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Oklahoma City bomber put to death

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (AP) — Offering no trace of remorse, Timothy McVeigh went to his death today with the same flinty look he showed the world when he was first arrested for killing 168 people in the bombing of the Oklahoma City federal building.

The government McVeigh so despised executed him by chemical injection. He died silently, with his eyes open.

Instead of making an oral statement, McVeigh, 33, issued a copy of the 1875 poem "Invictus," which concludes with the lines: "I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of my soul."



Timothy McVeigh
...defiant to the end

He was pronounced dead at 7:14 this morning, becoming the first federal prisoner executed in 38 years.

In Oklahoma City, 232 survivors and victims' relatives watched a closed-circuit TV broadcast of the execution, sent from Terre Haute in a feed encrypted to guard against interception.

Some said he seemed to stare straight at them from 620 miles away by gazing directly into the overhead TV camera in the death chamber with a cold, hard look.

"I think I did see the face of evil today," said Kathy Wilburn, whose grandsons Chase Smith, 3, and brother Colton, 2, died in the bombing six years ago on April 19, 1995.

McVeigh, wearing a white T-shirt, khaki pants and slip-on sneakers, looked pale as he awaited death. His hair was cropped short. A light gray sheet was pulled up tightly to his chest as he lay strapped on the gurney.

McVeigh made eye contact with his four personal witnesses, then with the 10 media witnesses, then squinted toward the tinted window shielding the 10 victims' witnesses from his view.

The lethal injection was administered to his right leg. When the first drug was delivered, he let out a couple of deep breaths, followed by a fluttery breath. His head moved back, his gaze fixed on the ceiling, and his eyes were glassy.

In Washington, President Bush declared that McVeigh had "met the fate he chose for himself six years ago."

He added: "For the survivors of the crime, and for the families of the dead, the pain goes on. Final punishment of the guilty cannot alone bring peace for the innocent. It cannot recover the loss or balance the scales and it is not meant to do so."

In a recent letter to The Buffalo News, McVeigh said his body would be released to one of his attorneys and cremated, and his ashes would be scattered in an undisclosed location.

In Oklahoma City, Kathleen Treanor, whose 4-year-old daughter, Ashley, and her husband's parents died in the bombing, watched the closed-circuit broadcast. Afterward, she held up a picture of her daughter and said: "I thought of her every step of the way." She said there was no display of emotion in the room as the execution took place.

Larry Whicher, the brother of a bombing victim, said McVeigh looked straight into the camera with a cold, blank stare in the moments before he died — "and that stare said volumes." The camera was suspended from the ceiling and pointed at an angle at his face.

"He had a look of defiance and that if he could, he'd do it all over again," Whicher said. He added: "I don't think he gave himself to the Lord. I don't think he repented and personally I think he's in hell."

Jay Sawyer, who also watched via TV, said: "Without saying anything he got the final word, absolutely, his teeth were clenched, just like when they showed him coming out of that facility when he was first arrested. His teeth were clenched, his lips were pursed and just a blank stare. It was the same today."

Janice Smith, whose brother Lanny Scroggins died in the bombing, prayed with her children at the Oklahoma City National Memorial, then left after getting word that McVeigh was dead.

"It's over," she said. "We don't have to continue with him anymore."

McVeigh's lawyer Robert Nigh somberly reminded reporters that the government not only executed the Oklahoma City bomber, but also a decorated Gulf War veteran, a son and a brother. He said there was "nothing reasonable or moral about what we did today."

"If there is anything good that can come from the execution of Tim Mcveigh, it may be to help us realize sooner that we simply cannot do this anymore," Nigh said. "I am firmly convinced that it is not a question of if we will stop. It is simply a question of when."

Attorney General John Ashcroft, who authorized the closed-circuit broadcast, was in Oklahoma City when McVeigh was put to death. Ashcroft did not watch the broadcast but wanted to be in Oklahoma City to be with the families of the victims.

For security purposes, Ashcroft's whereabouts had been kept under wraps until the execution was carried out.

McVeigh's co-conspirator, Terry Nichols, sat in his jail cell in Oklahoma City with no access to radio or television. Nichols was convicted on federal charges of involuntary manslaughter and conspiracy and was sentenced to life in prison. Oklahoma prosecutors are pursuing state murder charges that could bring the death penalty.

The day before McVeigh's execution, his attorneys said that he was sorry for those who suffered but that he didn't regret detonating a massive bomb at the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building — the worst act of terrorism on U.S. soil.



EXECUTION WITNESSES — Shari Sawyer, right, wipes a tear as she leans on her husband Jay's shoulder in Oklahoma City this morning after the execution of Timothy McVeigh. Jay Sawyer's mother Dolores Stratton was killed in the 1995 bombing of the Alfred P. Murrah Federal Building. Shown at left is Stratton's daughter, Mickey. The Sawyers were among nearly 300 people who witnessed the execution of McVeigh. (AP Photo)

In Houston...

At least 17 dead after heavy rains

HOUSTON (AP) — Amid predictions that damages would reach $1 billion, flood waters from Tropical Storm Allison were receding after killing at least 17 people in Texas and leaving much of downtown in the nation's fourth-largest city without power and closed inside.

"It's terrible," Deyanira Barragan said through tears as she and her 9-month-old daughter fled their deluged apartment complex.

Theirs was among an estimated 20,000 Houston-area residences inundated after some 3 feet of rain fell since the slow-moving stubborn storm sloshed ashore in Southeast Texas last week. Flood watches and warnings finally came down Sunday and the weather began clearing with little additional rain in the forecasts.

Most of the fatalities were drownings. Water reached rooftops in some neighborhoods near bayous that overflowed from the torrential rains. Other victims were found in cars that became trapped in quickly rising waters. A few others were electrocuted.

More than a dozen people had been reported missing, although Houston police expected many were in shelters and likely would wind up safe.

"The loss of property pales compared to human lives," Gov. Rick Perry said after flying over the hardest-hit areas Sunday. "This is a tragedy of very large proportion."



BUSINESS DAMAGED — Snyder police officers look over a broken window at Mulligan's Mall this morning that was apparently the victim of vandalism. It was first thought the building had been burglarized, but the owners reported nothing missing. Shown from left are Sgt. David Holley, Cpl. Mike Duddleston and Sgt. Terry Luecke. (SDN Staff Photo)

Ira board to discuss football coach's status

The Ira school board meets at 6:30 this evening with a number of issues on its agenda — including what to do about an athletic director and head football coach.

Toby Goodwin, the Bulldogs' head coach, must relinquish his teaching and AD position as of July 1 because he doesn't have his teacher's certification.

The 1990 graduate of Snyder High School hopes to retain his coaching post, and Supt. Jim Rumage said it is possible that Goodwin will remain with the school in the capacity of a teacher's aide.

For Goodwin to continue as head coach, he must be hired for a non-teaching position inside the school district. If that happens, Rumage would likely take over as athletic director.

The school district hired Goodwin on a three-year deficiency plan. When the plan expired prior to last year, the coach was retained on a one-year emergency basis.

In other business, the board will meet with representatives from Johnson Controls to discuss the company's energy auditing services.

Rumage said he believes the company's program will pay for itself and save the school district money.

David Brown, technology director, will give trustees a report on a couple of grants Ira has received, including one to install a solar-powered generator.

In a routine item, the board will consider depository bids. Currently the school district uses West Texas State Bank.

Trustees will also discuss whether to join the TASA-TASB co-op purchasing plan, which would allow the school to purchase operating supplies without going through the bid process.

Rumage said the co-op takes bids on all types of items from paper to vehicles, and members are not required to bid for those items because they've already gone through the state bid process.

"It eliminates us from having to worry about doing any bidding," Rumage said.

Trustees also have student transfers to consider.

"We had some people who got their transfer forms in late, and we will let the board decide whether or not they get to go to school out here," Rumage said.

An item on purchasing a pickup for the ag department is also on the agenda. Rumage said the estimated cost of fixing the current ag pickup is $7,000.

"Instead of spending that much on an old one, I think the thing to do is trade the Ford Excursion for another ag pickup."

The Excursion was purchased for Rumage's use.

Also on the agenda is discussion of a salary schedule for the district's para-professionals. Rumage said the school does not currently have a salary schedule, but board members have been working on one in the past two months.

The pay schedule would be for cafeteria workers, aides and maintenance personnel.

Rumage and Principal Mike Duke will also give their regular reports.

ASK US

Q—Will the Legends Show and Dance Friday at the Wagon Wheel Ranch benefit the Permian Basin Sul Ross Scholarship Fund?
A—Yes.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 92 degrees; low, 66; high Sunday, 97; low, 69; 7 a.m. Monday, 72; no precipitation; total for 2001, 8.77 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear, low near 70. SE wind 10-20 mph. Tuesday, mostly sunny. High near 100. Tuesday night, mostly clear, low lower 70s.



Jodi Hamilton
Hot

Sunset: 8:48 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:40 a.m.
Of 161 days in 2001, the sun has shone 149 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

People seldom notice old clothes if you wear a big smile.
—Lee Mildon

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Fisherman helps victims of flood

BAYTOWN (AP) — A fisherman who managed to hang onto his boat during Tropical Storm Allison's wrath put it to frequent use, rescuing residents from flooded stores and restaurants and even helping a pregnant woman in labor on her way to a quick delivery.

Bob Nailon of Baytown told his wife there was a reason why he kept his boat. Nailon used his 16-foot aluminum fishing boat to rescue more than 30 people trapped in flooded stores and restaurants near Channelview.

Emergency medical technicians for the Houston Fire Department sought Nailon's help to reach a woman in labor at Timberidge Apartments after rising water prevented vehicle access to the residence. The EMTs boarded Nailon's boat and they brought the mother, her newborn and the baby's father to a waiting emergency vehicle.

The medical technicians, while at the same apartment building, also treated a woman with chest pains and another pregnant woman who was having contractions.

Nailon, who lives east of Houston, had watched television coverage of the Houston area flooding and wondered what he could do to help.

"We were so lucky in Baytown and I wanted to help those people who weren't so lucky," he said.

He spent six hours Saturday rescuing motorists forced to abandon their vehicles when flash floods brought on by the storm's remnants covered roadways.

"It was the most incredible thing I've ever seen," said Nailon.



PERFECT ATTENDANCE — Receiving perfect attendance certificates for 2000-2001 at Stanfield Elementary's awards ceremony include (from left), first row, Miranda Benitez, Amanda Guiterrez, Dierdre Foree, Nelson Sears, Kaitlin Barnal, Juan Benitez, Briann Perry, Brianna Rose, Amanda Daves; top row, Collin Parsons, Samantha Rogers, Will Toombs, Kelsi Williams, Cassie Gunset, Lucero Espinoza, Freddy Lopez, Dylan Randolph and Logan Perry. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Russian, Uzbekistan pianists share gold medal at Cliburn

FORT WORTH (AP) — Four years ago, Uzbekistan's Stanislav Ioudenitch was heartbroken after dropping out of one of the world's most prestigious piano competitions.

Just before the 1997 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition semifinals, Ioudenitch severely scalded his left hand while brewing tea. With bandaged fingers, he watched the round from the audience.

But he started practicing 15 days later and vowed to return to Fort Worth. This year, his hand completely healed, he performed some of the same music he would have in 1997: Prokofiev, Liszt, Schubert, Stravinsky.

On Sunday, Ioudenitch and Russia's Olga Kern made history by both winning the gold medal of the 11th Cliburn contest.

"It was like unfinished business," Ioudenitch, 29, said Sunday. "I'm really glad it (winning the gold medal) happened ... and I have the opportunity to play music."

Kern didn't advance past the preliminaries in 1997. After that she married, had a child and divorced. She also left the Moscow Tchaikovsky Conservatory and began studying at the Accademia Pianistica Incontri col Maestro in Italy — all while raising a son, now 2.

Back in Fort Worth this year, Kern's powerful performances — of Rachmaninoff, Liszt, Scriabin and Schumann — quickly made her a crowd favorite. Some said the cheering audiences and numerous autograph seekers had caught "Olgamania."

When her name was announced Sunday night, the 26-year-old jumped up and down on the Bass Performance Hall stage and shared a lengthy embrace with Cliburn. She became the second woman ever to win the competition; Cristina Ortiz of Brazil won first prize in 1969.

A beaming Kern later kissed the gold medal around her neck, hugged the large silver winner's cup and said she was excited about touring.

"I want to perform, to play concerts," she said, grinning.

For the first time since 1981, two pianists shared the silver medal this year: Maxim Philippov, 29, of Russia, who teaches at Moscow Tchaikovsky Conservatory; and Antonio Pompa-Baldi, 26, of Italy, who teaches at Oberlin Conservatory. No bronze medal was awarded.

Wang Xiaohan, 20, of China and Oleksiy Koltakov, 22, of Ukraine were the remaining finalists.

Cliburn, who hugged all finalists when they accepted their awards Sunday, said afterward that the panel of jurors used "utmost discretion" in awarding more than one gold and silver medal.

He prefers to call it a festival rather than competition, he said, adding that all 30 participants have promising futures.

"All of us (here) try to give impetus to a career, and the winning of a competition is really only a door," Cliburn said. "You use that room that you go into to the best of your ability."

Rules for shrimp disputed

VICTORIA (AP) — Despite an abundance of shrimp that fishermen say eliminates the need for regulations against overfishing, state regulators say they must protect the industry's long-term health with catch limits.

Seadrift shrimper Dennis Wittnebert said this season is perhaps the best he has seen in the more than 50 years he has been in the business.

"Most boats are getting their limit and many are coming in early," he told The Victoria Advocate in today's online edition. Also, shrimp is "back up to a pretty fair price."

With a limit of 600 pounds per day, shrimp can be harvested from 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. But this season, the veteran commercial fisherman said, shows that Texas Parks and Wildlife Department regulations aimed at protecting the industry are unnecessary.

A TPWD official disagreed with the assessment.

"Even shrimpers recognize that shrimp is trending down," said Paul Hammerschmidt, the department's program director. "Our data collected over the last 20-something years show that continued overfishing is a problem and we stand behind our rules.

"There are good years and bad years. I don't see how they can say that because they're having a good year that there isn't a problem overall," he said.

The agency is mandated by the Legislature to insure the long-term health of the shrimping industry, Hammerschmidt said.

Parks and Wildlife Commissioners on Aug. 31 adopted a set of regulations aimed at protecting Texas' waters from over-harvesting, which they said could bring about the collapse of the industry. Shrimpers disagreed and filed a lawsuit.

Except for closures of some bays to protect small shrimp and cutting the fall season by 15 days, several new regulations have not gone into effect, Port Lavaca shrimper James Davenport said. "They're not affecting us much yet, but they will," Davenport said. "We're fighting them and we're not through."

events

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $21 million.

The ticket was sold in Houston.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 6-12-48-28-43-47.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $26 million.

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TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1885, Massachusetts established a quasi-judicial commission to regulate the gas industry.

On this day in 1953, Naval vessels began evacuating 20,000 Koreans from islands off the western coast of Korea.

On this day in 1982, "E.T.," directed by Steven Spielberg, was released.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Ben Jonson (1572-1637), writer; John Constable (1776-1837), artist; Richard Strauss (1864-1949), composer; Jacques Cousteau (1910-1997), explorer; Vince Lombardi (1913-1970), football coach; William Styron (1925-), writer, is 76; Gene Wilder (1935-), actor, is 66; Jackie Stewart (1939-), auto-racing great, is 62; Joe Montana (1956-), football star, is 45.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1977, Seattle Slew won the Belmont Stakes, becoming the first undefeated Triple Crown winner.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Every morning I wake up saying, I'm still alive; a miracle. And so I keep on pushing." — Jacques Cousteau

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (June 5) and last quarter (June 13).

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Skeptical Europe awaits Bush visit this week

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — President Bush visits Europe this week to meet America's closest friends. What he'll find is more doubt, skepticism and disagreement about the United States than at any time in years.

Whether Washington is pressing for a ballistic missile defense system, or abandoning plans for emissions controls, or pushing genetically modified foods, there's plenty of sharp opposition.

Many Europeans see the United States today as a nation totally absorbed with its own interests and ready to go it alone in the world if its allies don't bend to its will.

"The administration is perceived as unilateralist, aggressive and in many ways more interested in protecting itself, the United States, from the world than protecting the world from itself," said Dominique Moisi of the French Institute for International Relations.

As a consequence, criticism of the United States is rising as the conservative administration in Washington attempts to deal with the largely center-left governments of Europe.

Bush begins his first trip to Europe as president on Tuesday in Madrid, Spain, then flies to Brussels, Belgium, on Wednesday to meet NATO leaders. He heads to Goteborg, Sweden, on Thursday for talks with European Union members. He will speak on U.S.-European ties Friday in Warsaw, Poland, and hold his first summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin on Saturday in Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Russia has been a key to American foreign policy for years, first as a fierce adversary, now as something closer to a partner — and on issues like missile defense, more like a sparring partner. Bush needs Russia's acquiescence to his missile defense plans if he is to sell his own allies on the deal, but Moscow has balked.

The Bush administration wants to build a system capable of shooting down ballistic missiles fired by from unpredictable nations like North Korea, Iraq and Iran. Some allies are skeptical about the threat. Others agree the threat exists, but see the response as political. Still others agree with the Kremlin's claim that abandoning the 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile treaty between Moscow and Washington will spark a new arms race and weaken security in Europe.

When it comes to the U.S. missile-defense plans, "France and Britain, the two western European nuclear powers, have a shared interest with Russia and China," said Svein Melby of the Norwegian Institute of International Affairs.

"I'm sure that both China, Russia and the two western European nuclear powers to some degree are skeptical of increased efforts on ballistic missile defense because this will reduce their international influence and give the United States an even stronger position," he said.

If the Russians can be persuaded to go along with the missile defense plans, however, the European allies would probably fall into line, Melby said, predicting the same would be true for Democrats in the U.S. Congress who are also wary about the administration's aims.

Talk of a bumpy road in U.S.-European relations should not be exaggerated, said Dick Leurdijk of the Netherlands' Clingendael Institute: There have always been disagreements and they are almost always resolved satisfactorily. Nonetheless, he said, tough times lie ahead.

"Looking at the missile defense issue, Kyoto, the Balkans, these things are here to stay for the coming years. They will determine the political climate, and Bush can expect extremely critical European partners," said Leurdijk.

Europe was outraged earlier this year when the Bush administration announced it would not adhere to pollution-cutting targets set in the 1997 Kyoto Protocol, an international agreement aimed to stem global warming.

Europe's nations often have a hard time agreeing among themselves. That makes forging agreements with them doubly difficult, former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright wrote in an article this week in The New York Times.

"If we don't agree, you condemn the disagreement, if we agree, you tell us we are isolating ourselves from you," said Moisi.

A case in point is the EU plan for its own 60,000-man force for use in peacekeeping and humanitarian missions — particularly when NATO declines to get involved in a crisis. In part, the plan is a response to years of U.S. pressure for Europe to do more for its own security.

But while Washington agrees that enhancing European military capability is good for NATO, some Americans fear the European force could weaken U.S. influence on the continent.

Europe's U.S. ties are also frayed by trade disputes over issues including aircraft sales, beef hormones and steel supplies.

Wisconsin Indian tribe growing healthier food

ODANAH, Wis. (AP) — The yard at Bill Roundwind's home has newly planted fruit trees and freshly tilled gardens. They are evidence of a Chippewa tribe's efforts to get members like Roundwind to eat more fruits and vegetables to combat a diabetes crisis.

"This is a program with life-and-death implications," said Mary Bigboy, the tribe's health department director.

The reservation of 1,400 people has 200 confirmed cases of diabetes, she said. At least five new cases are diagnosed every month. There is so much need for insulin that public bathrooms at a tribal restaurant have boxes for people to dispose of needles.

With a $30,000 U.S. Department of Agriculture grant, the Bad River band of Lake Superior Chippewa has tribal members working the soils, planting squash and beans and recapturing part of their gardening heritage.

Roundwind, 42, knows about diabetes. His parents and grandparents suffered from it and he calls the tribe's healthy eating initiative wonderful.

"You are more apt to eat things that you grow yourself," he said.

The planting projects on the Bad River Reservation grew from a diabetes prevention effort started three years ago to respond to statistics that show about one in eight Native American adults have diabetes, twice the rate of non-Indians, said Luis Salas of the Northern Native American Health Alliance.

The health alliance and other groups on the reservation have been promoting youth exercise programs as one way to prevent diabetes, Salas said. The other key is promoting good nutrition, which means eating more fruits and vegetables.

Diabetes is caused by too much glucose, a kind of sugar, in the blood. A diet low in fat, with moderate amounts of protein and high in carbohydrates, such as beans and other vegetables, is recommended.

"It won't necessarily solve the problem, but we think we can prevent and delay diabetes with healthy lifestyles. I would promote anyone growing their own stuff," said Anne Daily, a registered dietitian and president-elect of health care and education for the American Diabetes Association.

Jack Bricker, national tribal liaison for USDA's Natural Resources Conservation Service in Washington, D.C., said other tribes have established community gardens and other initiatives to return to more traditional ways, including growing plants with spiritual significance.

"They feel if they can get back to a more traditional diet, less processed foods, less processed sugar, they will be healthier," he said.

The Bad River Chippewa used part of their federal grant to buy 300 apple, pear, cherry and crab apple trees to plant in people's yards. A greenhouse is under construction. A small community garden was planted in nutrient-rich soil along the Bad River with plans for a 5-acre plot next spring.

And 20 "hoop houses" — a box of dirt about the size of a bed that can be covered to prolong the growing season — were built for the first wave of gardeners.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, June 12, 2001

Patience and stick-to-itiveness will aid you in the year ahead in achieving a number of things you've been wanting for a long time. They'll come about when the timing is right.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Should someone or something impede your progress today and deny you a success for which you've fought hard and long, losing your temper over it will only add insult to injury. Trying to patch up a broken romance?

The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Before you start swinging that hammer today, you'd best take the time to think out all your steps beforehand. If you're unprepared, you could make a mess out of your project.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If you didn't have bad luck, you'd have no luck at all. So be philosophical about it. It'll help you bide your time until things return to normal again.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — It could be one of those days when everyone will have better reasons for doing things a certain way than you do. It'll be easier to grin and bear it then to browbeat them into compliance.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — All of us are different, so it's a waste of time to try to make others over in your own image today. See the good in others and ignore their imperfections, and they'll ignore yours.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — You could make one of your bigger mistakes today if you allow yourself to be unduly influenced into taking a speculative risk solely on what another says. Do your homework first.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Avoid saddling yourself with deadwood today. If you can't find anyone you know who is competent even to carry his or her own load, go it alone. Otherwise you'll have more work to handle.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — The possibilities for achieving success today are nil if you insist upon doing things in a helter-skelter fashion. Organization and planning are a must.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Don't make any monetary moves today just because others are doing so. Conditions are more tricky than usual, and your hard earn money could go down the tubes.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Should you feel overpowered or outmaneuvered when out in that big world today, don't come home and take your disappointment out on the family. It's not their fault.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — There's a strong chance you could take on an assignment today that is way beyond your scope. It's good to be positive about your abilities, but it must be salted with realism.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — It'll be your choice today to go belly up with your finances if you choose to ignore prudence and spend foolishly. If you do, you will only have yourself to blame when you're broke.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Young prisoner in real jail tells teen to count blessings

DEAR ABBY: Yesterday was my 20th birthday. Aren't birthdays supposed to be happy occasions? Well, if you're in jail and on your way to prison like me, maybe not.

"Prisoner in Reno, Nev." thinks she's got it bad at home because her parents won't let her out much. She should remember this: There is always someone who has it worse than she has. Her parents are overprotective because they love her. Even though I'm locked up, my parents still care for me. They're worried sick.

Let me ask you this, "Prisoner" — do your parents search you before and after you leave your room? Do they make you eat nasty food you wouldn't give your worst enemy? Do they routinely search your room? What I'm trying to say is, count your blessings.

You ended your letter by asking, "What should I do?" Well, I'm on a one-way trip down a road that leads nowhere. Now tell me, what should I do? — **INMATE ON A DEAD END**

DEAR INMATE: I don't know what you did to receive a prison sentence, but it's possible that you should feel lucky to be alive.

Since you asked what you should do, I strongly suggest you follow all prison rules to the letter, do not believe everything you hear from the other inmates, and take any classes that are offered to improve yourself.

Even under these difficult circumstances, you still have control over how "happy" your future birthdays can be.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have a beautiful 3-year-old daughter I'll call Bonnie. She's the result of artificial insemination, as my husband is unable to father a child. Our little girl is our pride and joy.

We cannot decide if or how to tell Bonnie that my husband is not her biological father. Is it necessary to tell her at all, and if so, when and how? My fear is that Bonnie will reject her dad if she finds out.

I am assuming there would be no health-related need for our daughter to know, as semen donors are supposed to be screened for inherited diseases, but I guess you never know.

My feminine intuition tells me we should tell her the truth. I know there must be a lot of parents out there who have dealt with this issue — or will face it in the future. I would appreciate any input I can get.

Please don't use my name. Very few people know that my husband did not father our daughter. Just sign me ... **FLORIDA MOM**

DEAR FLORIDA MOM: My feminine intuition — and common sense — tells me that your daughter should be told. You stated that "very few people know the truth." When more than two people know a secret, it's usually no longer a secret. It's better that she hear it from you and your husband.

Your daughter should be told when she is old enough to understand the mechanics and all of the implications of artificial insemination — including the pain and frustration of wanting your own child and being unable to have one.

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

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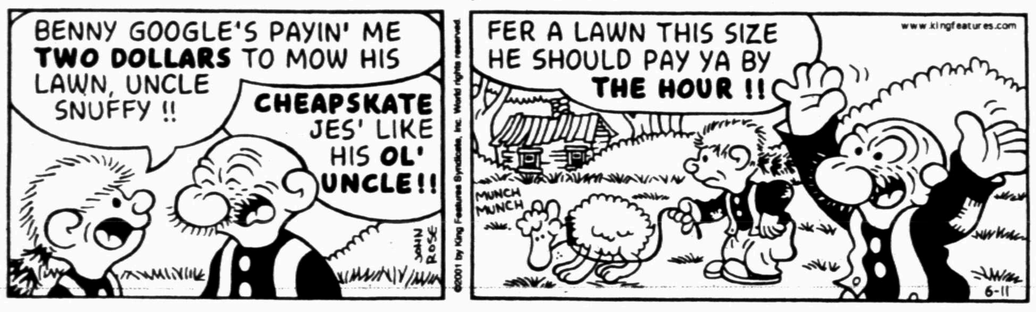
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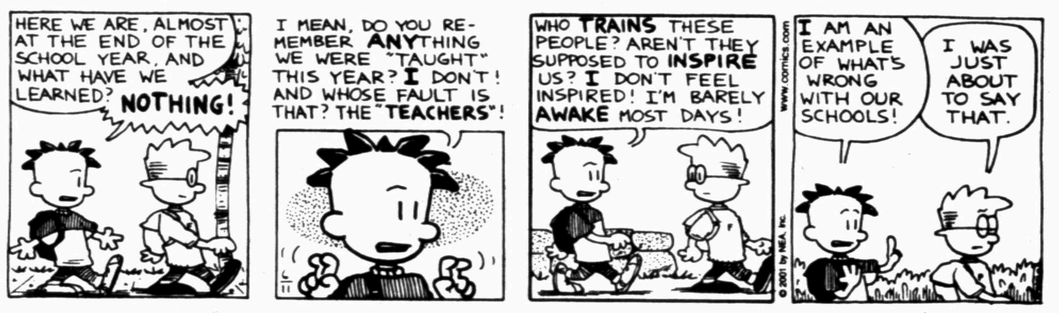
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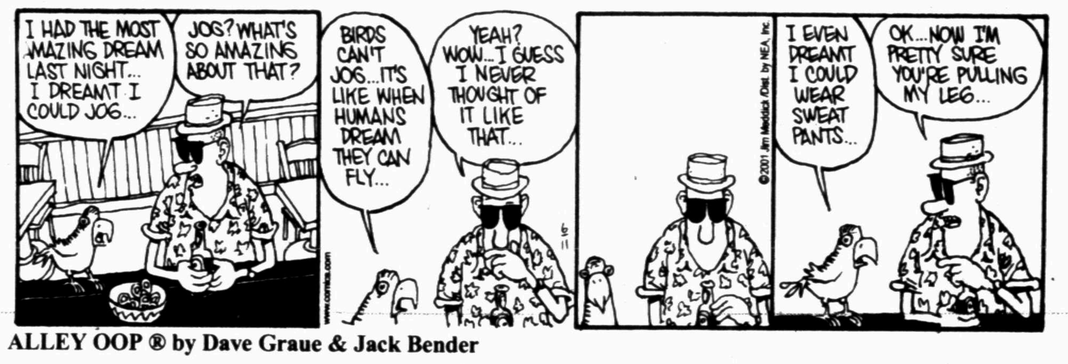
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"What's a jumbo burger?"

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Part of M.F.A.
7 Cotton fabric
13 Over-adorned
14 Baltimore bird
15 Placed in storage
16 Type of soup
17 Opp. of NNE
18 Man-mouse connector
20 Actor Mineo
21 Scoffed (at)
25 Basis of an argument
28 River in Africa
32 Chemical dye
33 Valletta's place
34 Heading
35 Perfect
36 Rain and hail
37 Lessening of hostilities
39 Thesaurus entry
41 Knicks' org.
44 Medical suffix
45 Gun grp.
48 Imitation gold
51 Type of membrane
54 Young lady
55 Opposite of Occident
56 Exit
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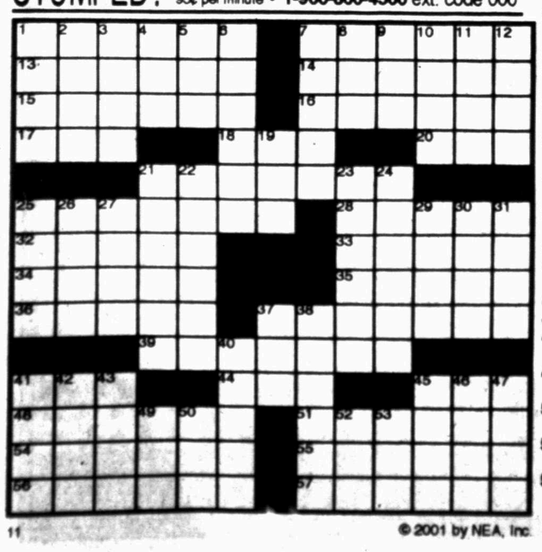
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1 What rolling stones don't gather
2 Talents
3 Frozen precipitation
4 Shooting marble
5 Paris season
6 Decorates anew
7 Grinding tooth
8 "Vent" ending
9 Evil deed
10 Parcels of land
11 Hipbones
12 Actress Carter
19 Dakota Indian
21 Grins
22 Four score and ten
23 Antagonism
24 Crown
25 Teacher's favorites
26 Muddy the waters
27 Ancient Italian family
29 Wooded valley
30 Coup d' —
31 Bad throat sound
37 Comic DeLuise
38 Inflame with love
40 They're often proper!
41 Seaport in Alaska
42 Boast
43 Arabian prince
45 Christmas
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47 Concerning (2 wds.)
49 Elaborate poem
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53 Espionage org.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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SPORTS

Homer lifts Astros past Texas

ARLINGTON (AP) — The Houston Astros and Texas Rangers finally have some regular-season history between them, and it could be the kind that starts a memorable rivalry.

The Houston Astros won two of the three games over the weekend, with both victories coming on homers in their last at-bat.

Pinch-hitter Orlando Merced's three-run shot with two outs in the ninth Sunday led to a 6-5 victory in the deciding game.

It was an exciting conclusion as the Astros blew a 3-2 lead in the bottom of the eighth before Texas lost a 4-3 lead in the top of the ninth. Houston took a 6-4 lead into the bottom of the ninth, and with two outs Ivan Rodriguez homered to make it a one-run game.

But Mike Jackson struck out Alex Rodriguez to finish it. Jackson got his third save in four days, including one in a 6-5, 11-inning victory Friday night. Moises Alou had the game-winning honors with a homer to start the 11th.

The Rangers won the middle game 16-4 behind five homers, tying their season-best in runs and homers. The two losses, however, dropped Texas to 20-40, the worst record in franchise history after 60 games.

The Rangers are 28 games behind Seattle in the AL West. It's the most any team has trailed after 60 games since the 1953 Detroit Tigers were 31 1/2 behind the New York Yankees.

Texas was a strike away from winning this one.

Closer Jeff Zimmerman started the ninth by walking Jeff Bagwell, then struck out Lance Berkman and Moises Alou and had an 0-2 count on Richard Hidalgo. Zimmerman walked Hidalgo, and after throwing a first-pitch strike to Merced, fell behind 3-1.

"I told myself, 'I'm not going to get a fastball,'" said Merced, who despite playing in Japan last season knew that Zimmerman's best pitch is a slider, which is what he got. "I was looking for something middle-in, something I could drive, and I got it."

Zimmerman (2-4) has allowed a game-losing homer in all four of his loses. This was his second blown save in six tries, and it gave the Rangers 10 losses in 12 games.

"Looking back, I would have thrown a different pitch," Zimmerman said. "I took a calculated risk. He was sitting all over it. I took the chance and he made me pay for it."

The ball had a high arc and briefly appeared headed to the upper deck. Then it began dropping and only cleared the right-field fence by a few rows, giving Merced his fourth homer of the year and second off the bench.

"I'm not a guy who can hit like Baggy or Moises," Merced said. "I knew I hit it well, but I wasn't thinking about the upper deck. I was running to first base yelling, 'Get up! Get up!'"

Jones wants stadium fast

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys are looking for a new home and Jerry Jones wants that search to be on a fast track.

Although officials in the Dallas suburb of Irving say they want to retain the Cowboys' current home at Texas Stadium, Jones has widened the search to include other parts of the Dallas-Fort Worth area. His goal is a completion of a 100,000-seat stadium, costing up to $500 million, within three to five years of hiring an architectural firm.

Other economically viable locations for the stadium are Arlington, Dallas, Grand Prairie and an undisclosed Denton County jurisdiction. Jones said multiple locations within each area would suit the club's needs.

"We'd sit down and look at each city's situation and see if we can realistically get there with each of those places," Jones told The Dallas Morning News in Monday's editions. "It would be all very open and very visible for all of our fan base and for the decision-makers to look at."

Cowboys' presentations planned by February 2002 would include stadium models and costs, giving interested cities an indication of their financial commitment, Jones said.

"We've retained designers and general contractors who have built stadiums and have given us estimates," said Jones. "We've also continued to work on feasibility studies and estimates on the economic projects around the stadium.

"It's time to put our teeth into the building of a new stadium because of where we are with our lease," he said. "Because of potential interest in several areas in the metroplex, it's time for us to make a decision on what we're going to do."

In recent months, the Cowboys' focus on a stadium has intensified because the lease at Texas Stadium expires from 2006 to 2008.

Lakers take 2-1 lead

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — Shaquille O'Neal fouled out, Kobe Bryant lost his outside touch and Allen Iverson was standing at the free-throw line with a chance to tie Game 3.

The momentum in the NBA Finals was turning Philadelphia's way with just over two minutes remaining Sunday, and a raucous and rude crowd was all set to erupt. Surely, this would be the moment when the series turned the 76ers' way.

One clang later, that opportunity was lost.

Iverson's foul shot hit the back of the rim and bounced harmlessly away, and the 76ers squandered what turned out to be their only chance to tie the game.

Robert Horry scored seven points the rest of the way, and the Los Angeles Lakers pulled out a 96-91 victory Sunday night for a 2-1 lead in the finals.

"We have players that make critical plays. We're very pleased with the way we respond to pressure and the way we respond to difficult things. There's no playoffs that doesn't have critical moments," Lakers coach Phil Jackson said.

Iverson's missed foul shot was one critical moment, and the next one came with 47 seconds left when Horry was left open and swished a 3-pointer for a 92-88 lead.

Iverson missed a 3-pointer with 38 seconds left, and Raja Bell missed one six seconds later, but Tyronn Lue fouled Iverson on a 3-point attempt, and he made all three free throws to cut the Lakers' lead to 92-91 with 27.6 seconds left.

Horry made two from the line with 21.3 left for a 94-91 lead, and Iverson then drove to the basket and had to attempt a high-arching shot over the outstretched arm of Bryant. It missed, Horry was fouled on the rebound and made both shots to wrap up the victory.

"I knew that guys were going to come in here, play well, hit shots. We wanted to win this, and we had to get it," O'Neal said. "Now the next game is Wednesday, and we're going to try to do the same thing."

Bryant scored 32 points, half of them in the second quarter when he gave the Lakers the lead for good, O'Neal had 30, and Horry scored 12 of his 15 in the fourth quarter.

Sports Briefs

Athletic physicals

Seventh and ninth grade SISD athletes, and anyone who has never participated in Snyder athletics must take a physical. SISD will pay for the physicals through Aug. 3.

An appointment should be made with one of the following doctors: Raykov, Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey, Wobolt, or P.A. Beth Ashley.

All SISD athletes must return completed athletic forms to the athletic director's office or Steve Kreuger.

Volleyball camp

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

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

Ira basketball camp

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

Tuesday scramble and all-day MGA

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

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

WGA play day

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club holds its weekly play day at 9 a.m. each Tuesday. Format is odd and even.

Avalanche raises Cup

DENVER (AP) — Five years after winning the Stanley Cup in their first season in Denver, the Colorado Avalanche survived an emotional journey that culminated Saturday night with a 3-1 victory over the New Jersey Devils that allowed defenseman Ray Bourque to lift, kiss and embrace the cup for first time in his 22-year career.

The Avalanche, who won the Presidents' Trophy given to the league's top team in the regular season, needed seven games to eliminate the seventh-seeded Los Angeles Kings in the conference semifinals and lost two of three home games to the defending champion Devils in the finals before dominating Games 6 and 7.

Goalie Patrick Roy, became the first player to win the Conn Smythe Trophy three times.

Kuerten wins French Open

PARIS (AP) — Clay-court artist Gustavo Kuerten crafted another masterpiece.

Mixing patience, power and pizzazz, Kuerten won his third French Open title by dismantling Alex Corretja 6-7 (3), 7-5, 6-2, 6-0.

The top-seeded Kuerten became the sixth man to win three French championships and the first since Mats Wilander earned his third title in 1988. He's the first man to win consecutive French trophies since Sergi Bruguera in 1993-94.

Kuerten earned $590,000, and he became the first player in 25 years to win the men's title after being down match point in an earlier round.

Jennifer Capriati beat tenacious Belgian teen-ager Kim Clijsters 1-6, 6-4, 12-10 on Saturday to win her second consecutive Grand Slam title.

Capriati won her first major title in January at the Australian Open, almost 11 years after she made history as a 14-year-old semifinalist in Paris. She is halfway to a Grand Slam sweep only three women have accomplished, most recently Steffi Graf in 1988.

Estes holds on for title

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — Bob Estes had an even-par 71 and held off Bernhard Langer by a stroke to finish off a wire-to-wire victory in the St. Jude Classic.

He finished off his first victory since the 1994 Texas Open with tough par saves on Nos. 16 and 17 to pick up the biggest check of his career, $630,000. He finished with a 17-under 267 total.

Major League Baseball

American League
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East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	36	25	.590	—
New York	34	27	.557	2
Baltimore	29	32	.475	7
Toronto	29	33	.468	7½
Tampa Bay	18	44	.290	18½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	39	21	.650	—
Minnesota	39	22	.639	½
Chicago	27	32	.458	11½
Detroit	25	34	.424	13½
Kansas City	22	40	.355	18

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Seattle	48	13	.787	—
Anaheim	31	30	.508	17
Oakland	30	31	.492	18
Texas	21	40	.344	27

National League
All Times EDT
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	37	24	.607	—
Atlanta	34	27	.557	3
Florida	30	31	.492	7
New York	27	36	.429	11
Montreal	24	39	.381	14

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	37	23	.617	—
St. Louis	33	29	.532	5
Houston	31	29	.517	6
Milwaukee	30	30	.500	7
Cincinnati	25	36	.410	12½
Pittsburgh	19	41	.317	18

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	38	25	.603	—
Los Angeles	34	29	.540	4
Colorado	32	30	.516	5½
San Francisco	31	32	.492	7
San Diego	29	34	.460	9

Saturday's Games
Atlanta 10, N.Y. Yankees 6
Philadelphia 5, Boston 2
Chicago Cubs 4, Chicago White Sox 3, 10 innings
Florida 6, Toronto 1
Los Angeles 2, Anaheim 1
Tampa Bay 5, N.Y. Mets 2
Detroit 6, Milwaukee 5
Montreal 4, Baltimore 2
Minnesota 3, Pittsburgh 2
Cleveland 10, Cincinnati 2
St. Louis 8, Colorado 2
Kansas City 3, Arizona 2
Texas 16, Houston 4
San Francisco 4, Oakland 3, 11 innings
San Diego 6, Seattle 3

Sunday's Games
Florida 7, Toronto 2
Boston 5, Philadelphia 4
Milwaukee 8, Detroit 3
Cincinnati 9, Cleveland 3
N.Y. Mets 10, Tampa Bay 0
Baltimore 3, Montreal 2
Pittsburgh 11, Minnesota 8
Chicago White Sox 3, Chicago Cubs 1
Colorado 12, St. Louis 3
Oakland 6, San Francisco 2
Anaheim 6, Los Angeles 5, 10 innings
Seattle 8, San Diego 1
Atlanta 4, N.Y. Yankees 1
Houston 6, Texas 5
Arizona 12, Kansas City 5

Monday's Games
Atlanta (Burkett 5-4) at Toronto (Michalak 5-4), 7:05 p.m.
Texas (Oliver 4-2) at Los Angeles (Prokopec 6-2), 10:10 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
Atlanta (Perez 3-4) at Toronto (Parris 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
Florida (Dempster 6-6) at Boston (Castillo 5-4), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Reed 6-2) at Baltimore (Mercedes 1-7), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Armas Jr. 6-2) at N.Y. Yankees (Lilly 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Ritchie 0-8) at Detroit (Mlicki 4-6), 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Haynes 5-7) at Cleveland (Sabathia 6-2), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Telemaco 5-1) at Tampa Bay (Kennedy 1-0), 7:15 p.m.
Houston (Elarton 4-5) at Minnesota (Radke 7-2), 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Kile 7-5) at Kansas City (Suppan 3-5), 8:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Dessens 5-2) at Chicago White Sox (Baldwin 2-4), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Sele 8-0) at Colorado (Bohanon 3-4), 9:05 p.m.
Oakland (Hudson 6-3) at San Diego (Williams 5-5), 10:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Wood 5-4) at Arizona (Schilling 10-1), 10:05 p.m.
Texas (Judd 1-0) at Los Angeles (Dreifort 3-5), 10:10 p.m.
Anaheim (Rapp 1-6) at San Francisco (Rueter 6-6), 10:15 p.m.

WNBA Glance

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Miami	4	0	1.000	—
Cleveland	3	2	.600	1½
Washington	2	2	.500	2
New York	2	3	.400	2½
Charlotte	1	3	.250	3
Orlando	1	3	.250	3
Detroit	0	3	.000	3½
Indiana	0	5	.000	4½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	5	0	1.000	—
Houston	5	1	.833	½
Portland	2	1	.667	2
Sacramento	3	2	.600	2
Seattle	3	2	.600	2
Utah	2	3	.400	3
Minnesota	1	2	.333	3
Phoenix	2	4	.333	3½

Saturday's Games
Cleveland 86, Indiana 76
Charlotte 86, Orlando 79
Los Angeles 62, Minnesota 60
Seattle 73, Utah 65
Miami 71, Sacramento 67

Sunday's Games
Houston 60, Phoenix 58
New York 81, Washington 80

Monday's Game
Los Angeles at Houston, ppd., weather

Tuesday's Games
Detroit at Miami, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Cleveland at Portland, 10 p.m.
Sacramento at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



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DEAR DR. GOTT: You insist on recommending vitamin B-12 injections for pernicious anemia. You are incorrect. My nutrition counselor says that such injections are worthless because they remain in the system for only 24 to 48 hours. The best method of treating pernicious anemia is a daily vitamin lozenge that is dissolved under the tongue. My nutritionist sells this product. Stop giving useless advice.

DEAR READER: Before I address the obvious conflict-of-interest issue, let me comment on pernicious anemia.

In order to be absorbed into the body and used for metabolism, swallowed vitamin B-12 needs a substance called "intrinsic factor," which is produced by cells in the stomach lining. Patients with pernicious anemia lack intrinsic factor; therefore, no matter how much vitamin B-12 they consume, little or none of it enters the body. The consequences of this condition are significant and include nerve damage and dementia.

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The millions of people successfully treated with B-12 shots for pernicious anemia would, I am certain, testify to the effectiveness (and inexpense) of this therapy. Your "nutritionist" is not just plain wrong; she is also being very unprofessional by ignoring the decades of scientific studies proving that injectable B-12 is the treatment of choice for PA.

Why does she do this? Gott only knows (sorry for the pun; I couldn't resist). She is probably not licensed to give injections, and so must rely on vitamin lozenges that she buys for $100 per thousand and sells for $1 a piece. It's a "bottom-line" issue, and she should be ashamed of herself. As for you, don't be so willing to buy into bad advice. If you want to be gullible, do so on your own time.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Blood: Donations and Disorders." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O .Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've heard that it has to freeze outside to kill the germs in the air. Why then can't people go outside, inhale the freezing air and kill the disease-causing germs in their bodies?

DEAR READER: It is true that many micro-organisms are killed by freezing. That's just the point. A human being cannot be safely frozen. If you are shoveling snow on a cold January morning, the freezing air you inhale is instantly warmed as it enters the body. Thus, breathing cold air is a far cry from freezing.

DEAR DR. GOTT: In an old western movie, Sheriff James Cagney said to a member of his posse: "Put a penny on your tongue. It will keep your tongue moist." Anything to that? Is it the copper?

DEAR READER: The presence of an object in the mouth stimulates the release of saliva. Almost anything will work — a stone, a coin, whatever. Perhaps this was the basis for Cagney's advice.

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By Phillip Alder



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♣ 9 7 4

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♠ 9 7 3
♥ A 6 4
♦ 9 8 7 4 3
♣ A Q

East
♠ K 8 4
♥ K 10
♦ Q 10 2
♣ K 8 6 5 3

South
♠ A Q 10 6 5 2
♥ Q J 9
♦ 6
♣ J 10 2

Dealer: West
Vulnerable: East-West

South	West	North	East
	Pass	Pass	1 ♣
2 ♠	Dbl.	All pass	

Opening lead: ♣ A

Monday, June 11, 2001

Up or down leads where?

By Phillip Alder

The "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire" television show produces some interesting facts — and highlights how one needs to be lucky with the questions when under the spotlights. Some of you will have "Ask Marilyn" in your Sunday paper. She receives good questions from her readers. For example, Michael Perlman, from Seattle, asked what foreign country is the first you cross if you fly due south from Detroit Airport. Well, for $125,000, what is your answer?

By way of a hint, this deal occurred in that country's 1968 Mixed Teams Championship.

The auction wouldn't be repeated often. First, East opened a light third-hand one club. Then South made a heavy weak jump overcall. West, with no appealing action, selected a negative double that in principle promised at least four hearts. Finally, East decided to convert it into a penalty double by passing.

West, Cecille Fisher, started with her two top clubs. East, Don DaCosta, dropped the eight on the second round. Reading this highest spot-card as a suit-preference signal for hearts, Fisher continued with the heart four to her partner's king. East cashed the club king, played a heart to his partner's ace, and ruffed a heart. Then he continued with another club, which guaranteed a second trump trick for two down. If declarer ruffed high in hand, West's nine would score. Alternatively, if South ruffed in the dummy, he couldn't pick up East's spade king.

Heading due south from Detroit airport takes you over Canada. If you got it right, I'm sorry to tell you that in this column, it's only Monopoly money.

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Travolta's 'Swordfish' catch of the day for movie-goers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — John Travolta's new thriller "Swordfish" hooked enough moviegoers to debut as the weekend's top film, earning $18.4 million.

"Swordfish" stars Travolta playing a villainous agent out to steal billions to finance anti-terrorist attacks.

Holding well, the animated "Shrek" retained the No. 2 spot with $17.1 million, pushing its four-week total to $176.6 million. "Pearl Harbor," the No. 1 film for two straight weekends, slipped to third place with $14.9 million, raising its total to $144.1 million after three weeks.

The David Duchovny-Julianne Moore comedy "Evolution" debuted at No. 4 with $13.2 million. Directed by Ivan Reitman ("Ghostbusters"), "Evolution" tells the story of bumbling scientists battling alien lifeforms.

The overall box office continued this year's upward trend. The top 12 movies grossed $94.8 million, up 3.3 percent from the same weekend a year ago. So far in 2001, Hollywood revenues are running about 9.5 percent ahead of last year's record pace.

Despite generally bad reviews, "Swordfish" wound up as Travolta's third-best debut ever, behind "Face/Off" and "The General's Daughter." "Swordfish" also soundly beat the openings of Travolta's last two movies, the black comedy "Lucky Numbers" and "Battlefield Earth," one of Hollywood's biggest bombs in years.

Box-office analysts had not expected "Swordfish" to debut so strongly.

"It's good to be back in the John Travolta business," said Dan Fellman, head of distribution for Warner Bros., which released "Swordfish" and also "Battlefield Earth." "We beat the odds. The tracking had us down the totem pole, but people really like this movie."

The market was crowded with movies rated PG-13, so the R-rated "Swordfish" may have satisfied pent-up demand for an adult action thriller, said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations.

Playing in 2,678 locations, "Swordfish" averaged a solid $6,882 a theater. "Shrek" averaged $4,603 in 3,715 theaters, "Pearl Harbor" did $4,578 in 3,255 locations and "Evolution" averaged $5,056 in 2,611 cinemas.

Disney had promising news for a trial run of "Atlantis: The Lost Empire," which opened to packed houses, grossing $341,588 at two theaters in New York City and Los Angeles. Featuring the voice of Michael J. Fox, the animated adventure follows a band of explorers seeking the sunken city.

"Atlantis" opens nationwide next weekend, along with "Tomb Raider," starring Angelina Jolie as video-game hero Lara Croft.

In limited release, Jennifer Jason Leigh and Alan Cumming's "The Anniversary Party" had a strong debut of $167,000 in 11 theaters, for a $15,182 average. The film expands to about 100 theaters June 22.

A melodrama about a crumbling marriage, "The Anniversary Party" was written and directed by Leigh and Cumming. They also head the ensemble cast, which includes Gwyneth Paltrow, Kevin Kline and Parker Posey.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures are to be released Monday.

1. "Swordfish," $18.4 million.
2. "Shrek," $17.1 million.
3. "Pearl Harbor," $14.9 million.
4. "Evolution," $13.2 million.
5. "The Animal," $9.8 million.
6. "Moulin Rouge," $7.6 million.
7. "What's the Worst That Could Happen?", $5.4 million.
8. "The Mummy Returns," $4.2 million.
9. "A Knight's Tale," $1.7 million.
10. "Bridget Jones's Diary," $1.2 million.

RFK's son won't run for office

BOSTON (AP) — Matthew Maxwell Kennedy, the son of Robert F. Kennedy, said Monday he has decided not to run for a congressional seat vacated by the death of U.S. Rep. Joseph Moakley.

Kennedy, 36, issued a statement saying he wanted to spend time with his young family.

He said he and his wife Vicki had considered the "impact that serving in Congress would have on our lives and our children. Together, we have concluded that now is not the time for me to run for Congress."

It was a sudden decision, said Kennedy spokesman Scott Ferson.

"He sat down with his family over the weekend and decided the personal sacrifice at this time, this was not the appropriate time to do this," Ferson said.

Kennedy had been making appearances in Boston in anticipation of a possible run for Moakley's 9th District seat, and recently bought a house in the district.

Kennedy met with Moakley several months ago after the 15-term congressman announced he would not run for re-election.

He said Moakley, who died of leukemia in May, had warned him that congressional duty could force him to spend time away from his three young children.

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AndarkPtr	60.90	60.00	60.28	+ .45
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Aviall	9.99	9.91	9.94	—.04
BP PLC	53.45	52.91	52.93	—.27
BakerHughes	37.63	36.94	36.94	—.18
Bank of Amer	59.40	58.62	58.65	—.38
BellSouth	40.29	39.92	40.00	—.12
Beth Steel	4.17	4.01	4.02	—.20
BurlNoSFe	30.90	30.50	30.50	—.46
Caterpillar	54.10	53.55	53.55	—.78
Chevron	97.90	96.75	97.57	+ 1.13
Citigroup s	50.90	50.40	50.42	—.53
CocaCola	46.12	45.51	45.78	—.22
ColgatePal	58.88	58.40	58.51	—.36
ComclMetals	26.35	26.15	26.27	—.13
CooperInd	38.19	37.78	37.95	—.06
DaimlrChry	45.47	45.14	45.28	—.30
DeltaAirl	44.98	44.26	44.27	—.71
Dillards Inc	17.85	17.37	17.43	—.15
DowChem	36.18	35.53	35.58	—.69
DuPont	47.15	46.52	46.53	—.42
EastmanChem	51.15	50.51	50.51	—.65
EstKodak	48.50	48.02	48.13	—.07
EDS Corp	61.70	61.39	61.41	—.26
Entergy	42.50	41.91	42.18	+ .26
ExxonMobil	90.50	89.50	89.83	+ .44
FstBksAm	26.26	26.00	26.00	—.46
GenDynam	77.74	76.55	76.57	—.66
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GenMills	43.09	42.55	42.91	—.01
GenMotors	59.49	58.99	59.04	—.06
GaPacGP	36.15	35.39	35.56	—.55
GlobalMar	24.70	24.20	24.21	—.05
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Goodyear s	29.90	29.36	29.37	—.53
GtAtlPac	12.80	12.60	12.70	+ .20
Halliburtn	45.38	44.25	44.62	—.18
Hanson ADS	34.99	34.30	34.30	—.95
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Honeywellnt	47.78	46.40	46.71	+ .20
IBM	117.70	116.10	117.17	+ 1.07
IntlPaper	39.23	38.50	38.55	—.73
JohnsonJn	101.50	100.86	100.87	—1.14
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K mart	11.09	10.80	10.90	—.30
KinderMorg	55.55	55.04	55.54	+ .30
Kroger Co	25.23	24.96	25.10	
LockheedM	37.89	37.20	37.75	+ .38
Lowes Cos	73.84	72.76	72.80	—.77
Lubys	8.65	8.56	8.65	+ .10
LucentTech	8.22	7.86	7.86	—.54
MayDeptStr	33.60	33.30	33.30	—.17
Medtronic	45.10	44.76	44.76	+ .24
Motorola	14.99	14.73	14.75	—.45
NCR Corp	48.50	47.93	47.93	—.48
Navistar	29.30	28.94	29.00	—.20
Penney JC	23.69	23.23	23.25	—.44
PepBoys	8.99	8.81	8.97	—.03
PepsiCo	44.40	44.00	44.00	—.50
Pharmacia	49.67	48.81	48.89	—.81
PhelpDodge	44.15	42.87	42.91	—1.49
PhillipPet	62.97	62.60	62.60	+ .10
PilgrmPrd B	12.20	12.10	12.20	+ .05
Polaroid	4.03	3.95	3.95	—.07
Praxair	51.00	50.80	50.67	—.03
ProctGamb	64.77	64.06	64.16	—.12
PubS NwMx	34.91	34.40	34.75	—.13
RadioShack	28.60	28.00	28.10	—.29
ReliantEngy	42.89	42.10	42.61	+ .51
RoyalDut	61.24	60.78	60.85	—.18
SBC Comm	41.66	41.13	41.22	—.22
SaraLee	19.36	19.17	19.27	—.06
Scripps EW	66.29	65.93	66.01	—.16
SearsRoeb	41.20	40.11	40.14	+ .09
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SwstAirl s	18.50	18.22	18.24	—.31
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SprintPCS	21.72	21.30	21.36	—.18
Sunoco Inc	38.70	38.20	38.35	—.36
TXU Corp	47.69	46.85	47.44	+ .48
TempleInland	54.80	53.75	53.75	—1.00
Texaco	73.36	72.70	73.24	+ .99
TexInd	33.74	33.59	33.60	—.29
TexasInst	37.95	36.75	36.96	—1.03
Textron	59.34	58.64	58.68	—.59
TriconGlbR	46.80	46.20	46.40	+ .62
TrinityInds	23.44	23.36	23.41	—.01
TritonEngy	31.99	31.35	31.84	+ .39
TylerTech	2.66	2.55	2.55	—.14
USX-Marathn	32.29	32.00	32.10	+ .13
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VerizonComm	53.73	53.20	53.30	—.20
WalMart	51.10	50.40	50.42	—.60
WellsFargo	46.68	45.97	46.10	—.34
WstnGasRs	39.48	39.10	39.44	+ .28
WinnDixie	26.90	26.51	26.51	—.40
Xerox Cp	9.01	8.70	8.77	—.24

Residents keep lookout for Tom Hanks

PORT SHELDON, Mich. (AP) — Residents near this lakefront town are keeping a lookout for Tom Hanks as he shoots scenes for an upcoming film.

Employees at Spectators Bar & Grill in Saugatuck are getting ready in case Hanks wants to stop in for a meal. People have been calling the Rosemont Inn in Douglas, where Hanks was rumored to be staying.

"We are trying to lure him," said Jen Lacy, a Spectators waitress.

The star of "Cast Away," "Philadelphia" and "Forrest Gump" arrived Sunday to spend four days filming scenes from the movie "Road to Perdition," said the film's publicist, Amanda Brand.

Hanks plays Al Capone's hit man Michael O'Sullivan. Set in the 1930s, the film portrays O'Sullivan and his son setting off across Depression-era America in search of the killer of several members of their family.

Jack Palance will host golf tournament

TEHACHAPI, Calif. (AP) — Actor Jack Palance, who won a best supporting Oscar as the tough, old cowboy who leads the tenderfoots on their cattle drive in "City Slickers," is hosting a charity golf tournament with a Western theme in honor of his late son.

The 80-year-old actor will host the tournament June 30 at the Stallion Springs Resort in Tehachapi, complete with Western-style barbecue, a campfire, and an actor portraying "Buffalo Bill" Cody.

The tournament, which will benefit the cancer center at Children's Hospital in Los Angeles, is in memory of his son.

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Convicts discovered teaching in Mississippi

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — State officials reviewed the licenses of eight teachers convicted of crimes including drug dealing and sex offenses and revoked or suspended at least four of them after an investigation revealed the educators had not disclosed the convictions.

The investigation was prompted by an Associated Press study matching Social Security numbers from Mississippi Department of Corrections rolls over the last 20 years with those on a list of teachers provided by the state Department of Education.

A year-old state law requires background checks for newly hired teachers. But screening failed to pick out teachers employed first in September, as well as veteran teachers who had served time in prison and did not disclose it.

One teacher had been convicted twice of forgery; another sold marijuana. An elementary school assistant principal had been convicted of manslaughter for a car accident that killed two.

Some were identified by the AP; the state discovered others afterward.

"I would certainly call it a lapse," said state Sen. Terry Burton, D-Newton, co-author of the background check law. "No system is perfect."

Some experts say teacher shortages and low pay discourage education officials from scrutinizing applicants for teaching jobs. Others said fudging on employment applications is a universal problem.

"I don't think it was a case of turning a blind eye or putting any warm body in the classroom," University of Southern Mississippi political science professor Joe Parker said. "But vetting a candidate for anything is a pretty expensive and lengthy process. In most cases the inclination is to look at a resume and letters of reference and trust their honesty."

Nancy East, a spokeswoman for the state attorney general, said teachers' failure to disclose their pasts isn't a criminal violation. And she said no law prohibits them from teaching. That's left to school district discretion.

Most states require some type of background check on teachers, said Michael Van Winkle of the California Department of Justice. Van Winkle said his state, like many others, instituted checks after a Sacramento high school student was killed in 1997 by a custodian with a murder record.

The FBI, which screens public school applicants through a national fingerprint database, said it is nearly impossible for people with criminal pasts to go undetected.

However, schools can ignore information provided in such a search. And teachers won't be flagged if schools fail to provide fingerprints, FBI spokesman Paul Bresson said.

"There's a chance for error. I'm not sure the FBI know how many teachers slip through the cracks," he said.

The problems are the second for Mississippi teachers in less than a year. Last fall, a handful of teachers were fired and lost their licenses after they were caught cheating on examinations that test basic skills and subject knowledge.

The state Department of Education revoked the license of a former vocational center teacher who pleaded guilty in February 2000 to four counts of fondling children and is now in prison.

"This is the worst kind of person we could have in the school systems, (one) that molested a child," Carolyn Alexander, the state Department of Education's director of licensure, said during a hearing on the license.

Campus repairs to cost $161 million

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Repairs to the University of Tennessee's 13 dormitories, seven apartment complexes and 12 fraternity houses would cost $161 million, a recent study shows.

"Generally, the existing condition of most of the buildings in the survey is poor; however, the majority of the deficiencies discovered were the lack of sprinkler systems, aging electric and plumbing systems," lack of air conditioning, a need to remove asbestos-containing vinyl floor tiles and aging built-in furniture, according to the report UT commissioned from the Houston-based consulting firm 3D/International.

Some of the repairs were marked critical, meaning immediate attention is needed to return a building to normal operation.

"This work, if performed, will halt accelerated deterioration, correct cited safety hazards and life safety violations affecting immediate safety," the report said.

However, the study recommended that two dorms — Strong Hall and Melrose Hall — be replaced with new buildings because they are "beyond all reasonable economical and practical repair and renovation."

University housing comprises 7,200 dormitory beds, 1,700 apartments and the fraternity houses.

Phil Scheurer, UT vice president for operations, said over the next several months he and UT housing director Jim Grubb will develop a 15-year, long-range plan and present it to UT's Board of Trustees.

"We are going to come up with a plan to address life safety issues for all the residence halls and ask the fraternities to do the same," said Scheurer, adding that the study is no cause for alarm.

"We initiated the study. What these data do is give us a reason to speed up what we would have done anyway."

He said the plan should include several options for what to do with aging buildings. One would be to make improvements to address the major maintenance issues and continue to use them for housing.

Another option is reconfiguring and remodeling buildings into suites or apartments, which students prefer. Lastly, he said some buildings may be converted from housing to other uses.

The consultant divided the cost of needed repairs by the replacement cost to arrive at a Facility Condition Index. Good is 0 to 5 percent, fair is 6 to 10 percent and poor is 10 percent and above. Gibbs Hall, for example, earned an index of 13 percent, the university's lowest. The highest was Melrose Hall at 72 percent.

Grubb pointed out that sprinklers and upgraded fire alarm systems have been installed in four buildings under the university's existing capital improvement plan.

"Some of these projects that are identified are continuations of things we already have in place," he said.

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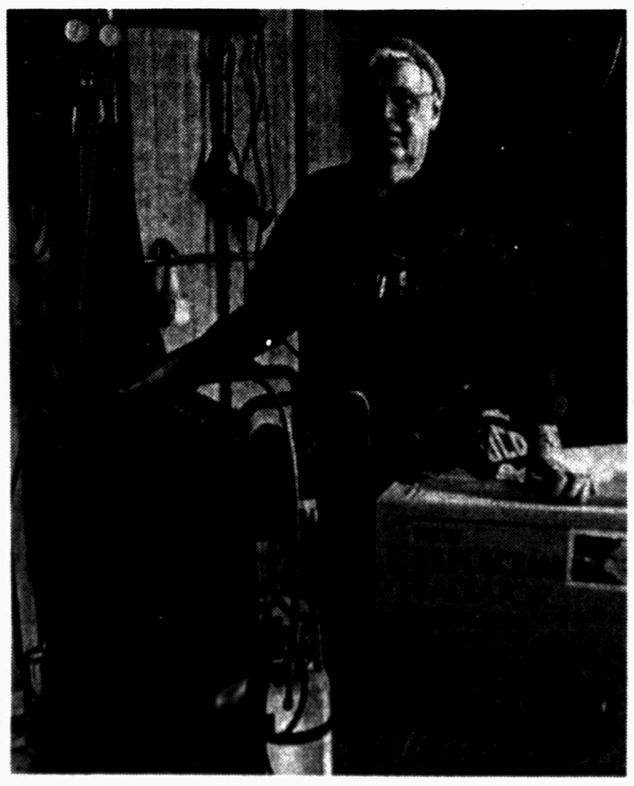
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New ads attract teens

WASHINGTON (AP) — Joe Camel may be gone, but cigarette makers are still coming up with ads that have a greater impact on young people than anti-smoking messages, said a study released today.

Exposure to cigarette ads leads young people to identify smoking with popularity and relaxation, and these associations are stronger than any perceived risk picked up from anti-smoking ads, the University of Pennsylvania's Annenberg Public Policy Center reported.

The research was culled from interviews in 1999 and 2000 of approximately 2,600 people aged 14 to 22 and 1,500 people 23 and older.

In 1998, the tobacco industry ended a slew of health-related lawsuits by agreeing to make annual payments to the states worth $246 billion. The settlement also included restrictions on advertising that might attract teen-agers. Among these were a ban on billboards and cartoon characters such as R.J. Reynolds' Joe Camel.

But young people still are exposed to cigarette ads in magazines, convenience stores and through promotional events in bars and restaurants, the report said.

Adolescents and young adults were more likely to recall cigarette ads than those over age 30. For example, nearly 90 percent of 18-year-olds recalled recently seeing such ads, compared with about 50 percent of 50-year-olds.

About 75 percent of 18-year-olds reported seeing anti-smoking ads. Such messages did increase awareness about the risks of smoking, but they did not stop people from trying cigarettes if other ads had already formed positive images about smoking, the report said.

Matthew Myers, president of the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, called that an important finding. "Teen-agers are less responsive to information about health risks than they are about the overall psychological view of smoking that's fostered by tobacco marketing," he said.

The report said young people had misconceptions about the risks of smoking.





SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARDS — Four Ira High School students received Scholar Athlete Awards for 2000-2001. In the top photo, coach Toby Goodwin, left, presented the U.S. Army Reserve awards to Bryce Wilkins, center, and Morgan Clements. In the bottom photo, Sgt. Allan, far left, presented the U.S. Marine awards to Mikanna Herring and Jeremy Bowden. (Contributed Photos)

Parade not marred by last year's violence

NEW YORK (AP) — Hundreds of thousands of people lined New York City's Fifth Avenue on Sunday for the National Puerto Rican Day Parade, an event that was free of the mayhem that marred last year's celebration.

The police department increased its presence to prevent a repeat of attacks last year in which about 50 women were sprayed with water, stripped and groped by packs of men in Central Park. Police Commissioner Bernard Kerik said 6,000 officers patrolled the parade Sunday, compared with 4,500 last year.

The parade ended Sunday with few reports of violence.

Revelers celebrated the day by waving flags and blowing whistles and horns.

"I'm Puerto Rican and I'm representing my country," said Ayesha Gonzalez of Asbury Park, N.J. "And it's a fun day."

Kristina Perez of Lakewood, N.J., enjoyed "how everybody gets along — and Marc Anthony too," as the New York-born salsa singing star rode a red Thunderbird convertible down the parade route.

Police said 21 people were arrested for violations including disorderly conduct, assaulting a police officer and unlicensed operation of a vehicle. Three more people were arrested for sexual abuse.

The extra security was not a reflection on the parade, but "the reality is that we don't want a repetition of what happened last year," said Mayor Rudolph Giuliani.

Other politicians who turned out for the parade included U.S. Sens. Hillary Rodham Clinton and Charles Schumer, and Gov. George Pataki.

This year's march was also expected to draw attention following the arrests of the Rev. Al Sharpton and three others for protesting U.S. Navy bombing exercises on the Puerto Rican island of Vieques. The first mass protests erupted in April 1999, when two off-target bombs killed a civilian security guard on the 900-acre range.

Signs signaling "Peace for Vieques" were hoisted up and down the avenue, spilling into the dozen-deep crowd of spectators who watched Puerto Rico Gov. Sila Calderon march by. One group marched behind banners displaying photos of the "Vieques Four."

On the Net:

Parade organization: http://www.nationalpuertoricanparade.org

Fish, shrimp farms in Arizona desert finding success

TUCSON, Ariz. (AP) — Arizona's searing desert climate can prove inhospitable for everything but the lizards and snakes that thrive among the cactus and the spiny, yellow-flowered catclaw.

But people like Gary Wood are trying to reel in a profit from an unlikely source: fish and shrimp farming.

"Everyone told us we were crazy," Wood said.

Wood, his father and uncle have been raising shrimp on their Wood Bros. Farm near Gila Bend in southern Arizona since the mid-1990s.

The farm, which grows grains and cotton, usually produces less than 100,000 pounds of shrimp annually. But this year, with its shrimp ponds doubled in size to more than 50 acres, Wood expects to harvest more than 500,000 pounds.

Overall, Arizona aquaculture brought in nearly $3.3 million last year as farmers raised 1.3 million pounds of striped and largemouth bass, catfish, tilapia and trout and 168,000 pounds of shrimp. The industry is worth $1 billion nationally.

Arizona has 30 licensed fish farms or facilities. The state's residents eat an average of 10 pounds of fish each year, a total of 51 million pounds, and farmers predict demand will continue to increase.

"It could easily grow to a $50 million industry in 10 years," said Kevin Fitzsimmons, aquaculture extension specialist for the University of Arizona's Environmental Research Laboratory.

A decade ago, the thought of a thriving fish farming industry would have been ridiculed. Most of the fish farming ventures by ill-prepared entrepreneurs failed.

In the early 1980s, the Wood family successfully managed a shrimp farm in Ecuador but had to re-educate themselves when they tried to make a go of it in Arizona, Wood said.

They discovered that the sun and the fresh water from an underground aquifer near the Gila River make their common Pacific white shrimp grow huge and sweet.

"What makes farming in Arizona so great is the fact that with the sunlight and the algae production from it, the shrimp just explode and with great taste," he said.

Arizona growers have also been able to keep their shrimp stock free from diseases that originate in the ocean, some of which have devastated shrimp populations in Asia and Latin America in recent years. Shrimp grow in both fresh and salt water.

"It's a great place to produce shrimp because it's not on the seacoast and you don't have the disease problems," said C.M. Shaar, managing member of the Dateland-based Arizona Mariculture Associates, a shrimp-farming venture in its second year of operation.

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Anadarko Petroleum Corp. will drill the No. 2-A Iona Williamson in the Diamond M field, nine miles west of Snyder. Planned for a depth of 3,459 feet, location is in Section 214, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 4-A Iona Williamson in the Diamond M field, nine miles west of Snyder. Contracted for 3,350 feet, location is in Section 214, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 5-A Iona Williamson in the Diamond M field, nine miles west of Snyder. Planned depth is 3,385 feet, and location is in Section 214, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 6-A Iona Williamson in the Diamond M field, nine miles west of Snyder. The venture will be drilled to a depth of 3,435 feet, and drill site is in Section 214, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 1-A Iona Williamson in the Diamond M field, nine miles west of Snyder. Planned depth is 3,597 feet, and location is in Section 214, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No 3-A Iona Williamson in the same field, nine miles west of Snyder. The project is planned for a depth of 3,377 feet, and location is in Section 214, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Borden County

Devon Energy has completed the No. 211 Canon Ranch unit in the Jo-Mill field, 14 miles west of Gail. The well was finaled to produce eight barrels of oil and 185 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,064-126 feet, and location is in Section 26, Block 33, T5N, T&P survey.

Manzano Oil Corp. will drill the No. 2-21-G Scott in the Clayton Ranch field, 10 miles northwest of Gail. Planned depth is 6,200 feet, and drill site is in Section 21, Block 31, T6N, T&P survey.

Kindred Petroleum Co. will drill the No. 1 Pylant in the Myrtle north field, 15 miles east of Gail. The project is planned for a depth of 7,600 feet, and location is in Section 463, Block 97, H&T survey.

Mitchell County

Devon SFS Operating Inc. will drill the No. 1-2 Bodire, an 8,300-foot wildcat located three miles west of Hyman. Location is in Section 2, Block 19, S.M. Hyman survey.

Garza County

Burk Royalty Co. will drill the No. 131 Southeast Garza field unit, two miles south of Post. Planned for a depth of 3,499 feet, location is in Section 5, Block 5, K. Aycock survey.

Howard County

Partee Drilling Inc. will drill the No. 342 Twins, an 8,200-foot wildcat located six miles south of Coahoma. Location is in Section 34, Block 31, T1S, T&P survey.

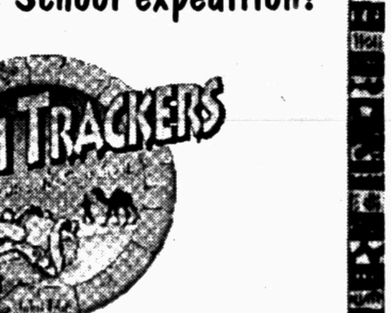
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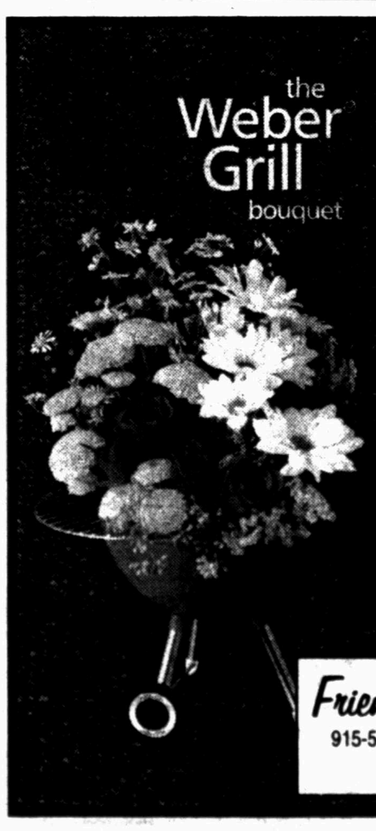
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High court rules for Christian group

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court ruled for a Christian youth group inside in a church-state battle over whether religious groups must be allowed to meet in public schools after class hours.

In a 6-3 decision that lowered the figurative wall of separation between church and state, the justices said a New York public school district must let the Good News Club hold after-school meetings for grade-school children to pray and study the Bible.

Justice Stephen Breyer, usually a moderate-to-liberal vote on the court, joined the five most conservative members — Chief Justice William Rehnquist, Sandra Day O'Connor, Antonin Scalia, Anthony Kennedy and Clarence Thomas — in partial support of the religious club's request. Justices John Paul Stevens, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and David Souter dissented.

The majority found that excluding the club was unconstitutional discrimination based on the club's views. Letting the meeting take place would not be an unconstitutional government endorsement of religion, the court ruled.

The Constitution's First Amendment protects free speech and the free exercise of religion, but it also bars government establishment of religion.

The Milford School District in upstate New York had argued that allowing the Good News Club to hold what school officials called "the equivalent of religious worship" at the school would amount to a school endorsement of Christianity over other religions.

The Good News Club said the school was discriminating against it based on its views.

The youth group's members range from age 5 to 12, and its meetings include Bible stories, prayers and teaching children to "give God first place in your life." The club has met at a local church since the school denied its 1996 request to use the school building after 3 p.m. on school days.

Citizenship questions clarified by court

WASHINGTON (AP) — Courts may set a higher threshold for fathers than mothers when deciding the citizenship of children born overseas and out of wedlock, the Supreme Court ruled inside.

In a Texas case involving a man born in Vietnam to an American father and Vietnamese mother, the court ruled narrowly that setting such separate standards does not violate the equal protection clause of the Constitution, given a mother's natural role in childbirth.

"To fail to acknowledge even our most basic biological differences — such as the fact that a mother must be present at birth but the father need not be — risks making the guarantee of equal protection superficial," said the majority opinion by Justice Anthony Kennedy.

Joseph Boulais and his son, Tuan Ahn Nguyen, both of Houston, had argued the law amounted to "sex-based stereotyping" and unlawful discrimination against men.

Government lawyers countered that Congress has broad authority to decide who is entitled to U.S. citizenship.

Although the case was filed by two men challenging a law they said was unfair to men, the case was closely watched by women's rights groups for signs of how the current court views issues of gender equality.

In 1996, when the justices ruled that Virginia Military Institute must admit women as students or give up its state funding, the justices said there must be an "exceedingly persuasive justification" for any government action based on gender.

The ruling upheld a federal appeals court. Kennedy was joined in the majority by Chief Justice William Rehnquist and Justices John Paul Stevens, Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas. The two female justices, Sandra Day O'Connor and Ruth Bader Ginsburg dissented, along with Justices David Souter and Stephen Breyer.

Federal immigration law automatically gives citizenship to children in Tuan's circumstance if their mother is an American and has previously lived in this country for at least a year.

Demonstrators protest McVeigh's execution

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. (AP) — Death penalty opponents stood for a weary chorus of "We Shall Overcome" after Timothy McVeigh's execution. Nearby, supporters of capital punishment toted signs saying "Remember the Victims" and "Thou shalt not kill and live."

The two sides — in numbers far smaller than originally expected — were separated by 400 yards of orange snow fencing and armed guards.

Unitarian minister Bill Breeden told the crowd of about 150 abolitionists that the fight against the death penalty would continue.

"We must run with the chariot and continue this struggle until it stops," Breeden said.

A few hundred yards away, about 20 death penalty supporters let out a cheer and hugged upon hearing McVeigh had been executed inside morning.

Prison officials had prepared for thousands of demonstrators, but they numbered about 170 at the time of the execution and quickly dispersed. Organizers said the delay from the original execution date of May 16, and the timing just days after the last court battle was dropped, were factors in cutting the turnout.

In the wee hours of the morning, candles flickered as death penalty opponents, heads bowed, sat in a circle, silently mouthing the names on a list of the 168 victims of the Oklahoma City bombing.

They remained silent for 168 minutes — one minute for each victim of the bombing.

Protesters on both sides held signs in the glare of television spotlights.

The larger contingent of death penalty opponents sat on straw bales, some holding flickering candles in milk carton holders.

"What have we accomplished by executing Timothy McVeigh now that there are 169 people dead?" asked 49-year-old Bert Fitzgerald of Madison, Ind.

Some people who oppose the death penalty make an exception for McVeigh, noted 21-year-old Eric Sears, a student at St. Louis University who came with a group from Chicago. But he said there should be no exception.

"The death penalty is vengeance. It's not justice," he said, toting a sign saying "I'm sorry Tim."

Both groups took buses from city parks to the makeshift protest grounds at the prison. Uniformed prison guards patrolled the grassy space between the two groups.

Russell Braun, 21, of Terre Haute holding a sign reading "Bye Bye Baby Killer," said he came to the prison to make sure the survivors were remembered.

"It has nothing to do with McVeigh," Braun said. "The kids could have grown up and made a difference in this world, and they weren't even given a chance."

Obituaries

Donnie Chorn

1912-2001

Mrs. Donnie Chorn, longtime Scurry County resident, died Sunday, June 10, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Chorn, 88, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church. The Rev. Mike Henson, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.



Donnie Chorn

Born on Aug. 12, 1912 in Delta County, Tex., she married Sam B. Chorn on Oct. 7, 1935. He died Feb. 7, 1995.

Mrs. Chorn moved to the Camp Springs Community with her family in 1927. She operated a Beauty Shop for over 50 years. Mrs. Chorn was a longtime member of the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary, the First Baptist Church and the Order of the Eastern Star. Mrs. Chorn was the last surviving member of a family of 16 children.

Survivors include two sisters-in-law, Ruby Dever of Snyder and Ruth Chorn of Abilene; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Memorials may be made to a favorite charity.

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Floye Inez Eades

1915-2001

Floye Inez Brinkley Eades, 85, of Snyder died Sunday, June 10, in Snyder Oaks Care Center after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mrs. Eades is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home with the Rev. Charles Day, pastor of Ave. D. Baptist Church, officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

She was born on Sept. 24, 1915 in Paris, Tex., and married Doyle Enlo Eades on Jan. 18, 1936 in Dunn. He died Feb. 24, 1981. A homemaker, she was a member of First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Eades was also preceded in death by one brother and two sisters.

Survivors include a son, Herbert Eades of Brownfield; a daughter, Tennie Newman of Temple; three sisters, Mildred Austin of Umpire, Ark., Lucille Eades of Rotan and Nina Hopper of Conroe; four grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Bessie Laird

1914-2001

Services for Bessie Laird, 87, of Snyder are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Laird died Monday, June 11, in the Odessa Medical center after a lengthy illness.

She was born on Feb. 15, 1914.

Surviving are a son, Raymond Laird of Odessa, and a daughter, Pat Manlief of Snyder.

Pearl Lee James

1928-2001

Pearl Lee James of Austin, formerly of Snyder, died Saturday, June 9, in the Maggie Johnson Nursing Home in Austin.

Funeral service for Mr. James, 72, are pending in Austin.

He was born on June 17, 1928 in Gonzalez County to Franke and Johnny Mae Jones. They preceded him in death along with 13 sisters and brothers. Mr. James was a chef.

Survivors include one daughter, Shirley of Austin; one son, David Leo James of Fort Stockton; two brothers, Freddie Ray James and James Price, both of Snyder; one sister, Celoa Holt of Anchorage, Alaska; three grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Raul Gonzalez

1924-2001

ANDREWS — Rual Gonzalez of Andrews, stepfather of Tresa Conett of Snyder, died Saturday, June 9.

Service for Mr. Gonzalez is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday at McNett Funeral Home Chapel with the Rev. Ted short officiating. Burial will be at 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Fairview Cemetery in Midland under the direction of McNett Funeral Home of Andrews.

Born on Nov. 10, 1924 in Corpus Christi, he married Ruth Betts Loving on Nov. 4, 1992 in Alamogordo. He was a World War II veteran and was a telephone book advertising salesman before his retirement.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth Gonzalez of Andrews; a son, Ron Gonzalez of Houston; a daughter, Gail Ross of Lewisville; four stepsons, David, Ricky and Gary Loving, all of Andrews, and Don Loving of Odessa; another stepdaughter, Patsy Johnson of Odessa; four brothers, John of Alamogordo, Ray and Manuel, both of Detroit, Mich., and Lionel of San Antonio; a sister, Olga Greaves of Detroit; six grandchildren; 16 step grandchildren; and six step great-grandchildren.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: June 9-Morris Ballard of Santa Monica; Norma Depaz, Arthur Puente Jr. of Jackson and Ruth Varner; June 10-Christopher Diamond.

DISMISSALS: June 9-Roberto Martinez Sr., Gerald Tutwiler of Ira, Thomas Davis of Post; June 10-Norma Depaz.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Bible study tapes

Bible study videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "The Second Coming of Jesus," followed by "Chief Persecutor Converts."

GED testing

GED testing at WTC will be Tuesday. For more information, call Molly Kattes at 573-2919 or Emily Hataway at 574-2112.

Alzheimer's support group

The Alzheimer's support group will meet at 6 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Snyder FFA booster club

Snyder FFA booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the ag building at Snyder High School. Parents of agriculture students are invited and any other interested persons. Those coming are asked to bring favorite recipes for the club's cookbook. Call Molly Tatum at 573-8180 or Susan Blackard at 573-0989 for more information.

AARP board meeting

The board of directors of the AARP will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Senior Citizens Center.

Winston Field fly-in breakfast

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

Children's Saturday fun time

Children's Saturday fun time will be held at Avenue D Baptist Church at 10 a.m. on Saturdays throughout the summer. All children are invited. Puppets and snow cones will be part of the fun. For more information, call 573-0971 or 573-6878.

First Baptist VBS

"Truth Trackers" is theme for Vacation Bible School at First Baptist Church from 9 a.m. until noon June 18-22. VBS is for kindergarten through those who have completed 6th grade. For transportation call 573-2631 by Friday.

Biker Sunday

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

Senior water aerobics

Senior water aerobics at the WTC pool will be from 11 a.m. until noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information, call Bobbie Taylor at 573-7144 or the Senior Center at 573-4035.

Man arrested on five counts of aggravated assault on officer

•Arrests

At 6 p.m. Sunday, a 40-year-old man was arrested on five counts of aggravated assault on a peace officer and booked into county jail.

Jesus Alfredo Dominguez of 624 CR 137 remains in jail on five $50,000 bonds.

The officers involved in the altercation were responding to a 911 call in reference to a family dispute. The subject was intoxicated at the time.

Shortly before noon Saturday, a 44-year-old man was arrested for outstanding DPS warrants out of Lubbock, and was booked into jail.

•Cruelty to animals

Officers were requested at 1304 Ave. T at 10:30 Saturday morning in reference to a possible case of cruelty to animals. Lloyd Nichols reported that his dog had been poisoned. Officers advised Nichols that an offense report for Class A cruelty to animals would be submitted. Nichols also requested a close patrol of his residence.

•Family disturbances

At 11:42 a.m. Saturday, police responded to a report of family violence. A female subject reported being assaulted by her husband. An offense report for family violence was submitted.

Officers responded at 1:30 Saturday afternoon to another report of a family disturbance. An offense report for family violence was submitted and the woman involved in the altercation with her husband left the residence to stay with family members.

•Gas drive-offs

At 7:30 p.m. Saturday, officers were alerted of a gas drive-off at Town & Country East in the amount of $20. The vehicle was described as an old beat-up truck with about four different colors of paint and no front license plate.

Sunday afternoon at 1:30, a clerk at the Town & Country on Coliseum Dr. reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $38.

At 1:40 a.m. today, a clerk at Allsups reported a gas drive-off in the amount of $20.45. The clerk described the vehicle as a newer model Ford Mustang driven by an Hispanic male. Officers responded and checked several local apartment complexes for the vehicle but didn't find it. An offense report for Class C theft was filed.

•Locked door

A woman on the 3700 block of Austin Ave. requested officers shortly after 6 p.m. Saturday in reference to her two-year-old daughter accidentally locking herself in a bedroom. The woman was unable to unlock the door. Officers advised that forced entry was made to gain entry to the room, and the girl was fine.

•Fire notes

Just after 3 a.m. Saturday the Snyder Fire Department was dispatched to 311 36th Place in reference to smoke in the house. Firefighters found a television in a bedroom that had shorted out and caused the smoke. No damage was evident to the structure.

At 2:20 p.m. Saturday, firefighters were dispatched to a grass fire on U.S. 84 near the Inadale Gin. A boat trailer that came unhitched from the vehicle pulling it started the small fire. The trailer flipped upside down and came to rest in a nearby field.

Less than an hour later, the fire department was dispatched to the 1300 block of 28th Street for a grass fire in a vacant lot. Juveniles are suspected of setting the fire. It is still under investigation.

At 8:46 Sunday morning, firefighters responded to 209 N. Co. Rd. 221 on a report of smoke in a house. Electrical wiring in the attic of the house was cited as the cause of the fire. Damage was confined to the kitchen of the residence, which is owned by Lana Turner Britton.