, and City Secretary Jeanne Johnson will seek approval of specifications for the city's health insurance.

Re-appointments to several boards also will be made, including the Colorado River Municipal Water District as Mickey Nunley and Jack Gorman Jr. are expected to serve another term.

Prior to any action items, Terry Martin and David Harrell will receive their oaths of office. Both are taking office without an election as neither drew opponents.

The meeting begins at 6:30 in council chambers.

SHS accounting team runnerup in state UIl meet

Five Snyder High School students placed at the state Academics UIL contest held Friday and Saturday in Austin.

The accounting team of Jacinda Judah, Josh Kemp, Tyler Kerr and Lilli Valdez earned second place.

Individually, Kemp also placed fifth.

In persuasive speaking, Will Davis earned fifth place.



SILENT AUCTION — Kellie Sanders enters a bid in the silent auction at Saturday's May Day celebration at the coliseum. Kellie successfully bid on an item last May, but this year she wanted a stuffed tiger for her brother, Kevin. May Day benefits the Senior Citizens Center. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Hermleigh elects pair of incumbents, newcomer

In the only contested election in Scurry County, Hermleigh ISD voters returned two incumbents and named a newcomer to the board of trustees Saturday.

In moderate voting, Tim Dacus and Alan Culp were re-elected while Jim Lionberger unseated trustee Joe Roemisch.

Dacus, a board member since 1996 and electronic technician for Sun Oil, led the field of six candidates with 126 votes while Lionberger, a biologist with the Texas Department of Wildlife was second in the vote tally with 90. Culp, first elected in 1997 and an employee of Bob's Woodwork in Lubbock, garnered 80 votes.

Challenger Benny Sauceda was fourth in the tally with 77 votes followed by Roemisch with 68 and Jimmy Digby with 44.

Roemisch had served one year on the Hermleigh board, being elected to fill an unexpired term.

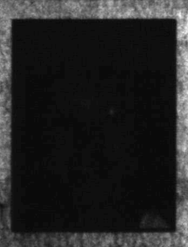
A total of 175 votes were cast.

ASK US

Q—When will the Towle Park Pool open this year?

A—The Scurry County parks department said today that a date has not been set.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Bonnie Stokes...

...is a teller at First American Bank and her husband, Darden, works for TxDOT. The couple have two grown children, John Stokes and Sonja Maxfield, as well as five grandchildren. Bonnie's favorite activities include arts and crafts and watching her grandkids play ballgames. She sometimes attends two or three games an evening.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Happiness is a habit.
Cultivate it.
– Elbert Hubbard

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Family fun night

A family fun night Cinco de Mayo Celebration for PPCD, pre-K and Head Start students will be held from 6 to 7:30 this evening in the West Elementary cafeteria.

Ira sports banquet

The Ira sports banquet will be held tonight in the Roy Sallee Gymnasium.

Support group

Gateway Family Services support group meets at 6:30 p.m. each Monday to focus on the educational needs of adult victims of family violence and sexual assault. Help in the area of literacy, GED progress and computer skills will be offered in both group and individual settings. Children's support group will meet at the same time and childcare will be available. Call 573-1822 for more information.

VFW auxiliary meeting

VFW Auxiliary Post 8231 will meet at 7 tonight at the post home to have election and installation of officers. Members are urged to attend.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "A Mother's Gift for Her Children," followed by "Spiritual Inventory."

Golf teams send off

A send off for the state-bound boys and girls golf teams will be held at 1:45 p.m. Tuesday from the SHS sophomore parking lot.

Masonic Lodge meeting

Scurry Lodge No. 706 will have its stated meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Masonic Lodge.

Ira kindergarten registration

Registration for kindergarten at Ira will be held from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily starting Tuesday for the next two weeks. If these times are not convenient, call 573-2628 to make other arrangements. Shot records, birth certificate and child's social security card should be brought.

Community service day

AARP will sponsor a community service day Tuesday to replenish items for the Food Cupboard on 25th Street. Members are asked to bring items between 10:30 a.m. and noon.

Stanfield parent council

The Stanfield parent council will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the teachers' lounge in the front hallway of the school.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

CNA class

A CNA class will be held from 7 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday at Snyder Oaks Care Center. Orientation will be at 2 p.m. Thursday at the center. No tuition will be charged and books can be purchased at the WTC Bookstore. For more information, call Maggie Barnes at 863-2426.

Boy Scouts Fish-a-Thon

Snyder Boy Scouts will hold the annual Fish-a-Thon from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday at Towle Park Pond. $5 per person to enter and prizes will be given hourly for the largest fish. No fishing license is required.

County, Gospel music

County and Gospel music will be played starting at 6 p.m. Saturday at the Senior Center.

Retired teachers

Scurry County Retired Teachers will meet at noon next Monday at The Shack and will install new officers.

DAR workshop

An application workshop for prospective members of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be held at 2 p.m. next Monday in the Scurry County Library. Membership eligibility is based on a woman descended from a sailor, soldier or civil officer in the cause of American independence. For more information call 573-0234 or 573-5983.

Central seminars

Central Elementary will conclude its series of Thursday afternoon seminars at 3 p.m. Thursday, May 15. *Bully Proofing Your Child* will be the topic presented by school counselor Debbie Shaw. Child care will be provided.

End-of-school party

An end-of-school party for SJHS 8th graders only will be held from 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, May 17, in the WTC Student Center. Admission is $5. Bring picture for the memorabilia table to the junior high office by May 14.

Red Cross fundraiser

The American Red Cross has opened an office at 1800 26th. As a fundraiser, "I love my troops" dog tags are available for a minimum donation of $5. Call 573-1419.

Joy School fall registration

Fall registration for Joy School, 201 31st St., is from 7:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m. weekdays for birth to pre-K children. For more information call 573-3554.

Senior water aerobics

Senior water aerobics will be held from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the WTC pool.

WTC adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at WTC will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish-speaking aides teach the classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Many gather for memorial for slain woman

MODESTO, Calif. (AP) — It would have been her 28th birthday, brightened by the recent arrival of a baby boy. Instead, thousands of people gathered for a memorial service to remember Laci Peterson as a woman who was "very easy to love," as one former student put it.

More than 3,000 mourners, most of whom had never met the young woman, filled the sanctuary of the First Baptist Church on Sunday to memorialize Peterson and her unborn son, Conner, whose bodies were found along the shore of San Francisco Bay last month.

"Each of them is now roaming the hallways of heaven, hand in hand," said Terri Western, whose daughter grew up with Peterson. "They have already earned their wings, and they are golden."

The nationally televised service reflected the country's fascination with Peterson's story, that of an affable young teacher who police say died at the hands of her husband.

There was no mention during the service of Scott Peterson, who has been arrested and charged with murdering his wife and unborn son. He was scheduled for a court appearance today.

In a series of eulogies, family and friends remembered Peterson as a woman who loved cooking and entertaining, and who connected with people naturally and easily.

Her 13-year-old cousin, T.J. Vasquez, remembered her beautiful smile, her help with his homework and volleyball games in the park on Easter Sunday.

"Even though Laci is not with us here today, she will always be in my heart and in my memories," Vasquez said, choking back tears. "Happy birthday, Laci."

Peterson's brother, Brent Rocha, said that his sister would have wanted no sadness on the day of her memorial. Rocha recalled that at a family funeral a few years ago, Peterson had discussed how she hoped to be remembered.

"When I die I don't want people to be missing me," Rocha remembered his sister as saying. "I want people to be happy."

The crowd overflowed the huge church, and many of the mourners ended up watching the service on closed-circuit television. Mourners said they were glad they attended.

"My daughter just had a baby. I can imagine what the family is going through," said Lisa Maldonado, who drove from San Jose with her husband and two children. "It's made me feel better that I came."

Outside the church before the service, two young girls near the front of one line waited to honor Laci Peterson, who served as their substitute teacher.

"She was very easy to love," said Tiffany Collins, 14.

Michael Kerew and his wife, Grace, drove from Los Angeles to attend the service. The couple live in the Philippines and were visiting family in California over the weekend.

Grace Kerew just had the couple's third child in January.

"My wife just felt a connection with Laci because their babies were supposed to have been born around the same time," Michael Kerew said. "We had to be here."

Peterson was eight months pregnant when she vanished just before Christmas. Scott Peterson, 30, said he was fishing in San Francisco Bay when his wife disappeared.

He was arrested April 18 in San Diego and has pleaded innocent to two counts of murder. He asked to attend the memorial service, a request denied by his jailers. His family members did not attend either.

At the Peterson house hours before the service, streams of people toting small children approached the home leaving flowers and balloons. The street was blocked with yellow cones but people parked their cars and walked to the house where they posed for family photos in the front yard.

Fire in dorm injures one student

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. (AP) — Fear about final exams was replaced by a fear of personal safety at Western Kentucky University after a dormitory fire left one student critically injured and displaced hundreds of others.

Fire marshal's spokesman Ken Meredith said Sunday morning's fire appeared to have been set deliberately.

University spokesman Bob Skipper said a female student was hospitalized with burns and other wounds at Vanderbilt University Hospital in Nashville, Tenn., about 60 miles south of Bowling Green.

Skipper said authorities were looking at everything, including whether Sunday's early morning blaze was set accidentally by the victim. No arrests had been made as of Sunday night.

"She did have some puncture wounds, but they appear to be superficial," Skipper said. He said he did not have more information about the wounds, which Meredith had earlier described as stab wounds.

"I'd like to know what happened," said Davora Lamirande, who was forced out of her room early Sunday. "I haven't heard anything."

The blaze unnerved some of the 300 students who were displaced by the fire but allowed to return to their rooms within the same night. Final exams were scheduled for today.

"I wasn't (scared) at first, but that was before I heard she was stabbed," said Lauren Young, who lives in the dorm, where the fire started. "When you hear that, that's kind of scary."

A police officer will be stationed in the lobby of Hugh Poland Hall at night for the next week, and two residence hall workers would be on duty overnight, Skipper said. "We're trying to improve the comfort level for the students who are staying," Skipper said.

University and police officials would not release the name of the injured student, but students and family members identified her as Katie Autry, and an online university directory listed a Melissa K. Autry as living in Hugh Poland Hall room 214, the room where the fire occurred.

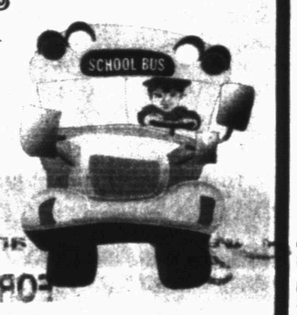
Authorities would say little about the investigation and remained on the scene Sunday night, long after the 4 a.m. fire. A Kentucky State Police arson investigator was sent, but state police said university police were in charge of the investigation.

Fire damage was limited to the injured student's room, Skipper said. Other rooms on the first two floors received water damage, he said.

Some of the 50 students in the coed dormitory said they saw the injured student being carried out by two firefighters.

"It wasn't fun" seeing her carried out, Lexington freshman Andrea Pendleton said. "I don't want to see that ever again. It was so horrible. My stomach is still sick from that."

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Today is the 125th day of 2003 and the 47th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1847, a national medical convention was held in Philadelphia to found the American Medical Association.

On this day in 1862, the Mexican army defeated French troops in the town of Puebla, a day that has since been annually celebrated as Cinco de Mayo.

On this day in 1930, Amy Johnson embarked on a solo flight from England to Australia, the first of its kind to be successfully piloted by a woman.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Karl Marx (1818-1883), founder of modern communism; Nellie Bly (1867-1922), journalist; Tyrone Powers (1913-1958), actor; Tina Yothers (1973-), singer and actress, is 30.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1904, Denton T. "Cy" Young pitched baseball's first perfect (hitless) game.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "From each according to his abilities, to each according to his needs." — Karl Marx

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (May 1) and first quarter (May 9).

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LOTTO TEXAS TEXAS LOTTERY

Saturday's Lottery Numbers
Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning numbers drawn in the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Only paperwork holds this marriage together

DEAR ABBY: I moved to Florida six years ago and got involved with a man soon after I arrived. He had just ended a 10-year relationship with his girlfriend. Two years later, he asked me to marry him. I was overjoyed — and I was three months pregnant when I walked down the aisle.

When our daughter was barely 6 months old, I caught my husband having an affair with his ex. I was going to leave him, but I discovered I was pregnant with our son. He would leave for weekends, after fighting with me and getting drunk, to go see his former girlfriend. I finally had enough and filed for divorce.

My daughter is now 2 1/2 and my son is 15 months old. They haven't seen their father in almost three months. We all miss him. I thought he would return to me, but he hasn't. He has moved on.

I'm in my 20s with two kids. I hate being alone, but can't move on because my husband refuses to sign the divorce papers. What should I do? — **SAD AND ALONE IN FLORIDA**

DEAR SAD AND ALONE: My legal experts tell me there is a procedure you can go through that will allow you to divorce your husband even though he refuses to sign the papers. Please discuss it with a lawyer.

Also check with the district attorney's office in your community. The staff there may be able to help you get child support, at no cost to you. Sometimes when spouses are forced to pay child support, they develop an interest in their children. As long as your husband is sober and behaving responsibly, this should be encouraged.

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DEAR ABBY: I have been dating my boyfriend for five years. I'm only 18. Four months ago, I moved out of my parents' home so I could move in with him. Now I miss my mom and dad, but I don't want to tell my boyfriend. What should I do? — **HURTING IN MAINE**

DEAR HURTING: You have a right to your feelings, and you're making a mistake to keep them hidden. You also have a right to change your mind. Consider this a valuable lesson. Go home and concentrate on your education. A woman should have the skills to be financially independent before linking up with a mate.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a nursing home administrator employed by a large facility. I began my career as a nursing assistant, and in that capacity enjoyed caring for geriatric nursing home residents. My love for the work propelled me into nursing school, enabling me to have more input into the quality of patient care. After that, I was frequently promoted to higher positions and finally returned to school to become an administrator.

The truth is — I hate it! I have somehow lost sight of my original goals. I have minimal patient contact and am miserable. The problem is, I have four children and we need the extra money my position provides. Also, I am reluctant to resign because I would be considered a "quitter."

I am a good administrator and have received outstanding performance reviews by the board of health. However, I cannot ignore the fact that I am deeply unhappy not having the opportunity to give hands-on patient care. What should I do? — **MISSING MY PATIENTS IN THE MIDWEST**

DEAR MISSING: Push for the right to be hands-on at least half a day a week. Tell management it will make you a better administrator. (It will!) When your children are older and you need less money, follow your heart.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

North
♠ K 8 7 6 4
♥ 5 2
♦ Q J 7 3
♣ 9 8

West	East
♠ A	♠ 5 2
♥ A Q 7 4	♥ 9 8 6 3
♦ 9 6 5 2	♦ 10 8 4
♣ K 7 6 2	♣ Q J 4 3

South
♠ Q J 10 8 3
♥ K J 10
♦ A K
♣ A 10 5

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Dbl.	2 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 2

Try to make defense easier

By Phillip Alder

We all know that defense is the hardest part of the game. Why is this? You concentrate on playing accurate cards, signaling carefully to partner to tell her or him exactly what you've got and to plow your side down the correct furrow. You also scrutinize your partner's cards like a hawk hunting for a meal. The problem, of course, is that your partner isn't watching your cards.

This week, we will look at some key elements of good defense. Leave copies all over your partner's house!

First: You hold Q-J-4-3 in a side suit. Your partner leads a fourth-highest two. Dummy tables with two low cards. When it is your turn, do you play third hand high with the jack or the queen? Does it really matter?

Given West's takeout double, South's jump to four spades is a slight overbid, but everyone loves to shoot for a game bonus.

At trick one, East must play the club jack, the lower of two equally high cards.

South wins with the club ace, marking East with the club queen. At trick two, West is back in with his spade ace. Now it should be easy for West to continue with a low club, putting East on lead for the telling heart shift and farming four tricks for the defense: one spade, two hearts and one club.

Note that any other defense lets the contract make, declarer eventually discarding two hearts on dummy's queen-jack of diamonds.

What happens if South ducks his club ace at trick one? East should switch immediately to a heart. West would not have underled the ace-king of clubs, so South must be holding up his ace.

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New Jersey parade honors U.S. soldier

PENNSAUKEN, N.J. (AP) — The parade honoring Army Sgt. James Riley Sunday had all the usual regalia — marching bands, Scout troops, police on motorcycles and waving politicians.

But to some parade regulars, this procession meant more.

"This guy fought for us, and it's really a special parade, rather than any other holiday," said Williamstown resident Jared Siganuk, 16, a Civil War re-enactor with the Miflin Guard. "And we're out here for the cause."

Riley, 31, sat on the backseat of a 1964 Cadillac Coup DeVille, waving at the citizens who lined the streets of the nearly milelong parade route. Despite being on a 30-day convalescent leave, Riley's hair was cropped as if he were still in basic training.

"Wow. This is really amazing. I never expected to be here, not in front of all you people. That was the last thing I was thinking about over there," he said. "It's just great to be back here in the USA."

Riley thanked the town and other veterans for their support. He was given the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal by Gov. James E. McGreevey. U.S. Sens. Frank Lautenberg and Jon Corzine both D-N.J., presented Riley with a U.S. flag that had flown over the Capitol building. The sergeant was also given proclamations from the town and Camden County. Rep. Rob Andrews also attended.

The sergeant nodded as he passed some men wearing POW-MIA vests.

"We want all the POWS and MIAs accounted for," said Rick Ciano, 53, a Vietnam veteran from Glendora and member of Rolling Thunder New Jersey Chapter 5 motorcycle club. "This one is special to us. It's a happy ending."

Others along the parade route were equally proud of the hometown soldier. "It could have been your son, my son, anybody's son," said Mary Lammers, 72, of Pennsauken.

Through his family, Riley has said he does not consider himself a hero, just a soldier doing his job when Iraqi soldiers near Nasiriyah on March 23 ambushed his unit, the Fort Bliss, Texas-based 507th Maintenance Company. Nine members of the unit were killed and six were taken prisoner.

As the senior soldier among those captured, it was up to Riley to surrender. Among those taken prisoner was Pfc. Jessica Lynch, who was rescued from an Iraqi hospital April 1.

Riley and six other POWs, including two Apache helicopter pilots based at Fort Hood, Texas, were released April 13.

Riley has remained mum about his experience. He granted interviews only on a plane from Iraq to Kuwait soon after his release.

"We were like Custer. We were surrounded. We had no working weapons. We couldn't even make a bayonet charge. We would have been mowed down," Riley said then.

The Army says he is under orders not to speak with the media, and his parents say it's better that way.

His mother, Jane Riley, said most of the photographs she has of her son could not be shared because he's making an obscene gesture in them — his sign that he didn't want even his family to photograph him.

Since Riley arrived in Pennsauken a week ago, the journalists who have all but taken up residence in his neighborhood have photographed him pulling weeds in the yard and that's about it.

Riley moved with his family to Pennsauken, a blue-collar town near Philadelphia, from New Zealand when he was 10 years old.

Constable fatally shoots man sought in missing woman case

HOUSTON (AP) — A man wanted for questioning by authorities in Wichita Falls was fatally shot by a Harris County deputy constable trying to serve an arrest warrant.

Johnny J. Roth III, 23, died early Sunday at an apartment complex in Tomball when the deputy constable shot him. Police did not release the constable's name. Tomball is about 30 miles northwest of Houston.

Police said Roth and another man in the apartment were wanted for questioning in the December 2002 disappearance of a Wichita Falls woman.

Upon learning the men may be about to flee to Mexico, Wichita Falls police asked Tomball authorities to take Roth and 24-year-old Billy McCoy into custody. The arrest warrant on Roth was for violating his probation on a driving while intoxicated conviction.

Precinct 4 Chief Deputy Jim Sumner said one of four constables who went to the apartment claimed they were delivering a pizza. "The trick is to get him to answer the door," Sumner said. "Everybody answers the door for the pizza guy."

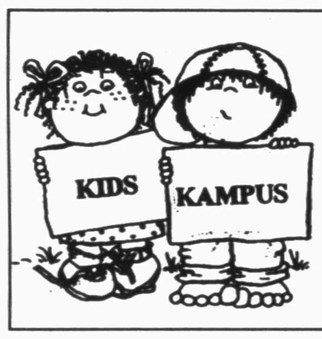
McCoy came to the front door, then fired two shots from a .357 revolver as he escaped back inside.

One of the constables returned fire, killing Roth.

A deputy constable was grazed by a bullet in the shootout. It was unclear if the bullet was fired by one of the other officers or McCoy.

"One of the bullets came through the wall and struck the officer in the left hip area," Sumner said. "It was minor, thank God. It just caused bruising. It didn't even pierce the skin."

McCoy was being held by Harris County Sheriff's homicide investigators and will be turned over to Wichita Falls authorities.



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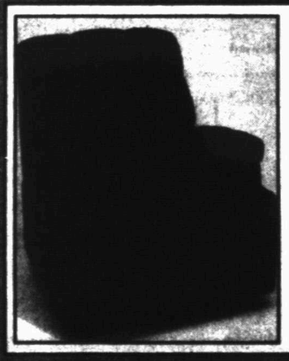
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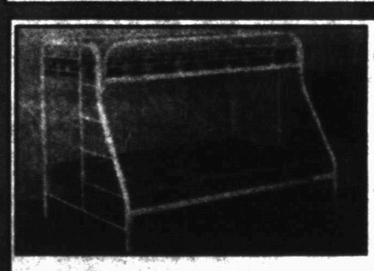
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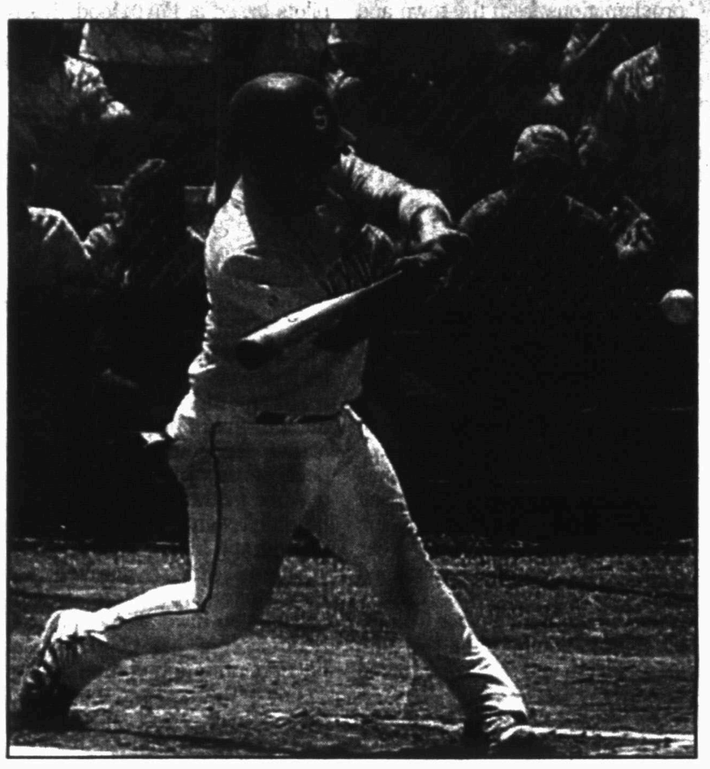


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SPORTS



LONG GONE — Tiger shortstop Billy Pena belts a three-run homer in the first inning of game three of the bi-district series against Midland Greenwood. Snyder won the rubber match, 8-5, to advance to the area series against Canyon Friday and Saturday at Moegle Field in Lubbock. (Contributed Photo)

Tiger bats ignite, propel team to bi-district crown

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

MIDLAND — Snyder catcher Shawn Roemisch put on his cap and heaved a heavy sigh at the end of the Tigers bi-district clincher over Midland Greenwood Saturday.

"It was real tough in this heat," said the drenched Tiger receiver. "You have to drink plenty of water and try to hold up."

It took two games and over five hours, but the Tigers took care of their opening-round opponent on a brutally hot, humid day in West Texas.

"That's a good team over there," said Tiger coach Charles Bollinger, nodding in the direction of the Rangers' dugout. "I'm really proud of the guys."

Snyder banged out 14 hits and 12 runs off Ranger ace Shayne Moody in a 16-12 loss in the opener of the doubleheader, but rode a first-inning, three-run bomb from shortstop Billy Pena for an 8-5 triumph and a spot in this weekend's area series.

The Tigers bucked one trend and continued another Saturday.

The Snyder nine belted out 18 hits and scored 20 runs in the twinbill, getting a major lift from an offense that has been sporadic lately.

"In that first game, we didn't play bad. We hit the ball well," Bollinger said.

The Tigers also got another clutch effort from lefthander Chance Greenwood, who went all seven innings after starting the series opener Friday night.

Leading 8-3 in the bottom of the seventh, Greenwood allowed a single to Kevin Rossler to open the inning, then served up a triple to Moody followed by a single to Dawson Wilber that cut the Snyder lead to 8-5.

Greenwood then struck out Adam Banda, then retired the next two to close the deal.

"I was starting to get scared in the last inning," Roemisch said. "But Chance pitched his heart out. He reached down in that last inning, and he was throwing harder as the game went along."

Bollinger said sticking with Greenwood, who threw 110 pitches in the series winner, was a matter of survival.

"I didn't want this one to slip away," he said. "Chance was a little sore, but he was throwing his curve for strikes. He did a great job."

Even in defeat in game two, the Tigers exploded offensively, tying the game at 8-8 in the sixth inning on a three-run, opposite field homer by Logan Hill.

But the Rangers roughed-up reliever Tyler Trout in the bottom of the sixth, plating eight runs to provide a bit of a cushion.

The Tigers tacked on four more runs in the top of the seventh, three courtesy of a long, opposite-field home run by Greenwood.

After Pena's homer staked the Tigers to a 3-0 lead, Greenwood knuckled down, delivering an array of fastballs and breaking pitches to hold the Rangers to one run through the first five innings.

Snyder added four runs in the third inning to give Greenwood some breathing room on the mound.

Hill, Roemisch and Bradley Price each drew walks to start the inning, and Trout plated Hill and Roemisch with a single.

Marcus Villarreal chased around Price and Trout on a sharp single for the seventh run.

Eric Martinez added the final Snyder score when he crossed the plate in the seventh on an error by Ranger shortstop Moody.

The Tigers will face Canyon in a three-game area championship series this weekend at Moegle Field in Lubbock.

Chance Greenwood is penciled-in as the game one starter Friday night at 7:30, with game two following at 11 Saturday morning. Game three, if necessary, will follow 30 minutes after game two.

Ira clinches district with perfect season

The Ira Bulldogs wrapped up an undefeated regular season Friday, edging Loraine, 7-6, to claim District 6-A and move on to the bi-district round of the playoffs.

The Bulldogs finished the season 13-0, and 11-0 in district action.

Jake Barnes was 3-for-4 with two doubles and a homer, and Caleb Gutierrez was 2-for-4 with a double and two RBI.

Ira scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to slam the door on Loraine.

Josh Gutierrez went the distance for Ira, scattering 10 hits, while striking out 12 and not issuing a walk in the game.

The Bulldogs will square off against District 5-A runner-up Paducah Wednesday at 5 at Moffett Field, in a one-game bi-district playoff tilt.

Bulldog skipper Randy Jones said a starter would be named later in the week. He said he hoped to give the ball to Eric Dickerhoff, but must wait and see how the senior standout feels after spending last week in the hospital with pneumonia.

If Dickerhoff cannot go, Caleb Gutierrez would get the start, Jones stated.

Netters' state run starts today



Phillips



Rodgers



Dunham



Vargas

AUSTIN — A year's worth of sweat, sacrifice and practice will culminate today for four Snyder students, when they open the 2003 state tennis tournament at the World of Tennis at Lakeway.

Both doubles team were scheduled to face teams from Lindale today.

Curt Phillips and Adam Rodgers were slated to square off with Isaac Anders and Seth Bridges of Lindale at 11:30 today.

They reached the state tournament with a silver medal finish in the regional finals. They fell in the finals to regional champs Scott Burge and Landon Lewis at Odessa April 24 after a straight set win over Vernon's Jay Lytle and Kyle Clifton.

Pat Vargas and Andra Dunham also were scheduled to go at 11:30 against quarterfinal opponents Tabitha Jackson and Lauren Carter of Lindale.

They earned a state berth at the regional tournament with a 6-3, 4-6, 6-3 victory in the playback against Leslie and Laura Evanhoff from Breckenridge.

Head coach Ted Phillips said that while the field is deep, it is also familiar, since Snyder played several of the schools during the team tennis schedule.

If the two pairs advance, they will play in the semifinals today at 3 p.m.

The 3A doubles finals for are slated for 10:15 Tuesday.

Fox's foot injury serious

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. (AP) — The injury to Los Angeles Lakers forward Rick Fox's left foot is more serious than first thought, putting his availability for next season in question.

Fox injured his foot in the opening six minutes of the Lakers' 102-97 victory over Minnesota in Game 4 of their first-round playoff series April 27. It was learned the following day he would miss the remainder of the playoffs after an MRI showed he had a torn tendon.

Fox visited Dr. Jonathan T. Deland, a specialist in New York, on Friday and learned of a split in another tendon, complicating the surgical procedure he expects to undergo within two weeks.

Fox expects to be sidelined at least six-to-nine months.

"The doctor keeps saying anywhere from six months to a year," Fox told the Los Angeles Daily News. "But I keep thinking along the lines of getting back and conquering this challenge, but (I) also think about, 'OK, what's the risk factor of being able to walk with my kids and run, and make sure I'm not foolish in that respect and rush back too soon?'

"So have things changed for me as a basketball player forever? Yeah," he said. "Does it mean I still play basketball? Yeah. But now the challenge is to be as effective, or in some cases more effective, if I come back stronger than I was before."

Devean George is taking Fox's place in the starting lineup.

Jordan seeks stake in Charlotte franchise

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Michael Jordan is interested in a possible role with the Charlotte expansion team and has talked recently with owner Robert Johnson about buying in as a partner, The Associated Press has learned.

Johnson and Jordan have a publicly acknowledged friendship and have spoken frequently in recent years. But talks between the two men over the past three weeks have been different, including preliminary discussions over doing business together on the team Johnson bought last December for $300 million.

"He and Bob have been talking," a source with knowledge of the discussions told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

"A deal isn't close. It's just the beginning of the discussion," said the source, who indicated that possible stumbling blocks could be the amount of control Jordan would want and the purchase price. "It isn't going to be a freebie," the source added.

The as-yet-unnamed team will begin play in the 2004-05 season.

The news of Jordan's possible involvement in Charlotte comes amid reports that his relationship with the Washington Wizards has deteriorated to the point where he and the franchise might part ways.

Correction

On this weekend's booster page, SHS golfer Alan Gray was misindentified in the picture as alternate Jay Weaver.

Sports Briefs

Gelding wins Kentucky Derby

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Funny Cide became the first gelding since Clyde Van Dusen in 1929 to win the Kentucky Derby.

Ridden by Jose Santos, Funny Cide held off 5-2 top choice Empire Maker by 1 3/4 lengths, making his decisive move midway on the final turn Saturday.

Lifeguard course

A lifeguard training class is scheduled Friday through Sunday at Western Texas College.

Students will be certified as lifeguards and also have CPR, first aid and automated external defibrillation (AED) certifications.

The cost is $100 per person, and there must be 10 students to hold the class. The cost to re-certify lifeguards for three years is $30 per challenge, and to re-certify for CPR, first aid and AED for one year is $30 per challenge.

Registration cut-off is Tuesday. For more information, call Jackie at 573-9811.

Ladies play day

The SCGA hosts a ladies play day at 9 a.m. each Tuesday. Format is most fours-back nine.

SGSA board meeting

The Snyder Girls Softball Association will have a board meeting at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday at BP Pipeline.

Charity golf tournament

The Oxy Permian/Ondeo charity golf tournament to benefit the Snyder Boys and Girls Club will be held Saturday at WTC golf course.

The tournament will begin at 8 a.m. and will include a raffle and barbecue. For more information contact 573-7272 ext. 4001 or ext. 4007.

LGA spring tournament

The Ladies Golf Association will have its spring tournament at Scurry County golf course May 17-18.

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SPORTS

Mavs hang on for tight game 7 win

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks hung close for three quarters then played a great final period to beat the Portland Trail Blazers 107-95 Sunday, winning Game 7 of the first-round series and avoiding the worst meltdown in NBA history.

Nick Van Exel scored or assisted on the first seven baskets of the fourth quarter, then Dirk Nowitzki scored seven straight after the game was tied in the final three minutes.

His 3-pointer with 1:21 left put Dallas up 100-94, drawing cheers of joy and relief from a crowd of 20,281 — and breaking Portland's will.

"The crowd was great and they made shots down the stretch," Blazers coach Maurice Cheeks said. "That pretty much was the difference."

Dallas found itself in Game 7 by losing three straight after winning the first three. The Blazers won Game 6 convincingly and seemed to have the mental and physical edge coming into the winner-take-all finale.

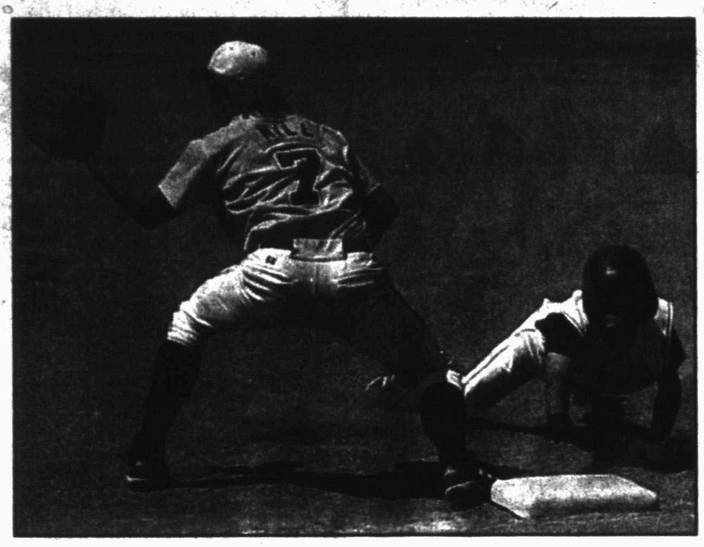
Nelson's contract as coach expires after this season. He'd like to stay on the bench, but owner Mark Cuban says he won't decide until the summer. Nelson is still signed as general manager for three more years and as a consultant for five after that.

The Mavericks showed the tenacity they'd been lacking since winning Game 3. They drove the lane, banged for rebounds and prevented Portland from loading up on easy baskets.

Still, the Blazers hung tough in their bid to become the league's first team to overcome an 0-3 deficit.

Despite Rasheed Wallace and Bonzi Wells not scoring in the first half, Portland was able to go ahead 90-88 with 4:43 left on a 3-pointer by Wallace and tied it at 93 on another 3 from Scottie Pippen.

But the Blazers were out of comebacks as they failed to score a basket in the final 3:08. Dallas, meanwhile, made 13 of 17 shots in the fourth quarter, including four 3-pointers.



GET BACK — Logan Hill waits for a pick-off throw from Tiger hurler Chance Greenwood as Ranger second baseman Silas Etheredge slides back safely during game three of the team's bi-district series with Midland Greenwood. The Tigers will move on to the area round after the 8-5 victory. (Contributed Photo)

Parcells concludes 'old-school' camp

IRVING (AP) — Watching Bill Parcells coach the Dallas Cowboys for the first time took team owner Jerry Jones back to his playing days.

"He sounds like some of my old coaches yelling and demanding," Jones said Sunday after the Cowboys wrapped up their first minicamp for their new coach. "Bill was all over the place."

Jones likes that old-school approach.

And Parcells — hired Jan. 2 after the Cowboys' third straight 5-11 season under Dave Campo — said he's just getting started in putting his mark on the team. The three-day minicamp included only 46 players, 19 rookies and selected veterans.

"I don't think I've done it to the extent I want. I haven't had the veterans," said Parcells, who has been to three Super Bowls in his 15 NFL seasons. "We'll see once we really get under way where we are. That will be in the summer."

A minicamp for the veterans will be in a couple of weeks, and the rookies will be back at the end of the month. Parcells doesn't plan to fully mix the rookies in with the veterans until after that.

Several Cowboys veterans stopped by at different times over the weekend to watch practice, but some got to experience Parcells firsthand while taking part in the workouts.

"He's everything I expected. He's really stern and that's what the team needed. He doesn't give you a chance to take a play off," said second-year cornerback Pete Hunter.

"He manages your attention and focus every practice, and gets your full potential out of you on the practice field," said quarterback Quincy Carter. "There's no joking and jiving, no horsing around. He wants your full attention. One of the things I took out of these three days, my attention goes straight to football once I get out there."

While the weekend sessions were primarily an orientation for the rookies, Parcells had all five of his quarterbacks there.

Parcells wanted to get a good look over the weekend at rookie free agent Tony Romo, who split snaps with returners Carter, Chad Hutchinson and Clint Stoerner. Woody Dantzler, a college quarterback who spent his rookie season with the Cowboys as a kick returner and backup running back, spent two days as a quarterback and another as a safety.

There is no front-runner for the starting quarterback spot yet, but Parcells plans to start getting a better idea of who will be playing in the fall.

"As we go from now forward, the repetitions will be divided more carefully with the idea of we are going to start progressing toward who at least will play in preseason games," Parcells said. "I look at these kids here, they are all kind of rookies to me."

Sabathia downs Rangers, 3-1

CLEVELAND (AP) — C.C. Sabathia won for the first time in seven starts, allowing four hits and one unearned run in eight innings in a 3-1 victory over the Texas Rangers on Sunday.

The left-hander, the ace of the Indians' rotation this year at age 22, struck out five and walked three, improving to 4-0 in four career starts against Texas. Danys Baez finished with a hitless ninth for his fifth save.

"I don't try to seal games myself," Sabathia said about being lifted. "Things can really get wild then. I try to bend, but not break. I know I'm not going to pitch a shutout all the time."

But with the Indians averaging just 3.2 runs in his starts, Sabathia has had little margin for error.

"I was more concerned about my team winning than my individual stats, he said. "I focus more about shutting down the other team than what my guys do."

Cleveland, which turned two double plays behind Sabathia, had been 0-6 in his starts this season. It was his first victory since last Sept. 27 against Kansas City, and his longest outing since an eight-inning, complete-game loss Sept. 17 at Boston.

"It's not like I have been giving up eight or nine runs a game," Sabathia said. "When I got a lead, I knew it was my job to hold it against a very difficult lineup."

Texas had 54 runs, 78 hits and 13 homers in its previous six games.

John Thomson (2-3) lost despite pitching a five-hitter for his first complete game since September 2001.

Thomson retired nine in a row before Cleveland got three singles, two walks and a sacrifice fly to take a 3-0 lead in the fourth.

Matt Lawton walked and came around on singles by Omar Vizquel and Ellis Burks. Karim Garcia hit an RBI single, Josh Bard drew a one-out walk to load the bases and Bill Selby hit a sacrifice fly.

Thomson questioned his approach in the fourth.

"I was throwing fastballs for strikes the first three innings," the right-hander said. "Then I threw sinkers for balls, falling behind 1-0 and 2-0.

"Why would I try to do something different?" Thomson said as he shrugged his shoulders.

Thomson then threw 26 strikes on 27 pitches during a stretch between the fifth and seventh innings.

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	20	11	.645	—
Philadelphia	19	13	.594	1½
Montreal	18	13	.581	2
Florida	15	18	.455	6
New York	13	18	.419	7

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	17	12	.586	—
Chicago	18	13	.581	—
Houston	14	16	.467	3½
Pittsburgh	14	16	.467	3½
Cincinnati	13	18	.419	5
Milwaukee	10	21	.323	8

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	21	9	.700	—
Colorado	16	15	.516	5½
Los Angeles	16	16	.500	6
Arizona	13	19	.406	9
San Diego	11	20	.355	10½

Sunday's Games

N.Y. Mets 5, Milwaukee 3
Houston 5, Florida 2
St. Louis 6, Montreal 2
Chicago Cubs 5, Colorado 4, 10 innings
Los Angeles 3, Pittsburgh 2
San Francisco 6, Cincinnati 1
Philadelphia 3, San Diego 1
Atlanta 7, Arizona 4, 11 innings

Today's Games

St. Louis (W.Williams 4-0) at Cincinnati (Riedling 0-0), 7:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Sheets 2-3) at Chicago Cubs (Clement 2-3), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Benson 3-3) at Houston (W.Miller 0-3), 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Padilla 3-3) at Arizona (Batista 1-2), 9:35 p.m.

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	23	8	.742	—
Boston	20	11	.645	3
Baltimore	16	14	.533	6½
Toronto	14	18	.438	9½
Tampa Bay	12	19	.387	11

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	19	9	.679	—
Minnesota	15	15	.500	5
Chicago	15	16	.484	5½
Cleveland	9	21	.300	11
Detroit	4	25	.138	15½

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	20	11	.645	—
Oakland	19	12	.613	1
Texas	14	17	.452	6
Anaheim	13	17	.433	6½

Sunday's Games

Toronto 8, Anaheim 2
Cleveland 3, Texas 1
Detroit 7, Tampa Bay 3
Oakland 2, N.Y. Yankees 0
Kansas City 4, Baltimore 0
Minnesota 9, Boston 4
Seattle 5, Chicago White Sox 1, 6 innings, rain

Today's Games

Detroit (Cornejo 1-2) at Baltimore (Johnson 4-0), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Lowe 3-2) at Kansas City (May 0-1), 8:05 p.m.

NBA Playoffs

All Times EDT
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
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Monday, May 5
Boston at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 6
Philadelphia at Detroit, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Dallas, 9 p.m.

Wednesday, May 7
Boston at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday, May 8
Philadelphia at Detroit, TBA
Sacramento at Dallas, 9:30 p.m.

Friday, May 9
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday, May 10
Dallas at Sacramento, 9:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 11
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 3:30 p.m.
Dallas at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday, May 13
Sacramento at Dallas, TBA, if necessary
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, TBA, if necessary

Thursday, May 15
Dallas at Sacramento, TBA, if necessary
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, TBA, if necessary

Saturday, May 17
Sacramento at Dallas, TBA, if necessary
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, TBA, if necessary

NHL Playoffs

All Times EDT
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7)

Saturday, May 3
Ottawa 5, Philadelphia 2, Ottawa leads series 3-2
Dallas 4, Anaheim 1, Anaheim leads series 3-2

Monday, May 5
Ottawa at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Dallas at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Vancouver, 10:30 p.m.

Wednesday, May 7
Philadelphia at Ottawa, 7 p.m., if necessary
Anaheim at Dallas, 7:30 p.m., if necessary
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Snyder Independent School District
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Dear Parent(s):

This summer, Snyder Independent School District will offer a summer school program for limited English speaking students who will enter kindergarten or first grade for the 2003-2004 school year.

Classes will be held for 6 weeks at the Jr. High campus and will begin on Tuesday, June 3, 2003 and end on Thursday, July 10, 2003. A bus will pick up students at their home each day and bring them back home after the classes are dismissed. If less than 10 eligible children desire to participate in the summer program, it will not be offered.

Student Schedule: Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays 7:45 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. No Meals; Wednesdays 7:45 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. Lunch Provided

Please fill in the section below and return it to any elementary campus principal by Monday, May 12. Late enrollment will not be accepted.

_____ Yes, my child is eligible and will attend summer school. I understand that my child will be dropped from the roll if attendance falls below 90%. If you agree to allow your child to attend summer school, you must be committed to seeing that the child attends every day unless he/she is ill. There will be no tuition charge for the courses, but parents will be responsible for supervising the efforts of their children.

_____ No, my child will not attend.

Student Name _____ Date of Birth _____
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Parent's Signature _____

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Horario estudiantil: Lunes, Martes y Jueves 7:45 a.m.- 12:45 p.m. No ofrece comida; Miércoles 7:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m. Se ofrece comida

Por favor complete la forma que sigue esta pájina y devuélvela a la escuela de su niño(a) para el lunes 12 de mayo, 2003. Matriculación tarde no será aceptado.
12 de mayo

_____ Sí, mi niño(a) asistirá escuela de verano. Yo entiendo que si no está en escuela 90% de los días el/ella ya no podrá participar en estas clases. Si Ud. está de acuerdo que su niño(a) asista escuela de verano, Ud. necesita estar cometido a segurar que su niño(a) atienda estas clases todos los días, nada mas si está enfermo, no. No cobran por estas clases, pero los padres son responsables por dirigir el esfuerzo de sus niños.

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Nombre de niño(a): _____ Fecha de nacimiento _____
Social Security # _____ Edad _____
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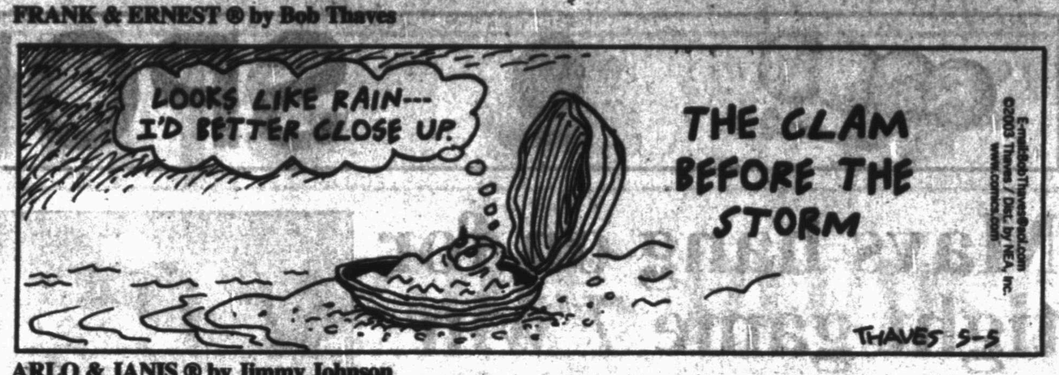
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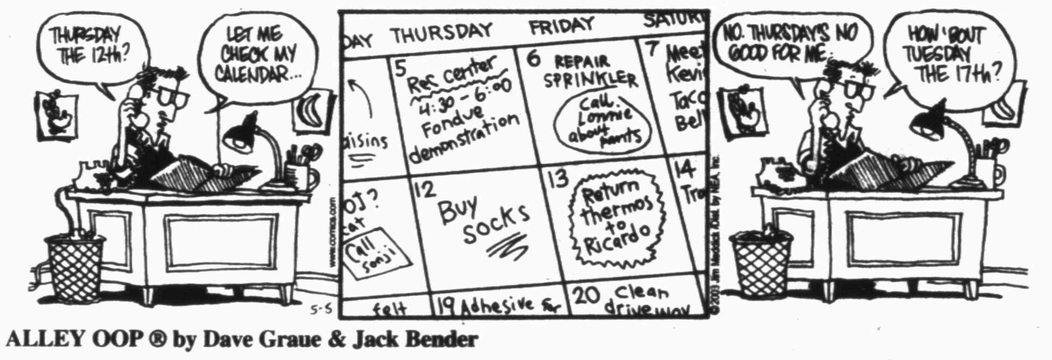
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5 Corn on the —
8 Ms. Hagen
11 Inkling
12 Superman's mother
14 Marsh
15 Heat up
16 "Get real!" (2 wds.)
17 Unfold, to a poet
18 Not neatniks
20 Lubricate
22 Fabric surface
23 Bohemian
24 Too exacting
27 Nonfat milk
29 Miscellany
30 Interesting
34 Shyness
37 Purse
38 Goals
39 Not allowed
41 Windmill blade
43 — Wiedersehen
44 Luaus
46 Ice hut
49 Above, in verse
50 Time periods
52 Stare rudely
54 NFL player
55 Radio part
56 Length times width
57 9-digit ID
58 Drain cleaner
59 Dry run

DOWN

1 Close kin
2 Hubbubs
3 Sedaka or Simon
4 Beauty parlors
5 Join, as hands
6 NATO cousin
7 Admiral's jail
8 Sub (hyph.)
9 — -turvy
10 Tommie — of baseball
13 Spooked
19 Harbor
21 "Cope Book" aunt
24 Blubber
25 One (pref.)
26 Well-known uncle
27 Firme up
28 Round Table knight
30 Wheel part
31 Consumer org.
32 Southeast Asian
33 Freud topic
35 Wocenam and Fleming
36 Slimmed down
39 Yank
40 Riding the waves
41 Swerves
42 Slugger Hank —
43 Usher's beat
44 Dandies
45 Get dirty
47 Hideous creature
49 Pamplona shouts
51 Opposing vote
53 Have a snack

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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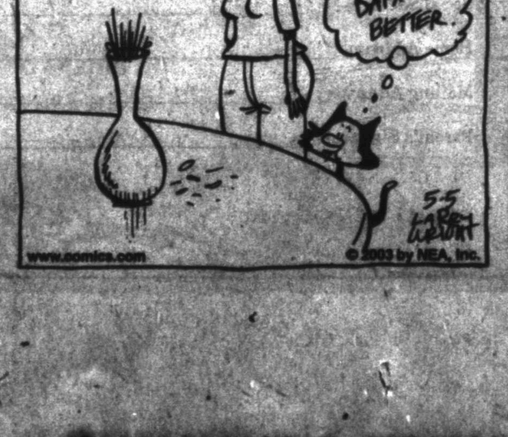
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Senate unseals 50-year-old McCarthy transcripts

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate unsealed 4,000 pages of closed-door transcripts today from the Joseph McCarthy hearings, shedding new light on the senator's anti-communist crusade that riveted the nation a half-century ago.

Among the roughly 400 witnesses covered in the transcripts are composer Aaron Copland, New York Times journalist James Reston and Eslanda Goode Robeson, the wife of blacklisted singer-actor Paul Robeson. There are also many writers and government officials, and secretaries that McCarthy was convinced had access to classified information.

McCarthy, a Wisconsin Republican, chaired the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations in 1953 and 1954 at the height of the Cold War with the Soviet Union. His investigation into communists in the U.S. government, denounced by critics as a witch hunt, spawned the term "McCarthyism" to describe smear attacks.

Senate Associate Historian Donald Ritchie, who assembled the volumes, said McCarthy and his chief counsel, Roy Cohn, used the closed-door sessions like grand jury proceedings.

"Anybody who stood up to McCarthy in closed session, and did so articulately, tended not to get called up into the public session," Ritchie said. "McCarthy was only interested in the people he could browbeat publicly."

Copland, brought before the subcommittee because he had been hired by the State Department to lecture overseas, was one of those never called back for a public session.

When McCarthy asked whether he had ever been a communist sympathizer, Copland replied, "I am not sure I would be able to say what you mean by the word 'sympathizer.'"

"These executive sessions are really trolling sessions," said David M. Oshinsky, author of a McCarthy biography, "A Conspiracy So Immense," and a history professor at the University of Texas.

"McCarthy is looking for people who either have a spectacular story to tell, or people he thinks he can break in public, or people he was certain will take the Fifth Amendment" against self-incrimination, Oshinsky said.

McCarthy was angered when Eslanda Goode Robeson cited the 15th Amendment, which gave blacks the right to vote, as well as the Fifth Amendment in refusing to answer whether she was a member of the Communist Party.

"The 15th Amendment has nothing to do with it," said McCarthy.

Robeson replied: "(Y)ou see, I am a second-class citizen in this country and, therefore, feel the need of the 15th. ... I am not quite equal to the rest of the white people."

Robeson finally said a truthful answer would incriminate her. McCarthy brought her back to testify in public.

"McCarthy thrived on the Fifth Amendment," Oshinsky said. "He liked nothing better than to ask people very pointed questions, and they would take the Fifth, so he could call them 'Fifth Amendment communists' and talk about a larger conspiracy."

The tide began to turn against McCarthy in 1954, when he looked for subversives in the Army. President Eisenhower, a retired Army general, worked to get the hearings televised so the public could see McCarthy's bullying tactics, Oshinsky said.

Minnesota Sen. Norm Coleman, a freshman Republican who chairs the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations, said in a statement that McCarthy had "an obligation to use his authority in a way to make America safer, and determine the influence of communism, if it existed, in American policy."

"Instead, he used his position to threaten, to intimidate and to destroy the lives of Americans," Coleman said.

The volumes show McCarthy often held hearings in New York City and Boston, subpoenaing witnesses on short notice, and would be the only senator to attend.

Sometimes even McCarthy wouldn't attend, Ritchie said. The 26-year-old Cohn would question witnesses, and his buddy, G. David Schine, who served as unpaid consultant to the committee, would preside. Cohn addressed Schine as "Mr. Chairman."

Oshinsky said communists had indeed infiltrated the government during the 1930s and 1940s, but by the time McCarthy launched his investigation that had pretty much been stamped out.

Republicans succeeded in portraying Democrats as soft on communism, riding that message to political gains in 1952. The GOP won the White House and Congress that year, making McCarthy chairman of the investigations subcommittee.

Horse owners get ready for West Nile

DALLAS (AP) — Horse owners and state health officials said they're counting on vaccinations to help prevent a repeat of last year, when the West Nile virus took a deadly toll on Texas' equine population.

The Texas Department of Health said 1,697 horses were stricken in 2002 with the virus that is harbored in birds and spread to people and horses by mosquitoes. About 500 horses died. There are more than a million horses in Texas overall.

"There was a month last year when we didn't get any sleep because we had so many sick horses," Buck Neil, a Fort Worth veterinarian, told The Dallas Morning News.

Terry Conger, a state epidemiologist for the Texas Animal Health Commission, said many more horses probably died from the virus but were never reported.

"A lot of these horse owners live in the country and don't like to file reports," Conger said.

Today's chuckle

Defibrillator regulates young dog's heart

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Honus the dog lacked that old spark, and the solution was a heart defibrillator.

Doctors at Washington State University's veterinary hospital operated on the canine Thursday to insert the device, similar to the one that regulates the heart of Vice President Dick Cheney.



The $30,000 operation was a success, with the device regulating the heartbeat of the 2-year-old dog, named for baseball player Honus Wagner.

"Now Honus is our most expensive piece of technology," said owner Bryan MacDonald. "He's worth more than our computer."

Honus was diagnosed with ventricular tachycardia, in which the lower ventricles of the heart beat abnormally and can trigger a heart attack. It caused him to be weak and vomit.

Until now, the only treatment was to bring Honus to the hospital for lidocaine shots. His attacks grew so frequent, the MacDonalds had to come to the emergency room every two weeks.

The metal unit, the size of a 9-volt battery, can sense when the heart's rhythm changes. If the beats grow irregular, the device sends out a shock, resetting the heart at a normal rate.

The device isn't used much on dogs because of the cost of the unit and the surgery.

In Honus' case, the Minneapolis-based medical technology company agreed to donate the $15,000 defibrillator as well as two $6,000 leads. The MacDonalds will pay for a portion of the $2,500 surgery and hospital costs.

Girl killed when water tank falls

MUSTANG RIDGE (AP) — A plastic water tank, holding 300 to 500 gallons of water and supported by bricks and sawhorses, collapsed Saturday, killing a 9-year-old girl and critically injuring her 5-year-old cousin.

Lt. Art Cardenas of the Travis County Sheriff's Department said the two girls were playing under the tank when it toppled, crushing them both. The 9-year-old was trapped face down under the tank, said Warren Hassinger of Austin/Travis County Emergency Medical Services.

The 9-year-old's father was able to pull both girls from under the fallen structure, Cardenas said. Mustang Ridge police officers arrived first on the scene and administered cardiopulmonary resuscitation to the older girl, but were unable to revive her, Cardenas said.

The younger girl was taken by helicopter ambulance to Children's Hospital of Austin with what authorities described as multiple broken bones and crushing injuries.

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Terror hunt gets results

WASHINGTON (AP) — The U.S.-led hunt for al-Qaida terrorists seeking haven in and around the Horn of Africa has quietly paid off with the recent capture of midlevel operatives, the Marine general overseeing the mission says.

Lt. Gen. Michael DeLong said in an Associated Press interview Friday that U.S. forces working with friendly governments in the region captured an unspecified number of al-Qaida members.

It was the first public disclosure of the successes, although DeLong offered few specifics. He did not, for example, say which of the countries in the region — including Somalia, Ethiopia, Sudan, Eritrea, Djibouti and Yemen — had yielded the terrorists or whether they were captured on land or at sea.

DeLong, the deputy commander of Central Command, said the people captured in recent months were not among the terror network's most senior.

"We have picked up al-Qaida members in those countries," DeLong said in the telephone interview from his office at Central Command headquarters in Tampa, Fla. He said the successes had been kept "low key" at the request of the local governments.

"Not the very highest rank," was his description of the members of the organization led by Osama bin Laden. He said military operations over the past six months had captured "medium-level al-Qaida in three or four or five of the countries there."

A main military focus of the global war on terrorism has been Afghanistan, particularly in recent months along the porous border with Pakistan. But since the fall of the Taliban rule in Afghanistan, the U.S. military has given more attention to finding remnants of al-Qaida in the Horn of Africa region.

A two-star Marine Corps general, John Sattler, is running the operation, formally called Task Force Horn of Africa, from the USS Mount Whitney in the Gulf of Aden off the coast of Djibouti. There are about 400 people aboard the ship, including liaison officers from countries in the region. About 900 U.S. troops, including special operations forces, are based ashore at Camp Lemonier in Djibouti.

DeLong said governments in the region had been extremely helpful in the hunt for al-Qaida. He said he could not predict how long the Horn of African operation would continue but that Central Command intends to move the task force's headquarters ashore in Djibouti in the next month or so.

The three-star general said even if no al-Qaida were being captured in the Horn of Africa, the mere presence of American forces there for a sustained period provides a "comfort factor" for governments in the region.

"Knowing we're helping them look for al-Qaida members has paid huge dividends," he said. Senior government officials have been very forthcoming with U.S. officials in the search for terrorists.



BARBECUE CREW — The ExxonMobil crew again prepared the barbecue for the Senior Citizens Center's May Day fundraiser held Saturday at the coliseum. Helpers included Danny Williams, left, and Doug White. Others who helped make the barbecue possible include Ross Cornett, June Gholson, Susie White, Vicki Williams, Albert Canon, Tim Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Rhone, Wayne Bethel, Tammy Cornett and Johnny Sikes. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Judge awards $1 to student in prayer case in Santa Fe, Texas

HOUSTON (AP) — A federal judge has awarded $1 in damages to a former Santa Fe High School student who secured a restraining order allowing her to pray over a public address system before the school's 1999 home football games.

U.S. District Judge Sim Lake ruled last week that former honors student Marian Ward was entitled to the nominal damage amount and attorney's fees.

Ward filed a civil lawsuit in 1999 against the district claiming it violated her constitutional rights by instituting a school policy which would have kept her from praying over a public address system before school football games.

School district attorney Philip Fraissinet said the policy was an attempt by the district to comply with a ruling in a separate case by four students and their parents who sued the district in 1995 over its policy of letting students elect a "chaplain" to lead prayers at graduation ceremonies and home football games.

In June 2000, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled in the case that pregame prayers were unconstitutional.

Two months later, Lake ruled the case filed by Ward was moot. However, her case landed back in his court last year when the 5th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in New Orleans said Lake needed to rule on what, if any, damages should be awarded.

Lake said he requested that each side provide him with a proposed final judgment, and if necessary, a nominal damage amount.

Instead of following Lake's instructions, the judge said Ward's attorney Kelly Coghlan filed a slew of motions for a trial, reconsideration of previously settled issues and a request for the judge to put in writing the facts of the case and his legal conclusions.

Lake said he would not provide the requested legal conclusions and denied the additional motions.

The "plaintiffs have gone to great lengths to reopen issues that were long ago resolved and to make a public spectacle out of this case," Lake wrote in his ruling, which attorneys received on Friday. "Plaintiffs are clearly not interested in resolving this case unless resolution includes a high-profile public display, such as a trial or a published opinion."

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -Morning stocks:

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	6.20	5.50	6.05	+ .58
AOL TimeWrn	13.65	13.35	13.35	—.10
AT&T Corp rs	17.11	16.70	16.90	+ .13
Albertsons	20.99	20.57	20.57	—.46
Alltel	47.89	47.35	47.35	—.48
AmEl Pw	25.74	25.36	25.54	+ .21
AndarkPtr	45.33	45.05	45.09	+ .15
ATMOS Egy	23.24	23.01	23.05	+ .05
Aviall	9.06	8.60	8.95	+ .42
BP PLC	39.98	39.17	39.30	—.10
BakerHughes	28.65	28.13	28.47	+ .18
Bank of Amer	74.91	74.25	74.41	—.50
BellSouth	26.00	25.63	25.63	—.22
BurlNoSFe	28.11	27.62	27.74	—.26
Caterpillar	53.01	51.37	52.64	+ .29
CenterPoint	8.24	8.05	8.05	—.15
ChevronTex	66.40	65.76	66.01	+ .66
Citigroup	40.08	39.60	39.65	—.05
CocaCola	41.10	40.47	40.48	—.52
ColgatePal	57.48	56.93	56.98	—.17
CrncllMetals s	16.15	15.91	15.95	—.20
ConocoPhill	51.70	51.15	51.30	—.20
Cooper Inds	37.03	36.50	36.50	—.38
DaimlrChry	32.89	32.50	32.53	—.11
DeltaAirl	14.99	14.58	14.61	—.11
Dillards Inc	14.00	13.76	13.82	+ .06
DowChem	32.40	31.90	31.98	—.31
DuPont	43.19	42.76	42.82	—.18
EastmanChem	30.19	29.93	29.95	—.24
EstKodak	30.66	30.34	30.51	+ .17
EDS Corp	18.95	18.13	18.16	—.88
Entergy	47.86	47.10	47.61	+ .41
ExxonMobil	36.21	35.51	35.56	—.48
FootLocker	10.81	10.40	10.46	—.45
GenDynam	61.47	60.01	60.16	—1.31
GenElec	29.25	28.80	28.84	—.24
GenMills	44.75	44.05	44.25	—.27
GenMotors	36.06	35.50	35.64	—.16
GaPacific	15.86	15.44	15.50	—.34
Goodrich	14.50	14.11	14.16	—.19
Goodyear	6.75	6.54	6.56	+ .21
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Hanson ADS	27.93	27.92	27.92	—.02
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Honeywellntl	24.40	23.64	23.80	—.38
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Lowes Cos	44.68	44.05	44.09	—.06
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MarathonOil	23.35	23.04	23.08	—.11
MayDeptStr	21.66	21.24	21.26	—.32
Medtronic	48.30	47.47	47.53	—.72
Motorola	8.21	8.06	8.08	+ .03
NCR Corp	23.07	22.48	22.50	—.51
Navistar	28.27	27.57	27.58	—.45
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PhelpDodge	32.09	31.72	31.73	—.19
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No economic boom from quick end of war

WASHINGTON (AP) — The hope had been that a fast and successful war in Iraq would set off an economic boom that would quickly translate into falling unemployment for American households and fatter order books for U.S. businesses. But so far, the boom has been a bust.

U.S. tanks rolled into Baghdad in the second week of April, but the military victory did not stem a wave of new job layoffs in the United States.

With April's job cuts, total layoffs over the past three months topped a half-million workers, a performance usually seen only during the depths of a recession.

The picture looked even bleaker for the nation's hard-hit factories, which suffered another 95,000 lost jobs last month, the 33rd straight month of declines that have eliminated 2.2 million manufacturing jobs.

Other statistics have shown weakness as well, with a key gauge of manufacturing activity plunging further into recession territory in April and automakers reporting sales declines despite attractive incentive deals.

"Just to say that everything would be hunky-dory because the war was over would not have been a good forecast," said Sung Won Sohn, chief economist at Wells Fargo in Minneapolis.

To be sure, not all the economic news since the war has been negative. Consumer confidence, which had fallen for four straight months, rebounded in April as Americans grew less fearful about what a U.S. invasion of Iraq would mean in terms of terrorist attacks and oil prices.

But the new worry is that the sharp increases in unemployment — the rate jumped to 6 percent in April — could quickly dash confidence and cause Americans to curtail spending, the one major force that has been working to lift the economy out of the 2001 recession.

The problem is that the end of the war, while removing fears of various worst-case scenarios, left the country facing many of the same problems that have made the current recovery so lackluster.

"After the war, we have reverted to the economy we had last year before the war," said David Wyss, chief economist at Standard & Poor's in New York. "We are still suffering from overcapacity problems in industry and consumers are in debt up to their eyeballs."

American businesses have been the big no-show so far in the recovery. Capital spending has yet to mount a sustained rebound, with corporations reluctant to make new investments when factories are operating at low levels.

Strong home sales and solid consumer spending have taken up the slack, but analysts believe businesses must soon step in as consumers' pent-up demand wanes. They note that even with the return of attractive incentives in dealer showrooms, auto sales fell in April compared with a year ago.

President Bush, eager to end the current jobless recovery and bolster growth ahead of next year's presidential election, has been pushing Congress to pass another round of tax cuts of at least $550 billion, the level in the House bill. The Senate approved $350 billion.

Economists believe the rising jobless rate will spur Congress to pass a scaled-down version of Bush's original $726 billion tax cut package — probably around $400 billion in reductions over 10 years. The prediction comes even though Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan told Congress last week that any tax cuts should be offset in light of rising budget deficits ahead of a wave of baby boomer retirements in the next decade.

Greenspan, in his first war comments on the economy after the Iraq war, said the economy was poised to grow at a "noticeably better pace."

Body found could be missing teenager

NEW YORK (AP) — A body was found Sunday in Long Island Sound, and tests were planned to determine whether it was one of four teenagers who disappeared in January after a late-night boat trip.

Someone fishing off Hart Island, east of the Bronx borough of New York, spotted the body and a police harbor unit later recovered it, authorities said. The body was to be sent to the medical examiner's office for testing and identification.

Police said the body was clothed but had no other details.

The body of one of the four teens, 17-year-old Max Guarino, was found April 25 in Long Island Sound. Since then, police divers have searched those waters looking for the remaining three.

Guarino, along with Charles Wertenbaker, 16; Andrew Melnikov, 16; and Henry Badillo, 17, disappeared Jan. 24 after taking a rowboat from City Island and setting out into the frigid water.

The teens called 911 from a cell phone and said their boat was taking on water. The 12-second call ended with the words, "we're gonna die." Their capsized boat was recovered soon after they disappeared.



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Nine Democratic hopefuls, but no front-runner

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — Democrats emerged from their first presidential debate united on little except their desire to drive George W. Bush from the White House next year.

The nine declared aspirants showed deep divisions over foreign policy, health care and tax cuts in a 90-minute debate Saturday night at the University of South Carolina intended to sell themselves as having the best change to oust the Republican incumbent.

The early leaders in money, organization and experience are members of Congress — Sens. John Edwards of North Carolina, John Kerry of Massachusetts and Joe Lieberman of Connecticut; and Rep. Dick Gephardt of Missouri.

Lieberman, Al Gore's running mate on the 2000 Democratic ticket, has the highest name recognition. He also is perhaps the most centrist candidate — some believe too centrist to win his party's nomination. He made his stance evident in the debate by strongly approving the U.S.-led war in Iraq and criticizing "big-spending Democratic ideas of the past" such as expensive health care programs.

Edwards is among the newer faces, a wealthy former personal-injury lawyer serving his first Senate term. Although his good looks and charm could appeal to voters, he faces criticism that he lacks the experience a president needs.

Referring to Bush, Edwards said Saturday night: "Just because you speak the language of regular Americans does not mean your agenda is not the agenda of corporate America. Just because you walk around on a ranch in Texas with a big belt buckle doesn't mean you understand and stand up for rural America."

Some Democrats fear that Kerry, a decorated Vietnam veteran, will come across as too liberal for general election voters, but many others think that with his strong resume and campaign organization, he is best positioned to win the nomination.

"I believe I bring strength to this ticket, strength about how we maintain a military that is strong but make ourselves stronger in the world," Kerry said in the debate.

Gephardt, the former House Democratic leader, is the only candidate making a repeat run for the White House. He entered the race in 1988 but ran out of money to sustain his campaign. This time, the hallmark of his campaign is to repeal many of Bush's 2001 tax cuts to finance a program costing $200 billion-plus per year to help businesses pay for health insurance for their workers.

The proposal drew some of the sharpest criticism during the debate, with some of Gephardt's rivals suggesting it was too expensive and others rejecting the idea of any sort of tax increase.

Former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean's rousing campaign speeches against the Iraq war and moderate positions taken by the Democratic Party have attracted liberal voters, who dominate primary contests with their turnout.

Dean, a former physician, also says he wants to pass a plan to insure more Americans. But his opposition to the war has raised concerns that the Bush campaign would make hay assailing him on national security.

Sen. Bob Graham of Florida, who will officially launch his campaign Tuesday, promotes his record as his state's governor and former chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee, as well as his roots.

"I can beat George Bush in Florida, and I won't need the U.S. Supreme Court to cast the last ballot," he often says in campaign appearances.

The three other candidates — Al Sharpton, former Illinois Sen. Carol Moseley Braun and Ohio Rep. Dennis Kucinich — are seen as long shots for the nomination. But they are making an impact on the campaign by their all-out opposition to Bush's use of the military and their advocacy of social programs to help the poor.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Septal deviation may lead to infection

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am plagued by chronic sinus congestion and infections. The situation seems to be aggravated by a deviated septum, the result of an auto accident many years ago. Is there anything I can do to relieve my cycles of misery?

DEAR READER: The nostrils are separated by a thin plate of cartilage. This septum ordinarily lies on the midline between the nostrils and does not interfere with anything. However, a deviated septum may be present from birth or be the result of a nasal injury. In these instances, the septum is pushed to one side and can particularly block a nostril. More important, such a misplaced septum may press against the tiny sinus openings at the back of the nose.

In situations where the nasal lining — and the covering of the septum — is swollen and congested, sinus blockage can be complete, thereby preventing normal drainage of mucus. The sinuses are cavities within the facial bones and, like other body chambers, will become infected if they are blocked.

Hence, sinus infections are common in patients with deviated septums, particularly if these people have colds or allergies that increase both the secretions from and the swelling of the nasal linings.

Treatment usually consists of antibiotics, decongestants and steroid nose-sprays to reduce swelling and promote drainage.

In cases of pronounced septal deviation, medicine may not be enough. Surgery must then be considered. The operation is called septoplasty and can be performed by an ear-nose-and-throat specialist who surgically repositions the septum to a more normal location. This eliminates pressure on the sinus openings and usually solves the problem of repeated sinus infections.

I believe that your best option is to be examined by an otolaryngologist, who can advise you about treatment, including surgery.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband is 52 and, for three years, has suffered from hot flashes, stomach upset, depression and fatigue. He has been under a general practitioner's care and has had some basic blood tests — all normal. Do you have information that might help me?

DEAR READER: Although the issue is far from being conclusively resolved, many authorities believe that male menopause — a constellation of symptoms caused by the deficient production of male hormone — is real. In some men, it can be disabling. The affliction is not completely understood, and no one is sure why some older men experience little, if any, difficulty, while others are tormented by depression, hot flashes, increased sweating, loss of libido, emotional outbursts, and fatigue — the very symptoms that trouble many menopausal women.

A few experts have successfully treated the condition with supplemental male hormone in pill, patch or shot form. However, improvement is by no means consistent. And there is a glaring risk that supplemental testosterone increases the incidence and severity of prostate cancer. Other physicians have found that anti-depressant medication is effective — and is not related to malignancies.

If your husband's general practitioner is at a loss, I suggest you request a referral to a urologist, a doctor trained in disorders of the male reproductive tract. Such a specialist will obtain hormone tests, such as a blood testosterone level, and offer advice and treatment. Although most men — like their female counterparts — eventually adjust and adapt to menopause, serious symptoms (such as the ones I mentioned) may need special, temporary therapy, including counseling and medicine to improve mood.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Menopause." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

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Henry Ford made a successful test run in 1896 with his car in a nighttime drive through the streets of Detroit.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, May 6, 2003

The year ahead promises to be an exceptionally good one for you where your friendships are concerned. Both old and new associations can impact your life in ways that will prove to be fortunate for you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You will be exceptionally capable today of using the spoken word in a masterly fashion. Friends and associates will listen to what you have to say and your words will make an impact on them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Financial conditions will tend to be in your favor both today and tomorrow. Devote as much time as you can to enhancing your material position while these aspects exist.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You'll do OK today in several situations that had been looking like losers. The good results you experience will give you fresh rays of hope in areas that have been shrouded in doubt.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Positive measures can be taken today regarding a secret ambition you've been cultivating. When you see the time is right to act, make your move without hesitation.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — This might be a good day to discuss your present intentions with those who could potentially help you. There will be more people than usual today who will be interested in your well-being.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — An important venture in which you are presently involved has better than average chances of succeeding at this time. Vigorously pursue your objective today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — The way you phrase your thoughts and ideas today will enchant and inspire your listeners. And although you might forget what you say the moment you speak it, they won't.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — No one will be better at transforming an unproductive situation today than you. Take it and turn it into something worthwhile for yourself and others who share this kindred interest.

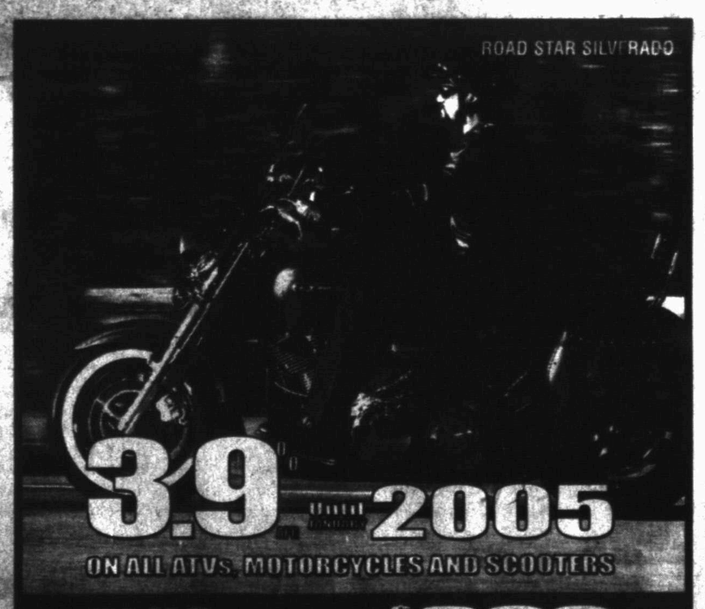
CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — It always pays to be nice to everyone we encounter, but today this treatment of others will be exceptionally fortunate for you. Benefits can develop from several unrelated associations.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Several fortunate changes concerning your work or career might be stirring today on which you'll be able to capitalize. You'll recognize their worth the moment you see them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Whether you desire it or not, chances are you'll be attracting far more attention than usual wherever you go today. Your charisma will be at a high point and will make people take notice.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Let the practical side of you be your guide in the management of your commercial affairs today. Your past experience, coupled with your common sense, can make for a profitable combination.

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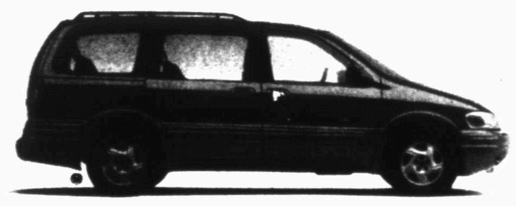
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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Twisters kill 28 in Midwest

PIERCE CITY, Mo. (AP) — Swarms of violent thunderstorms and tornadoes crashed through the nation's midsection, killing at least 30 people in Kansas, Missouri and Tennessee. Eight people were missing in this hard-hit town.

Houses across the region were blown apart by Sunday's storms, trees were uprooted and power lines and other debris blocked roads. Travelers were evacuated from the terminals at Kansas City's main airport and given shelter in tunnels.

In Pierce City, not a home or business was left untouched in the town of nearly 1,400, and wreckage made it impossible to walk the streets.

Two bodies had been pulled from the rubble of the town's nearly leveled National Guard Armory.

Officials initially feared the eight missing were killed in the armory, where several people had taken shelter.

After sunrise today authorities had found no sign of anyone else, and regional emergency official Glenn Dittmar said he was "99 1/2 percent" sure that no one else would be found there.

"I've never been in anything like this. It was absolutely terrible," said Pierce City clerk Julie Johnson, who rode out the storm in the armory bathroom.

The storms were blamed for at least 12 deaths in Missouri, seven in Kansas and 11 in Tennessee. One tornado carved a 65-mile path across West Tennessee, said meteorologist Gene Rench at the National Weather Service in Memphis.

They were part of a huge weather system that rolled across the Midwest and parts of the South, and also spawned twisters in Arkansas, South Dakota and Nebraska. Damage in Arkansas included wrecked homes and businesses, power outages and overturned trucks. Hail as big as baseballs hammered parts of South Dakota.

Spacemen lucky with off-target landing

MOSCOW (AP) — It could have been a lot worse for the two Americans and one Russian whose landing ended up nearly 300 miles off course and their recovery hours late.

In 1976, a Soyuz spacecraft came down in a freezing squall and splashed into a lake; the crew spent the night bobbing in the capsule.

Eleven years before that, two cosmonauts overshot their touchdown site by 2,000 miles and found themselves deep in a forest with hungry wolves. That's when Russian space officials decided to pack a sawed-off shotgun aboard every spacecraft.

Astronaut Kenneth Bowersox said with a smile that he didn't need the gun in the Kazakh steppes where he landed Sunday: "There was nothing out there but grass and us."

Today, Russian space experts met to discuss what went wrong with the Soyuz capsule carrying Bowersox, astronaut Donald Pettit and cosmonaut Nikolai Budarin back from the international space station. The spacecraft was a new model that had never gone through a re-entry before.

"I'll call it an interesting test flight experience," Bowersox, a Navy captain and former test pilot, told The Associated Press several hours after touchdown.

It was the first time NASA astronauts had returned to Earth in a foreign spacecraft and to a foreign land. The switch from a shuttle to Soyuz landing came after the Columbia disaster in February, which resulted in the indefinite grounding of the entire shuttle fleet.

The cockpit computer displays abruptly switched from a normal re-entry to a ballistic one just minutes before touchdown, and the three men knew they were in for a considerably steeper and rougher ride than usual. They came in short of their targeted landing site, and two hours passed before recovery forces spotted them. Two more hours went by before helicopters arrived for them, and another two hours before NASA personnel reached the scene.

Bowersox, who commanded the 5½-month space station mission, said he and his crewmates enjoyed having some time by themselves to get their land legs back and savor nature.

"It was the most beautiful dirt I've ever seen," he said.

By late afternoon, Bowersox, Pettit and Budarin had landed in the Kazakh capital of Astana, and a few hours later, they reached Star City, outside Moscow, where they were greeted by a crowd including their wives.

During the flight from Astana to Star City, Bowersox told the AP he thought the crew had notified Russian Mission Control about the computer indications for a ballistic entry, but couldn't be sure. It's also possible communication was lost at that point, he said.

Budget talks begin, time running short

AUSTIN (AP) — House and Senate lawmakers began negotiations on a new state budget Sunday night, looking at just under a month to draft a spending plan for 2004-05 that addresses a $9.9 billion shortfall.

"This is where it starts," said Rep. Talmadge Heflin, R-Houston, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

Actually, both the House and Senate have already passed separate budgets that total about $117.7 billion. But the two plans have big differences in spending for health and human services, education and other areas.

Sunday night was the first meeting of the 10-member conference committee of House and Senate members appointed to negotiate a compromise.

If the grueling budget arguments on the House floor — which lasted several days — were any indication, negotiations this time could be strained and lengthy.

"We can do it," said Sen. Judith Zaffirini, D-Laredo. "It's the same work (as previous years). It's just a matter of condensing into a shorter period."

The session is scheduled to end June 2. In previous sessions, conference committees have met earlier than this year and budget surpluses made decisions easier.

Heflin said lawmakers want to avoid having to meet in special session this summer to draft a budget before the Aug. 31 end of the fiscal year. The state spending plan is the only bill the Legislature is required to pass.

"A special session costs money and time," Heflin said.

Both budget proposals have sparked protests, particularly on cuts for services for the disabled and elderly, Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program.

The Senate budget bill also relies on accounting techniques such as payment delays and fund borrowing that the House leadership is against.

Nucleus of Iraqi government might be selected next month

BASRA, Iraq (AP) — The selection of the core of Iraq's interim government will begin by mid-May, and a group of Iraqis may take the reins, the U.S. civil administrator said today. One of Saddam Hussein's top biological weapons scientists — known as "Mrs. Anthrax" — has been captured, American officials said.

The northern city of Mosul took a small step in forming a municipal government, selecting a cross-section of residents to run the city alongside the American military until elections can be held, U.S. military officials said.

The captured scientist, a 49-year-old Huda Salih Mahdi Ammash, was taken into custody Sunday, a Defense Department official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Ammash, who earned her Ph.D. from the University of Missouri, was No. 53 among the top 55 most-wanted members of Saddam's regime. U.S. intelligence officials said she is believed to have played a key role in rebuilding Iraq's biological weapons capability since the 1991 war.

The arrest of a former Iraqi intelligence chief was announced by the U.S. military. The Army's V Corps had no details other than his name, Adil Salfeg Al-Azarui. Al-Azarui, a Baath Party official, also was once the mayor of Tikrit, Saddam's hometown. He was not on 55 most-wanted list.

Iraq's U.S. administrator, Jay Garner, said he expected a "nucleus" of Iraqis to assume leadership. The idea was discussed last week at a meeting in Baghdad.

He said he did not know whether the nucleus would evolve into a collective executive for Iraq.

"I don't know whether there will be one guy or five guys or three," Garner said during a trip to southern Iraq.

Multiple arrests reported

Arrests

DPS troopers arrested J.R. Davis, 40, of 215 S. Ave. C in Post at 12:35 a.m. today on U.S. 84 for outstanding warrants from Travis County for sexual performance of a child and bond forfeiture. The trooper was alerted to the subject after a clerk at Town and Country in Hermleigh reported that he appeared intoxicated and had an unrestrained child in the vehicle.

At 12:37 a.m. today, Snyder officers arrested a 23-year-old man for failure to identify himself. He was transported to the Law Enforcement Center, but released after paying his fines.

Officers took a 35-year-old man into custody at 1:42 a.m. today for family violence.

At 1:50 a.m. Sunday, officers arrested two subjects in the 4100 block of College Ave.

Taken into custody was a 21-year-old man for possession of narcotic paraphernalia and possession of marijuana, under two ounces. Also arrested was a 22-year-old man for public intoxication.

A 25-year-old man was arrested in the 4200 block of Ave. V at 5:30 a.m. Sunday for public intoxication.

Snyder officers arrested a male subject at 9:07 a.m. Sunday for violating a criminal trespass warning at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

DPS troopers took a

Disturbance

A woman reported Saturday morning that her husband had assaulted her Thursday night. Officers advised a report for assault, family violence would be submitted.

Thefts

A man reported at 8 a.m. Sunday that a window on his vehicle had been broken while parked in the 1100 block of 34th Street. Officers responded and submitted a Class B offense report for burglary of a vehicle.

At 6:30 p.m. Sunday, a man in Dunn reported the theft of a toolbox from a building. Deputies submitted a report for burglary of a building.

Criminal mischief

At 7:45 a.m. Saturday, a man reported the passenger side window broken out of a 1967 Ford parked at 35th Street and College Ave. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted.

A man reported his pickup being shot with a BB gun while it was parked at Snyder Lanes. Officers filed a report for Class B criminal mischief.

At 10:45 a.m. Sunday, a woman at the Golden Terrace apartments reported the back windows of her car and another were shot out with a BB gun. Two offense reports for criminal mischief were filed.

An employee at Snyder Lanes reported several windows with BB holes shot in them Sunday morning. A Class A report for criminal mischief was submitted.

At 3:15 p.m. Sunday, a man reported a window on his father-in-law's car broken out. Officers filed a report for criminal mischief.

Two criminal mischief reports were filed in the 2100 block of 41st Street Sunday afternoon after residents reported windows shot out with BB guns.

Dog bite

A man reported at 4 p.m. Saturday that his 7-year-old grandson was bitten by a dog.

Final exams now underway at WTC

Final exams began this morning at Western Texas College, with Monday, Wednesday and Friday's 8 to 8:50 a.m. classes testing at 8 this morning.

Classes scheduled for 12-12:50 p.m. on those days were scheduled to test at noon, and the 2-2:50 p.m. classes begin their finals at 2 this afternoon. Monday evening classes will test at 6:30 tonight.

Tuesday's exam schedule starts at 8 a.m. for Tuesday and Thursday 8-9:15 classes. Tuesday's 10:50-12:05 classes will take their exams at 10:50 Tuesday morning. Tuesday night classes test at 6:30 that night.

Wednesday's finals schedule begins at 9 a.m., with Monday, Wednesday and Friday's 9-9:50 a.m. classes beginning at 9. 11:1150 classes test at 11 a.m., 1-1:50 classes at 1 p.m., and 3-3:50 p.m. classes at 3 p.m. Exams for evening classes on Wednesday start at 6:30 p.m.

Thursday is the last day of finals, with tests getting underway at 9:25 a.m. for classes scheduled Tuesdays and Thursday from 9:25-10:40 a.m. The final for 12:15 to 1:30 classes start at 12:15 p.m. and the evening exam for Thursday night's classes commence at 6:30.

Today's Weather

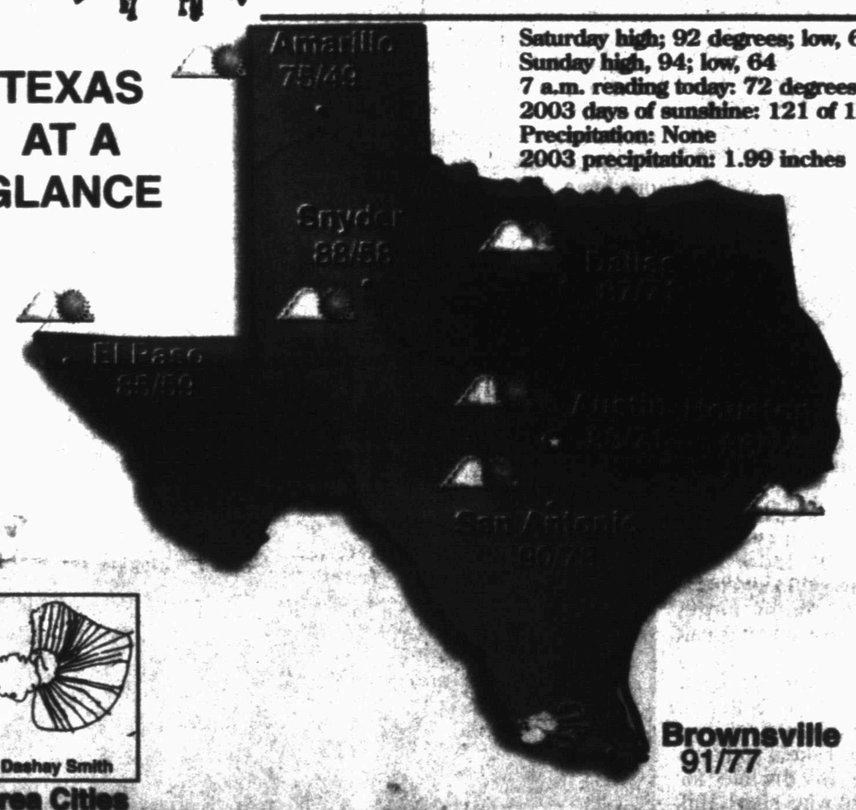
Local 3-Day Forecast

Tue 5/6	Wed 5/7	Thu 5/8
88/58	91/65	94/60
Partly cloudy. High 88F. Winds WSW at 10 to 20 mph.	Plenty of sun. Highs in the low 90s and lows in the mid 60s.	Slight chance of a thunderstorm.
Sunrise 6:52 AM, Sunset 8:29 PM	Sunrise 6:51 AM, Sunset 8:29 PM	Sunrise 6:50 AM, Sunset 8:30 PM

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TEXAS AT A GLANCE



Saturday high; 92 degrees; low, 64
Sunday high, 94; low, 64
7 a.m. reading today: 72 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 121 of 124 inches
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: 1.99 inches

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Area Cities

Abilene	88	63	pt sunny	El Paso	85	59	pt sunny	Midland	91	60	sunny
Amarillo	75	49	pt sunny	Fort Stockton	92	61	sunny	Raymondville	92	75	windy
Austin	88	71	pt sunny	Gainesville	85	65	pt sunny	Rosenberg	87	73	cloudy
Beaumont	86	73	pt sunny	Greenville	85	66	pt sunny	San Antonio	90	73	pt sunny
Brownsville	91	77	windy	Houston	86	74	cloudy	San Marcos	89	72	pt sunny
Brownwood	91	66	pt sunny	Kingsville	91	75	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	85	66	pt sunny
Corpus Christi	87	76	cloudy	Livingston	86	70	t-storm	Sweetwater	90	60	pt sunny
Corsicana	86	69	pt sunny	Longview	86	68	pt sunny	Tyler	86	70	pt sunny
Dallas	87	71	cloudy	Lubbock	84	54	cloudy	Weatherford	87	65	pt sunny
Del Rio	95	73	pt sunny	Lufkin	86	72	t-storm	Wichita Falls	86	61	pt sunny

National Cities

Atlanta	79	62	t-storm	Houston	86	74	cloudy	Phoenix	88	64	pt sunny
Boston	50	47	rain	Los Angeles	65	51	pt sunny	San Francisco	61	50	windy
Chicago	74	51	pt sunny	Miami	84	75	pt sunny	Seattle	57	41	pt sunny
Dallas	87	71	cloudy	Minneapolis	61	48	rain	St. Louis	78	60	pt sunny
Denver	57	40	cloudy	New York	62	53	rain	Washington, DC	78	62	rain

Moon Phases

New	First	Full	Last
May 1	May 9	May 16	May 23

UV Index

Tue 5/6	Wed 5/7	Thu 5/8
Very High	Very High	Very High

The UV index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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