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Midwest and Stamford...

Co-ops propose merger in light of deregulation

If the membership of two area electric cooperatives approve a merger in a vote later this summer, members of the newly-formed co-op will probably not notice any immediate changes other than a new name.

"Big Country Electric Cooperative will be our new name," said Jerry Stapp, general manager of Midwest Electric Co-op.

Midwest and Stamford Electric Cooperative are considering the merger in anticipation of the deregulation of the electrical industry in Texas, and in the interest of becoming a more efficient electrical supplier in the future, said Stapp.

"If deregulation happens, then we want to be prepared," Stapp said.

The new cooperative would serve approximately 12,000 meters in Scurry, Jones, Haskell, Shackelford, Stonewall, Throckmorton, Fisher, Nolan, Mitchell, Garza, Kent and Borden Counties.

The company would be headquartered in Roby, with district offices in Snyder and Stamford.

The seven-member board of directors of Midwest, and nine-member board of the Stamford electric co-op will govern the board for three years. The board would then be reduced to a nine-member board in the third year of the merger, said Stapp.

Currently, Midwest serves about 6,000 meters, as does the Stamford co-op.

"If the merger is approved, it will allow the new co-op to do things much more efficiently," Stapp said.

Stapp said both companies conducted employee meetings this week, and everyone in attendance indicated they are for the merger.

"I think the merger will allow us to provide opportunites for employees that neither company can offer at the present," Stapp said.

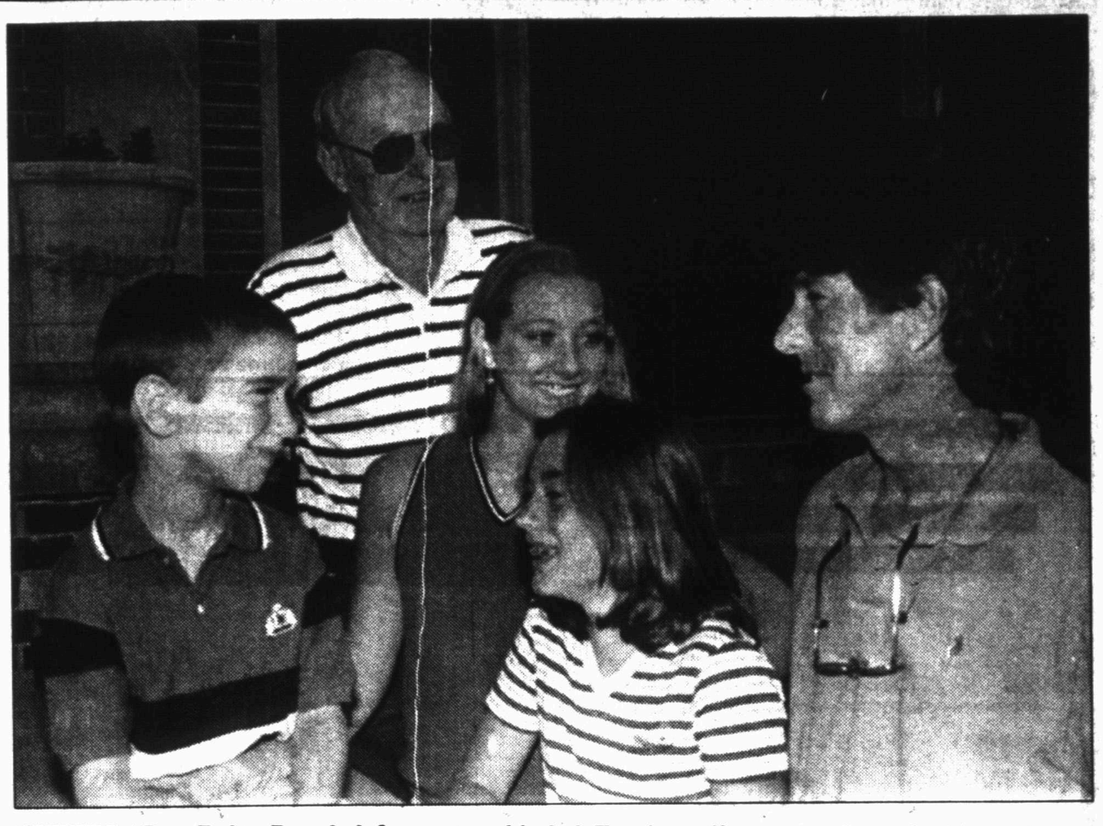
No layoffs are planned by either company as a result of the merger, Stapp added.

"We can reduce overhead in some areas, but no outside or office employees will lose their jobs."

Ballots will be mailed to members of the co-ops on July 31, and must be returned to their respective offices offices by 5 p.m. on Aug. 13.

"All our members have a voice in this proposal," Stapp said.

If a majority of the members of both co-ops approve the merger, it will become effective Jan. 1.



AWWW DAD — Dylan Bunch, left, reacts as his dad, Travis, outlines some chores for him to do as a Father's Day present on Sunday. Sisters Lindsey and Stacey look on, as does grandfather, Olin. (SDN Staff Photo)

It's already hot...

What?...Summer is just now beginning

While the summer season doesn't officially start until Sunday, most Scurry County residents might be hard pressed to tell the difference between spring and summer.

Temperatures are higher — by more than 10 degrees — than the same time period last year, and Snyder is more than a foot short in rainfall compared to 1997.

Last year, Snyder's rain gauge at the water plant had recorded almost 19 inches of moisture. So far this year, only 5.57 inches of rain has been measured.

June started off and stayed hot. The first four days of the month saw temperatures in triple digits — 106, 106, 103 and 100.

Temperatures have reached the 100 degree mark an additional five times since June 4, including 105 degrees on June 13 and 103 last Wednesday. Forecasters predict no relief — or rain — for the rest of the month.

May was not for sweaters, either.

Temperatures reached the mid-90s several times, prompting record water useage that early.

"There was one week in May when the water plant was averaging treating over seven million gallons a day," said Beverly Coots, Snyder's city engineer.

"In 1997, the water plant did not record useage like that until mid-July," Coots added.

Coots said other than that one week in May, the plant is averaging treating around six million gallons daily.

Except for this week.

"We're back to treating right at seven million gallons daily," she said.

The good news is that the city's water plant can treat that many gallons per day.

The bad news is that there is not that much water left to treat in Lake J.B. Thomas.

Snyder is certainly in no danger of running out of water as the Colorado River Municipal Water District has ample water available, albeit some of it is many miles away in Lake Spence and Lake Ivie.

The water district is capable of pumping some seven million gallons daily from Lake Spence to Lake Thomas, if necessary.

Plus, the water district turned on auxiliary water wells in the county last week to supplement the dwindling supply at the lake.

And although Lake Thomas is still less than six percent full, it still contains more water in it than it did two years ago.

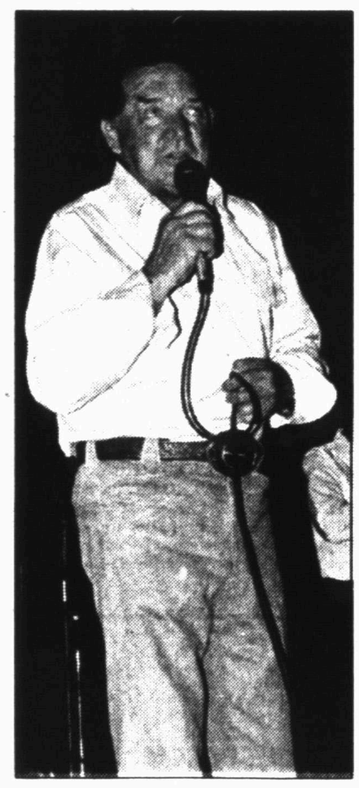
On June 14, 1996, the lake had only 4.82 percent of its capacity, or 9,842 acre-feet.

Presently, there is just over 12,000 acre-feet in the lake.

"It's a foot and a half higher," said CRMWD general manager John Grant on Friday, "Not much improvement, but an improvement."

Grant, who resides in Big Spring, probably uses the word, "pray" as often as all the religious leaders in that community do together.

"Just tell the folks in Snyder to pray for rain," said Grant.



LIVING LEGEND — Ray Price was scheduled to appear during Saturday's final day of the Legends of Western Swing Music Festival at Scurry County Coliseum. Price had shows scheduled at 2:55 and 9:30 p.m. (SDN Staff Photo)

Price Daniel assigned new Asst. Warden

Vernon K. Pittman, a 14-year veteran with the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, has been promoted to assistant warden at the Price Daniel Unit in Snyder.

Pittman, 39, will become assistant warden here on July 1, replacing David Sweetin who returns to the Huntsville area to become assistant warden at the Eastham Unit at Lovelady.

Pittman began his career with the TDCJ on March 12, 1984 as a correctional officer at the Pack I unit.

"We are very lucky to have outstanding officers such as Warden Pittman who have made corrections their career," said Wayne Scott, TDCJ executive director.

"While stress levels are high and the pay is clearly not overwhelming, there are many advantages to serving in this area of law enforcement," Scott added. "We are proud of Warden Pittman."

While at Pack II, Pittman was promoted to sergeant and to lieutenant. In January, 1994, he was promoted to captain and transferred to the Boyd Unit.

In August of the same year, he was promoted to major at the McConnell Unit. He has served as major at the Eastham Unit since May, 1997.

Sweetin has served as assistant warden at the Daniel Unit since last August.

Smile, Snyder police have you on camera

By Joyce May
Staff Writer

With the help of advanced technology and top-of-the-line equipment, three Snyder Police officers now have new partners in their fight against crime.

Budgeted for 1997-1998, three Eyewitness camera units have been installed in the police vehicles of officers Mike Ward, David Presley and Corporal Terry Snyder.

According to Ward, the equipment is a leader in its field.

"Eyewitness is a leading camera unit on the market that is used by Texas Department of Public Safety troopers and several other larger departments in our area."

Sgt. Trevlyn Pitner said the equipment will be used in a variety of ways — including routine traffic stops. Ward added that it has already been useful.

"The equipment has been beneficial in several cases, including DWI enforcement. All three of the units that have it, have used it in drunk driving cases," Ward said.

Pitner said the cameras will also serve as a means of protection for officers.

"It will be used for officers safety and can be used for protecting them from frivolous claims such as false accusations, because you have everything recorded."

Audio and video can be recorded with the unit, which consists of a camera mounted to the windshield, a control box, and a main recorder located in a locked, temperature-controlled vault in the vehicle's trunk.

Ward said the equipment gives several advantages to officers.

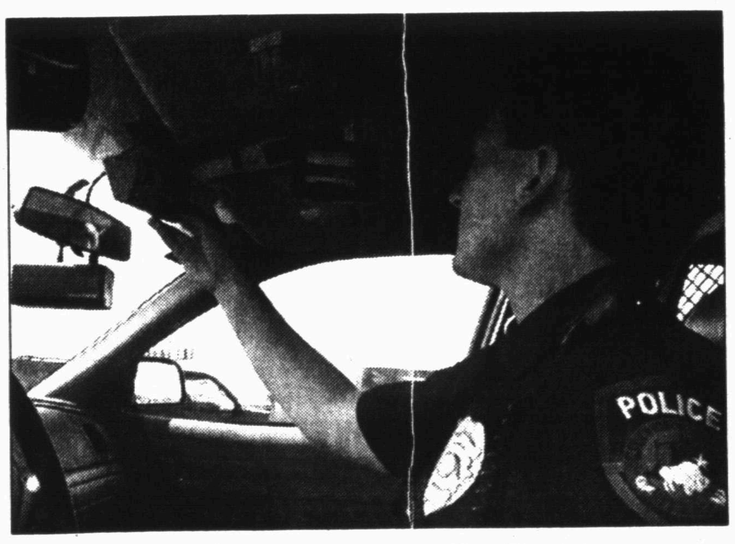
"The camera can be turned on outside the unit. Also, if we are out on, say, a family disturbance or fight in progress, it will record sound.

"Also, if an officer gets into trouble, for instance a gun is drawn on him, he can click on and record what is taking place on the scene."

The camera itself also has several beneficial features.

"The camera has manual and autofocus as well as a zoom feature for distance. That is useful if I have a vehicle pulling away and I have not yet got their license. I can use zoom to draw the vehicle

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CAMERA CAPABILITES — Officer Mike Ward demonstrates the features of the top-of-the-line Eyewitness camera unit installed in his police vehicle. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN
By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It's impossible to fool your wife — or your kids. They've seen you both in the light and in the dark."

A few weeks ago, Frank Miller was honored as the newest Paul Harris Fellow of the Snyder Rotary Club. Miller, a longtime club secretary, is a retired Snyder public school administrator.

Rotary ends every meeting with the "4-Way Test."

1. Is it the truth?
2. Is it fair to all concerned?
3. Will it build goodwill and better friendship?
4. Will it be beneficial to all concerned?

Dr. George Miller of Fayetteville, Ark., could not attend the function, but instead sent a eloquent letter to honor his father.

On this Father's Day, we asked permission to reprint part of the letter in honor of all the solid fathers like Frank who not only believe, but live, the principles of the 4-Way test:

"I grew up with my father being active in the Snyder Rotary Club. I have admired the 4-way test and the values and virtues that Rotary promulgates. My father also has stressed to me our actions should embody the principles of the 4-way test.

"Service above self is a magnanimous creed which will firstly and most importantly engender a heightened sense of self worth and secondly the salutatory benefit of admiration from observers.

"The stress that Rotary places on truthfulness and fairness are basic tenants by which a civilized society can function without partiality and eliminates the court of innuendoes, subterfuge and political favor from tilting the playing field in such a way business and personal relationships are not available equally to all.

"Daddy has lived an exemplary life of these virtures, comporting himself in a humble and fair minded way with great interest in providing for the common good, sometimes at personal expense.

"The Paul Harris Fellowship is a further commitment for Rotarians to extend themselves financially to help insure a greater national and international common good can be accomplished.

"...Rotary is involved in too large a number of programs for enumeration, but all have the same commitment to improving the quality of life for others.

"It is with great pride that Lisa and I are able to complete my father's Paul Harris Fellow endowment; for this is a manifestation of tenants and ideals that he has instilled in me and I am attempting to instill in his grandchildren..."

ASK US

Q—When will the entrance to the industrial park be landscaped?

A—Work should begin this week, according to DCOS executive director John DeLille.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Friday, 106 degrees; low, 77; 7 a.m. Saturday, 79; no precipitation; total for 1998, 5.57 inches.

Area Forecast: Saturday night, fair. Low, mid 70s. Sunday, mostly sunny. High, 100-104.



Candace Rice
Mostly sunny

Sunset: 8:51 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:40 a.m.
Of 170 days in 1998, the sun has shone 168 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

A pessimist sees the difficulty in every opportunity; an optimist sees the opportunity in every difficulty.

Sir Winston Churchill

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Smuggled Freemen treasure resurfaces

BILLINGS, Mont. (AP) — While holding hundreds of FBI agents at bay, the besieged Montana Freemen apparently were able to smuggle about $145,000 in gold and silver coins and cash from their farm compound.

And a witness told a U.S. District Court jury that some of the money helped finance sympathizers of the anti-government group.

Randy Parsons testified Friday that he used some of the gold and silver coins to pay phone bills at a Freedom Center established by sympathizers, but he denied smuggling any of the money from the Freemen compound himself.

He said money orders also arrived at the center anonymously and were payable to "Justus Township" by people who attended the Freemen's classes northwest of Jordan in eastern Montana.

Parsons said he recalled only picking up "some papers" from a Justus Township neighbor.

"You don't remember picking up a two-foot-by-two-foot box weighing a couple of hundred pounds?" asked Justice Department prosecutor George Toscas. Parsons said no.

Some two dozen of the anti-government extremists held the FBI at bay around the stronghold for 81 days in 1996. Twelve are on trial now, including the group's leaders.

The first public word of the treasure came in earlier testimony from Ebert Stanton, a Freeman who left the standoff before it ended.

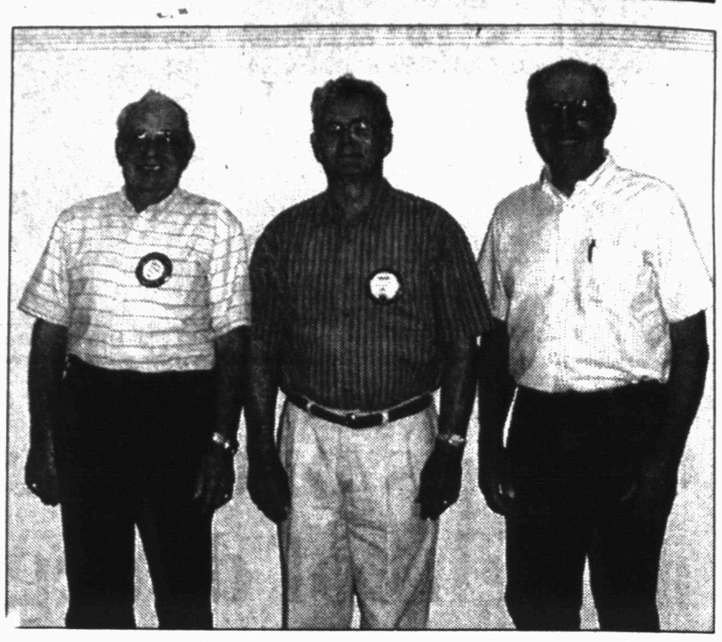
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Calabrese in Who's Who

Jayme Lee Calabrese, a student at Sweet Briar College, will be listed in the 1998 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges."

Jayme is the daughter of Marsha Ballard of Plano, former Snyder resident. She is the granddaughter of Carl E. Ballard, a long time Snyder resident.



LION TAMERS, TAIL TWISTERS — Lions International Director Jimmy Ross of Quitaque installed officers of the Snyder's Lions Club at Wednesday's meeting held at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. From left are Lion Tamers Olin Bunch and Horrace Bostick and tail twister Max von Roeder. Tail twister Cliff Smith is not pictured. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

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Museum exhibit shows the way things were

An exhibition that highlights the story of Texas settlers is open for public viewing at the Scurry County Museum. A special selection of Tom Prather's photographs, with additional images by Arlington photographer Jeffery Atwies, has been organized by the Texas Humanities Resource Center in Austin into a photographic essay on the lifeways of early Texans as reflected through their buildings.

The creation of this traveling exhibition and its presentation in Scurry County has been made possible by grants from the Texas Committee for the Humanities, a state program of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

"The Way Things Were" consist of 40 photographs from Central and North Texas, poignant illustrations of the hard facts of pioneering life on the farms and in small towns.

The exhibit highlights the settlers' accommodations to reality, their dreams of a better tomorrow, the ambitious ventures, and the losing gamble of a people who lived too close to the soil.

Featured in the pictures are log houses, stone barns, one-room schools, brush arbors, general stores, failed banks, and a selection of the court houses that the 19th century Texans built as monuments to a lawful and orderly society.

"The Way Things Were" will be on display at the local museum until July 5.

When Austin resident Tom Prather retired in 1978 from his position as executive director of the Texas Congress PTAs, he took to the two-lane highways of Central Texas in the company of his favorite cameras.

His scheme at the outset was to photograph the process of historical preservation, showing how individuals, groups, or entire communities had managed to save and restore buildings and sites that had played an important role in local history. But the farther Prather traveled, the more strongly he felt drawn to the commonplace and apparently insignificant.

"I'd go out to photograph a building on the historic register," he admits somewhat ruefully, "and spend the entire day at a homestead across the road. I'd see an old stone barn or an abandoned farmhouse, just like dozens of others that used to dot the countryside, but now the only one left. I felt that if I didn't pay attention to it, no one else would either, and it would just vanish and be forgotten."

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Resident of the Month of June

Ms. Betty Leak has been selected as resident of the month at Snyder Healthcare. She was selected as resident of the month because of her sweet and kind disposition. Ms. Leak has resided at Snyder Healthcare for 3 years and shares a room with her mother. Prior to residing at Snyder Healthcare Ms. Leak took care of her brother at home and served as a volunteer at Snyder Healthcare Center where her mother resides. Ms Leak has been a resident of Scurry County for 20 years and is well respected by her staff and peers at Snyder Healthcare.

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NEW DIRECTORS — Lions Club directors inducted at last Wednesday's meeting from left are Greg Rains, Juanita Glass, Deborah Beall and Bud Pinkerton. Not pictured are directors Barbara Granato, Gary Landes, Clifford Shiller and Peggy Vernon. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Aided by a tip, diary, police land suspect in 1975 slaying

BOSTON (AP) — It took a diary and 23 years for police to track down a suspect in a teenager's killing. Now there's another problem: the courts want to charge the 39-year-old suspect as a juvenile.

David Allen Jones is accused in the 1975 killing of Robin Gilbert, whose death had been blamed on heart disease. Jones, who is accused in part because of his mother's diaries, is being treated as a child in court because he was 16 at the time of the killing.

Balding, mustachioed and with beefy tattooed arms, Jones pleaded innocent Friday to juvenile delinquency by reason of murder in the death of Gilbert.

"It's a very strange case," prosecutor Rick Grundy said.

Prosecutors said they'll ask to transfer the case to adult court.

When Gilbert's body was found half buried under brush on the edge of a golf course on July 2, 1975, Reading police figured it was homicide. Tracks found at the scene showed she had been dragged several hundred yards.

But the case fizzled when a pathologist ruled that the 14-year-old Gilbert had died of heart disease.

"I was dumbfounded," said Reading Police Chief Edward Marchand, who was one of the first detectives at the crime scene. "We knew somebody was with her."

Marchand said the task of overruling a pathologist was too difficult, but Reading police through the years remained convinced that Gilbert had been murdered.

Two years ago, the telephone rang in the detective bureau at the Reading police department, and someone whispered a tip into the phone. That call led detectives to the diaries of Marjorie Jones, who died of colon cancer in 1996.

Investigators will not elaborate, but said something in the diaries led them to her son, who was living outside Atlanta.

"In no way are the diaries a cornerstone of the case," Grundy said, but added, "everything in a 22-year-old case is helpful."

With the case reopened, authorities spent nine months interviewing dozens of witnesses, including a friend of Gilbert's who was staying at her house the night she sneaked out to walk on the golf course and never returned.

Russian novelist Leo Tolstoy was born near Tula in 1828.

Correction is planned

NEW YORK (AP) — Steven Brill said he will correct a portion of the article in the debut edition of his magazine that wrongly reported the sequence of events at The Wall Street Journal as the newspaper decided to publish a story on Kenneth Starr's probe.

Brill, editor and publisher of Brill's Content, apologized to the Journal in a statement issued Friday for what he called "honest confusion about the ground rules" during an interview with a Journal reporter.

The Journal issued a statement, saying it was satisfied that the mistakes "were the result solely of a misunderstanding, and were not advertent on the part of Mr. Brill."

The first edition of Brill's Content set off a storm in political and journalism circles when it named independent counsel Starr as a key source for reporters covering President Clinton's alleged affair with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky.

In his article, Brill discussed the Journal's decision to report that White House Steward Bayani Nelvis told a federal grand jury he saw Clinton and Ms. Lewinsky together near the Oval Office — a story that the Journal later admitted was erroneous.

Brill said the Journal went ahead with the Nelvis story before contacting the White House for comment. After the magazine was published, the Journal said it had sought White House comment.

Brill said he was wrong and that the Journal had sought the comment, but decided to publish before the White House responded.

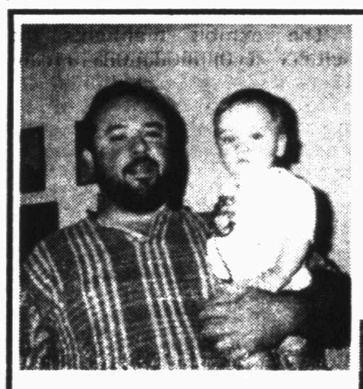


GAVEL EXCHANGE — Joe Hefner, outgoing president of the Snyder Lions Club, presented the gavel to new Lion Boss Ricky Fritz. Lions Club members meet at noon each Tuesday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

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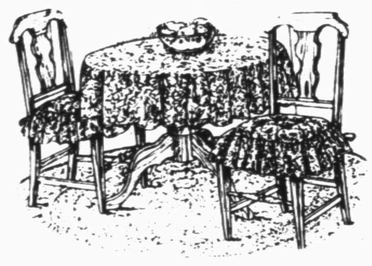
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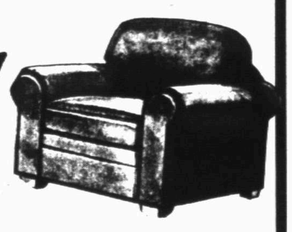


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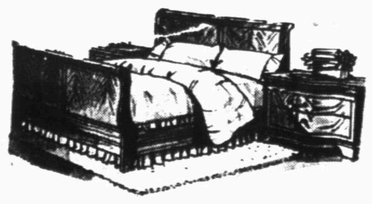




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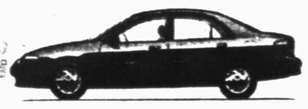
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Diabetic mistaken for drunk

FREDERICK, Md. (AP) — Frederick County officials say deputies followed policy when they beat a diabetic so much during a traffic stop that he spent four days in the hospital. They had mistaken him for a drunk.

The Sheriff's Department acknowledged deputies used a nightstick, a dog and a pepper spray against Frederick Moore IV, 34, after he was stopped for driving erratically in his pickup late June 12.

Deputies believed Moore was a belligerent drunk, officials said.

"We are all sorry Mr. Moore was injured in the incident, but his injuries will heal," said Maj. Francis Tully, department operation chief. "I do not feel that our deputies did anything wrong in this incident."

After Moore's arrest on charges that included fleeing police, doctors told police that Moore was in diabetic shock, which occurs when the level of blood sugar becomes too low. The condition can occur in diabetics because of a lack of food or too much insulin or exercise.

State's Attorney Scott Rolle said charges will be dropped if an investigation confirms he was in diabetic shock.

Moore was never charged with drunken driving.

Moore, a credit union department manager from Centreville, Va., was struck at least 10 times in the upper body and suffered dog bites on his back and buttocks, according to his lawyer, Peter J. Davis.

According to Tully, Deputy Eric Winer forced Moore to pull over and repeatedly ordered him to turn off the engine. Instead, Moore growled from between clenched teeth and grabbed at his gear shift lever.

Winer used his nightstick to break the driver's side window to try to shut off the engine, Tully said. He said Winer struck Moore and used pepper spray. Another sheriff's deputy with a dog then arrived, as did a state trooper, and they subdued Moore, who weighs more than 200 pounds.

Both deputies are trained emergency medical technicians. Moore's lawyer said they should have recognized his symptoms.

Davis said Moore doesn't remember the arrest. Moore must have become disoriented, missed a turn and ended up 40 miles from home, where police stopped him, he said.

Road trip begins

MADISON, Wis. (AP) — Gov. Tommy Thompson got his motor running and headed out on the highway, leading about 200 bikers on a road trip to the nation's capital.

The caravan hit the highway Friday as part of the festivities for Wisconsin's 150th birthday bash.

"It's going to be a memorable trip," Thompson told riders.

The 1,135-mile itinerary included a stop at the Indianapolis Motor Speedway and a visit to a Harley-Davidson plant in York, Pa. In Washington, the bikers planned a parade down Pennsylvania Avenue to the Smithsonian Folklife Festival, where a Wisconsin birthday exhibit is to open.



LIONS CLUB OFFICERS — Lions International Director Jimmy Ross of Quitaque, left, installed officers Wednesday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Ross was governor of Dist. 2-T 1 in 1986-87 and was council chairman in 1991-92. Ross was elected international director in Montreal, Canada, in 1996 and served two years. Local officers include Ricky Fritz, president; Bill Overhulser, first vice president; Jene Steakley, secretary; C.A. "Mac" McCown, treasurer; and Jack Denman, song leader. Not present were Mike Hartman, second vice president; and Emerson Armstrong, third vice president. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

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Central 3rd graders' art shown

Twenty-five Central Elementary students' artwork were chosen for a student art exhibit in Austin entitled, "Patterns, Portraits, & Abstractions."

The exhibit was part of the Texas Education Agency Rotating Exhibit Initiative, sponsored by the Texas Education Agency in collaboration with the Texas Commission on the Arts.

The work was on exhibit from March 30 to May 10 at the Texas Education Agency office building. The students received a certificate of recognition signed by the Commissioner of Education, Mike Moses.

The Board of Education viewed the work prior to its meeting on May 8.

The students whose art work was exhibited include: Marleah Akins, Brianna Bernal, Allie Brewster, Taylor Courtney, Sarah Covington, Chelsey Drummond, Kimberly Dupuy, Kinsey Guynes, Christina Guzman, Larry Larralde, Keith Manlief, Regina Martinez, Sesalie Martinez, Erica Munoz, Matthew Pesina, Wesley Price, Lashekka Richardson, Ashley Rodriguez, Amy Sauceda, Roxana Scott, Jordan Stansell, Danna Thompson, Brian Villarreal, Heather West, Sebastian Zamora.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Sunday, June 21, 1998

Major social and commercial trends will be balanced better in the year ahead than they were last year. This could spell success in areas where you were previously deprived of it.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Don't blame others if things go wrong today. Instead of finding fault, devote your energy to making amends. These changes will make your day. Cancer, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) There's a possibility you might operate at extremes today, in the management of your affairs. You'll either be dangerously extravagant or unbecomingly stingy.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) A change of pace could do you a world of good today if you feel you've been too cloistered lately. Seek the companionship of carefree spirits.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Beware of tendencies to prematurely misread the intentions of others today. Your beliefs could discourage someone who wants to help you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Steer clear of people who measure your worth in proportion to your status symbols today. Limit associations to those who like you for yourself.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A situation you're presently resisting could be good for you. It may prove wise to reevaluate the situation today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Be careful not to let your emotions influence important decisions today. It's logic, not feelings, that should dominate these choices.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) It's what you know, not who, that counts today. If you can't cut the mustard, having big shots for pals won't help.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Play to win today, but keep hopes and expectations within reasonable bounds. Don't kid yourself into believing the end justifies the means — it doesn't.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A matter of significance might not get off to a smooth start today. Hang in there, because by noon things could start to get better.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) People in your social circle will favor you today, but the commercial world might not. Keep your guard up if you have to deal with hard-nosed business types.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Listen to the suggestions of associates today without discounting your own judgment. You might see things more clearly from your perspective.

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Your Birthday

Monday, June 22, 1998

There may be impressive surprises in store for you in the year ahead. They are the results of associating with industrious producers.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Fortunately, you're likely to be resourceful and able to achieve your objectives today, even without cooperation from associates. Major changes are ahead for Cancer in the coming year. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) An arrangement may need to be altered today, and not everyone will be pleased. However, if all are willing to make concessions, the situation can be worked out amicably.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you're too exacting with others today, they won't live up to your expectations. Don't demand perfection you lack yourself.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Important assignments should be tended to as early in the day as possible. When you tire, you may cease to think clearly and become less effective.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There are gains to be derived today, and you're apt to be motivated by those you provide for.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't let it upset you if someone you like is attentive to someone else today. If you react jealously, it'll only make matters worse.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) You should be able to manage commercial situations competently today. However, there's a chance you may be careless in other matters.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Goals and objectives of significance to you may not be so intriguing to your companions today. If you get too demanding, it could all fall apart.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) There could be ambivalence in the way you manage resources today. In some instances, you'll be cautious and tight-fisted, while in others you could be careless and extravagant.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Try not to get involved with those whose behavior could reflect poorly on your image today. This is a delicate time, so stick to friends who match your standards.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Chances are, you'll be the recipient of a beneficial financial development today. Don't be greedy, and make sure to welcome favors graciously.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) When dealing with friends today, keep things light; don't get involved in their affairs, nor let them probe into yours.

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Army settles sex harassment case

OLYMPIA, Wash. (AP) — A civilian lawyer who claimed an Army colonel sexually harassed her and the service retaliated when she complained has settled a lawsuit for a $500,000 payment.

"To me, it is a pretty clear indication the Army considered it a significant risk or they would not have offered the settlement of this size," said Guy Sternal, an attorney for Kelly Theriot. "It is a lot of money."

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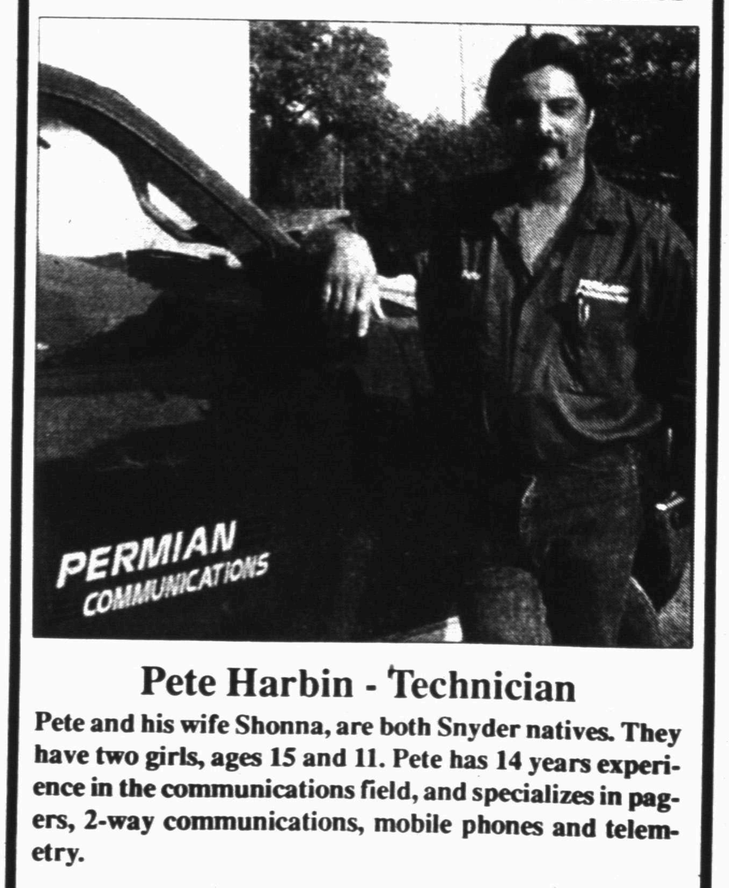
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Today is the 171st day of 1998 and the 93rd day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1837, Queen Victoria ascended to the British throne after the death of her uncle, King William IV.

On this day in 1893, a court in New Bedford, Mass., acquitted Lizzie Borden of killing her parents with an ax.

On this day in 1993, the Chicago Bulls won their third straight NBA championship.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Errol Flynn (1909-1959), actor; Chet Atkins, (1924-), guitarist, is 74; Anne Murray (1945-), entertainer, is 53; Cyndi Lauper (1953-), singer, is 45;

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1980, Roberto Duran won a 15-round decision over Sugar Ray Leonard, capturing the WBC welterweight championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Elegance is good taste plus a dash of daring." — Carmel Snow

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1964, playing under almost unbearable conditions of heat and humidity, Ken Venturi won the U.S. Open in Washington, D.C. The high was 92 degrees and humidity reached 85 percent.

SOURCE: 1998 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (June 17) and new moon (June 23).

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June 21, 1998

Today is the 172nd day of 1998 and the 94th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1879, Frank Woolworth opened the first 5 & 10 Cent store, in Lancaster, Pa.

On this day in 1948, Dr. Peter Goldmark of CBS demonstrated the long-playing record.

On this day in 1977, Elvis Presley made his last appearance on television. He died less than two months later.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jane Russell (1921-), actress, is 77; O.C. Smith (1933-), singer, is 65; Wade Phillips (1947-), football coach, is 51.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1988, the Los Angeles Lakers defeated the Detroit Pistons, 108-105, in the seventh game of the NBA championship series.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Understanding and love require a wisdom that comes only with age." — Rollo May

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1991, a house in Eskridge, Kan., was struck by lighting at 4:45 p.m. and then struck again at 5:30 p.m.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (June 17) and new moon (June 23).

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Clooney signs deal with CBS

NEW YORK (AP) — George Clooney's Dr. Douglas Ross won't be on call at "ER" after the end of the next television season.

Although it was widely expected Clooney would leave the top-rated drama at the end of his five-year contract, the actor made it official with the announcement of a development deal with CBS on Friday.

Clooney may still make occasional guest appearances on NBC's top-rated drama after next season ends, said his spokeswoman, Lisa Reeder.

He's leaving on good terms, saying that he wants to try something else, she said. ER's executive producer, John Wells, has said he expected Clooney to leave at the end of his contract.

Clooney was the first real breakout star of the medical drama, parlaying his celebrity into a movie career that's included a stint in the Batman suit. His latest film, "Out of Sight," is in theaters soon.

The pediatrician Ross's active love life made him a central character in the drama, but he receded a bit into the background this season with his romance to Carole Hathaway, played by Julianna Margulies.

Presbyterian leaders OK gun resolution

CHARLOTTE, N.C. (AP) — Leaders of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) have asked members to remove handguns and assault weapons from their homes, while delaying a vote on the church's stance on ordaining homosexuals.

The gun resolution was approved by a more than 3-to-1 majority at the General Assembly on Thursday, The New York Times reported Saturday.

The resolution comes after recent fatal shootings at schools nationwide. It urges members to develop "community strategies and create sanctuaries of safety for our children."

Leaders of the 2.6 million-member church said it was not a binding order — merely a request made of individuals.

While taking a strong stand against guns in the home, church commissioners decided to delay a vote on another hot topic — whether sexually active gays and lesbians should be ordained.

On Friday, church commissioners overwhelmingly rejected a motion to have local presbyteries vote on the issue, leaving intact the church's ban on such ordinations for at least a year.

"I believe the church has spoken," said Mike Dixon Sr., a commissioner from Alabama. "We don't need this dominating the church for a third straight year."

But some said they believe the delay won't make the issue go away.

"This issue's alive," said Parker Williamson, editor of The Presbyterian Layman. "Given the place of this discussion in our culture, I'd have to assume Presbyterians will have to talk about this for a long time to come."

The General Assembly, an annual eight-day gathering, concludes today.

Retired pastor and missionary Homer Spencer of Lakeland, Fla., said he believes the church is "ducking the issue."

Spencer, 76, spent much of the week manning the Parents of Gays and Lesbians booth. His 45-year-old son, who is gay, joined the Metropolitan Community Church, which ministers mostly to gays and lesbians.

"He says he didn't leave the church," Spencer said. "He said the Presbyterian church left him."

FDA okays new shot against infant respiratory disease

WASHINGTON (AP) — Doctors now have a new weapon against a common and often serious respiratory infection affecting infants.

The Food and Drug Administration gave approval Friday to the genetically engineered drug, palivizumab, for protection against respiratory syncytial virus, or RSV, the most common cause of lower respiratory infections in the very young.

MedImmune Inc. of Gaithersburg, Md., developed the drug. It will be marketed, in partnership with the Ross Products Division of Abbott Laboratories, under the brand name Synagis. MedImmune earlier developed another drug called RSV Immune Globulin Intravenous.

The new drug is an antibody against the RSV virus. It is approved for use in high-risk infants under the age of 2 who have lung problems generally caused by premature birth.

Palivizumab can be given like an ordinary shot in a doctor's office. The earlier drug developed by MedImmune is given as an intravenous infusion over a period of hours. Both products are given in five monthly doses in order to build up protection against RSV.

About 90,000 infants are hospitalized annually in the United States with RSV infection. There are about 4,500 deaths each year from the disease.

Outbreaks of RSV occur most commonly during the colder months — late fall, winter and early spring. To combat the disease, infants are usually given the RSV drug in November.

Carroll O'Connor undergoes surgery

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Carroll O'Connor underwent surgery to clear a clogged carotid artery, and his surgeon gave him a good prognosis.

The actor had the operation Friday and was expected to remain hospitalized for several days, said Warren Robak, spokesman for University of California, Los Angeles Medical Center. The surgeon was Dr. Wesley Moore, director of UCLA's vascular surgery program.

The blockage was discovered during a recent routine exam. O'Connor had no symptoms. "The surgery is done to lessen the risk of a stroke," Robak said.

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SPORTS

Olympic humbles top golfers...

Stewart holds one-shot lead

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Payne Stewart said it was bordering on ridiculous. Lee Janzen said it was simply the U.S. Open. Not surprisingly, they were talking about the same thing.

The same course that allowed Stewart to get to 7-under-par early in the second round Friday at The Olympic Club also aggravated him to no end on the 18th green with three putts — the first from 8 feet, the second from 25.

"I was watching the Putt-Putt championship this morning before I came out," Stewart said. "It resembled that hole a lot."

The same course that gave Janzen a chance at breaking the U.S. Open scoring record also snatched it away — not to mention the lead — on the 17th hole, which he calls the toughest he has ever played.

"I imagine I'm not alone in losing shots on that hole," he said.

Stewart, the 1991 winner at Hazeltine, had to settle for a 1-over 71 for 137, giving him a one-stroke lead over Jeff Maggert and Bob Tway. All he wanted was a little more equitable treatment on the final hole of a typically tough day in the U.S. Open.

Janzen shot 66 despite the double bogey on No. 17 and was at 1-under 139, along with Lee Porter and amateur sensation Matt Kuchar.

"I come to the U.S. Open expecting nothing to be fair," Janzen said. "I expect if you hit in the rough, you can't hit it out. Put it above the hole, you can't two-put. If you hit in the bunker, you don't have a shot.

"If you don't hit good shots, you don't make the cut."

The USGA has long said it doesn't want to embarrass the best players in the world, only identify them.

On Friday, it infuriated some of them.

Stewart, who finished his first-round 66 with three birdies, started the second round with three more. He was still getting around Olympic in good shape at 5-under with two holes to play until he came to the 17th.

A bogey at No. 17 from the matted, 5-inch rough around the green didn't bother him, especially since his wedge into the 18th green stopped 8 feet from the hole.

On Thursday, the USGA considered the back left pin placement — on a green that slopes severely to the front — to be too severe. So they added more water and changed the way they mowed the green.

It didn't work.

"As it turned out, it's safe to say that any putt above the hole ... it was quite difficult," said USGA executive director David Fay.

Quite, indeed. Stewart's putt curled below the hole and then began an excruciating journey down the slope to what turned out to be a collection area 25 feet below the hole.

"I really thought I would have 3 or 4 feet coming up the hill," Stewart said.

He also thought he would have more than a one-stroke margin of error going into the weekend.

But then, Stewart has been here before. He had a comfortable lead at Oakland Hills two years ago until his approach hit a spectator on the head at No. 16. He bogeyed two of the last three holes to lead by one, and wound up in a tie for 27th when it was over.

At 3-under, Stewart invited a bunch of big names back into contention.

Nick Price, who could win the third leg of the grand slam by winning the U.S. Open, was at 1-over 141.

Perennial U.S. Open bridesmaid Tom Lehman and David Duval were among those at 143, and Phil Mickelson and Colin Montgomerie were at 144. Defending champion Ernie Els isn't out of it yet, either. He made eagle from the 10th fairway in a round of 70 and was at 145.

Tiger Woods was on the verge of missing the cut for the first time in a major since turning pro when he four-putted for the second day in a row to fall to 8-over. Woods played the last 12 holes in 2-under for a 72, putting him at 146.

Tom Watson, the runner-up at Olympic in the 1987 U.S. Open, missed the cut with a bogey on the 18th from the bunker.



MONEY FOR COLLEGE — Six area students received scholarships recently from the American Petroleum Institute during the annual API golf tournament. Scholarship recipients were, left to right, Kevin Kerr, $1,500; Christina Bullard, $1,500; Casey Doyle, $3,000; Larry Lambaren, $3,000; and Samantha Keller, $1,500. Not pictured is Jenise Judah, $1,500. Presenting the awards were API officers Mike Tyrrell, Steve Olsen and Joel Hook. (Contributed Photo)

Penders takes parting shot at Dodds

AUSTIN (AP) — Tom Penders, who resigned under fire as basketball coach at Texas in April, took a parting shot at Longhorns Athletic Director DeLoss Dodds after accepting the head job at George Washington University.

Penders, the winningest men's coach in UT history, was introduced in Washington, D.C. as coach of the Colonials of the Atlantic 10 Conference on Thursday. He replaces Mike Jarvis, who took the job at St. John's.

Penders said he thought he lost Dodds' support this year. He referred specifically to the fact that Dodds waited several days to tell Penders about a meeting four players had at Dodds' home the day after the season ended to express concerns about the direction of the program.

"This past year I just felt quite simply that my athletic director was undermining me," Penders said. "... I just felt it was clear to me that I could not work for my athletic director.

"I'm working with an athletic director (Kvancz) that I totally trust. I've lost a lot of weight this year ... and I feel like I lost another 50 pounds when I took the steel plate out of my back when I left Texas," added Penders, making a knife-in-the-back reference. "I don't have to worry about that here. I have people that are going to work with me to bring GW the very, very best."



SOFTBALL RUNNERS-UP — The Pink Panthers nabbed second place in the 5 & 6 Pixie Softball League regular season and tournament. Members of the Pink Panthers are, front row, left to right, Laramie Gilbert and Megan Williamson. On the second row are Kelly Martinez, Heather Newton, Carrie Harlan, Megan Thompson and Alex Hook. On the third row are Lauren Martin, Amanda Midwell, Dierdre Foree, Jessica Floyd and Cassidy Henderson. On the back row are coaches Billy Newton, Walt Floyd, Connie Payne and Ricky Harlan. Not pictured is Eboni Jackson. (Contributed Photo)

WTC slips back at finals

RAPID CITY, S.D. (AP) — Dickinson State's Zachary Crane matched West Hills' John Gragnani with a 74 in the third go-round of the saddle bronc competition Friday night, leading the North Dakota school to the team lead in the College National Finals Rodeo.

Dickinson State had 517 points to take a 32-point lead over defending men's champion Panhandle State in Saturday's final round. In the women's competition, defending champion Weber State had 365 points, followed by Lewis-Clark State at 285.

Crane's twin brother, Jeremy, had a 73-point ride to share the overall rodeo lead with Panhandle State's Rance Bray with a three-ride totals of 216 points.

Cody Bequeath of Treasure Valley Community College had Friday's only qualified ride in bull riding with a 71, placing him third in the average. Cory Navare of Southwestern Oklahoma State leads with 197, followed by South Dakota State's Shane Drury with 158.

Jason Havens of Montana State University took the overall lead in bareback bronc riding with an aggregate 223 points.

In steer wrestling, Panhandle State's Josh McIntyre downed his steer in 5.5 seconds Friday, fifth in the round, but holds the average lead at 16.2.

Trevor Brazile of West Texas A&M leads the calf roping average with a total time of 29.4 seconds, while Panhandle State's Brian Dunning and Travis Goad top the team roping at 19 seconds.

Bryel Zancanella of the Wyoming leads in women's breakaway roping, Tona Wright of Western Texas College is the average leader in barrel racing, and Kelli Fowers of Weber State has the lead in goat tying.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Charlotte	3	1	.750	-
Cleveland	2	1	.667	½
Washington	1	3	.250	2
New York	1	4	.200	2½
Detroit	0	3	.000	2½
WESTERN CONFERENCE	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Houston	3	0	1.000	-
Phoenix	3	0	1.000	-
Los Angeles	2	2	.500	1½
Utah	2	2	.500	1½
Sacramento	1	2	.333	2

Friday's Games
Washington 85, Utah 76
Los Angeles 78, New York 75
Saturday's Games
Detroit at Cleveland, 6 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 10 p.m.
Sunday's Games
Utah at New York, 4 p.m.
Charlotte at Phoenix, 5 p.m.
Detroit at Washington, 6 p.m.
Houston at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

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SPORTS

Sports Briefs

Basketball camp

The WTC Super Shooters Basketball Camp will begin Monday and run through Friday. Registration will start Monday at 8 a.m.

Incoming 7-8 grade boys and 7-12 grade girls are eligible. For more information, contact Valery Jackson or Marla Beasley at 573-8511 ext. 286 or 573-1494.

SCC scramble and MGA

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

WGA events

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will host the Ladies' Pumpjack Tournament on Tuesday. To register, contact the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Softball tourney

Snyder Men & Women's League Softball Tournament will be held next Saturday and Sunday at Winston Field. Entry fee is $75.

T-shirts and team trophies will be awarded. All-tournament players and a MVP will be selected for each division.

For more information, contact Billy Doucette at 573-6304, Joe Martinez (915) 728-3378, or Chris Maxfield at 573-4332 or 573-6862.

Basketball tourney

A 3-on-3 basketball tourney will be held next Saturday at Snyder High School.

Each squad may have four players and entry fee is $45. Deadline for registration is Friday.

To register, contact Juan Arizmendi at 573-6455.

Jr. golf clinic

The WTC Junior Golf Clinic for ages 8-16 will be held July 13-17. Registration is limited to first the 45 entries.

Instruction on swing mechanics, putting, short game and vidoe analysis will be led by WTC pro Rick Kahlich and SHS coaches Matt Glenn and Primo Gonzales.

Cost is $75. To register, call the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

Fast pitch clinic

A softball pitching clinic will be held every Wednesday at Cates Field at 5:30.

Ages 8 & up are eligible to register. For more information, call Herman Martinez at 573-0390.

Athletic physicals

All incoming 7th and 9th graders, and all students new to SISD who plan to participate in athletics must take a physical. Students who did not participate last year, or who answered yes to questions 1, 4, 5, 6 or 7 on their medical history form, will also need a physical.

All appointments should be made prior to Aug. 3. The school will pay for exams through Aug. 3 only.

Participating doctors are Drs. Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey and Pierce. Anyone not needing a physical must return all completed forms to the athletic office.

Gonzalez takes RBI lead, powers Texas to 7-3 win

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — Juan Gonzalez homered and drove in five runs to increase his major league-leading RBI total to 86 as the Texas Rangers beat the Anaheim Angels 7-3 Friday night.

Gonzalez took over the RBI lead from Mark McGwire, who has 82, as the Rangers ended Anaheim's four-game winning streak and cut the Angels' division lead to a half-game.

Gonzalez went 3-for-4, including a two-run homer in the ninth off Shigetosi Hasewaga and a three-run double in the seventh that snapped a 2-2 tie. He has 22 homers this season.

Rick Helling (10-3) gave up three runs and nine hits, walked none and struck out five in seven-plus innings. Chuck Finley (7-4) was the victim of four unearned runs.

Cecil Fielder, who hadn't made an error in 40 previous starts at first base this season, made two costly ones for the Angels. His error in the fourth led to Texas' first run, and his miscue in the seventh opened the door for the Rangers' three-run inning.

Finley, a 4-2 loser last Sunday in the Angels' only loss in a four-game series in Texas, was charged with five runs on six hits in 6 2-3 innings in the rematch.

Matt Walbeck's two-out RBI single for Anaheim tied it 2-2 in the sixth. Jim Edmonds and Tim Salmon singled to open the inning for the Angels, then Helling got Fielder on a foul pop and struck out Garret Anderson before Walbeck singled. Helling ended the inning by getting Justin Baughman on a fly to left.

Former Angel Luis Alicea had put the Rangers up by a run with a leadoff homer in the fifth. It was just the third homer of the year for Alicea, who played for Anaheim last year and signed as a free agent with Texas over the winter.

Kevin Elster's run-scoring single in the fourth tied the game 1-1. Gonzalez and Will Clark walked with one out, then Ivan Rodriguez reached on Fielder's error to load the bases. Finley struck out Mike Simms, then Elster followed with a single to left. Finley got out of further trouble by getting Fernando Tatis on a fly to right.

Anaheim took a 1-0 lead on Baughman's sacrifice fly in the second inning.



PIXIE RUNNERS-UP — The Bandits secured second place in the 7 & 8 Pixie Softball League. Members of the Bandits are, front row, left to right, Amanda Sanchez, Kendra Iglehart, Kalyn Hildreth, Jessica Hinson, Whitney Jenkins, Kayla Liccardi and Christian Tippens. On the middle row are Gina Hermosillo, Marci Pinkerton, Cassi Hernandez, Erica Lee, Brittani Carnes, Karly Buchanan and Jordan Derryberry. On the back row are coaches Jesse Hernandez, Deborah Carnes and David Lee. Not pictured is Tim Derryberry. (Contributed Photo)

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	49	17	.742	-
Boston	43	27	.614	8
Baltimore	35	38	.479	17½
Toronto	35	38	.479	17½
TampaBay	30	41	.423	21½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	40	30	.571	-
Minnesota	34	37	.479	6½
KansasCity	29	42	.408	11½
Chicago	28	43	.394	12½
Detroit	26	43	.377	13½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Anaheim	42	29	.592	-
Texas	42	30	.583	½
Oakland	32	39	.451	10
Seattle	30	43	.411	13

Friday's Games

Kansas City 8, Detroit 4
Cleveland 7, N.Y. Yankees 4
Boston 4, Tampa Bay 1
Minnesota 10, Chicago White Sox 6
Seattle 9, Oakland 1
Texas 7, Anaheim 3
Baltimore 7, Toronto 4, 15 innings

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Yankees (Wells 8-2) at Cleveland (Burba 8-4), 1:15 p.m.
Texas (Van Poppel 0-0) at Anaheim (Sparks 1-0), 4:05 p.m.
Boston (Saberhagen 8-4) at Tampa Bay (Santana 1-0), 6:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 8-5) at Chicago White Sox (Parque 2-0), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Belcher 5-6) at Detroit (Moehler 6-5), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Williams 7-2) at Baltimore (Erickson 7-6), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Haynes 4-3) at Seattle (Cloude 3-5), 9:05 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Kansas City (Pichardo 2-6) at Detroit (Harriger 0-1), 1:05 p.m.
Boston (P.Martinez 8-2) at Tampa Bay (Johnson 2-3), 1:35 p.m.
Toronto (Hentgen 7-4) at Baltimore (Ponson 1-4), 1:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Morgan 3-2) at Chicago White Sox (Bere 3-6), 2:05 p.m.
Oakland (Oquist 4-3) at Seattle (Swift 6-4), 4:35 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Irabu 6-2) at Cleveland (Colon 6-4), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Perisho 0-1) at Anaheim (Dickson 7-4), 8:05 p.m.

National League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	49	24	.671	-
NewYork	38	30	.559	8½
Philadelphia	35	35	.500	12½
Montreal	29	42	.408	19
Florida	23	49	.319	25½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	44	28	.611	-
Chicago	41	31	.569	3
Milwaukee	36	34	.514	7
St.Louis	35	36	.493	8½
Pittsburgh	35	38	.479	9½
Cincinnati	30	44	.405	15

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanDiego	48	25	.658	-
SanFrancisco	43	31	.581	5½
LosAngeles	36	36	.500	11½
Colorado	30	44	.405	18½
Arizona	25	48	.342	23

Friday's Games

Philadelphia 9, Chicago Cubs 8, 12 innings
Montreal 14, Atlanta 1
Florida 3, N.Y. Mets 2
St. Louis 5, Arizona 0
Milwaukee 2, Pittsburgh 1
Houston 4, Cincinnati 2
Los Angeles 4, Colorado 3, 10 innings
San Diego 9, San Francisco 5

Saturday's Games

Cincinnati (Tomko 5-6) at Houston (Elarton 0-0), 1:15 p.m.
San Diego (Langston 1-0) at San Francisco (Estes 5-5), 4:05 p.m.
Florida (L.Hernandez 4-4) at N.Y. Mets (Nomo 2-7), 4:10 p.m.
Atlanta (Smoltz 4-1) at Montreal (Perez 6-5), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Beech 3-3) at Chicago Cubs (Wood 6-3), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Lieber 4-8) at Milwaukee (Eldred 2-4), 8:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (D.Reyes 0-2) at Colorado (Thomson 5-6), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (Telemaco 2-1) at St. Louis (Aybar 2-3), 8:10 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Atlanta at Montreal, 1:35 p.m.
Florida at N.Y. Mets, 1:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 2:05 p.m.
Arizona at St. Louis, 2:10 p.m.
Philadelphia at Chicago Cubs, 2:20 p.m.
Cincinnati at Houston, 2:35 p.m.
Los Angeles at Colorado, 3:05 p.m.
San Diego at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.

Houston hands Cincinnati sixth consecutive loss, 4-2

HOUSTON (AP) — Carl Everett homered and drove in two runs Friday night, and Sean Bergman survived a shaky start as the Houston Astros handed Cincinnati its sixth straight loss with a 4-2 win over the Reds.

Everett hit his seventh homer in the second inning, and doubled home a run in the fourth when the Astros got three doubles to take a 4-2 lead.

"I'm just comfortable now because I'm getting to play games," Everett said. "It helps when you get consistent at-bats, it helps your eyes, it helps your timing."

Everett has taken over in center field since Richard Hidalgo has been injured.

"Carl has really filled a void for us," manager Larry Dierker said. "I can't say we're surprised but we are certainly enthused the way he's playing."

Dmitri Young went 3-for-4 for the Reds, who have lost seven straight road games.

Bergman (6-3) allowed five hits and two runs in the first inning, but the right-hander limited the Reds to four hits over the next eight. Billy Wagner pitched the ninth for his 17th save.

Jeff Bagwell doubled leading off the Astros' fourth, and Everett and Gutierrez hit consecutive one-out RBI doubles off Scott Winchester (3-4).

Winchester, who pitched six scoreless innings in a no-decision against Houston last Sunday, allowed nine hits and four runs in five innings.

Mike Frank singled in his first major league at-bat in the first inning for Cincinnati.

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Women's League

Team	W	L
Outcast	7	1
12 Gauge	6	2
Outsiders	3	6
Gliders	0	7

June 15 results: 12 Gauge 23, Outsiders 3; Outcast 21, Gliders 0.
June 16 results: Outcast 13, Outsiders 7.
June 18 results: Outsiders 22, Gliders 0; Outcast 10, 12 Gauge 5.

Men's League

Team	W	L
Snyder Iron & Metal	7	0
Martinez Plumbing	6	1
Velasquez Plumbing	5	2
Westbrook Well Service	3	4
The Team	2	5
Pennzoil	2	5
Earnest Upholstery	2	5
Patterson's Used Cars	1	6

June 15 results: Snyder Iron & Metal 7, Pennzoil 0; Martinez Plumbing 18, Velasquez Plumbing 16.
June 16 results: Pennzoil 14, Patterson's Used Cars 10; Earnest Upholstery 29, The Team 6; Velasquez Plumbing 15, Westbrook Well Service 1.
June 18 results: Snyder Iron & Metal 28, Westbrook Well Service 4; Patterson's Used Cars 12, Earnest Upholstery 2.

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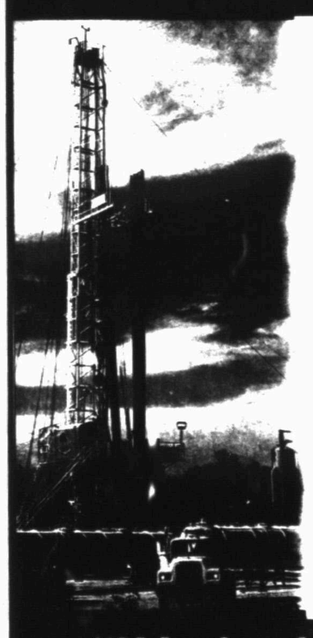
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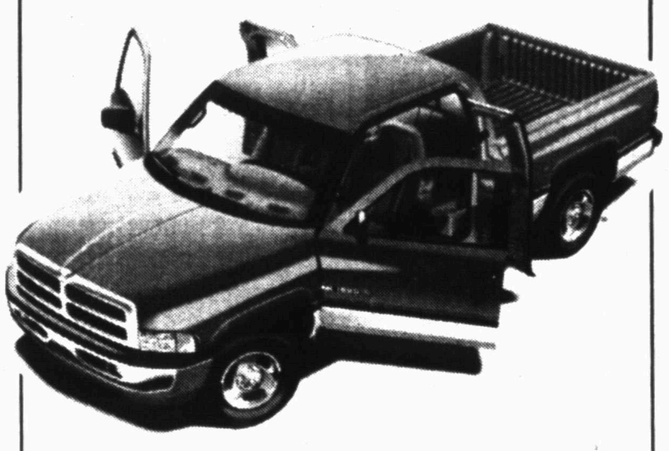
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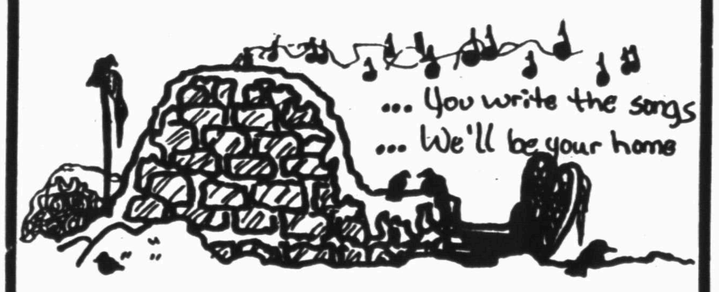
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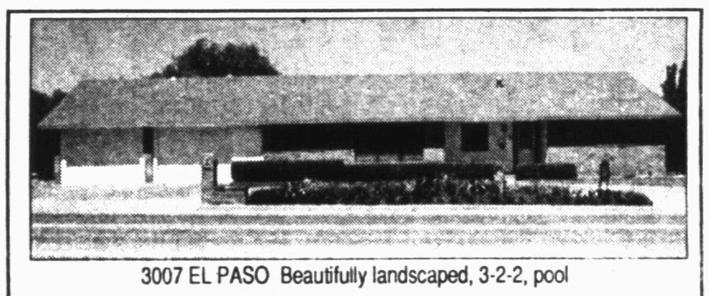
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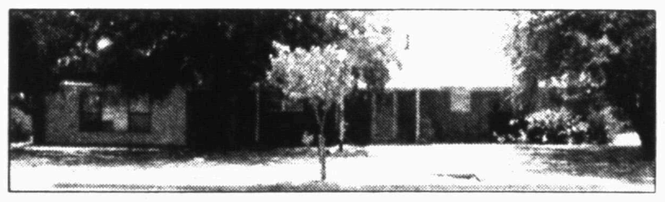
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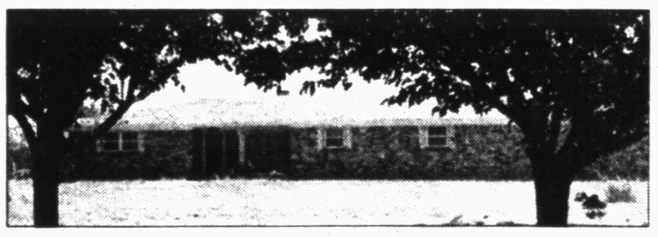
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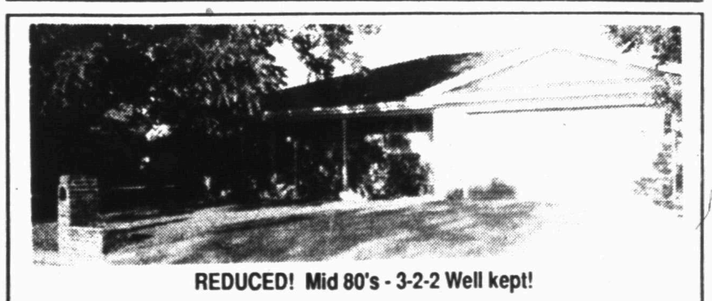
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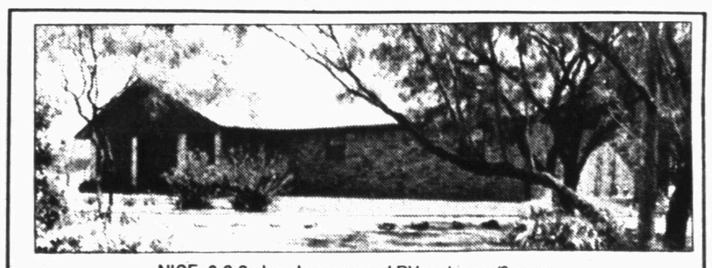
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Close to Town 2-1-1 $27.5T
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Police investigate burglarized vehicles

A string of reports of burglarized vehicles kept officers busy Friday morning.

The first report was made at 7:13 a.m. from Joe Hernandez at 503 32nd. He advised officers someone had broken into his 1994 Chevrolet pickup and stolen some items. An offense report for burglary of a motor vehicle was filed.

A second offense report was filed at 7:53 a.m. at 208 31st. Jina Fields requested an officer in reference to someone breaking into her 1976 Chevrolet Blazer.

A third burglary was reported at 8:28 at 317 30th. Patricia Delarosa reported someone had broken into her 1990 Chevrolet pickup and had stolen some property. An offense report was filed.

An offense report for attempted burglary was filed at 2:01 p.m. at Lawrence IGA #100 in reference to a window being broken out at the store.

At 3 p.m., an offense report for theft of service was filed at Video One.

An offense report for state jail felony theft was filed at the Lawrence IGA #100 parking lot at 5:34 p.m. in reference to someone stealing a Ruger Z326 with a 9mm hollow point loaded clip from David Hoops' vehicle.

An offense report for Class B theft was filed in the 1000 block of 37th at 9:31 p.m. in reference to $90 being stolen from Kimberly Laroy's purse.

One arrest was made Friday. A 20-year-old male was taken into custody by officers at 6:53 p.m. in the 2800 block of Ave. Q and charged with failure to identify.

A caller from L&L gas station reported at 7:58 p.m. that a blue Ford passenger car had driven off without paying for $7.48 worth of gasoline.

Second candidate declares for party chairmanship

AUSTIN (AP) — Former Republican Molly Beth Malcolm has drawn an opponent in her bid to head the state Democratic Party. San Augustine County Judge Curt Goetz said Friday he's seeking the chairmanship.

Like Mrs. Malcolm, who is from Texarkana, Goetz is an East Texan.

Unlike her, he said he's been an active Democrat since childhood.

"I was going out and pushing cards for my dad when I was about 6 years old, when he was running for state representative — which he did win," said Goetz, 51. "That's when I made my first political speeches."

Goetz said he thought another candidate would come forward but finally decided to do so himself because "My opinion is we needed somebody with better Democratic Party credentials."

A friend who is a Baptist minister put it well, Goetz said: "We are very, very happy to welcome converts to our church. We don't necessarily make them deacons on the first Sunday."

Mrs. Malcolm, 43, said she left the Republican Party in 1992 after three years and has been active in the Democratic Party since 1993. Among other activities, she serves on the State Democratic Executive Committee and is president of Texas Democratic Women.

"This isn't the first Sunday in church," she said. "The Democratic Party is what I believe in and work for. I'm a convert, and I bring a convert's fervor to this position. I've seen the other side. It's ugly. Been there, done that, don't want any part of it."

GOP head Susan Weddington says Texans have embraced the message of the GOP on issues including smaller government, individual responsibility and opportunity, and that the party has kept its promises.

Goetz said he has been county coordinator for local, regional and statewide Democratic candidates and worked with Democratic gubernatorial candidate Garry Mauro on Bill Clinton's campaign. He is a former San Augustine mayor and former SDEC member.

Museum

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What Prather had accumulated by the end of his travels was a seemingly randon collection of pictures featuring all sorts of manmade structures: some ramshackle, some restored, some of the historic register, others so insignificant that no one could remember who had lived there, or when.

They were all important to Prather, however, because each represented a chapter in the story of how settlers had lived in Texas from the 1860s until the coming of World War II.

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GREETINGS:

You are commanded to appear by filing a written answer to the Plaintiff's petition at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m. on the first Monday after the expiration of forty-two (42) days from the date of issuance of this citation, the same being the 27th day of May, 1998, at or before 10:00 o'clock a.m., before the Honorable132nd Judicial District Court of Scurry County, at the Courthouse in Snyder, Texas. Said Plaintiff's petition was filed on the 27th day of May, 1998, the File Number of said suit being No. 20122. The names of the parties in said suit are:

HOWARD SMITH, as Plaintiff, and C.M. MITCHELL, as Defendant.

The nature of said suit being substantially as follows, to wit:

Such suit is a Trespass to Try Title suit by which Plaintiff seeks judgment awarding title to the following-described tract of land situated in Scurry County, Texas, to-wit:

All of the North One-half (N/2) of Lot Number Three (3), in Block Number Twenty (20), of T.N. NUNN'S FIRST ADDITION to the City of Snyder, Scurry County, Texas, as the same appears on the map or plat of said Addition which is of record in Cabinet "A," Slide 55, Plat Records, Scurry County, Texas.

If this Citation is not served within ninety (90) days after the date of its issuance, it shall be returned unserved.

ISSUED this the 27th day of May, 1998.

GIVEN UNDER MY HAND AND seal of said Court, at office in Texas, this the 27th day of May, 1998.

(s) Eloise Pruitt
DISTRICT CLERK, 132nd JUDICIAL
DISTRICT COURT OF SCURRY
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We thank each and all of the wonderful people for their prayers, flowers, cards, visits, phone calls and memorials during the illness and loss of Doyle Wemken, our beloved Husband and Father. Thanks for the food and visits at our home. Thanks to the ladies who prepared and served the wonderful meal at the Central Baptist Church. A very special thanks to Bro. Boatman and Bro. Lee for the beautiful service. Thanks to Mrs. Lynn Bethel, the organist, Ralph Trevey and Mrs. Doylene Gilliland for the beautiful songs. Thanks to Dr. Kerr and Dr. Cooper and the staff at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, and the Family Hospice and volunteers. A special thanks to Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home and staff for their kindness and help at such a time of sorrow. God bless each of you and thanks again.

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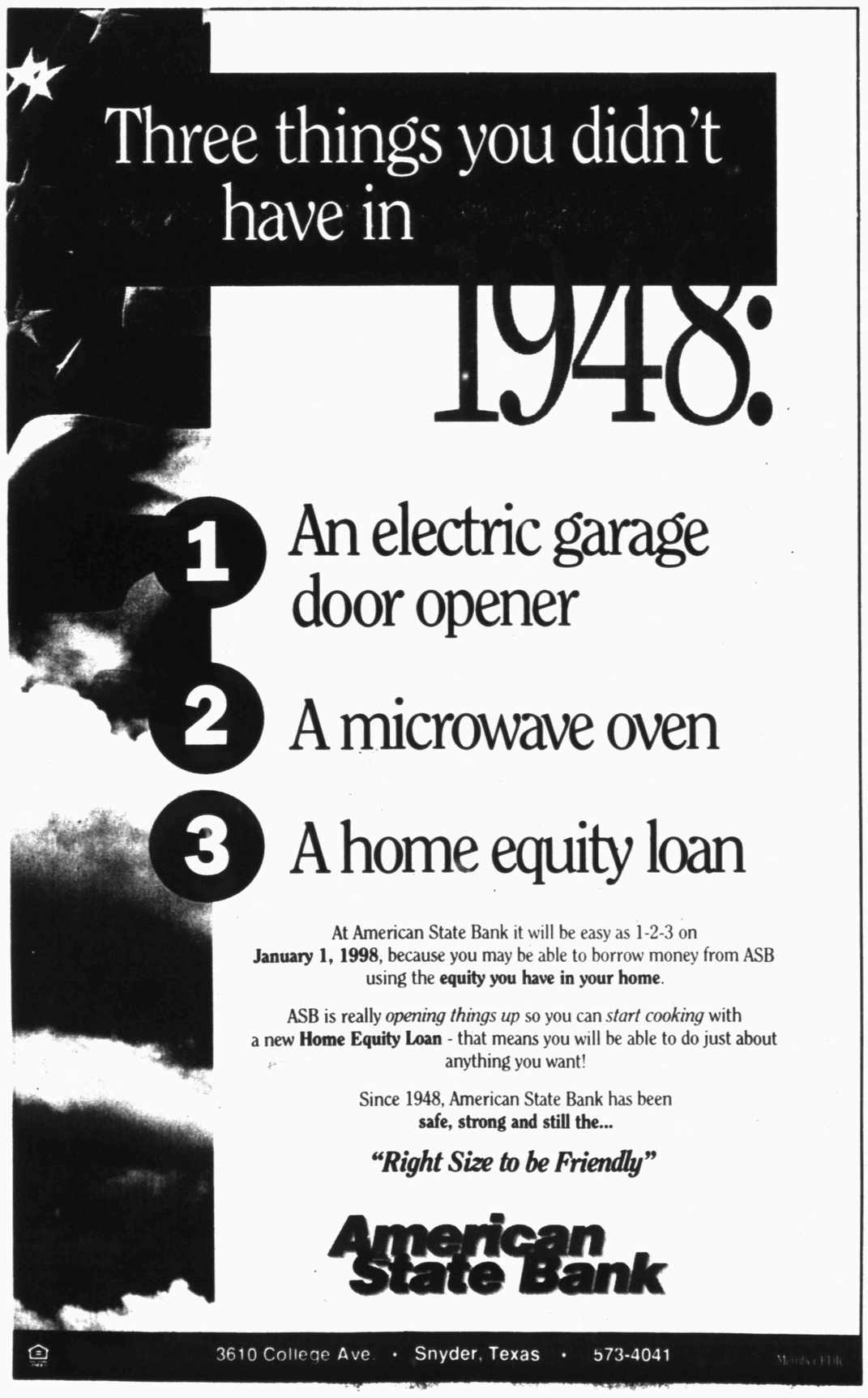
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The family of Charles Faulkner

wishes to express its sincere appreciation for your kindness, thoughtfulness and most of all your prayers during this time of our great loss. Thanks to Dr. Burleson and Carl Lee Burleson and a very special thank you to Wayne Horton and J.B. Tate for a beautiful service. Thanks to all who sent flowers, food, cards and to the many friends and relatives who helped us through this difficult time. May God bless each one of you.

Faye Stone Faulkner and family



Tentative OK reached on IRS overhaul bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Many taxpayer rights would be expanded, including shifting the burden of proof to the Internal Revenue Service in civil cases, under compromise legislation to revamp the tax agency.

A tentative deal announced Friday would resolve major differences in IRS overhaul bills approved by the House last November and the Senate last month.

"This is the most comprehensive reform (and) restructure of IRS in modern history," Senate Finance Committee Chairman William Roth Jr., R-Del., told reporters. Roth was joined by House Ways and Means Committee Chairman Bill Archer, R-Texas, and that panel's ranking Democrat, Rep. Charles Rangel of New York.

The bill would create an IRS oversight board and would greatly expand taxpayers' rights in dozens of areas.

It also would seek to eliminate mixed messages from Congress by streamlining congressional oversight of the agency. Joint House-Senate hearings would be held on the IRS budget, strategic plans and the tax filing season, said Rep. Rob Portman, R-Ohio, a main sponsor of the bill.

"This is precedent-setting," Portman said. "I don't know if there ever has been this kind of agreement between the House and Senate where we force, on a bicameral basis, to have consolidated oversight."

The bill would suspend tax penalties and interest if the IRS fails to contact a taxpayer about a return after 18 months. Five years after the bill's enactment, the penalties would be suspended if the IRS waits more than 12 months to contact a taxpayer through a "notice of deficiency."

Another provision, aimed at discouraging Congress from complicating the tax laws, would require a "tax complexity analysis" on any proposed legislation to amend the tax code, Portman said.

The compromise now goes to a broader conference committee of House and Senate lawmakers who will decide how to pay for the multibillion-dollar package.

The bill is expected to cost several billion less in lost revenue than the 10-year, $18.3 billion Senate measure. That is because this version narrowed two of the Senate's most expensive provisions: a revamp of tax penalties and relief for "innocent spouses" — such as divorced women — in tax collections triggered by a spouse's financial problems.

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Medicare choices may cause confusion

WASHINGTON (AP) — Most older Americans aren't prepared for changes coming to Medicare on Jan. 1 that will make them the target of sales pitches from a bewildering array of private health plans, advocates for the elderly say.

"People still aren't aware that this is happening," said Diane Archer, director of the nonprofit Medicare Rights Center, which counsels retirees in New York. Once they find out, "confusion will abound," she predicted.

Changes that open the government health care program for the elderly to a wider array of private health plans were part of last year's balanced budget deal. Lawmakers think Medicare can save money by paying a fixed price to insurance companies willing to take on the financial risk that some people will need more care than others.

Some insurers manage that risk by restricting the care they provide and limiting the doctors and hospitals patients can use. Medicare has let one type of these "managed care" plans — HMOs — serve the elderly for a number of years. Soon there will be more varieties.

Other types of plans to be offered pass financial risk onto patients in the form of higher out-of-pocket fees.

By comparison, traditional Medicare has sheltered most older Americans from many of the frustrations of modern health care. They can see whatever doctor they want and the government pays each claim directly while limiting their share of the bill.

There are advantages to the new private health plan choices, including benefits not normally provided by Medicare — such as prescription drugs or dental care — or the freedom to see a doctor who doesn't accept the program's fee limitations.

But advocates for the elderly worry that inexperience may leave retirees vulnerable to health plan advertising ploys that don't make drawbacks clear.

"The thing people need to know is they don't have to make a change," said Janice Jackson, director of the National Association of Area Agencies on Aging. The nation's 655 local aging services offices expect a stampede of retirees looking for advice.

Traditional Medicare coverage will continue to be available, but by 2005, officials predict 30 percent of the program's 38 million beneficiaries will enroll in private health plans.

Chip Kahn, incoming president of the Health Insurance Association of America, said retirees should have time to get up to speed because the number of choices will increase gradually. While a few insurance companies will have new products ready Jan. 1, and senior citizens in some places might see advertising this fall, it will take a while for the full range of choices to reach most parts of the country, Kahn said.

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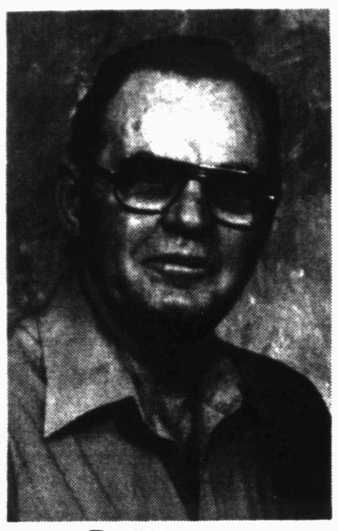
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Obituaries



Fred Simpson

Fred Simpson

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Fred "Dooter" Simpson, a lifelong resident of Scurry County, died Friday, June 19, in Lubbock's St. Mary Hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Simpson, 78, is set for 10 a.m. Monday in the Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Dr. Marty Akins, pastor of Snyder's First Baptist Church, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born June 6, 1920 in Camp Springs, he married Dorothy Cranor on Dec. 2, 1945 in Reno, Nev.

Mr. Simpson was a retired meat inspector for the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

Survivors include his wife, Dorothy Simpson of Snyder; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Jimmy Simpson of Snyder, Jacky and Donna Simpson of Snyder, and Joe and Beverly Simpson of Mississippi; a sister, Mary Alice Webb of Crane; and a grandson, Cade Simpson of Snyder.

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Donne Chasteen

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SWEETWATER — Donne Chasteen, a graduate of Hermleigh High School, died Friday, June 19, in Rolling Plains Hospital.

Services for Mrs. Chasteen, 59, are tentatively set for Tuesday with arrangements under the direction of McCoy Funeral Home Chapel.

Born June 7, 1939 in Roscoe, she married Joe Chasteen on Feb. 5, 1958 in Hermleigh. He died in 1993.

A member of Sweetwater's First United Methodist Church, she taught Sunday School for many years. Mrs. Chasteen had lived in Sweetwater for 33 years and retired from the ASCS office as a program assistant after 31 years of service.

Survivors include two daughters, Lynn Flournoy of Abilene and Lori Davis of San Angelo; her mother, Opal Spykes of Snyder; a sister, Judy Davidson of Snyder; and a brother, Willard Spykes of Highland, Utah.

The family suggests memorials to the M.D. Anderson Hospital in Houston or to a favorite charity.

Seven killed in bus-truck wreck

DECORUM, Pa. (AP) — A bus slammed into a tractor-trailer parked along the Pennsylvania Turnpike early Saturday, killing seven people and injuring at least 18.

The Greyhound bus, carrying 22 people, was headed to Pittsburgh from New York City when it hit the truck about 4:20 a.m., state police Cpl. John Cypress said.

The truck had pulled off the road into a parking area on the west side of the Tuscarora Tunnel, between Franklin and Huntingdon counties, about 130 miles west of Philadelphia.

Details of the crash were not immediately known, and names of the dead and injured were unavailable. Police said the bus driver was among those killed.

Police have new cameras

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in and take a picture and read the tag number," Ward said.

"It works good," he added.

In addition to the wireless microphone the officer carries, a microphone is also located in the car. Again, this is used for the safety of the officer, and occasionally for evidence.

"There is a car mike located in the back seat to record any conversation that may take place between the prisoner and the officer," Ward explained.

"I have arrested a person for DWI and also picked up a person with them for public intoxication. When you speak with them on the scene they say they've only had two beers, but they get in the back seat and may say to each other, 'We sure drank a lot of beer tonight.' That can be used as evidence purposes."

The equipment records with VHS equipment on standard VHS tapes. The tapes, which are turned in after every shift, then provide a learning tool for officers.

"Another use would be for training. What the officers record in the field can be brought back and those officers and others can see things that they may want to work on, like how they approach a car or their driving maneuvers," Pitner said.

Pitner said he believes the equipment will be extremely beneficial to the police department.

"I think we have needed them for a long time. Also, the quality of these cameras is very good. It has a good picture and that makes a difference."

He said the goal of the department is to have the recorders in all police vehicles, but due to a cost in excess of $4,000 per unit, that is not immediately feasible.

"I think everyone will want one in all the cars, but it may take a while to do that. Due to the cost, we will have to do a few each year," Pitner said

Pitner added he thinks the equipment is worth the price.

"I believe this cost can easily be regained just by the savings from preventing lawsuits and for the safety of the officers."

Sgt. Brian Haggard is scheduled to attend a police mobile video instructor school later this month, funded by the Texas Department of Transportation through Tarrant County Junior College in Fort Worth.

"This will enable him to come back and instruct our officers on the equipment," Pitner said.

The department is currently setting up operating policy and procedures to maintain the tapes and equipment. Each officer currently has 30 tapes in rotation, as the tapes are reused after necessary copies have been made.

"For example, if I go out and make a felony DWI arrest, the videotape for that day is sent to the district attorney's office where they, in turn, make a copy of it. They then send it back to the police department and it is placed back in rotation," Ward explained.

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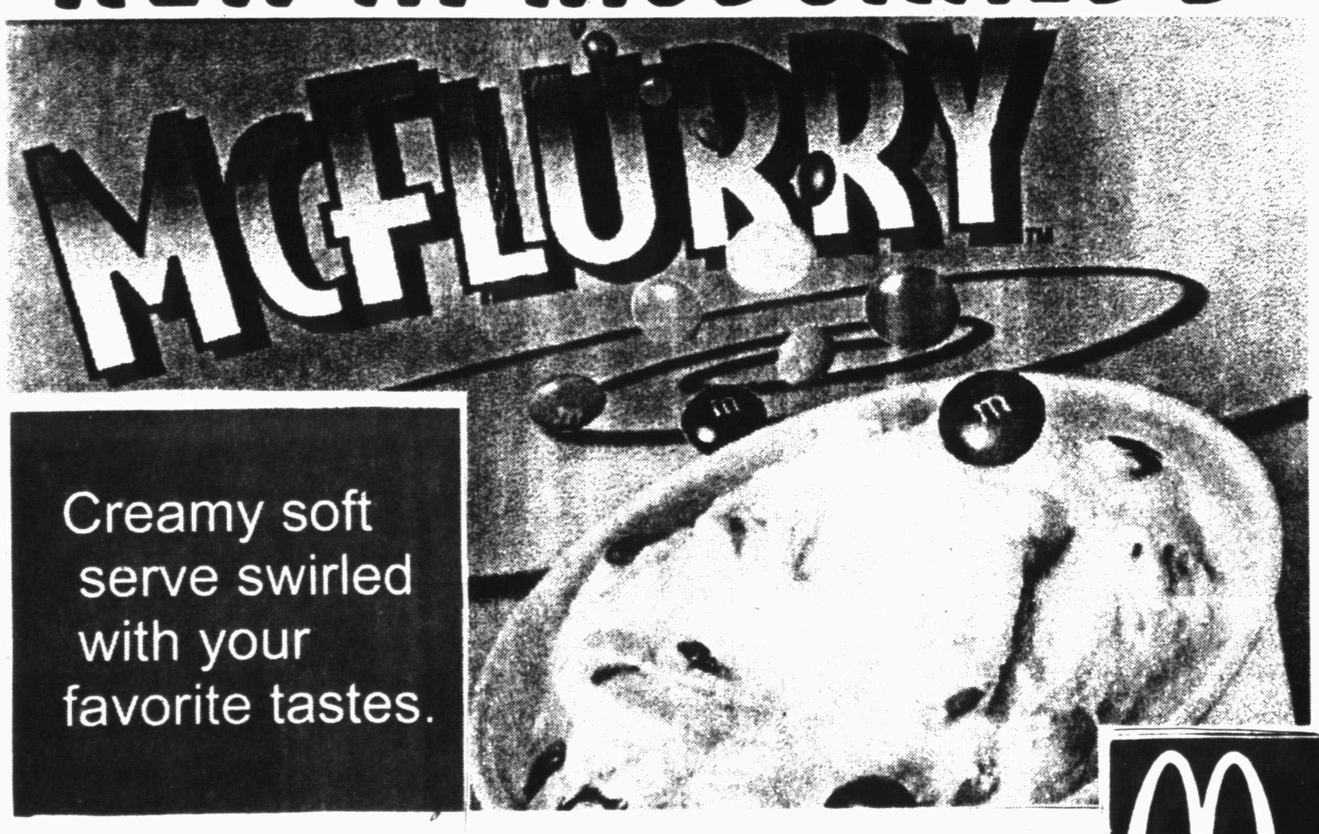
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SHS Class of 1958

The class of 1958 will meet at Snyder National Bank's community room at 3 p.m. Sunday to plan the 40th class reunion. For information, contact Janelle Pollard at 573-9076 or Barbara McCormick at 573-9962.

Church of Nazarene film

Snyder's First Church of Nazarene will present the film, "I Just Saw Jesus," from 6-7 p.m. the next three Sundays. The church, located on the Colorado City Highway, invites the public to attend.

Bible study tapes airing

Bible study video tapes are airing weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The next set of tapes, "God's Deliverance," followed by "As Time Goes By," will begin at 7 p.m. Monday.

Recycle day in Snyder

The Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission is offering free disposal of empty plastic pesticide containers, used motor oil, oil filters and lead acid batteries from 8 a.m. until noon Tuesday at Farmer's Co-Op Gin on the Roby Highway.

Get-acquainted reception

A reception in honor of Jerry Stapp, new general manager of Midwest Electric Cooperative, will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the DCOS offices in the American State Bank building. The reception is sponsored by DCOS, the chamber of commerce and the city of Snyder.

Lucky 13 Dance

Lucky 13 Rush Dance will be held from 8 p.m. until midnight Thursday in Towle Park Barn. Everyone is welcome. Admission is $3 per person and $5 for a couple.

Girl Scout fun day

Swim time for all registered Girl Scouts is next Saturday at the Western Texas College pool from 5:30-7:30 p.m. For additional information, contact Shannon Mhoon, 573-4806.

God, Country celebration

Snyder's annual "God and Country Celebration" will be held at 6 p.m. next Sunday at the First Baptist Church. Speakers include State Rep. David Counts and State Sen. Tom Haywood.

Diabetes Support Group

Snyder's Diabetes Support Group will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Rehab Services Building at 5301 Trinity Blvd. Speaker will be Mike McWilliams of McWilliams Pharmacy.

Texas Million

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Texas Million drawing Friday night:
Winning numbers drawn: 11-31-65-62.
Number matching four of four: One. Prize: $1 million.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
4-9-5
(four, nine, five)

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Friday by the Texas Lottery:
2-13-16-19-35
(two, thirteen, sixteen, nineteen, thirty-five)

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Two Snyder artists helped bridge the cultural and artistic gap between the U.S. and Hong Kong this summer.

Ty Brunson and Ben Sum, who teach at Western Texas College, were abroad from May 10-June 11.

Through the exchange program and exhibit, Ty and Ben shared their knowledge, skill and examples of their art work. Afterwards, they also briefly visited Thailand and toured points in China.

Both men represented West Texas through exhibiting their work and presenting lectures at the Hong Kong Visual Arts Center.

Ty exhibited ceramics and lectured on contemporary, functional and sculptural ceramics. He chairs the fine arts department at Western Texas College and teaches ceramics, design and glass fusing classes.

Ben exhibited his paintings and lectured on Texas painters. He teaches drawing, painting and art history at WTC.

They also took advantage of the opportunity to do some recruiting. Ty said there is a possibility that a student from China may enroll at WTC.

The trip was made possible through a grant obtained by Ben's friend, Kong Ho, a Texas Tech University graduate who lives in Hong Kong.

Besides the two Snyder men, the exhibit, "Counterparts: Five Studios And One Door," featured works by Kong Ho, Chan Kam Shing and Martie Geiger-Ho. In the spring, they are expected to exhibit their work here as part of the contemporary American and Hong Kong art exchange program.

Though Ty enjoyed the visit, he was at a distinct disadvantage because he could not speak or read Cantonese, which is Hong Kong's language. He had learned just enough Cantonese to say "excuse me" and to ask where the bathroom was.



SUMMER PALACE LAKE — Ty Brunson is shown near the Summer Palace Lake. (Contributed Photo)

In the part of Hong Kong where they stayed, he was usually "the only foreigner around." However, he said he enjoyed the people he met because the "people make the place."

He kept a record of the trip through the e-mails he transmitted to Snyder.

For Ben, the trip was "like going home." Originally from Canton, China, his family moved to Hong Kong when he was a young man. He was able to visit family members while there.

Ty and Ben stayed busy throughout their stay in Hong Kong. Much of their time was devoted to preparing for the lectures, demonstrations and classes they taught.

Setting everything up was a "logistical nightmare," Ty said, because everything had to be arranged in advance, you couldn't just "get in your car and drive across town."

The two men had to pick up the art work that they had shipped to Hong Kong from a container dock, a huge concrete structure that went 20 stories up into the air with diesel trucks and fumes so thick it was very difficult to breathe. They had to wait in lines a long time as well as dodge forklift drivers who apparently liked to speed.

Also, the I-kiln studio where all of their materials and supplies were located did not have a lift, so everything had to be hauled up and down the four floors of the building.

"The ceilings were high so the flights were long," Ty explained.

He spent a day in the studio making a couple of pots and a tile mold to work with. He added that it was difficult for him to do all that he wanted to do, perhaps, he noted, because the studio was organized differently than he was accustomed to.

The people at the Visual Arts Center were fairly helpful, Ty said, and easy to get along with. "I think our presentation system impressed them more than the art works or lectures.

The technician who helped them said she was concerned that he might become nervous teaching a class with just Chinese students. He told her there was no need for concern as he had already faced "nearly six million since Sunday."

Ty and Ben's students were adults who spoke English. Ben usually had 14 in his classes while Ty taught 12. A couple knew how to throw pottery, but most were beginners, Try said.

The courses they taught were similar to WTC's adult continuing education classes.

He said he found the students "friendly and helpful," but noted that the class time "seemed to pass too quickly."

He described one audience as "unresponsive" perhaps — he later learned — because the students did not understand American humor and may not have understood the points he was trying to make.

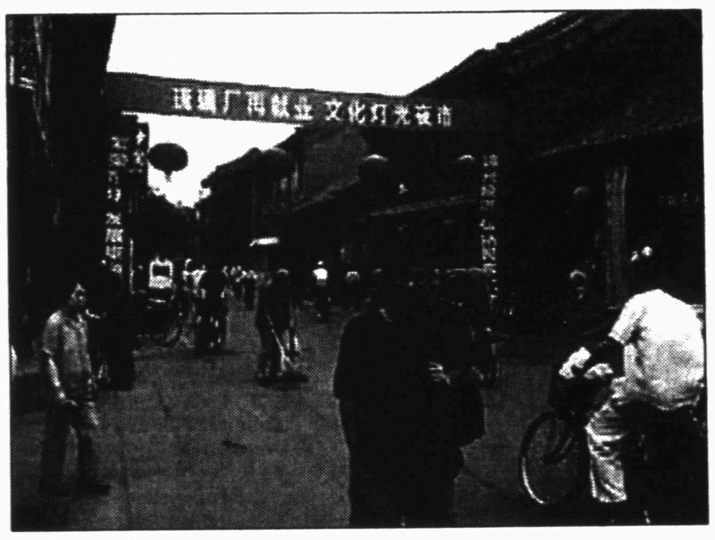
He said he liked the students he encountered. "They were very serious about achieving their goals but at the same time they were conscientious of each other, plus they helped me to clean up my mess at the end of the day."

"They (Chinese students) were very serious about achieving their goals but at the same time they were conscientious of each other." — Ty Brunson.

Ty observed that the densely populated Hong Kong was "lots of traffic and people." The "sea of humanity," constantly amazed the Snyder man who described it as "tons and tons of people on the move." He noted that he had to become adept at dodging people on the street.

"God must have known in advance that he was going to try to cram six million people on this tiny island so he made them all small so they could fit," Ty said.

Ty said Hong Kong is really a safe city to live in. Since people were always around each other, he speculated that that might help deter the petty crimes.



CAPITAL CITY — Ben Sum in shown on the streets of Beijing, China. (Contributed Photo)

Space is really tight in Hong Kong and it's not unusual for a very small apartment, about 500 square feet, to cost around $400,000 U.S. dollars. Though the people live in small quarters, Ty observed that many drive cars that our worth a "small fortune."

He said that many of the Chinese in Hong Kong own homes in the U.S. and Canada also.

The apartment complex where they stayed had the equivalent of Snyder's population located within a couple of blocks.

Ben said many of the places they visited had everything they needed located on the bottom floor of the building.

On Sundays, usually a day off for most residents, many took to the streets, Ty speculated, perhaps because their living quarters are so small.

The Snyder men had to contend with extreme heat and humidity, which was worse when they worked outdoors. The concrete city also had absolutely no breeze, Ty said.

They carried backpacks and changed their shirts up to three times a day.

They found the public transportation in Hong Kong to be reliable and reasonably priced. They never had to wait more than a minute for

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Scurry County Folks

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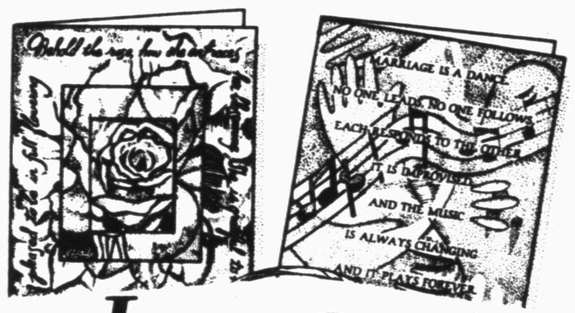
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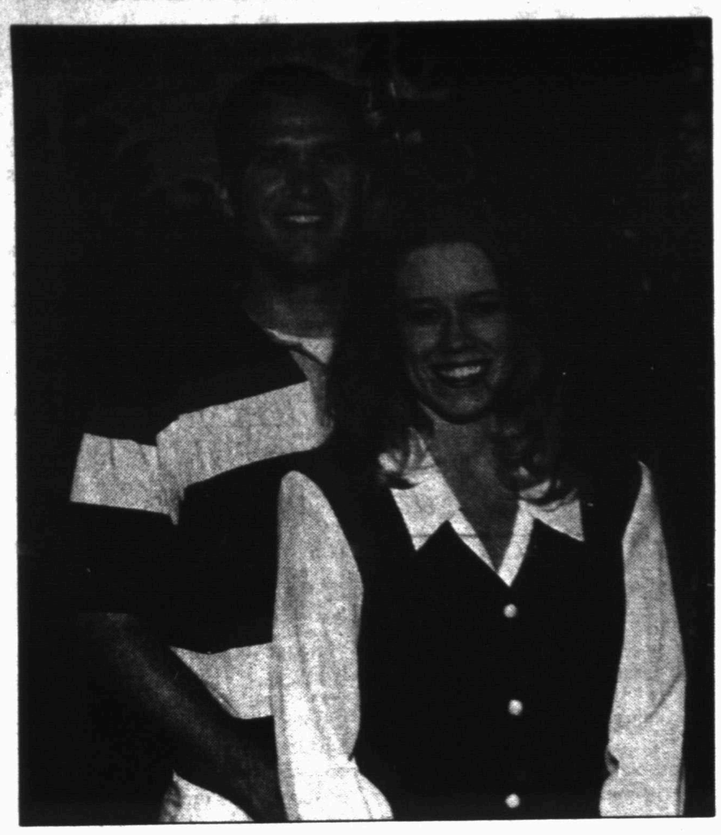
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WRIGHT, BRUNSON TO WED — Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Brunson of Palestine announce the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Kristi Janean, to Brett Allen Wright, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wright of Katy, formerly of Snyder. The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Gerald and Jean Long of Elkhart, and the late Myrtis Brunson. The future groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Al Phillips of Beeville and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wright of Mineral. The couple will be married at 2 p.m. on July 25 in the Court Drive Church of Christ in Palestine. (Contributed Photo)

Ira classes of '46-'49 gathered for reunion

Members from the 1946-49 classes of Ira High School met June 13 at the Ira Baptist Church.

Attending from Snyder were Faye Newton Layne, Furman Branson, Joe and Wanda Falls, Georgene Galloway, Wanda Sterling West, Leroy and Nona Key, Harold and Billie Burney Holladay, Manley Burrow and Howard and Jo Kennedy Sterling.

Others included Billy Bob Hardee and Pete and Juanita Bishop Hester, all of Colorado City; Caroline Albright Barnett of Midland; Billy Ray and Dee Watson of Monahans; Corky Kruse and Robert and Anita Kruse Erwin, all from Ira; and Buford and Dorothy Sawyer Newton of Odessa.

Also, Ann Falls Trotter of Fort Worth; Tom and Mavis Falls of Waco; Doyle and Shirley Newton and Lacey from Fluvanna; Gloria Watson Griffin of Coahoma; Marjorie Martin Bryce of Lampasas; Lois Martin Bryce of Zephyr; and Bill Moore of Big Spring.

Community Calendar

MONDAY

The manic depression (Bipolar) support group will meet in the Family Life Community Church at 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

Storytime for 4- and 5-year-olds; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

Al-Anon and AA brown bag, open meetings, Snyder Park Club; noon.

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Just for Today NA, closed meeting; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-0949. 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

Scurry County AA; closed meeting; Park Club; for more information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Just for Today NA, closed meeting; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 57;3-8018; 6 p.m.

ACBL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-4203, 573-8626, 573-2101 or 573-0695; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

WEDNESDAY

Martha Ann Woman's Club Game Day and Luncheon; serving begins at 11:30, games of choice follow; reservations should be made by calling 573-3427.

AA brown bag, open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; noon.

Just for Today NA; open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.

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

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

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

Just for Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizons 12 & 12, closed meeting; Park Club; 7 p.m.

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointments; 573-9742 or 573-2763.

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SATURDAY

People Without Partners; Inadale Community Center; games of 42 and dominos; 6:30 p.m.

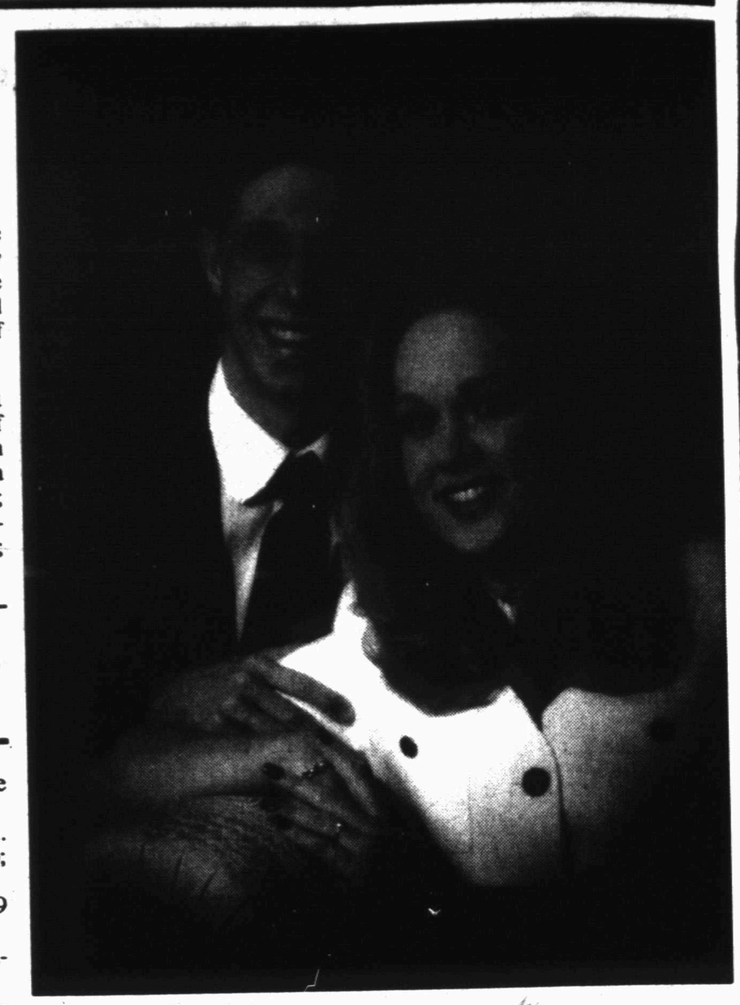
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SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 863-2349; 10 a.m.

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

Just For Today closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238, or 573-8018; 5 p.m.



ODESSA WEDDING PLANNNED — Andrew and Jennifer Jones III of Odessa announce the engagement and approaching wedding of their daughter, Laurie Marie Jones, to Tyson Louis Cromeens of Lubbock. He is the son of Jay and Tina Cromeens of Snyder. A 7 p.m., Aug. 8 ceremony will be held in the Central Baptist Church in Odessa. (Photo by Wadleigh Studio)

Doctors warn of dangerous interaction with heart drugs

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Four patients who switched from the blood pressure medication Posicor to similar drugs became seriously ill and one died, said researchers who warned doctors to closely watch their prescriptions.

A team from the poison-control center at the Oregon Health Sciences University said the patients went into shock within 12 hours after their doctors switched them from Posicor to a similar class of medicines.

They were rushed to hospital emergency departments suffering dangerously low blood pressure and heart rates. All were saved but a 79-year-old Vancouver, Wash., woman.

The problem, the researchers said in a study to be published July 8 in the Journal of the American Medical Association, is that traces of Posicor combined with the new drugs to overdo the treatment.

The cases occurred before Posicor, known generically as mibefradil, was taken off the market June 8 because it interacted dangerously with other medicines, including certain antihistamines, antibiotics, cancer medicines and cholesterol-lowering drugs.

The Food and Drug Administration received 400 reports of health problems in Posicor patients and 24 deaths.

Posicor, made by Hoffmann-La Roche, is a common blood pressure and chest pain medicine taken by nearly 200,000 Americans and 400,000 people worldwide.

Dr. Michael E. Mullins, a toxicologist who led the research team, said he is concerned that some patients might continue to use theimedicine until it runs out, and some doctors might unknowingly prescribe a different medicine that could cause a serious interaction.

The problem, Mullins said, is that it takes many days for the last traces of Posicor to leave the patient's system.

In response to the findings by Mullins' team, Roche Laboratories issued a letter on June 12 advising doctors to wait seven days after discontinuing Posicor before beginning therapy with most other calcium channel blockers.

The patients in Mullins' report all had, after quitting Posicor, begun taking another type of blood pressure drug, dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers. They also were taking another medicine, beta blocker.

A calcium channel is a site on the cell membrane that allows calcium to flow into the cell. It helps to regulate the tension in blood vessels and heart muscles, so drugs are designed to reduce the amount of work the heart does and reduce blood pressure by relaxing the blood vessels, Mullins said.

The combination of new drugs and remaining traces of Posicor overdid the treatment, sending the patients into shock.

South Carolina is the eighth state.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North 06-20-98	
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	♥ A J 10 9	
	♦ A J 5 4 3	
	♣ K 2	
West		East
♠ K Q J		♠ 8 7 6 5 4 3
♥ Q 3 2		♥ 4
♦ Q 10 9 8 7		♦ K 6
♣ 4 3		♣ J 10 9 8
	South	
	♠ A 2	
	♥ K 8 7 6 5	
	♦ 2	
	♣ A Q 7 6 5	

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♦	Pass
1 ♥	Pass	2 ♥	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	4 ♥	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♥	Pass
6 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

With something else in mind

The game-try is aimed, as its name suggests, at reaching game. However, sometimes a player — usually the responder — will make a game-try when he is thinking about a slam.

This deal is an example. South should be aware of slam possibilities if North has two aces and a fitting club card: hence the suggested sequence. When North jumps to game opposite the apparent game-try of three clubs, South reasonably assumes his partner has the club king.

West leads the spade king.

The play is a little easier than the bidding. Win the first trick, cash the two top hearts (unlucky!), then start on the clubs, discarding dummy's spade loser when West ruffs in on the third round. Later, trump the spade two in the dummy and ruff the clubs good.

Before I let you go to enjoy the weekend, here are two more points about game-tries.

If either player makes a three-heart game-try when the last bid was a raise of one spade to two spades (for example, 1♣-1♠-2♠3♥), it is usually natural, with four hearts. But, of course, even if partner raises (which shows four-card support), the three-heart bidder may still revert to four spades.

Sometimes the responder makes his trial bid in the suit partner opened (for example, 1♦-1♥-2♥-3♦). Like any trial bid, it is forcing for one round. And, as before, the opener is being asked to assess his diamond holding. However, there is an expectation that the responder has at least a four-card holding in the suit. It might even be the right trump suit.

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Duplicate Bridge Scoreboard

FRIDAY
June 12
Dot Casey directed.
1. Ann Davis, Monte West.
2. Tizzy Hall, Margaret Birdwell.
3. Pat Floyd, ElWanda Nall.

SUNDAY
June 14
Jane Hinton directed.
1. Margaret Birdwell, Jane Hinton.
2. Dot Casey, Louise Thompson.
3. Linda West, Monte West.

TUESDAY
June 16
North-South
1. Ann Davis, Louise Thompson.
2. Ann Spitler, Johnye Van Dever.
3. Mary Bast, Gracie Craig.
East-West
TIE: 1. Martha Fagin, Maribeth Vestal and Margaret Birdwell, LaVerne Hood.
3. Bette Byrd, Billisue Stuard.

Thief traps himself

SPRINGFIELD, Ore. (AP) — Arriving to unlock her restaurant, Jeanne Ray heard a faint voice coming from the empty kitchen: "Help. Help."

Ray, frightened by the sound, called police, who arrived a few minutes later. "I'm up here," the voice said.

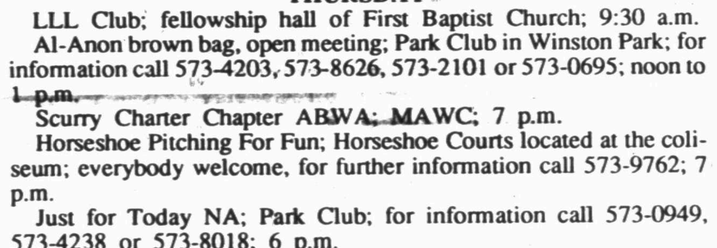
Officers found two legs, one bare and one encased in a white sock, dangling from a vent above the stove.

"What happened?" the cops asked the legs.

"I tried to crawl down and I got stuck," the man replied. He said he'd been there all night, jammed 15 feet or so down the greasy exhaust duct.

One of the man's sneakers landed on the grill, the other in a fry basket. Firefighters dropped a rope from the roof and pulled the man out.

Richard Dean Lauzon Jr., 28, was charged Thursday with second-degree burglary and criminal mischief.



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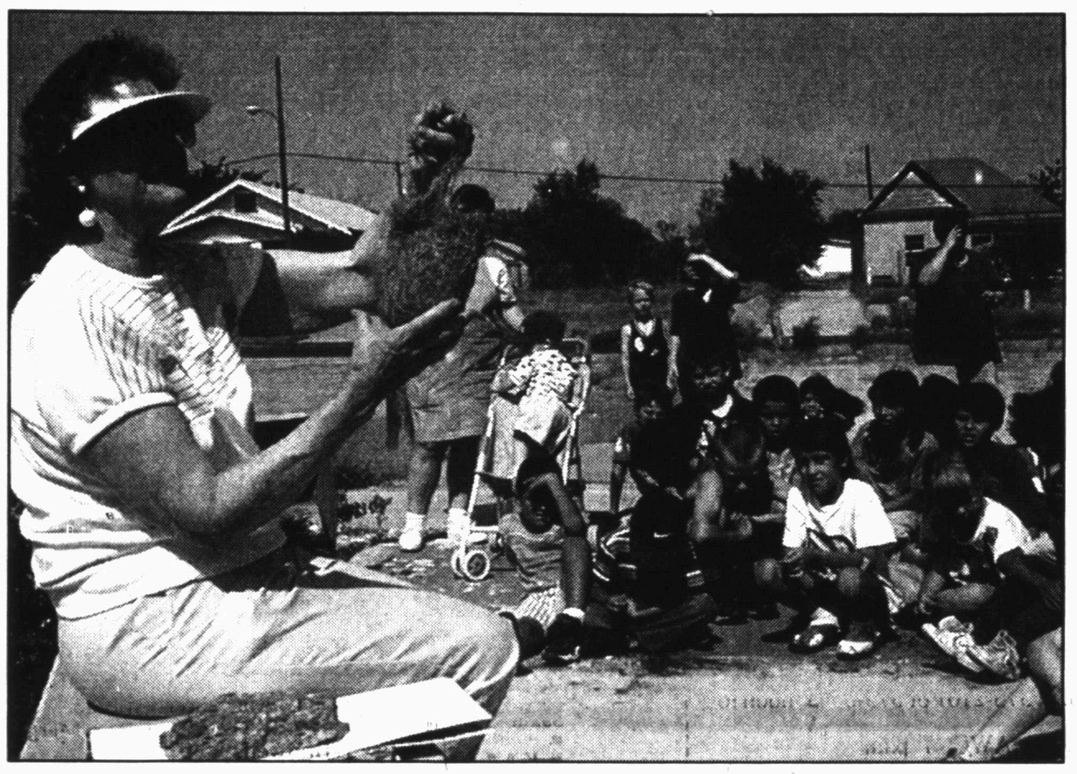
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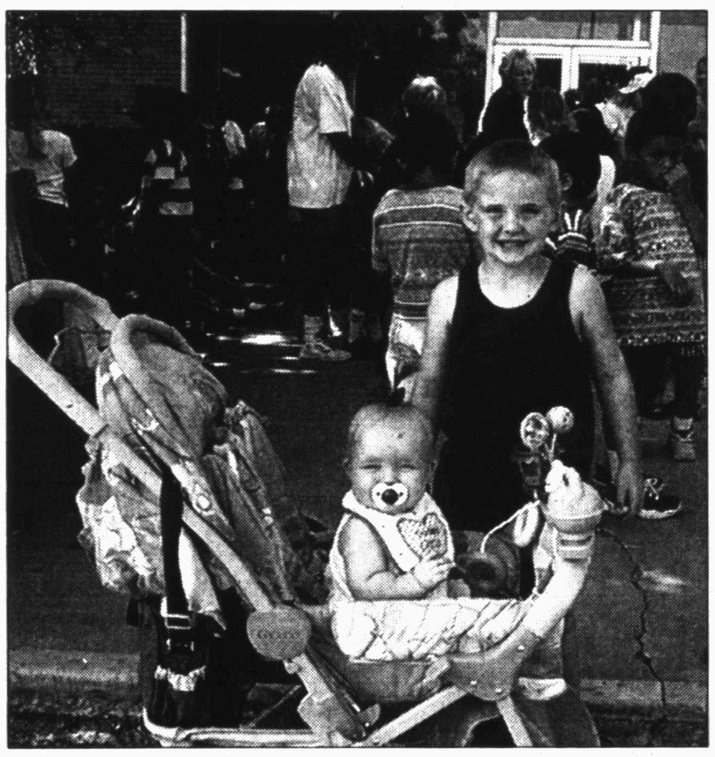


DERMOTT SCHOOL SHOWER SITE — A wedding shower was held on May 31 in the historic Dermott Schoolhouse for Mrs. Cody Shields, nee Shelley Sharp. The couple married in a garden ceremony at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bernhard Bartels on June 13. Honored guests included (from left) Lola Sharp, the bride's grandmother; Toni Shields, the groom's mother; the honoree; Cindy Sharp, the bride's mother; and Lois Bartels, her grandmother. (Contributed Photo)



SHOWER HONORS BRIDE-ELECT — Magan Wadleigh, bride-elect of Jim Thomas, was honoree at a wedding shower on May 30 in Donna Dupree's home. The couple will marry June 27 in the Mulberry Mansion in Sweetwater. From left are Lois Price, grandmother of the future bride; Karen Wadleigh, her mother; Magan Wadleigh of Irving, the honoree; and Helen Wadleigh, her other grandmother. (Contributed Photo)





SUMMER LEARNING — Colton Newman and Cenna Lane were pictured as they waited with approximately 135 others in the summer Scurry County Library's reading program to walk the Deep Creek Walking Path to the Albert Browning Park on Wednesday. M.J. Merritt, shown in the top photo with an oriole's nest, told the group about birds of this area at the bird sanctuary. The summer library program, "Furry Tails! Funny Tales!" will continue Wednesday when they will walk together to Snyder Concrete Company for a tour. In additional, four- and five-year olds' reading program will be held Monday at 10. (Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

Scurry County Library News and Views

The Monday's storytime, "Farmyard Tales," will begin at 10 a.m. for four- and-five-year old children. Children will make a stick puppet and a flannelgraph story will be told, along with other farmyard stories.

On Wednesday, the program for older children will be a walk to Snyder Concrete Company and a tour of the facility. Everyone is to meet at the library at 10 a.m.

BOOK FEATURE

"A Field Guide to Spiders and Scorpions of Texas," by John A. Jackman.

This guide describes the fascinating spiders and other arachnids of Texas. Facts about common and unusual spiders most commonly encountered in Texas and spiders with potentially hazardous venom are included in 32 pages of color photos and detailed illustrations.

NEW CHILDREN'S BOOKS

"Marven of the Great North Woods," by Kathryn Lasky.

"Africa Calling," by Daniel Adlerman.

"Armadillo at Riverside Road," by Laura Gate Galvin.

"Scamper's Year," by Jeff Kindley.

"Spring," by Ron Hirschi.

NEW ADULT NON-FICTION

"America's Glorious Quilts," by Dennis Duke.

"America's Top Jobs for People Without College Degrees," by J. Michael Farr.

"Computers and Society," by Paul Winters.

LIBRARY HOURS

10 a.m. to 6 p.m.: Mon., Wed., Fri. & Sat.

10 a.m. to 9 p.m.: Tues. & Thurs.

Critic Gene Siskel back in business

CHICAGO (AP) — Moviemakers take note: Critic Gene Siskel is back in his balcony seat and ready to give any deserving film a big thumbs down.

The Chicago-based critic was back in the TV studio for the first time Wednesday since undergoing surgery last month to remove a growth from his brain.

"To Hollywood I just want to say: 'Just when you thought it was safe to make a bad movie, I'm back,'" Siskel said to open the episode of "Siskel & Ebert."

Siskel, 52, and co-host Roger Ebert are in the 23rd season of their show, which airs each weekend in national syndication.

Quick, easy snacks to take on the go

Heading out into the great outdoors? Try this easy trail snack idea from the camping experts at Kampgrounds of America:

Saddlebag Trail Mix

Pack a resealable plastic bag filled with this snack and carry it with you on a hike or bike ride.

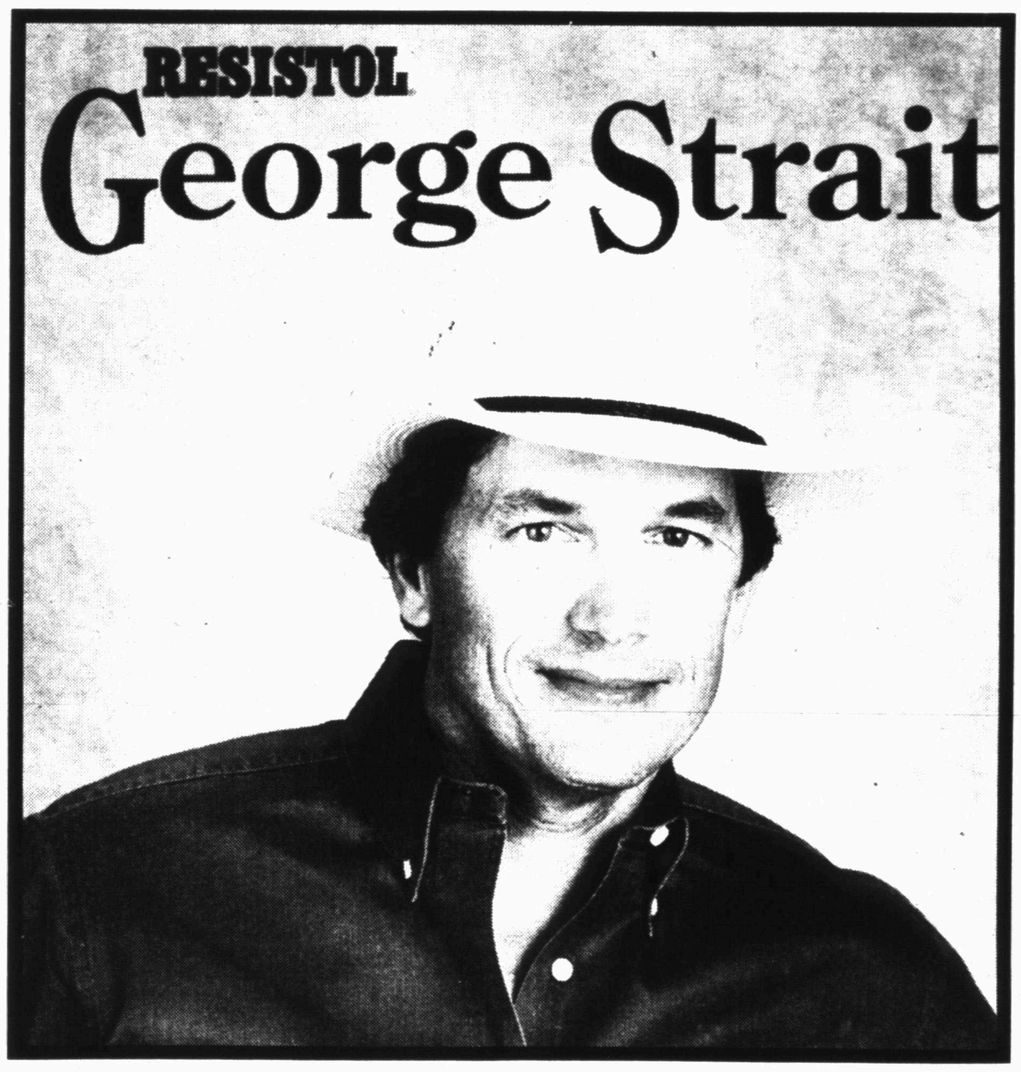
2 cups raisins
2 cups dried banana chips
2 cups unsalted dry roasted peanuts
1 16-oz. package (1⅓ cups) mixed dried fruit bits.

In a storage container, combine raisins, banana chips, peanuts and dried fruit. Store in a cool, dry place for up to 1 week. Makes about 7 cups.

For more easy cooking ideas for your camping adventure, look in the KOA Directory, available free at any KOA Kampground. Or, check out the Web site at www.koakampgrounds.com.

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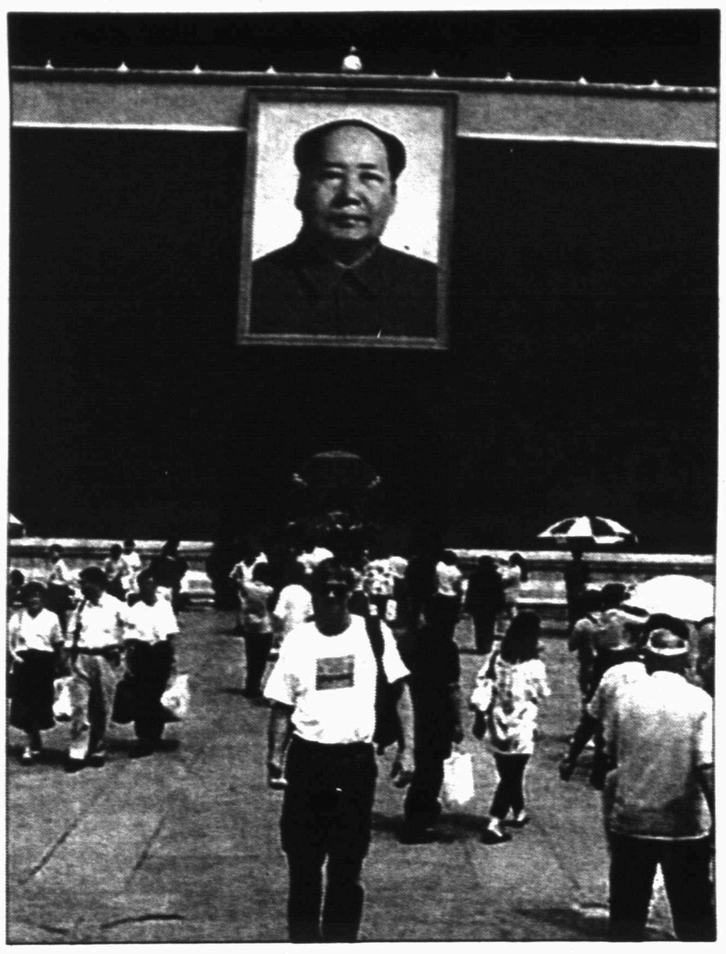


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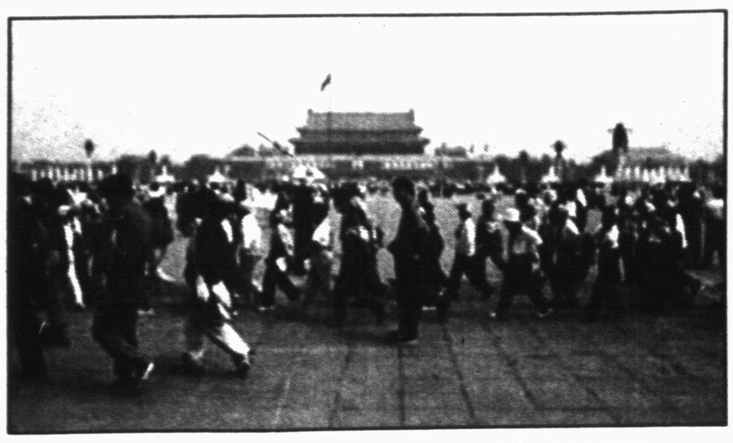
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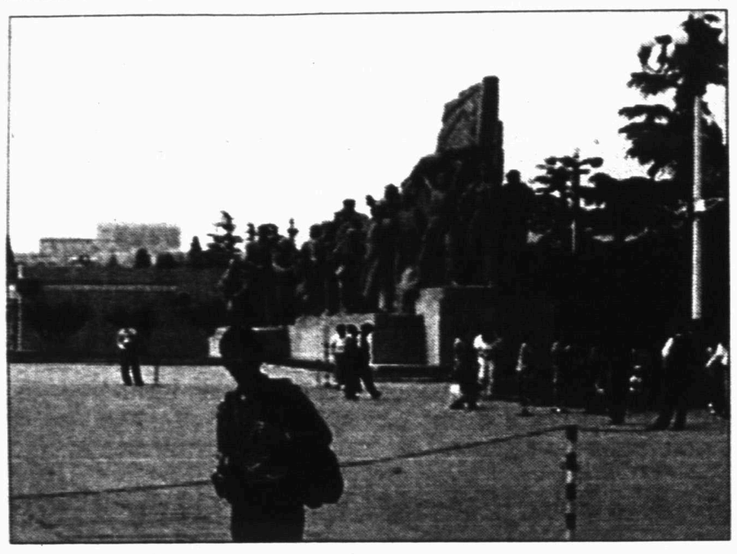
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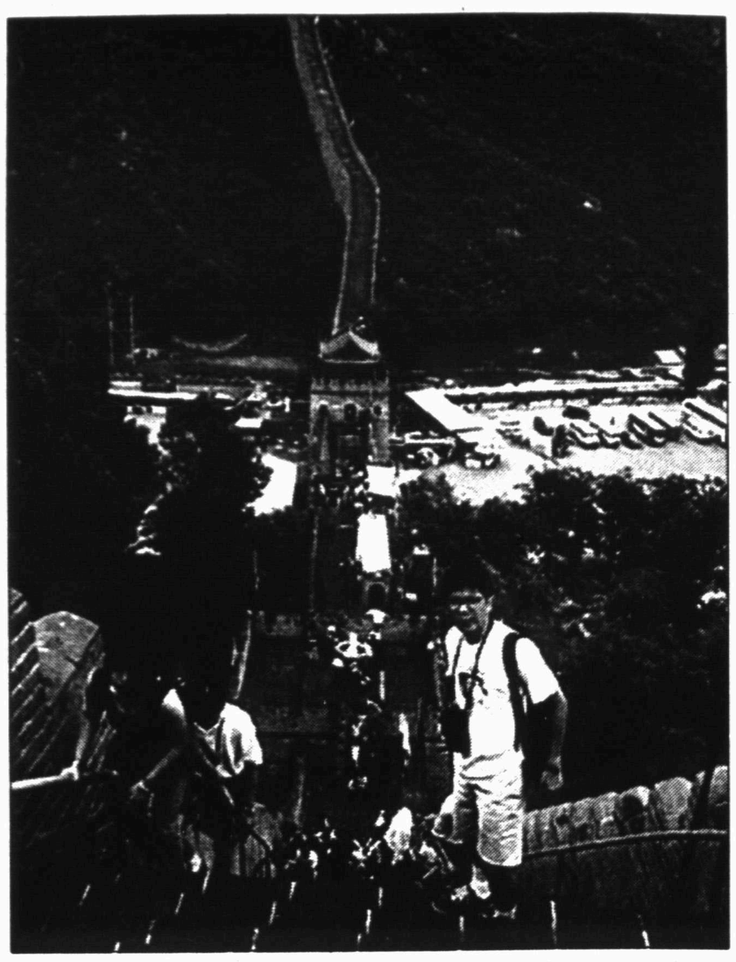


FORBIDDEN CITY — Ty Brunson is shown at the gate to the Forbidden City. (Contributed Photo)





TIANANMEN SQUARE — Two views of Tiananmen Square. Ben Sum is shown in the bottom photo. (Contributed Photo)





THE GREAT WALL— Ben Sum is standing on the Great Wall of China. (See Page 5B for more photos) (Contributed Photo)

Locals recount trip

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a train, which were clean and air-conditioned.

On the trains, Ty said he heard phones ringing every minute or two, and he said he usually saw about 15-20 people reaching for their units.

Ty said he noted that all of the school children wear uniforms. Since the schools are in their neighborhoods, they don't have to travel very far. The school near their apartment complex is above a parking garage.

Some people spoke very loudly including a waiter at one of the restaurants they ate in. At first, Ty thought he was mad, but later realized that that was just the way he talked. The waiter also pointed out that they ordered too much meat and not enough vegetables.

One night after a workshop which had been held downtown, Ty said they took a ferry back to land side where their apartment was. "The skyline was absolutely incredible. This is as modern a city as its gets in certain areas."

He also observed that obvious wealth is astounding and contrasts sharply with other areas of the city that are not contemporary.

Viewing Hong Kong at night from a lookout over the city was "absolutely breathtaking," Ty said. "It was such an impressive sight to see it from above. Also, it was the freshest air that I have breathed in a week and a noticable improvement on the smog and fumes in the valley."

The two men also visited the island that the Brits inhabit. "It was very lush and green," Ty said. "But seemed to give the impression that it catered to the very well-off."

While there, they visited a school's ceramics lab, and saw many foreigners. Ty said he liked the Chinese part better.

The Snyder man had some interesting encounters while away. One concerned a man walking in public dressed only in his underwear.

One Sunday afternoon, Ty said he noticed a Chinese man who appeared to be crippled and was soliciting money. He wore his pants leg rolled up to expose the injured leg, but when four young Chinese men confronted and threatened him, he took off running "like an Olympian athlete." Apparently, he had painted his leg to make it look hurt, Ty said.

Both men encountered some unusual food items such as duck web feet, squid and food that they were familiar with — such as chicken and fish — prepared in unusul ways.

Apparently snake is a popular dish in Hong Kong and Ben said some restaurants have snakes on display so customers can pick the one they want.

They also ate at a Pizza Hut which offered very different food items. "One of their specials," Ty said, "is an all you can fit on your plate salad bar trip and the people there made a sort of game out of how much food they could stack in one bowl. They arranged orange slices and food in such a way that they got five to six times the normal amount on their plates. The salads look like mini skyscrapers," he added.

He also observed that "the chopsticks dictate complete control over the type and method of cooking food in Hong Kong. "If you can't pick it up, with those sticks they won't make it. Everything is bite size."

The cultural differences make the trip interesting, Ty noted. "No one is critical one way or the other, we are just interested in learning more about one another."

One question Ty was asked was why Americans kick their children out of the house at age 18 or 19, which sounded like a cruel thing to do.

As Ty addressed the question, he also learned a great deal about family life in Hong Kong, where children will find work within traveling distance of home. Since housing is so expensive they must save until they are financially stable in order to move out.

That doesn't usually happen until their late 20s and 30s. It is expected that children will live with their parents or relatives until that time.

Ty was told that it is typical for the children to hand their pay checks over to the parents each payday. "The family unit is very strong here," he said. He said that while Hong Kong is behind the U.S. in social programs and assistance to the poor and infirm, he thinks it may be is because they rely on the family structure to take care of its own.

Another cultural difference, Ty noted, is that they were never given any kind of paper products, and therefore had to carry their own where ever they went.

Once their business in Hong Kong was finished, Ty and Ben also visited Thailand for 1½ days. He said the food was the highlight of their short visit, especially the green curry dishes which were "to die for."

Because the art exchange exhibition had taken up more times than originally thought, they were not able to spend as much time in that country as they would have liked.

However, the Thai Limousine they rode in was quite an experience. Drivers tailgate at 80 mph and change lanes freely, fully expecting the other drivers to get out of the way, Ty explained.

They also used the sidewalk as a shortcut to pass on the shoulder and paid no attention whatsoever to approaching vehicles when they pass on the proper side.

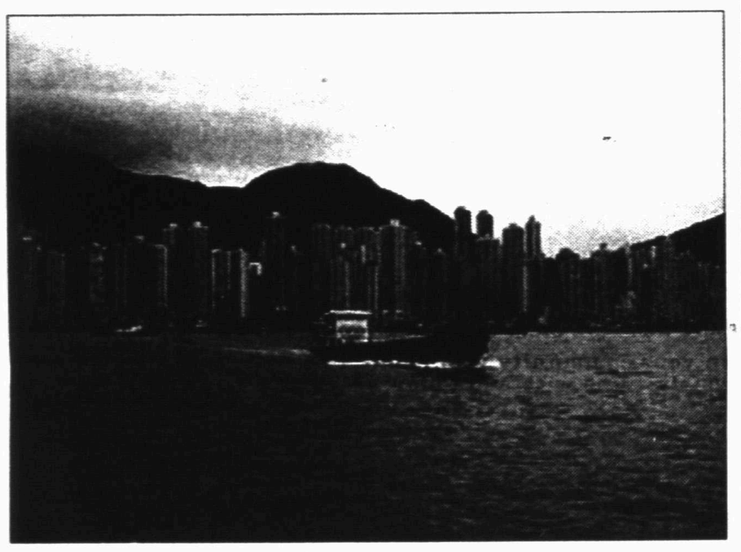
Ty sat in the front and a tourist who sat in the middle egged the driver on, who then drove more recklessly. Eventually Ty said he asked the tourist if he wanted to change seats. He took the hint and changed the subject.

Ty and Ben also visited in China, touring the capital city Beijing, the Great Wall, the Forbidden City, the palaces and Tiananmen Square.

Ben said the capital has about 12,000,000 population and that some four to five million people come and go from the city everyday.

He said Beijing is about 16 times bigger than Hong Kong.

"God must have known in advance that he was going to try to cram six million people on this tiny island so he made them all small so they could fit," —Ty Brunson.



HONG KONG — Ty Brunson and Ben Sum visited Hong Kong this summer as part of a cultural art exchange program. (Contributed Photo)

Concert canceled

BILBAO, Spain (AP) — You can't always get what you want, as Rolling Stones fans in Spain were the latest to discover.

Mick Jagger's laryngitis forced the Stones to cancel Thursday night's concert in the northern Spanish city of Bilbao. About 40,000 tickets were sold.

Jagger has had a bad throat for weeks. The Stones canceled their date in Milan, Italy, two days ago because of his laryngitis, upsetting about 45,000 fans who bought tickets for that show.

In May, other concerts during the Stones' "Bridges to Babylon" tour were called off in Germany, Croatia and in the Spanish city of Gijon after guitarist Keith Richards broke a rib by falling off a chair while reaching for a book.

Organizers said they will not reschedule the Bilbao concert but tickets will be reimbursed.

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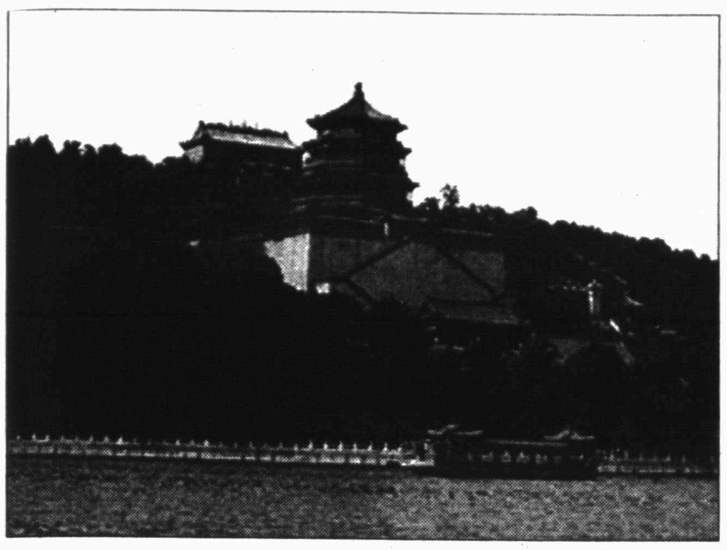
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SUMMER PALACE — Ty Brunson and Ben Sum visited several points in China including this summer palace at Beijing, China. (Contributed Photo)



SIGHTSEEING — Ben Sum enjoyed sightseeing in China. (Contributed Photo)

Book writes about newlyweds, by the numbers, stories

WASHINGTON (AP) — The road to love and marriage can take some strange twists, including dance-floor fractures, a baker held hostage and meeting that special someone at a bereavement counseling session.

It also contains some surprises. For instance, while most folks say they married for love, some confess they marched down the aisle for money.

And nearly one-third of brides and grooms who responded to a survey for a new book about marriage say they did not have sex on their wedding night. Exhaustion was the reason most of them cited.

These stories and other insights into the world of newlyweds are shared in the book "Just Married," by Barry Sinrod and Marlo Grey.

The volume is based on questionnaires returned by 3,876 couples married two years or less. The authors sent out 10,000 questionnaires. The authors turned the answers into a series of tables and graphs, with a selection of unsigned personal anecdotes at the end.

One couple reported that their cake was held prisoner.

"The bakery that made my wedding cake was held up on my wedding day," they wrote. The crook took hostages but the baker escaped and delivered the cake — three hours late.

A bride reported that she and her fiance spent $740 on dancing lessons so they could impress their friends at the wedding reception, to no avail.

"As we walked onto the dance floor, my new husband slipped on a piece of ice and — would you believe it — broke his leg," she lamented.

A happier ending was reported by two octogenarians. They met while attending a bereavement meeting after the deaths of their spouses, fell in love and got married.

The book is filled with statistics about all things matrimonial.

For example, 89 percent of the respondents cited love as the reason for marrying. Another 6 percent cited pregnancy, 4 percent said loneliness and 1 percent admitted they married for money.

Recent grooms were generally happier about matrimony than brides. Ninety-nine percent of men said they never regretted marriage, but 13 percent of women did have regrets.

They also had complaints, ranging from a spouse spending too much time "watching sports on television" to one groom criticized for "going to his mom's house."

In an open-ended question on how the marital relationship could be changed for the better the responses included everything from "make his ears smaller" and "make him pick up his clothes" to "have more sex," "have much more sex" and "have much, much more sex."

On the quantity vs. quality front, two-thirds of the responding newlyweds reported they had sex more often when they were single, but nearly three-quarters said lovemaking was better now that they are married. Just 10 percent reported waiting for marriage to have sex.

Other findings:

—What do you wear to sleep? Men: nothing, 39 percent; pajamas, 24 percent; underwear, 21 percent; sweats, 10 percent. Women: Nothing 49 percent; pajamas, 39 percent; underwear, 9 percent; sweats, 3 percent.

—Who controls the remote? Men, 85 percent.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Toss a Bouquet or Two To Fathers Everywhere

DEAR ABBY: Hi! I'm a high school teen-ager from a little town in Washington state. This is the first time I have written to you. I hope you can give me some good advice.

I love sports, and my school has a code that if we get caught at a party where there is drinking or drugs, we get kicked out of sports. My life would really be over if that happened to me.

My problem is that I don't drink and everyone else in this small town does. It seems to me that I get pushed away by my friends because I don't drink.

I had a friend for about eight years, and during our sophomore year, he started to drink. This was when we stopped talking. I went my way and he went his. During basketball season, he got caught at a party and was kicked off the basketball team along with some other players. I felt bad for him, but I didn't know what to say.

Now everyone is out partying, and I'm home alone doing nothing, wishing I were out having fun with them. If I'm doing the right thing, please tell me why I feel that I'm being punished, and the people who drink are the ones out having fun.

Abby, can you give me some advice to cope with this stress?

STRESSED-OUT
IN WASHINGTON

DEAR STRESSED-OUT: The facts about teen-age drinking are disturbing, and don't be so quick to accept the myth that "everyone is out partying." Your peers are using this to pressure you to join them in their dangerous and illegal behavior. While it may appear that all your classmates are having fun, that kind of behavior is risky and sometimes carries a heavy price.

It may be difficult to stick to your decision to stay home while your classmates are drinking and doing drugs at parties, but trust me, it's the right decision. Fill your time with positive activities that will make your commitment more rewarding — and might attract others who prefer drug- and alcohol-free socializing. I'm sure there are other teen-agers in your community who privately agree with and follow your policy of avoiding alcohol, but who are shy about speaking up in front of peers who might make fun of them.

Read the biographies of your favorite sports figures, invite others over to watch games on television, start a collection of sports memorabilia — or help younger kids in your community develop their own athletic skills. Not only will this make you feel good about what you're doing, you'll win the admiration of others. You already have mine, for setting a good example and sticking to it in spite of peer pressure.

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DEAR ABBY: I'm a 35-year-old divorced male who has read your column since I was a kid. After reading your response to "Turkeyless in Arkansas," I felt compelled to write.

I believe two "turkeys" have already been bagged. Gwen, for dating someone who apparently has zero comprehension of who she is, and "Turkeyless" for insisting his girlfriend like all the same activities he does.

Mutual interests are important in a relationship, but I'll take mutual respect and open, honest communication first and every time. I have several friends who are avid hunters, married to women who despise the idea. But they have strong relationships based on love for who each other is — not what activities they each participate in.

If "Turkeyless" really wants to bag a record-size bird — tell him to shoot a mirror.

MICHAEL CURRY, DALLAS

DEAR MICHAEL: You are obviously a man with solid values and an excellent sense of humor. (And eligible, too!) I have a hunch that when this letter is printed, it'll be open season in Dallas.

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DEAR READERS: Today is Father's Day, and I offer good wishes not only to fathers everywhere, but also to those caring individuals who are donating their time mentoring youngsters whose fathers are absent or deceased.

On Mother's Day, I printed a poem titled "The Reading Mother" by Strickland Gillilan. It reminded me that a few years ago, Hilda Bigelow, a retired teacher in Cocoa, Fla., wrote a companion poem honoring her father on his day. Read on:

FATHER TALKED TO ME

I had a father who talked with me —
Allowed me the right to disagree.
To question — and always answered me,
As well as he could — and truthfully.
He talked of adventures; horrors of war;
Of life, its meaning; what love was for;
How each would always need to strive

To improve the world, to keep it alive.
Stressed the duty we owe one another,
To be aware that each man is a brother.
Words for laugher he also spoke,
A silly song or a happy joke.
Time runs along, some say I'm wise;
That I look at life with seeing eyes.
My heart is happy, my mind is free,
I had a father who talked with me.

Many readers also have asked me for a prayer in memory of a father who is no longer living. The following is a prayer from my Hebrew Union Prayer Book, the one that is recited on Yom Kippur, the Day of Atonement. It is also available in my "Keepers" booklet:

IN MEMORY OF A FATHER

"Thy memory, my dear father, fills my soul at this solemn hour. It revives in me thoughts of the love and friendliness which thou didst bestow upon me. The thought of these inspires me to a life of virtue; and when my pilgrimage on Earth is ended and I shall arrive at the throne of mercy, may I be worthy of thee in the sight of God and man. May our merciful Father reward thee for the faithfulness and kindness thou has ever shown me; may he grant thee eternal peace. Amen."

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DEAR ABBY: Being a good parent is the hardest job in the world. Sometimes we succeed; sometimes we fail. You had a poem in your column once on how to measure success as a parent. Would you please run it again?

A WEARY FATHER
IN NEW JERSEY

DEAR WEARY: This should cheer you up.

SUCCESS
by Martin Buxbaum

You can use most any measure
When you're speaking of success.
You can measure it in fancy home,

Expensive car or dress.
But the measure of your real success
Is the one you cannot spend.
It's the way your kids describe you
When they're talking to a friend.

Happy Father's Day!

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Dentist slain 2 weeks after bequeathing $1 million to male model

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Guests at Dr. Stephen Grosse's parties dined on fresh shrimp and lobsters out of 4-foot rowboats in his living room. The dentist's "everyday car" was a cherry-red Porsche with the license plate "DR PAIN." He had debts of close to $1 million.

He was, in short, a man given to grand and impulsive gestures.

So his friends and family were not shocked when he changed his will and insurance policy in mid-May, naming as his beneficiary a male model he had fallen in love with on the Internet four months earlier.

The shock came two weeks later, when Grosse was found shot to death inside his burning Mercedes in an exclusive Philadelphia suburb.

Police have met several times with 31-year-old model-turned-actor Alvin Steffey Jr. But Steffey was in Los Angeles at the time of the killing and is not a suspect, Montgomery County District Attorney Bruce Castor said.

Investigators are examining Grosse's financial records — including a string of failed businesses — and investigating whether he owed money to a loan-shark and even whether Grosse paid someone to kill him.

"There's a lot of people who might potentially want him dead — creditors, patients, people who benefit financially from Grosse's death," Castor said.

Grosse's body was found June 10 in his burning car on a deserted road in Lower Merion. He had been shot once in the back of the head. Police initially believed the car was set on fire but later said it is possible mechanical failure sparked the blaze.

Two weeks before his death, Grosse had called Steffey his "lover and soulmate forever" in a handwritten will.

"That was Stephen. That's what he did. That was his lifestyle. He moved fast. He changed his mind often. He did things that sometimes a lot of people couldn't make sense of, and this was one of them," said Gerald Baldino Jr., the family's attorney.

On Friday, Steffey denied they were lovers. He said they met in person four times and traded e-mails often.

"Personally, Stephen and I had a wonderful friendship," Steffey said in Los Angeles, where he moved earlier this month with financial help from Grosse. "The 'soulmate' part was a joke we shared. That was a private and personal message to me."



Julienne Stewart,
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Deanie Francis Mills

Once a two-percent parent always a two-percent parent

Once a two-percent parent, always a two-percent parent, I guess.

I had thought that once the kids were actually grown, I could pass it on to some other hapless mom or dad, but it looks like there's no escaping the title and I'm stuck with it for the duration.

Perhaps I'd better explain what a two-percent parent is, or at least, the origin of the term.

According to ancient Aggie tradition, a "two-percenter" is a fellow Aggie who commits some blasphemy like say, skipping the football games. Such a person hardly deserves to wear the ring, because they belong to that teensy-teensy minority of Aggies who are not TRUE Aggies. Such a distinction used to belong to women who attended A&M and to all Aggies who were not in the Corps of Cadets, but now that there are some 45,000 Aggies on campus and only 3,000 in the Corps — more than a few of which actually ARE women — then the term "two-percenter" has come to define anyone who attends the university but fails to uphold its hallowed traditions.

As a two-percent parent, I was the mom who, upon being forced to attend the room-mother meeting, could be seen dropping her pen and diving beneath the desk whenever they asked for volunteers. I wanted to be absolutely sure nobody thought I might be raising my hand or anything. If some aggressive booster-mom actually volunteered me for something then I would show up, do my duty for God and country and kid, then take off afterward in a cloud of dust lest somebody think I intended to make a habit of it or something.

If they needed cookies for the school party, then I was happy to provide them. After all, that IS why God created bakeries, isn't it? You would not find this mom staying up until two a.m. the night before the party, putting frothy icing beards on all the homemade Santa cupcakes, nosiree. Actually, I was usually the mom who offered so generously to provide stuff like paper plates and napkins and Cokes — because those were the easiest to do and did not involve ovens in any way.

When I was flush with a nice book contract, I could be persuaded from time to time to make a hefty donation to a booster club of some kind or another — happy to do my part — but God forbid you'd actually catch me at a meeting. Meetings are when you get volunteered for stuff.

I'm not bragging about this. It's embarrassing to be a two-percent parent — especially when you're married to a guy who will pitch right in, roll his sleeves up, and do whatever work is required to support the kids. And I know how hard it is these days to find parents to volunteer for things, so I'm not suggesting the two-percent parenting is the way to go.

Nor am I saying that I never did ANYTHING. For special stuff — like when the One-Act Play kids got to go to Austin — I'd be right there with the other parents, doing whatever they wanted me to do. It's just that I never had any really cool ideas, you know? Workhorse, that's me. Order-follower. Not leader. Not the person with the glue gun and glitter. Not the person who PLANS the party — just the person standing on a chair in the corner, crepe paper in hand, wondering where to find the stupid Scotch Tape.

So now my kids are both out of high school. I thought I was home free. Then my daughter had to attend this freshman orientation thing for Stephen F. Austin State University. Because it's a 450 mile drive, it was decided that I'd drive her down, drop her off at the dorm, then check into a motel and loll about the pool for the next three days.

That's when I found out about "Parent Orientation." It seems that some 70 percent of the parents of kids attending Freshman Orientation also attend this other thing for PARENTS, where they meet with college deans and tour the campus and get lectures on How to Let Go and stuff.

Puh-lease.

Have these people FORGOTTEN what freshman orientation is really supposed to be? Why, a three-day PARTY, of course! Why would the kids want the PARENTS around? I guess I'm the only one who realizes this fact, however, because I had to take a "smoking" room since most everything else in town was full for freshman orientation. All those other parents will be getting up at the crack of dawn each day and heading off for their important parent meetings.

While I'm lolling about the pool, I'll think about that. Me and the one or two other two-percent parents.

Letters to the Editor

Angry with attorney general's office

Dear Editor

The Attorney General, State of Texas, Child Support Enforcement Division, 1-800-687-8272, 915-520-0481, call it and see what you get, after you get through the computer ... BUSY, BUSY, BUSY ... Fax number is 915-599-2524. These numbers are for the Midland office.

After a 21-year marriage to a very abusive, controlling spouse, and another beating, I got brave. In January 1991, I took my two children and left. Thanks to the Midland County Abuse Shelter, they were a tremendous help to me and my children and probably saved my life. The divorce was final Aug. 2, 1993.

TAXPAYERS OF TEXAS, for your information, I applied for assistance in collecting child support, Aug 3, 1993, with the Midland office of the Attorney General Child Support Division. There were some previous court orders from the divorce that were not filed by my attorney. The AG's office could not proceed without these orders. After a trip through the State Law Board System, I won the decision, but my attorney still would not type up and file the necessary orders. After about a year of this, I actually did them myself and filed them, the orders were signed by the judge May 14, 1996.

During this time I had reapplied with the AG's office on Sept. 9, 1994, at the Midland Attorney General Child Support Division. After numerous, numerous phone calls, they were always out of town in a training session, or unavailable at the time and would call me back ... (I have most of the dates and the results of the phone contacts documented), and lots of faxed notes. To this day I have been to court four times. Every time I go to court it costs me around $150. I work a full-time job and two part-time jobs (days, nights, week-ends and even my lunch hour).

A quotation from the AG's letter I received on Sept. 19, 1994. "Please be aware that our attorneys represent the State of Texas. They will provide you with child support services, but do not represent you or any other individual." What do they mean by this? The attorneys are paid by taxpayers money, not the State of Texas ... so I thought. Actually, I have only talked to a so-called AG attorney for a few minutes in the courtroom. During the many phone calls to the AG's office I've only talked to the receptionist, and occasionally an "enforcement officer."

The non-paying parent is on Social Security Disability, and he doesn't have to file a federal income tax return.

First court, Oct. 15, 1996. The State of Texas vs non-paying parent, Motion to Modify, the Master ordered the support and set the amount, payments to begin Nov. 1, 1996, Non-paying parent did not attend due to some surgery he was having (bad timing — not really, he did it a lot during the year and a half it took to get the actual divorce, (ANOTHER STORY). For some reason the AG's office cannot attach it to his monthly check for collection. No income tax returns to attach it to either. So what do we do ... we go to court again.

Second court, Oct. 14, 1997. Motion for Enforcement, it seems the AG's office forgot to check to see if non-paying parent was served his papers, he was not. They were returned unserved from the Abilene Warrant Office in August. It didn't matter anyway, we were not on the court docket for court that day, a new computer program the AG's office had messed up the court dates — good excuse. (I had even phoned the AG's office the day before to make sure that court was still on as scheduled, they told me it was.) So what do we do ... we go to court again.

Third court, April 7, 1998, same case as before, Motion for Enforcement, after sitting on wooden benches in the hall for about four hours it was finally my turn in court — so I thought, the Master asked the AG's attorney if he had a current amount the non-paying parent was behind, the attorney told the judge he did not have an updated amount, the judge did a quick calculation and came up with an amount and ordered the non-paying parent to pay (which was only about half the amount it should have been, I informed the attorney at that time the amount was wrong, he ignored me) and the Master let him walk out of court that day without paying anything and certainly no jail time was served. The non-paying parent was at that time from November 1996 to April 1998 behind in paying child support ... So what do we do ... we go to court again.

Fourth court, May 28, 1998. This was to be held in the District Courtroom, Appeal to the Master's Report (AG filed an appeal to the Master's report, which covered everything that happened in the previous court, the Master erred in making all of his rulings) court was delayed about 30 minutes because the judge's secretary had to call the AG's office to remind them to send an attorney to court. The judge asked the attorney if he had proof of service, after thumbing through the file the attorney said no. NOT AGAIN! I guess the AG's office didn't realize that the non-paying parent had to be served papers first so that he would show up for court. The attorney, his title Assistant Attorney General, from the AG's office was confused about what to do, "Judge, would it be best to serve him certified mail, or by personal service?" The only thing that the AG Child Support Office does is Child Support cases, you would think they would know how to process and serve papers to get the non-paying parent to show up the first time around. (I had even faxed them a note to ask if I needed to be present at this court and asked if the non-paying parent had to be served papers again). So what do we do ... we go to court again.

Rescheduled for July 6, 1998 at 1:30 p.m., so the AG's office can officially get non-paying parent served, maybe he will attend, maybe he will be in the hospital again ... or maybe the AG's office will forget to do something else.

I personally know several people who have gone through this SYSTEM to collect child support, they have experienced some of the same problems I have. One lady said you have to call them just about every day to get anything done. She is going through the Lubbock AG's office. I guess all the AG's offices have the same procedures. There's no telling how many other parents have probably given up on the AG's free services and gone other routes. (I certainly would if I had the funds.)

I am sending the Attorney General's office a bill for my expenses, for the two court days that did not happen. Lost wages, gasoline and a meal, $295.84. I was there because I was court ordered to attend and I thought something might get resolved. Another quotation from a letter I received from the AG's office. "Child Support Services will be provided at no cost to you." Who do they think they are kidding?"

I wonder, what does it cost to have court??? Judge, court reporter, the bailiff, an attorney from the AG's office, sheriff's office, district clerk's office, etc., etc. I bet they make more than minimum wage. Would it be too simple and cheap, to only have to go to court one time ... either the non-paying parent pays child support or goes to jail until it is paid ... I bet it wouldn't take long ... if the non-paying parent is ten days late, automatic jail time, until it is caught up ... how hard does it have to be? All this court time, the AG's time, my time, etc., etc. DOES IT REALLY HAVE TO BE??? We have built a lot of new prisons in the last several years in Texas. Couldn't we have one or two of these designated for non-paying parents instead of the out-of-state prisoners? The JUDICIAL SYSTEM needs to be updated to accommodate the future. The CHILDREN OF THIS MATTER.

The PRINCIPLE of the matter is what is important, it is the moral responsibility of the PARENTS to support their children, the non-paying parent was also ordered by a Master of a Texas Court to pay ... Who is going to make the non-paying parent pay? ... How much does it have to cost everyone (taxpayers) to make the non-paying parent pay? Or even to get the AG's office and courts to do something ... ... In my opinion the AG's office/courts are not going to do anything to enforce their court orders, or if you will, the laws of Texas ... they are waiting for me to give up and quit pursuing the matter ... they don't know me do they??? SO WHAT DO WE DO ... WE GO TO COURT AGAIN???

I will go to court again on July 6, to see what happens ... I sure hope the AG's office checks to make sure that he was served the papers. You know I think the AG's office could really benefit from attending a school or training session on courtroom procedures. I know I will check this out before I take off work and travel 100 miles one way to court.

I am sure that I'm only one in thousands of cases filed with the Attorney General, State of Texas, Child Support Enforcement Division. Are you the taxpayers happy with the way some of your hard earned money has been spent?

By the way today's mail brought me a copy of an updated list of the amount the non-paying parent owes. It is about double the amount that he actually owes ...What can I say... I gotta go to work.

Sincerely yours,
Virginia Adams
4008 Eastridge

A big thank you

Dear Editor:

I want to thank Mr. Crossing Guard at West Elementary, the lady who held the shade over me, the other gentleman and especially the lady guard who helped before the EMS got there when I broke my leg on May 6.

These thoughtful people helped make a bad situation better and easier. Thank you for your concern.

Also thanks to the primary wing teachers and Mr. Fogleman who came to help me.

Thank you to the EMS team who came to get me and subsequently take me to Lubbock for surgery.

My hat's off to the Cogdell Hospital ER employees and Dr. Kerr who were so gentle and caring while they were taking X-rays and getting me ready to go to Lubbock.

I appreciate so much what each of you did. It is nice to live where people care.

Thank you,
Donna Wilson

A good samaritan

Dear Editor:

While in town over the weekend for my sister's wedding on June 13, my sister got her truck stuck in the mud next to the apartment.

After spending quite some time trying to dig it out, a man drove by in a Lone Star Gas truck #2108. After passing by, he came back and said I looked a little old to be playing in the mud and asked if he could help.

Although I did not get his name I would like to say thank you for pulling us out of the mud.

It's nice to visit a small town where people still stop and help people in need.

Sincerely,
Deannie Nettik
Cleburne

Editorial Comment

Tuition rates

Amarillo Globe-News

The Texas Legislature sets tuition rates for public colleges and universities.

It should continue to do so.

Who sets that rate was seemingly the only matter of disagreement during a debate between candidates for lieutenant governor this past week.

Rick Perry, the GOP candidate and agriculture commissioner, said universities should have more autonomy in setting rates. The free market would keep universities from setting fees too high, Perry said.

John Sharp, state comptroller and Democratic candidate for lieutenant governor, disagreed.

"I don't want to take the chance of pricing a kid out of school," said Sharp.

Universities already have some latitude in setting graduate-level fees, though they can be no more than double the $36 per credit hour set for undergraduate studies, said Ray Grasshoff, a spokesman for the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board.

The chairpersons for the Higher Education Committee and the Public Education Committee for the Texas House of Representatives, Irma Rangel and Paul Sadler, issued a statement Thursday rejecting Perry's idea "in the strongest possible terms."

Setting rates should remain in the hands of "elected representatives who are directly accountable to the voters," Rangel said.

She is correct.

There is a place for Perry's marketplace mentality. That place, however, is not in Texas public higher education.

It would be all too easy for in-demand schools to boost rates, pricing out students whose families can barely afford college already. Larger schools with substantial endowments also could lower rates. While that would benefit some students, it would hurt smaller public colleges and universities that couldn't afford to match the lower fees.

Mexico sting

Fort Worth Star-Telegram

Never has the old adage — the one that says, "Poor Mexico — so far from God; so close to the United States" — been more true.

Recently, U.S. federal officers conducted an undercover operation that led to the arrests of scores of drug trafficking suspects and — just as importantly — a good many Mexican bankers who are accused of being eyeball-deep in laundering the profits earned by those smuggling drugs into the United States from Mexico. U.S. officials had not obtained Mexico's approval for undercover operations and had not informed Mexican officials about the overall plan to nab the traffickers and money-launderers.

So Mexico's president, Ernesto Zedillo, has complained about a breach of his country's sovereignty. He wants those arrested here to be extradited to Mexico.

It is true that the United States, to be the good neighbor it hopes to be, should be more . . . well . . . neighborly about these matters. It does no good to insult Mexico.

Balanced against this U.S. arrogance is widespread Mexican corruption. To conduct such operations successfully and without increasing the danger to U.S. agents, the plans have to be kept secret. American drug officials say flatly that they cannot tell who in Mexico can be trusted and who is hand-in-glove with the bad guys.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright (who also did not know of the sting beforehand) rules out extradition to Mexico of those arrested, calling it "counterproductive," but adds, "We will be as cooperative as we can."

When one nation's arrogance and another's incompetence are both involved, "as cooperative as we can" is unfortunately about the most that can be expected in the drug wars.

John Dalton's legacy

Corpus Christi Caller-:Times

Outgoing Secretary of the Navy John Dalton, a Texan, had one of the most tumultuous periods of recent Navy history during his watch, including the repercussions of the Tailhook scandal and the suicide of Jeremy Boorda, the chief of naval operations. Yet during this most trying period, Dalton managed to not only keep the Navy afloat, but keep it moving toward new standards of conduct.

The Navy Dalton leaves behind is no longer the Navy which could allow the Tailhook convention in 1991, which was no less than a tawdry and sanctioned public display of macho libido. South Texans will mostly remember Dalton as a friend who presided while Naval Station Ingleside staved off base closure and Navy activities grew in South Texas.

Citizenship legislation

El Paso Times

It's abundantly clear that the Immigration and Naturalization Service has not functioned as efficiently as it should. With citizenship application backlogs of up to two years, a House panel's bold legislation could help speed service and tighten requirements for criminal background checks for applicants.

The House Immigration Subcommittee last Thursday approved legislation that would authorize an $82 million infusion for naturalization services. The measure, known as the Citizenship Integrity and Backlog Reduction Act, would require the INS to report monthly on its efforts to reduce the backlog. ...

INS Commissioner Doris Meissner said the new legislation could slow the process further, since her agency is already attempting reform to reduce the backlog. But INS' reaction has been too little, too late. The backlog of immigrants seeking citizenship has grown to 1.7 million. INS has failed to resolve its problems itself.

As House Immigration Subcommittee Chairman Lamar Smith, R-Texas, correctly surmised: "Citizenship is the highest honor our nation can bestow. Those who are qualified should receive citizenship quickly and efficiently. Those who have committed serious crimes should be deported, not sworn in."

Public Records

New Vehicle Registrations

Jacie Wright, 1998 Chevrolet Blazer from Big Country Autoland.

Rodney A. Love, 1998 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Frank Martinez, 1998 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

William H. Jowell, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Ivan and Anna B. Martin, 1998 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Automotive Rentals Inc., 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

John and Bobby Clinkinbeard, 1998 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Delta Tech Automation, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Timothy Dea, 1998 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Automotive Rentals Inc., 1999 Pontiac from Big Country Autoland.

Wayne Strachan, 1999 Chevrolet Suburban from Big Country Autoland.

Shanna and Christopher Cisneros, 1998 Ford Explorer from Wilson Motors.

B&F Well Service, 1998 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Automotive Rentals, 1998 Chevrolet pickup from Davis Penske Chevrolet Co.

Gelco Corporation, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Douglas Schaefer, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Curry Auto Leasing Inc., 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Mike Conner, 1998 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Marcus H. and Linda M. Fernandez, 1998 Dodge pickup from Snyder Chrysler.

Midwestern Services Inc., 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Seth Sawyer, 1999 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Darrell Reston, 1998 Ford pickup from Wilson Motors.

Bob Noyes, 1998 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Rick Schwertner, 1998 Pontiac Firebird from Big Country Autoland.

John Williamson, 1998 Buick from Big Country Autoland.

Loretta Farquar, 1998 GMC pickup from Big Country Autoland.

Ralph J. Proksell, 1998 Chevrolet from Big Country Autoland.

Marriage License

Mario Gomez and Florestinea Chavez Jalomos, both of Snyder.

Cody Lynn Shields and Shelly Renee Sharp, both of Lubbock.

Roy Norman Burk and Gevena Hagler McKinley, both of Snyder.

Jerry Nick Kincheloe Jr. and Marci Ranae Compton, both of Snyder.

Action in District Court

In the marriage of Tanya Jo Minton and David Louis Minton, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Marjorie T. Mathis-Smith and Ray Curry Smith, divorce granted.

In the marriage of Claudie DeJuana McKamie and Jimmy Don McKamie, divorce granted.

Mary Jo Harrell vs. Charles William Harrell, order of dismissal with prejudice.

Deed Records

Elizabeth Potts to Richard D. and Ladelle M. Nicholson, an 0.810-acre tract in the southwest one-quarter of Section 182, Block 3, H&GN survey.

Rudene Gladson and Lanell Hogan, Trustees of the Lafon Berryhill Trust, to Lester and Gevena Bryce, all of Lot 12 in Block A of the Highland Park Addition.

John Mark McLaughlin, Trustee of the Ruth McLaughlin Riddle Family Trust, Jean McLaughlin Kahle and Evelyn McLaughlin Davies to Scurry County, all of Lots 1 and 2 in Block 6 of the Wilmeth Addition.

John Mark McLaughlin, Trustee of the Ruth McLaughlin Riddle Family Trust, Jean McLaughlin Kahle and Evelyn McLaughlin Davies to Scurry County, the west one-half of the north 50 feet of Lot 1 and all of the north 50 feet of Lot 12 in Block 6 of the Wilmeth Addition.

Mary Jo Harrell to Charles William Harrell, tract one being all of the Section 75, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract two being all of Section 78, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract three being all of Section 81, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract four being all of Section 95, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract five being all of the northeast one-quarter of Section 97, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract six being all of Section 140, Block 2, H&TC survey; tract seven being all of Tracts 38 and 39 of the Grimes Ranch Lands of the Dallas Trust and Savings Bank Subdivision.

Robert Garrett Cromwell to James A. Davidson, all of Section 77, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Mary Jo Harrell to James A. Davidson, all of Section 74, Block 2, H&TC survey.

Charles William Harrell, Janice Ann Harrell, Kathy Harrell Voss, Vance Voss, Becky Harrell Hale and Kathy Harrell Voss, custodian for Katie Ann Voss, to James A. Davidson, tract one being all of Section 75, Block 2; tract two being all of Section 78, Block 2; tract three being all of Section 81, Block 2; tract four being all of Section 95, Block 2; tract five being all of Section 97, Block 2; tract six being all of Section 140, Block 2; tract seven being all of Section 79, Block 2; tract eight being all of Section 80, Block 2; tract nine being all of Section 96, Block 2; all part of the H&TC survey.

Charles William Harrell to Mary Jo Harrell, all of Lot 6 and the west 37.5 feet of Lot 5 in Block 7 of the Warren Crest Addition.

Charles William Harrell to Mary Jo Harrell, tract one being all of Block 1 of the Warren Crest Addition; tract two being all of Lots 1, 2 and 5 in Block 2 of the Warren Crest addition; tract three being all of Lots 1-2 and 4-6 in Block 3 of the Warren Crest Addition; tract four being all of Lots 3 and 7 in Block 4 of the Warren Crest Addition; tract five being Lots 4 and 7 in Block 6 of the Warren Crest Addition; tract six being all of Lots 1 and 3 in Block 7 of the Warren Crest Addition; tract seven being all of Lots 5-8 in Block 8 of the Warren Crest Addition; tract eight being all of Lots 4-7 in Block 9 of the Warren Crest Addition; tract nine being all of Lots 1-3 in Block 10 of the Warren Crest Addition.

Doris L. Clinkinbeard to Cynthia Valadez, all of Lots 17-20 in Block 23 of the Belmont Park Heights Addition.

John David Richardson, independent executor of the estate of Ollie T. Richardson, to Anne von Reeder, Mary Alice Richardson Dunn, John David Richardson and Julia Kay Richardson Gebben, tract one being the east one-half of the north 122.40 acres of the northwest one-quarter of Section 66, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract two being the northeast one-quarter of Section 65, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract three being the southwest one-quarter of Section 67, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract four being the southeast one-quarter of Section 67, Block 3, H&GN survey; tract five being all of Lot 12 in Block 10 of the Gross Subdivision of the Scarborough Addition.

Q&A

Is tobacco harmful for teen-agers?

Tobacco and minors don't mix

In response to a growing concern among parents, educators, and other members of the community, Snyder Daily News, in cooperation with Al-Anon support groups and the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, is devoting this column to your questions and concerns about the increasing threat of substance abuse.)

Should laws restrict minors from purchasing and consuming tobacco? Most health experts say yes!

As a nation, the United States is protective of its children. There are laws concerning seat belts for children, child abuse laws and even child labor laws. Why then would we not want to protect our children from the consequences of smoking?

Three-quarters of adults who currently smoke started their habit before the age of 21. Teenage years are critical in the life of a smoker.

In a survey from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), tobacco consumption is on the rise in young poeple. CDC reported nearly half of male high school students and more than a third of female students reported using some form of tobacco — cigarette, cigar, or smokeless tobacco — in the past month. Adolescents continue to use tobacco because they find it hard to quit. CDC reported that more than 90 percent of young people who use tobacco daily experience at least one symptom of nicotine withdrawal when they tried to quit.

Some young people say, "What's the big deal? Who cares if I smoke?" Listed are some facts to take into consideration:

—Tobacco smoke contains about 4,000 chemicals, including 200 known poisons.

—More than 5 million children living today will die prematurely because of the decision to smoke cigarettes.

—One out of three young people who become regular smokers will die of a smoking related disease.

—Smoking among youth can hamper the rate of lung growth and the level of maximum lung function.

—Among young people, regular smoking is responsible for cough and increased frequency and severity of respiratory illness.

—More than half (55 percent) of smokers continue to smoke up to one year before their death.

—On average, smokers die nearly seven years earlier than nonsmokers.

With these facts in mind, laws were created to protect young people. It is illegal to purchase, consume, or sell tobacco products to anyone under 18 years of age. Some penalties in the state of Texas state that minors caught with tobacco (1st offense) are charged with a fine of less than $250 that can be waived if the minor attends a Tobacco Awareness class and does community service. There is also a $500 fine and a Class C misdemeanor for retailers who sell tobacco products to minors. These penalties seem rather minute when it comes to protecting our young people.

Even though more than 400,000 Americans die from cigarette smoking each year, it is still the single most preventable cause of premature death in the United States.

With the fear of so many young people getting killed in car accidents that are alcohol related, came the slogan, "Friends don't let friends drive drunk!" Just because tobacco kills at a slow rate doesn't mean it should be ignored. "Friends shouldn't let friends use tobacco!"

Please send your questions on drugs or addiction to P.O. Box 695, Snyder, TX, 79550. All questions and personal inquiries may be submitted anonymously. Twenty-four hour confidential information is available by calling 573-1141 or 1-800-568-6722. Information on help groups and individual's phone numbers can be found in the SDN Community Calendar.

Virginia executes quadruple killer

JARRATT, Va. (AP) — A man who shot and killed a state trooper and three other people was executed by lethal injection Thursday night.

Dennis Wayne Eaton, 41, was convicted in 1989 for the murders of Judy McDonald, 24, Jerry Hines, 48, Walter Custer Jr., 26, and Ripley Marston Sr., 68.

Court records said Eaton shot Custer and Marston, stole a car and fled south in Marston's car with Ms. McDonald, his girlfriend.

Hines, a state trooper, tried to pull the couple over on Interstate 81

DisneyQuest opens in California

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — It's a small world promising shorter lines and cheaper tickets at DisneyQuest, the first of Disney's high-tech indoor amusement arcades.

Housed in an aqua-blue building the size of a five-story department store, the first stand-alone DisneyQuest opened Friday morning at Walt Disney World. The idea was to try out the first one where there were guaranteed Disney fans.

"This is a way to get Disney into your back yard," said Art Levitt, president of Disney Regional Entertainment.

While DisneyQuest has many of a theme park's touches — such as a choreography between music, visuals and rides and the ubiquitous gift shop to hawk Disney merchandise — it differs from a Disney theme park in many ways.

Instead of setting aside a day, visitors to DisneyQuest are expected to spend a few hours there. The lines at the 100,000-square-foot arcade are smaller. And while theme parks generally install a new ride once a year, DisneyQuest will change about a quarter of its rides every year or so.

A one-day pass at a Disney theme park costs $44.50. DisneyQuest visitors can purchase $7, $15 and $20 debit cards and deduct the cost of each ride or game.

Visitors can design their own make-believe roller coasters on a computer and re-enact a ride on them in a pitch-and-roll simulator the size of a ferris-wheel car. They can make toys based on characters from the Disney film "Toy Story." They can place themselves in a darkened room resembling the cockpit of a spaceship and, grabbing a joystick, blow away aliens approaching them on a large screen.

The company plans to open 15 to 20 DisneyQuests in cities around the globe to reach visitors reluctant to make the trip to Disney theme parks in Orlando, Anaheim, Tokyo or Paris.

A second DisneyQuest is scheduled to open in Chicago next year. Afterward, Disney plans to open up three or four a year at a cost of about $30 million each.



CROWNED KING — Brett Sorrells was crowned the two-year-old boy's Texas Sunburst Beauty Pageant King May 29-31 in Dallas. (Contributed Photo)

Sorrells wins king's crown

Brett Sorrells was crowned the two-year-old boy's Texas Sunburst Beauty Pageant King May 29-31 in Dallas.

He was also crowned King in the Muscle Man and costume categories.

Other awards include first in party wear, pro model; third in composite.

Brett now has the option to compete in the Sunburst USA International Beauty Pageant to be held in Atlanta, Ga. in August.

Brett is the son of Gary and Jennie Sorrells. Grandparents include Calvin and Catherine Griffith of Trent and Jimmie and Norma Sorrells of Dunn.

On Aug. 28, 1963, about 200,000 people joined in a peaceful civil rights rally in Washington, where they heard Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. deliver his "I have a dream" speech in front of the Lincoln Memorial.

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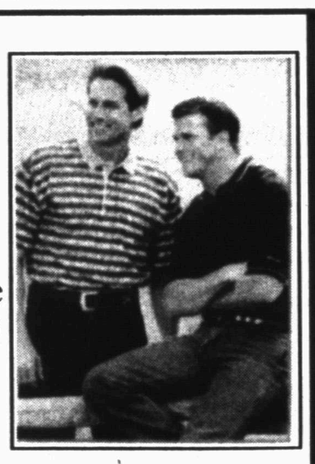
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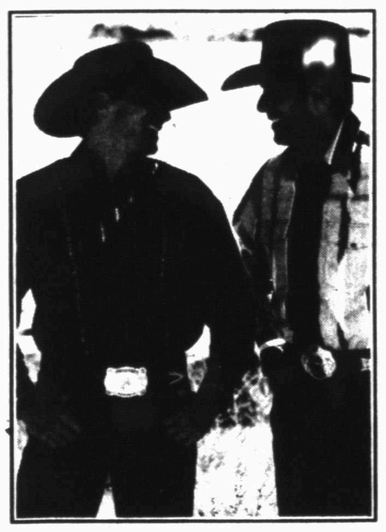
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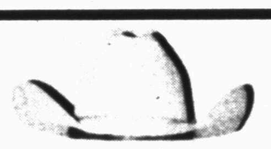
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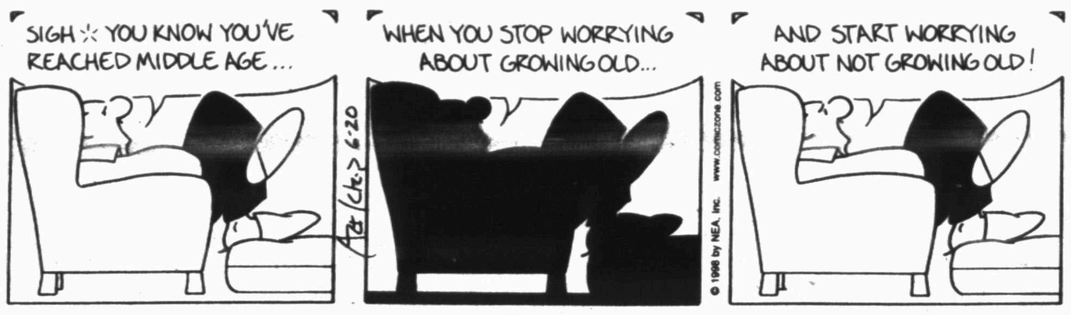
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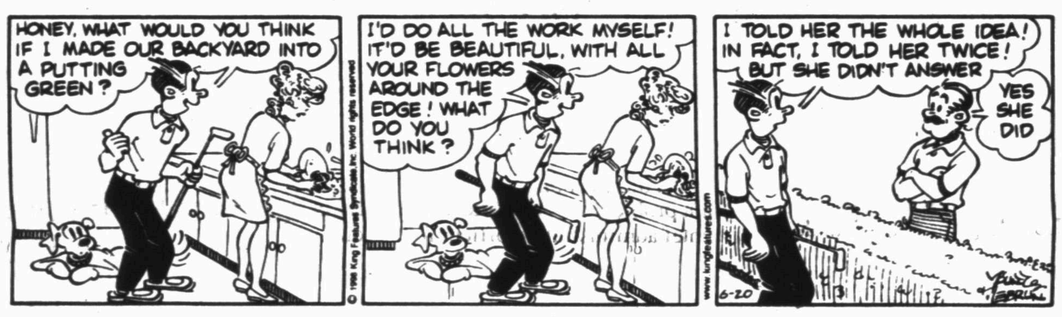


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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 — nous
6 Type of table (abbr.)
10 Absolute ruler
12 Powerful business-person
14 Titter
15 Rock salt
16 French season
17 Caustic substance
19 — — Good Men
20 Eliminate (2 wds.)
23 Go in
26 Upper limb
27 Recede
30 Eastern philosophy
32 Epic poem
34 Flimsy paper
35 Imitates
36 Ninny
37 Household god
39 Clothing stands
40 Rougher, in a way
42 Office note
45 Actress Thurman
46 — Moines
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51 Child's vehicle
54 Floodgate
55 Street sign (2 wds.)
56 Chinese (comb. form)
57 Feel

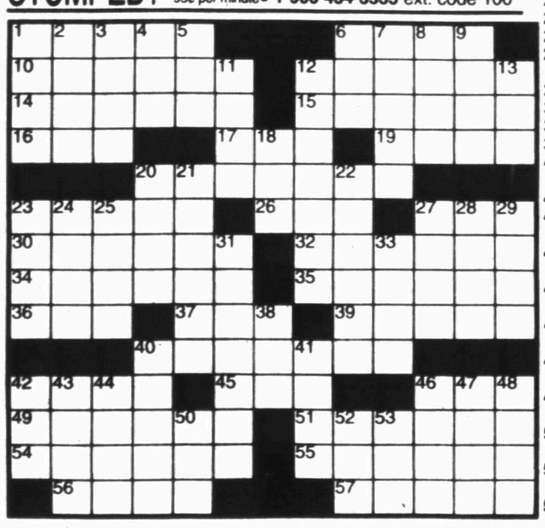
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1 Feminine suffix
2 Russian no
3 Poplar, e.g.
4 Fan's shout
5 Compass pt.
6 Type of rug
7 Acclaim
8 Hairdo
9 Type of bag
11 Relate
12 Mathematical proposition
13 Novel
18 Affirmative cry
20 Old Portuguese money
21 Actress Andress
22 Referee's kin
23 Miss Kett, of the comics
24 River nymph
25 Throw
27 Heroic
28 At one's — and call
29 Mrs. Truman
31 Use a ruler
33 Actor Sharif
38 LP speed
40 Varnish ingredient
41 Othello villain
42 Alps, e.g. (abbr.)
43 Skinny fishes
44 Hawaiian island
46 From — to dusk
47 Important periods
48 Eyelid problem
50 Author Umberto —
52 Cricket positions
53 Fair grade

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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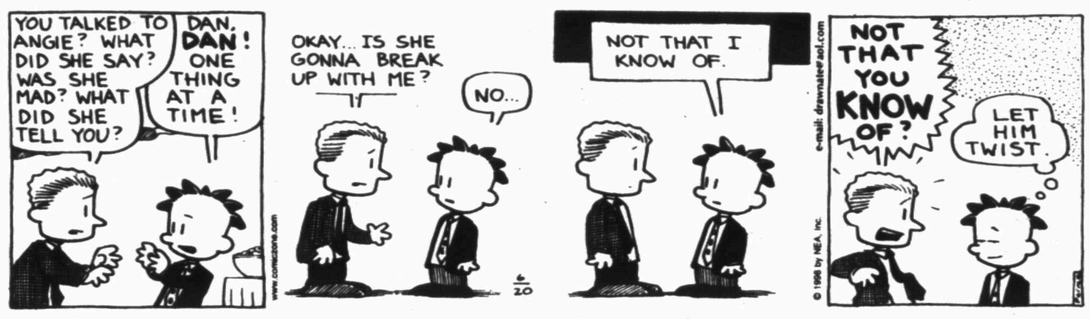
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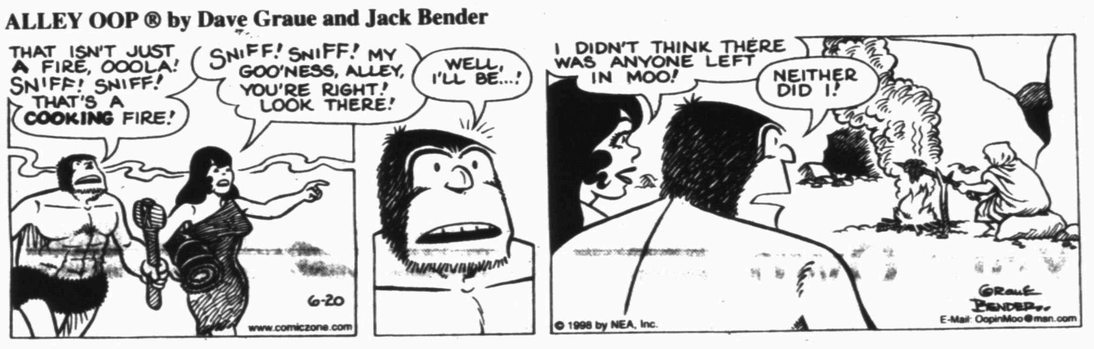


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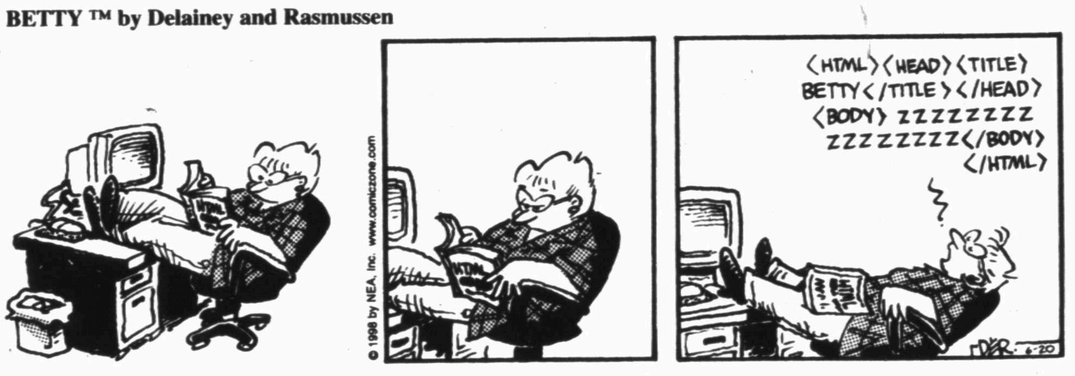
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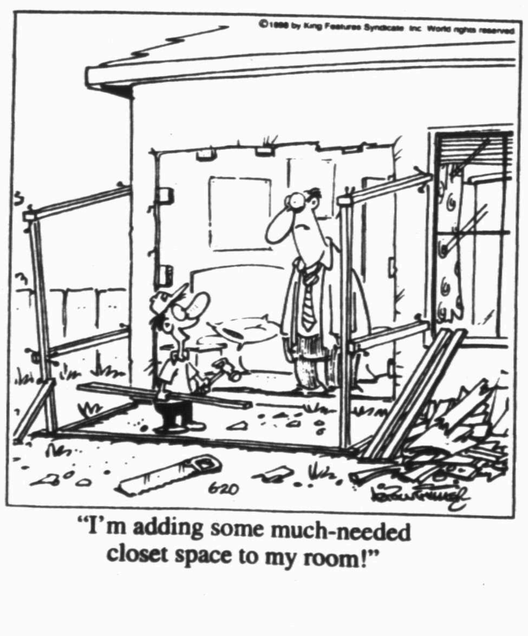


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Fewer toxic chemicals being released

WASHINGTON (AP) — Helped by less air pollution, industrial releases of toxic chemicals dropped 4 percent from 1995 to 1996 despite increases in toxic chemicals dumped into waterways and on the land, the government reported.

The Environmental Protection Agency's annual report on toxic releases covers more than 500 hazardous chemicals released into the environment at more than 22,000 industrial and manufacturing sites nationwide.

The report, which reflects data submitted to the agency last year from 1996 emissions, showed that 2.4 billion pounds of toxic chemicals were released into the air, water, land or put into deep wells by injection. That's about 100 million pounds less than in 1995 — a year that also showed a decline.

The overall numbers reflected a continuing trend of fewer releases since the reporting began a decade ago, although companies are generating more toxic waste during production.

"Putting information about toxic chemical pollution directly into the hands of citizens has kept millions of pounds of chemicals out of their lives," said Vice President Al Gore in a statement accompanying the report's release Thursday.

The administration has sought to expand the reporting requirements to include more chemicals and more industries. For example, electric utilities are not covered by the 1996 reports. The reporting law covers only specific economic sectors.

The EPA also would like to require public reporting of toxic chemicals used in production, a figure environmentalists contend gives a clear picture of potential environmental and health risks. The chemical industry and other businesses have objected to releasing chemical use information, arguing that could allow competitors to learn about proprietary production data.

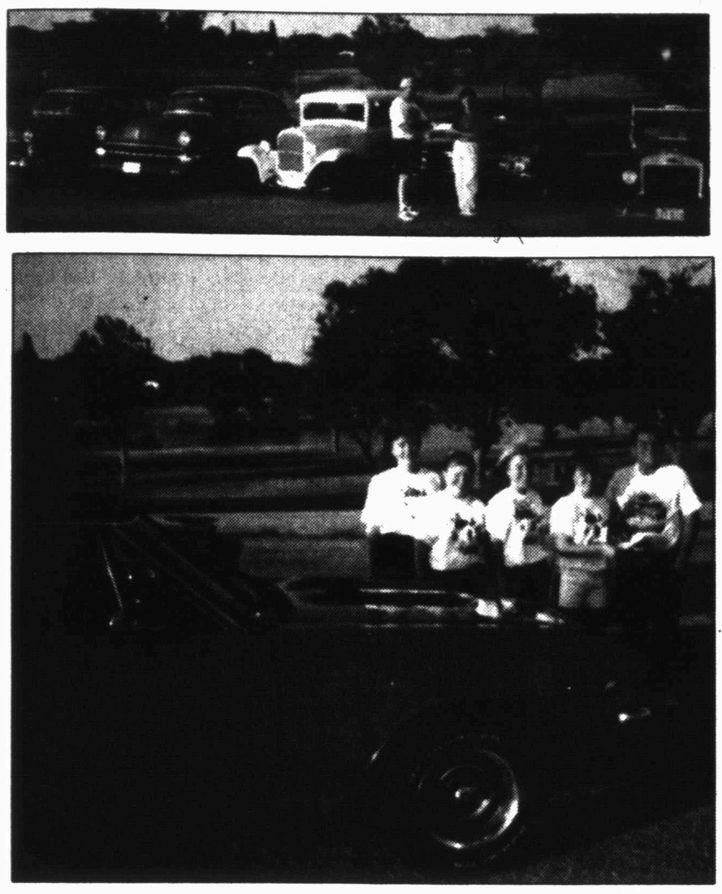
The decade-long toxic release reports — though limited in scope — have been cited by environmentalists and government officials as one of the most successful tools to reduce toxic pollution by industry.

Since 1988, according to the report released Thursday, toxic releases have declined 46 percent. "When information is made publicly available we can make great strides in protecting the health of our communities," said EPA Administrator Carol Browner in a statement.

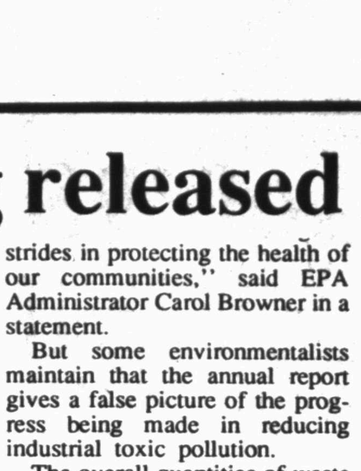
But some environmentalists maintain that the annual report gives a false picture of the progress being made in reducing industrial toxic pollution.

The overall quantities of waste managed — but not all necessarily released into the environment — increased by 1.9 percent between 1991 and 1996, said Allison Lapland, of the U.S. Public Interest Research Group, citing EPA numbers. "This indicates that industries are failing to reduce the toxic waste they manage, and failing to prevent toxic pollution at the source."

Even emissions released directly into the environment from industrial facilities show an uneven trend, depending on where they are released, according to the 1996 data.



SNYDER WHEELS DONATIONS — Snyder Wheels Car Club has donated some of the proceeds of the Car Show and Swap Meet to two local entities. David Cain (top photo) presents a check to Dee Wilson, service area director for Noah Project West. Larry Lee (bottom photo) presents a check to Girl Scout representatives, Marisa Huffman, Angie Reynolds, Alicia Martin and JoAnn Cearly. A similar check will be presented to the Boys and Girls Club at a later date. (Contributed Photos)



Regina Lynn McNair

McNair receives degree at HSU

ABILENE — Regina Lynn McNair of Snyder received her bachelor of behavioral science degree from Hardin-Simmons University's Irvin School of Education on May 9.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee McNair.

Los Angeles was founded by Spanish settlers in 1781.

Senior Center Menu

MONDAY

Creole steak, rice pilaf, lima beans, pears & cottage cheese, chocolate chip cookie

TUESDAY

Beef enchiladas, refried beans, Spanish rice, Mexican tossed salad, gingerbread w/whipped topping

WEDNESDAY

Braised pork chop, cream gravy, mashed potatoes, asparagus, tomato wedges, fruited gelatin chiffon

THURSDAY

Chicken & dumplings, green peas, carrots, lettuce salad, apple cobbler

FRIDAY

Fried fish, whole kernel corn, steamed cabbage, jellied vegetable salad, pineapple flop cake

Senior Center News

Senior Citizens Center has a busy week planned.

The highlight of Monday's activities will be bridge which begins at 9:30 a.m.

Several events are planned for Tuesday, including 42/88 which begins at 10 a.m. The Local Yokels will perform at 11 a.m. The Golden Kiwanis Club will meet at noon and the dance and game night begins at 7 p.m.

Wednesday will kick off with the monthly birthday party at 10 a.m. The Kitchen Band will follow at 11 a.m. and the line dancers are set for 1 p.m.

On Thursday, the Sunshine Choir will perform at Snyder Oaks at 10 a.m.

Several activities on Friday include the blood pressure clinic and bridge which both begin at 9:30 a.m. Seniors will also begin making a July 4th craft for nursing home residents. However, they are asked not to finish the craft that day but to wait for June 29.

In addition, daily activities include quilting, dominoes, pool, exercise at 11 a.m. and swimnastics at Western Texas College Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Seniors interested in the emergency response system (ERS) may phone the center at 573-4035 and speak to Margie Glasscock. This service will benefit seniors who live alone and have health or mobility problems.

The West Texas Rehabilitation Center's audiology mobile unit services the Snyder area once a month. In Snyder, they will be located in the center's parking lot. For information and appointments, call 1-800-460-5485.

Walls Industry has donated camouflage material to the center. Most of the pieces are at least 1½ yards. Seniors are encouraged to get what they can use.

Crickets, ants make life miserable

HOUSTON (AP) — Mayor Lee Brown's office is bugged. So are some City Council offices.

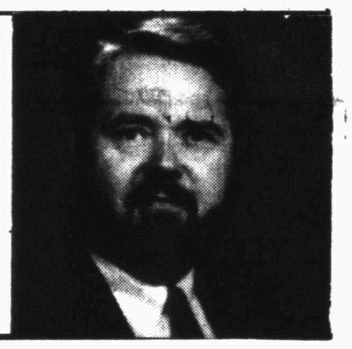
A swarm of crickets has been causing a lot of racket at Houston's City Hall Annex this week. Meanwhile, Brown's office has been invaded by a small army of ants.

"It didn't sound to me from talking to the building manager that the ant problem was as acute as the crickets," said Richard Lewis, deputy chief administrative officer for the city.

Workers have labored this week to fix both problems.

Minding Your Own Business

By Don Taylor



Staying organized: The five P's of paperwork

According to time-management consultants, some people spend up to 25 percent of their workday searching for written documents they can't find. Most of us have been there, done that and have a tee-shirt to prove it.

I often accuse everyone in my office of moving, hiding or taking my important letters, papers and records. Of course, the lost items usually turn up just where I left them.

Obviously, searching for misplaced documents is costly in time, money and productivity. It is often a sign of a deeper problem: poor organizational skills.

Being disorganized not only wastes time and money, but also causes stress. Deadlines come and go, phone messages pile up and we often find ourselves falling short of our goals. All the while, we're still searching for our lost items and the pressure builds.

The good news is if you really want to become more organized you can. And, if you have the want to, I have the way to.

The five P's of paperwork

•**Pitch It**. I often find myself going through piles of information a second or third time and invariably I'll pitch something I've looked at several times before. Indecision is the culprit in this case.

You should handle paper only one time. Take a few moments to look at each piece of paperwork carefully the first time. Make a decision right then. If you need to save the item or do something about it, take one of the actions listed below. When in doubt, pitch it.

•**Pass It**. You should never pass paperwork unless it is better handled by someone else. If your company needs to answer a letter or memo, and you can delegate effectively, do it. However, never pass paperwork or projects just to clean your desk temporarily.

Paperwork often acts like a boomerang:. You can throw it, but it comes right back. Be certain if you pass work on to others that they will take appropriate action. Again, your goal is to only handle paperwork once.

•**Pile It**. We often do not have time to deal with all the paperwork we see every day. When that happens, make three orderly piles of: 1) things to do, 2) items to file or 3) articles to read. Only pile when you have bigger priorities. The mail can wait until you finish an important project. Don't let your piles gather dust.

•**Put It Away**. There is no better method for keeping track of important paperwork than a well planned and consistently used filing system. Here are some good tips on filing. 1) Have adequate filing space. Purge files regularly to free up space. Invest in additional units when needed; 2) take the time to file regularly and accurately; 3) When you start a new project, create a new file for all related papers; 4) Staple related material. Paper clips can come off or tangle other items; 5) Anything that goes in a file should have a date, source, file name and "destroy after" date.

Carefully planned files will keep your workplace uncluttered, your efforts focused and your time your own. If you know you'll need it later, put it away.

•**Push It Through**. Don't delay action. One of the most deadly time wasters is procrastination. The adage "Do it now" is certainly appropriate for paperwork.

Gather any support material you need, then push it through. Answer the letter, outline the project or finish the sales tax report. Follow through until you're finished. Then check it off your "to do" list and go on to the next highest priority.

Don Taylor is the co-author of "Up Against the Wal-Marts." You may write to him in care of "Minding Your Own Business," P.O. Box 67, Amarillo, TX 79105.



Arma Watlington

Watlington celebrates 95th birthday

Arma Watlington was to celebrate her 95th birthday at a party from 2 to 4 p.m. Saturday in the Family Center at 37th Street Church of Christ.

Arma was born on June 19, 1903 in Coyote Park, Archuleta County, Colo., in a small cabin at a logging camp. Her mother and father, George and Lou Ettie Brasuell, had moved there so her father could work for a lumber company.

When she was 10 years old, Arma's father remained in Colorado to work and she and her siblings and her mother moved to Eastland County to live with her mother's parents so they could go to a better school and attend church regularly.

In October of 1921 she and her family moved from Eastland to Loraine, coming in a new Maxwell touring car owned by her grandfather. Her father and the boys came by wagons, driving their horses, a three-day journey.

Arma met her future husband, Onnie Watlington, after church services at the old White Church of Christ. They married on Dec. 20, 1922. They drove to the minister's house and he came out to the car and conducted the ceremony.

She and Onnie farmed in Mitchell County all of their married life except during 1923-25 when they lived in Andrews, Midland and Lamesa. They had three sons, Raymond, Weldon and Bob Watlington.

Her husband died in 1966. Arma continued to live at their home until 1997 when she moved to Snyder Healthcare Center.

Mrs. Watlington still attends worship services at 37th Street Church of Christ.

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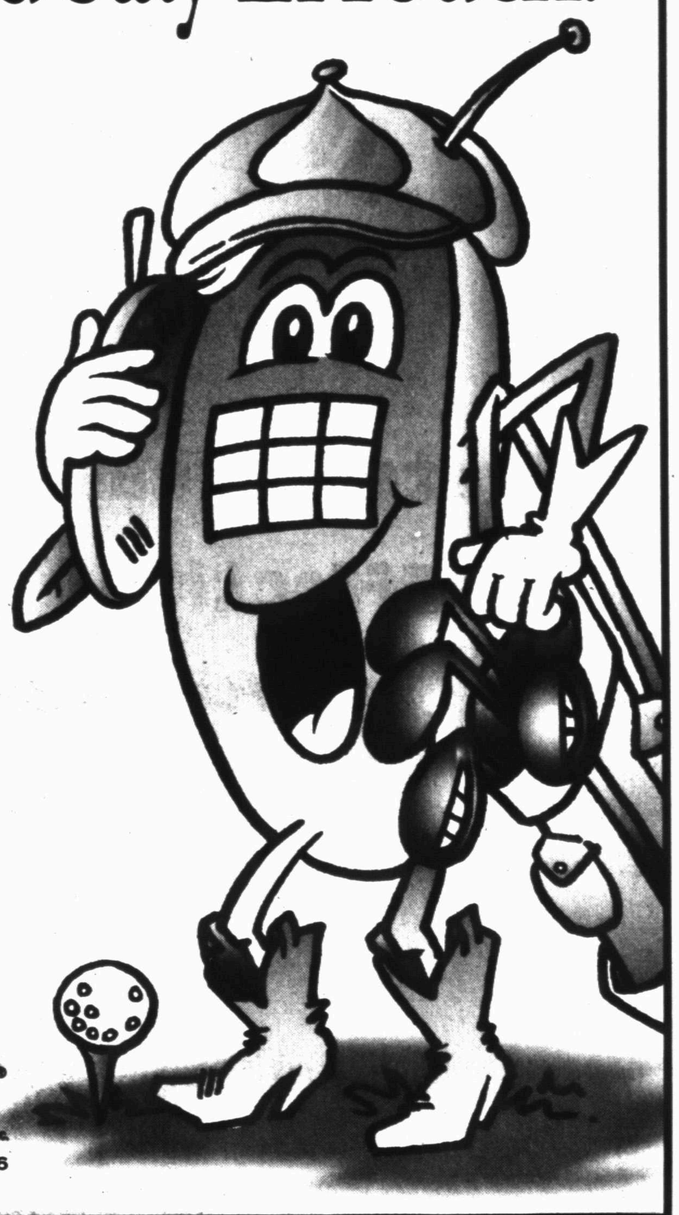
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Gov. Bush talks of '98 election at fund-raiser

WASHINGTON (AP) — Standing beneath six gleaming chandeliers in an elegant ballroom, Texas Gov. George W. Bush promises high-dollar Washington donors that their money "will go to good use."

It will help get him re-elected in November, he declared — not bothering to say what every man and woman in the room already knew: Bush may have good use for their money again in 2000.

His one-day fund-raising blitz Thursday was an impressive display of family connections and high expectations. He raised more than $1 million from a Who's Who of Washington' lobbying, lawmaking and consulting powers — probably an unprecedented showing so early in a presidential election cycle.

If the son of George Bush decides to run in 2000, nobody wants to be remembered as somebody who ignored him in 1998.

"Sure, there are some who are here because of the potential he has for other opportunities," acknowledged Andrew Card, who was transportation secretary during the Bush administration.

The younger Bush, who almost swaggers with confidence, tried his best to be coy. But he conceded that he cannot stop speculation about his White House aspirations as long as he refused to close the door on a presidential bid.

"I'm going to stay focused" on running for governor, he told more than 500 Republican heavyweights at a cocktail fund-raiser just two blocks from the White House. "I'm going to work hard, and the money you've contributed will go to good use."

"I'll tell you this: Nobody is going to out-campaign this guy," Bush said, pointing his thumb at himself.

"The problem is when I leave the state, it starts causing speculation. People start speculating on my behalf. I'm going to put some rumors to rest. I am not, I repeat, I am not a candidate ..." Bush said, pausing with a wry smile before finishing his thought:

" ... for Viagra."

As the laughter died down, he added, "Not now. Maybe in 2004."

Bush leads all potential GOP candidates in most presidential polls, although closer examination of the data reveals that voters know little about him. Pollsters suggest he his benefiting from the Bush family name and a desire by many GOP voters to find a new and exciting candidate outside Washington.

His first-term record on tax cuts, juvenile justice and tort reform made Bush a wildly popular governor. He leads his Democratic opponent in polling by more than 50 percentage points.

Bush told donors Thursday night that literacy would be his No. 1 priority "so long as I am governor."

The cocktail reception came with a $500 price tag. Tickets for the $5,000-a-head dinner was so great that the event, initially planned for a private residence, was moved to a second hotel.

His father's former aides showed up in droves, including spokesman Marlin Fitzwater and former national security adviser Brent Scowcroft.

Democrats contend Bush owes it to the people of Texas to declare his intentions.

"I think Bush has made up his mind to run for president but he sees his tactical advantage to pretend that he hasn't," said Texas Democratic Party Chairman Bill White. "I think what he'll do is spend a couple of years campaigning for it while other people are left to mind the state's business."

Summer camp teaches fine art of confrontation

MIDDLEBURG, Va. (AP) — Summer camp for activists teaches physical skills, legal tactics, nonviolence techniques, political theater, and, most importantly, that participants are not alone in political protesting.

It seems the people who practice direct nonviolent action often are not among the most loved people in town.

Abigail Abrash, 32, says she often has felt isolated in her work. Brice Smedley, 22, recalls how he was physically ejected from stores in Idaho during the battles with timber companies. Ritva Nybacka, a 50-year-old Swede, admitted the lengthy battle to pressure China into letting go of Tibet has carried the threat of burnout.

Camp organizer John Sellers sees the summer camp in rural Virginia's hunt country as a chance to bring together the different elements of the political spectrum's left wing.

"It's a gathering of the tribes, the human rights tribe and the gay rights tribe and the environmental rights tribe," Sellers said. "I would love to think we're playing a small role in reconnecting the Left."

Over the years, the movement that once defined a generation has lost its sense of community, he said.

At a farm in the shadow of the Blue Ridge, summer camp for human rights activists also taught some basic skills of protest.

Do not let the vegetarian fare, blue jeans, yoga lessons and communal spirit fool you: This is not a retro 1960s theme party.

"We're looking less to revive the '60s than to revive the '90s," said Sellers. He's with the group Ruckus, widely known in activist circles for its environmental activist boot camps held since 1995. "We want an approach that is more radical, more confrontational, but at the same time coming from a place of nonviolence. We want to create that kind of political will."

The five-day camp, which had a human rights theme for the first time, is being held all week on the grounds of Glen Ora farm, about 50 miles west of Washington. The 150-acre farm is owned by Elaine Broadhead, whose family once rented it to President Kennedy as a weekend retreat.

The camp, co-sponsored by Ruckus, the Underground Project and the Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Center for Human Rights, offers training in rope climbing (for hanging banners), nonviolent confrontation, legal workshops, political theater, media training, even use of the Internet.

The camp costs more than $30,000 to stage, paid for by foundation grants, but is free to the 100 or so participants. They are screened to ensure they either have protest experience or at least a legitimate reason to attend.

"We are selective," said Sellers, 31. "We, as activists, need an ethic of excellence. There's a lot of shoddy direct (nonviolent) action that gives direct action a bad name."

Abrash of the RFK Center added: "We don't want just to be heard. We want to be effective."

While the camp's principal organizers are too young to be veterans of the 1960s protests, Ruckus director Mike Roselle cut his teeth in the '60s, co-founded "Earth First!," the pioneering group in the radical environmental movement, and led Greenpeace's first direct-action team.

Analysts worry about affect of sanctions

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. intelligence analysts, stung by their failure to anticipate nuclear tests in South Asia, are reassessing their conclusion that Pakistan is unlikely to share its capability with other Muslim countries — raising the specter of an "Islamic bomb."

Although they do not yet view these scenarios as likely, U.S. analysts are watching for signs that economic sanctions imposed on Pakistan may boomerang, compelling the Islamabad government to gain scarce cash by trading on its nuclear technology, according to U.S. intelligence officials.

A congressional aide familiar with intelligence issues said the CIA's counterproliferation center also was concerned that individual Pakistanis might sell their knowledge abroad.

"While it might not be Pakistani policy to proliferate, there might be an individual willing to do so," the aide said in explaining the CIA analysts' thinking.

These developments come a month after India and Pakistan surprised U.S. analysts with an exchange of underground nuclear blasts. Once burned, the intelligence community is anxious not to be caught off guard again. A critique of the episode ordered by CIA Director George Tenet found that the agency failed to give sufficient weight to contrary opinions.

That finding by a panel headed by retired Adm. David Jeremiah is now driving a close examination of whether Pakistan might sell bomb-making material to fellow Muslim nations such as Iran, according to administration officials and congressional aides.

However, the prevailing view, both among intelligence analysts and outside experts, remains that Pakistan developed its nuclear capability at great expense after decades of toil and is unlikely to give it away lightly.

They say that the sole purpose of its program was to counter archrival India's nuclear capability, not to challenge Israel. The Islamic faith shared by Pakistan and Mideast states does not automatically lead to friendly relations.

"Pakistan's relations with Iran, for instance, are very testy at this time," said Geoffrey Kemp, a national security aide during the Reagan administration and now with the Nixon Center for Peace and Freedom.

U.S. intelligence closely has watched tensions between Iran and Pakistan over the minority Shiite Muslim population, seen in Shiite Iran as the victim of Pakistani oppression. A number of Iranians have been killed in Pakistan in recent years, adding to the tension.

Proliferation worries come at a time when the Clinton administration is offering to begin a new relationship with Iran if it abides by international standards of conduct — including rules barring the spread of weapons of mass destruction.

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