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County rate approved on split vote

By Joyce May
Staff Writer

In a 3-1 vote this morning, Scurry County Commissioners Court set the county's 2000 tax rate at .5494 per $100 valuation.

Precinct 2 Commissioner Roy Idom, who voted against approving a $20.4 million county budget on Sept. 7, also opposed the .5494 tax rate.

There was no comment from commissioners prior to the vote.

However, after the meeting, Idom explained his lone dissenting vote.

"It was for the same reason I voted against the budget. I voted against the 1.5 percent raise across the board for county employees."

Idom said he is also opposed to a reduction in funds from the county to Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

"The county took $295,000 out of the hospital budget. All the county gave the hospital was $100,000 for next year. I think that is bad because the hospital uses that money for capital outlays and renovations. They already got a lot of things they are going to be doing with that money," Idom said.

He also said he received phone calls from a couple of hospital board members.

"From talking to two board members that called me, they said they could make it this year, but they did not know about the year after that. The next year, which would be 2001, they are really worried about.

"The hospital is one of the most important industries we have, it employs about 300 people and I don't want to do anything to hurt the hospital. That's why I voted against it."

The 2000 tax rate is almost four cents higher than the 1999 rate of .51 cents per $100 valuation.

The tax rate is almost 2½ cents lower than the effective rate of .5735, which is the amount required to generate the same amount of tax dollars as last year.

Because it is lower than the effective rate, a public hearing was not required.

The bulk of the $20.4 million budget — $14,510,687 — belongs to the hospital.

In other business, the court appointed Leonard Keller to the Veterans Land Board. He replaces Primo Gonzales who has moved from Snyder.

Commissioners approved five line-item transfers.

Approved for the County Extension Office was a $200 line-item transfer moving $200 from office rent into part-time salaries.

A line-item transfer was approved for the county clerk's office, transferring $45 from bonds and notary seals into the dues line for the County and District Clerks Association.

A $10,000 line-item transfer was accepted for the County Welfare Office. The transfer moves the money from the hospital indigent expense line to the drug expense line.

Luann Grice, county welfare director, said the move was needed because of increased prescriptions for indigent patients from Dr. Gary Nussey, county health physician, as well as an increased client load.

Also approved was a $1,000 line-item transfer for the Child Welfare Office, moving $500 from medical fees and $500 from child care expenses into the subsistence line.

A line-item transfer was approved for Precinct 4 to move $6,292 into capital outlay, $500 into communications and $300 into utilities. Of that, $6,092 will come from the road material line and $1,000 will come from the equipment line.

The court also approved two budget amendments.

Added to the county clerk's budget was $735 for travel.

A budget amendment was approved for Commissioners Court adding $600 into communications to cover four phone lines. Only one phone line was budgeted.

Scurry County Judge Ricky Fritz presided and all commissioners were present to include Idom, Ralph Trevey, Howard Limmer and Chloanne Lindsey.

DIECISEIS QUEEN — Christy Garcia, daughter of Ricky and Lucy Garcia, was the 1999 Guadalupe Dieciseis Queen. Miss Garcia is pictured with escort Teresa Egan. (SDN Staff Photo)

Second dragging case to jury

BRYAN, Texas (AP) — A jury today began deliberating whether former prison gang leader Lawrence Russell Brewer should become the second of three white supremacists convicted of the horrific chaining and dragging death of a black East Texas man last year.

Conviction on a capital murder charge could send Brewer, 32, to death row, where he would join his former prison buddy, John William King, 24.

The jury, which began its discussions about 10:30 a.m. CDT, also could return a verdict on non-capital murder, aggravated assault or assault, but only a capital murder conviction could merit a death sentence.

King in February was convicted of capital murder and condemned for killing James Byrd Jr.

If Brewer is convicted, the same jury will decide punishment after hearing witnesses and another round of arguments from attorneys.

A third man, Shawn Allen Berry, also 24, faces trial late next month.

A capital murder conviction required jurors to agree there was another felony — in this case abduction — involved in Byrd's death, and that Brewer helped. Brewer said he knew nothing about a kidnapping, never intended Byrd to die and was convinced Byrd died when Berry slashed his throat with a knife.

"Clearly there is a pattern of deceit," Jasper County District Attorney Guy James Gray said in his closing statement. "He crafted his story to try to imply James Byrd was dead before they started dragging him.

"He just admitted enough to comply with the facts... and just staying just short of the death penalty."

"If you think Russell was up here trying to concoct a story, don't you think he would have concocted a story that would have made him much less culpable?" Brewer's attorney, Doug Barlow, asked the jury.

Gray described Brewer as "kind of a nobody," as a liar and racist who couldn't hold a job when not in prison, but when behind bars "he's a big shot ... he has status in the pen," and said Brewer admitted enough be returned to prison but avoid a death sentence.

"Don't be guided by dramatics and stretches of the imagination," Barlow countered.

Brewer, sometimes sobbing, testified last week that he was on an old Jasper County logging road with King and Berry the early morning hours of June 7, 1998, when the 49-year-old Byrd was chained by his ankles to the bumper of Berry's pickup truck, then dragged for three miles along the rutted path and a bumpy asphalt road.

A pathologist testified Byrd was alive until his head was torn off when it slammed into a culvert about midway through the torture, and the nature of some of his hideous wounds showed he had tried to ease the excruciating pain by deflecting parts of his body as they were being ground to the bone, actions that only could be made if he was conscious.

Byrd's torso — minus a head, neck and shoulders — was discovered a few hours after daylight.

All three men were under arrest within 48 hours.

Berry, in a statement to police, blamed King for the attack. King, who did not testify at his trial, wrote to a newspaper that he wasn't even there, that he was dropped off at home by his two friends, who drove away with Byrd.

Brewer said King and Byrd fought, said he tried kicking Byrd to break up the scuffle but hurt his toe, and that Berry pulled out a switchblade and cut Byrd's throat.

According to Brewer, he climbed inside the truck cab, smoked a cigarette and didn't realize Berry had chained Byrd to the back of the truck until they began driving. He said he urged his companions to let Byrd go during the course of dragging.

DNA evidence, however, showed Byrd's blood on the shoes of all three men. A pathologist testified there was no evidence of a knife wound on Byrd's remains of a knife wound. Authorities found no knife.

Prosecutors showed Brewer to be a convicted burglar and probation violator, that he lied about his criminal past on a job application, and that in the days before the Byrd killing he participated in several burglaries or thefts in the Jasper area.

Lawyers say TAAS test detrimental to minorities

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An academic skills test Texas students must pass to receive a high school diploma discriminates against Hispanics and blacks and contributes to higher minority dropout rates, a Latino rights group lawyer told a federal judge today.

Use of the exit-level Texas Assessment of Academic Skills test also increases the retention of minority students in the ninth grade and "has turned the schools into TAAS preparation classes instead of classes," said attorney Al Kauffman.

"This indeed the ultimate high-stakes test," said Kauffman, representing the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund. The organization is suing the state and wants the standardized TAAS test banned as a requirement for a diploma.

Kauffman, in his opening statement at the trial before U.S. District Judge Ed Prado, said the lawsuit was filed on behalf of "the disappeared and the forgotten because they indeed are the students we believe are most negatively affected by the TAAS test."

Plaintiffs in the lawsuit are two Hispanic groups and several minority students who failed the exit-level TAAS test.

Although other versions of the TAAS test are given to public school students in lower grades, the lawsuit targets the test that students must pass to receive their diplomas.

The Texas Education Agency, named as a defendant, contends the test is a valid academic exam that does not discriminate against minorities.

The state also denies that minority dropout rates have gone up since the implementation of the TAAS test or that more minorities are being retained in the ninth grade.

Continuous screening and reviewing of test items by the state guards against discrimination, said assistant Texas attorney general Deborah Verbil.

"There is no other way for the state of Texas to ensure that students learn the material that the state of Texas considers important than by an objective test," Ms. Verbil told the judge.

Prado will decide the case. The trial is expected to last about a month. Prado ruled in July there was enough evidence for a trial on some, but not all, of MALDEF's claims.

Prado allowed MALDEF to pursue its discrimination claim under federal regulations barring discrimination by states that receive federal education money. He also ruled the plaintiffs can pursue a due process claim.

But the judge dismissed the plaintiffs' allegation of intentional discrimination by the state.

Students may take the exit exam beginning in the 10th grade, and they may take it repeatedly.

Kauffman said he intends to prove 20 percent of minorities ultimately fail the test compared with 10 percent of white students. The test also is connected to an increase in the minority dropout rate, he said.

THE CROWNING OF A QUEEN — 1999 Ira homecoming queen Jamee Goolsby receives a hug from her sister E'Lissa, who was last year's queen. Ira posted a 54-6 blowout of Paint Creek in the homecoming game. (SDN Staff Photo)

Snyder High School sets SAT test dates

he preliminary SAT National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test will be administered to Snyder High School sophomore and junior students on Oct. 12 in the school library.

Testing begins at 8:15 a.m.

For many students, this test is the first step in preparing for college.

By taking the test, students can practice for the SAT 1, enter scholarship competitions, request information on various college activities and financial aid, plus determine if they have the English and math skills needed to succeed in college.

Since a very small percentage of students across the nation actually become National Merit Scholars, Snyder High School counselors say the primary reason for taking the test is to prepare for college entrance exams.

The test results can identify problem areas for students and allow them time to properly prepare for the SAT 1.

ASK US

Q — What is the most rain ever recorded in Snyder in one year?

A — Records dating back to 1912 indicate the most rain was in 1941 - 44.02 inches.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 87 degrees; low, 61; high Sunday, 94; low, 62; 7 a.m. Monday, 62; no precipitation; total for 1999, 21.14 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, increasing clouds, 20% chance of storms. Low around 55. Tuesday, mostly cloudy. High upper 70s. E wind 5-15 mph.

Adam Calvert
Mostly Cloudy

Sunset: 7:42 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:31 a.m.
Of 262 days in 1999, the sun has shone 255 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Great spirits have always encountered violent opposition from mediocre minds.
—Albert Einstein

KITCHEN BAND — The Senior Center's Kitchen Band helped entertain fairgoers Saturday in the coliseum. (Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

New Miss America, disabled vet's daughter, ready to work

ATLANTIC CITY, N.J. (AP) — The new Miss America put away her evening gown, adjusted her tiara and got down to work less than 24 hours after her coronation.

"We have over 250,000 homeless veterans, spread nationwide," Heather Renee French told reporters Sunday, a day after she was named Miss America 2000.

"A large population, of course, are in Washington, D.C., and in large cities. You find they congregate in the larger areas because that's where the facilities are that treat those needs," she said.

While her predecessors have campaigned for AIDS prevention, literacy or diabetes awareness, the 24-year-old French had another cause in mind. It wasn't hard: She's the daughter of a disabled veteran.

Her father, Ron French, 52, served in the U.S. Marine Corps in Vietnam and was wounded in combat — he was shot in the wrist — early in his four-year hitch.

Veterans' reactions have already been felt at the French household.

"I've already heard from six or seven just since last night," her father said. "They said they're really grateful that someone like her can be a spokesperson for them. It's about time the veterans had a spokesperson."

French, of Maysville, Ky., had dreamed of becoming Miss America ever since she was about 9, her mother said.

She pursued it doggedly, entering the Miss Ohio pageant once and competing in the Miss Kentucky pageant three times before winning it on her fourth try and qualifying for a shot at Miss America.

On Saturday, she sang "As If We Never Said Goodbye" for her talent offering during the nationally televised 79th annual pageant. She became the first Miss Kentucky to win the Miss America Pageant.

French wins a $40,000 college scholarship and a years' worth of clothing from New York design houses, but she has to live out of a suitcase — Miss America typically travels 20,000 miles a month during her reign.

The scholarship money, together with the pageant's decision to drop a 50-year-old ban on women who have had abortions or divorces, made for comic fodder during the telecast.

Shannon Lucid yearning to fly again

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — She's spent more time in space than any other woman or any other American. Yet three years after her record-breaking, patience-testing stay on Mir, Shannon Lucid yearns to fly again.

Any space shuttle trip will do — but a long stint aboard the new international space station would be even better.

She already has her newly retired husband's OK, if and when NASA asks.

As for her three grown children, "They say, 'It's about time. We're getting tired of having you hang around the house all the time just thinking about wanting to fly in space," Lucid says, laughing.

The good humor and grace that got the 56-year-old biochemist through her six-month Mir mission and endeared her to the world are as apparent as ever as she waits to be assigned to her sixth space flight.

She returned to Earth three years ago next week, on Sept. 26, 1996, after 188 consecutive days in orbit. She should have been back 48 days earlier, but was stuck on the Russian space station because of booster-rocket problems with shuttle Atlantis, her ride home.

The mission was the high point, she says, of her career.

Aside from her delayed homecoming, Lucid's Mir stay was relatively uneventful. A highly publicized fire erupted a half-year after she left, and its collision with a cargo ship nearly a year later.

Throw in her first four space shuttle flights and her time aloft soars to 223 days. No other NASA astronaut comes close.

Lucid says she feels absolutely no ill effects from being exposed to so much weightlessness and cosmic radiation. Indeed, NASA's top doctor says nothing's preventing her from flying again.

"I've been back, what? Three years now. And I've not even had a headache since I've been back. I haven't had a cold," Lucid says. "My bones are in really good shape. I lost some calcium, then built back up."

Not by running, that's for sure.

After exercising on Mir's treadmill twice a day per doctor's orders — that's more than 370 workouts — Lucid swore she'd never get on a treadmill again. She's kept her word.

Lucid says she's the same person she was before flying to Mir in March 1996, unlike many astronauts who come back from long or particularly trying missions claiming to have changed — more philosophical, more religious, more whatever.

"I'm sorry. It would make a much more dramatic story for you," says Lucid, a shy, religious woman who grew up in Oklahoma the daughter of Baptist missionaries.

She seldom gives news interviews and, in fact, is surprised that so many people still find her intriguing.

"I mean, you just can't spend all your life talking about one episode in your life," explains Lucid, an astronaut since 1978.

Still, she was only the second American to live on the Russian space station, and the only American woman.

While reluctant to single out any of Mir's seven U.S. occupants, NASA officials can't help but agree Lucid stands out. Her laugh aboard Mir was infectious, and her Russian male crewmates genuinely enjoyed her company. Lucid sees them on occasion and considers them family.

Jim Van Laak, a NASA manager who worked on the shuttle-Mir program and now is assigned to the international space station, calls Lucid extraordinary.

"Her total love of space flight and her willingness to commit herself is something we're all very proud of," Van Laak says.

Until she flies again, Lucid is drawing on her Mir experience to help prepare future crews for the space station. She urges them to find a hobby to keep themselves occupied in orbit and make sure it's the right time in their lives for such a difficult endeavor.

"It would have been very, very difficult if I'd had small children at home," she says. "My youngest was in college, so they certainly didn't think they needed a full-time mother."

Reading is what kept Lucid going, day after day aboard Mir.

Lucid had her daughters send nearly 100 books to Mir while she was there. Unfortunately, her library was inside the Spektr lab module, which was ruptured by an out-of-control cargo ship in June 1997 and sealed off.

Lucid says she'll miss the 131/2-year-old space station once it's gone. The Russians plan to send the abandoned outpost on a fiery dive through the atmosphere next February or March, in order to devote their scarce resources to the space station.

When that day comes, Lucid will be thinking about her beloved books on board: "The ultimate book burning."

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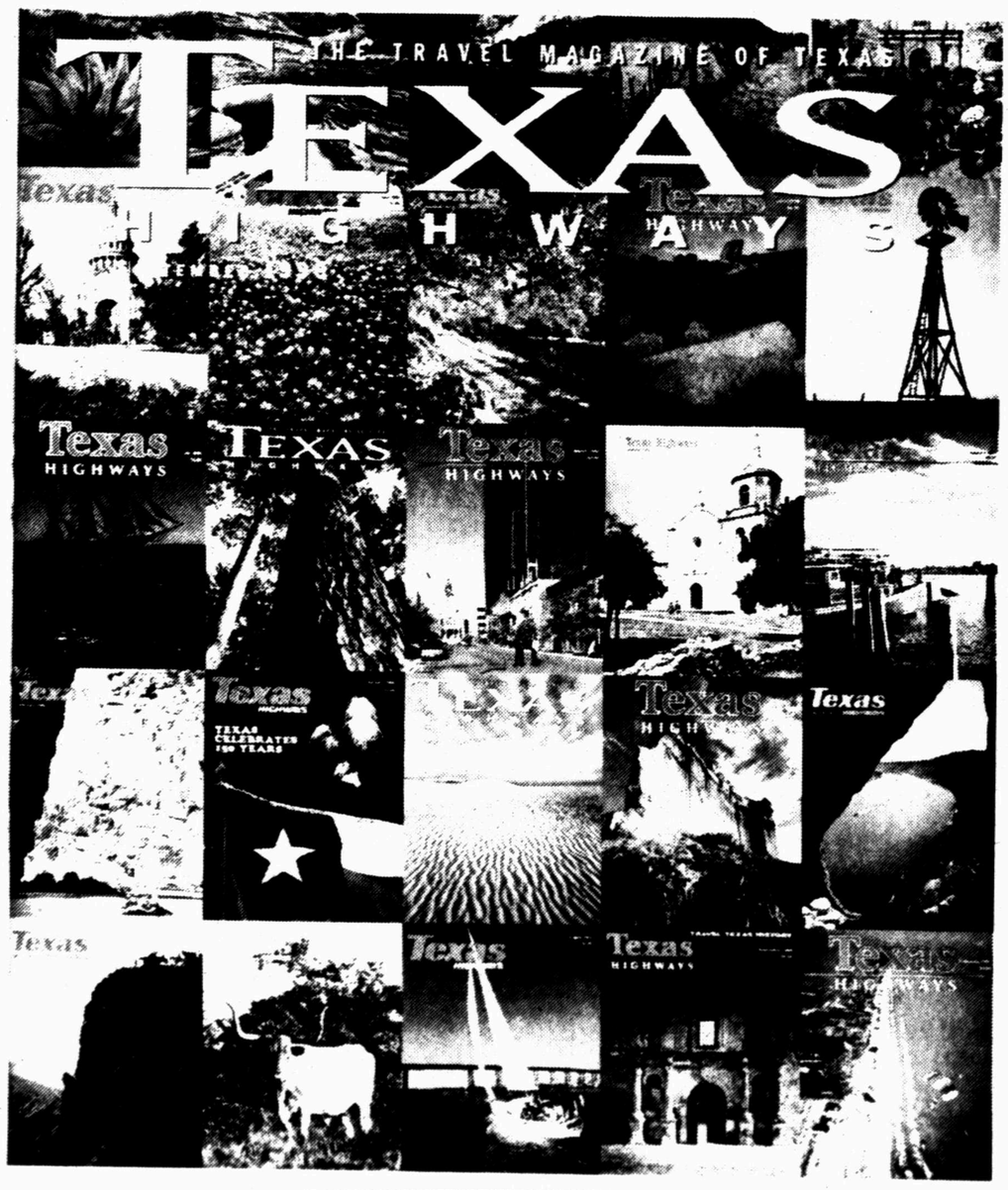

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Report: Ford to take orders online with Microsoft's help

NEW YORK (AP) — Ford Motor Co. and Microsoft Corp. will collaborate on a joint venture enabling the automaker to build cars according to orders taken online, The Wall Street Journal reported today.

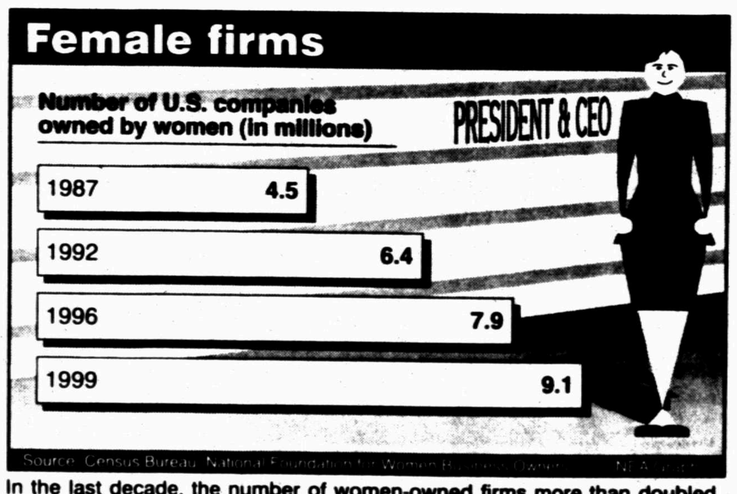
Microsoft's CarPoint Web site will be able to sell cars directly to consumers and continue to send sales leads to dealers, the newspaper reported, citing people familiar with the deal expected to be unveiled in San Francisco today by both companies.

Ford will be able to match a customer's order with cars in dealer lots, in distribution centers or even on factory floors. Sales still would be finalized through franchised dealers.

The site would compete with direct-sell sites such as CarsDirect.com.

Ford will take a minority stake in the joint venture with CarPoint and will be Microsoft's lead partner, the Journal reported. Microsoft expects other auto makers, such as Honda Motor Co., to become involved.

Automakers are seeking ties with technology companies to streamline distribution systems, reduce costs and inventories and gain access to online consumers.



In the last decade, the number of women-owned firms more than doubled. Today, about four in 10 U.S. businesses are headed by women.

Oil Patch News

Nolan County

Chisholm Exploration will plug and abandon the No. 1 Sheffield, a 4,330-foot wildcat located one mile north of Nolan. Location was in Section 44, Block 5, T&P survey.

Fisher County

ACT Operating has completed the No. 5604 Butler in the Rough Ride field, six miles southwest of Longworth. The well was finaled to produce 39 barrels of oil and 120 barrels of water. Perforations wee from 5,200-210 feet, and location is in Section 56, Block Y, T&P survey.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, Sept. 21, 1999

One of the more important changes you'll make in the year ahead might take place in the social sphere. A new alliance may prove quite beneficial both in your business and personal life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Again today, you must watch how you conduct yourself with co-workers. Don't be an unreasonable person to work with by expecting others to do what you would never do yourself. 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.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Anytime someone offers you something for nothing, there usually are ulterior motives involved. It might be best today to look gift horses in the mouth.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A companion who has a faculty for creating problems at the least provocation could draw you into something rather nasty today unless you are careful. Avoid such types all day long.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Be mindful of safety procedures today, especially when doing something with which you're very familiar. It is with just such tasks where you could let your mind wonder and have an accident.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Extravagant whims could be your constant companion today, so you might have to be extra disciplined and prudent to subdue these inclinations. Purchase only what you really need.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Even when you feel something is for the good of another, don't lean too heavily on those in your charge today. Too stern of tactics could invite rebellion.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) By doing things in a hasty, reckless or impetuous manner today, there's a good chance you will repeat past mistakes and create problems for yourself that otherwise would be avoided.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be extra diligent today about the accuracy of your accounting procedures if it involves a money arrangement you have with others. You could be held responsible for miscalculations.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Important objectives will not be achieved today without diligent effort, so whatever you hope to attain, be prepared to roll up your sleeves and get it the hard way.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Unfortunately, if you do something today out of spite or vindictiveness, the only person who'll end up getting the short end of the stick could be you. Don't give in to grudges.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Think with realistic optimism today over your affairs, because if your hopes are predicated upon erroneous projections, you can expect your desires to be dashed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Under no circumstances today should you take it upon yourself to act without the full consent of partners or associates with whom you share an involvement. The consequences could be dire.

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WHICH ONE? TESSA Welsh, 15 months, couldn't decide which one she wanted during the final day of the fair Saturday. (Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Volunteers rebuilding church

WACO (AP) — A libertarian talk show host and volunteers used shovels and pickaxes over the weekend to begin rebuilding a church at the site of the Branch Davidians' compound fire six years ago.

A fire during the 1993 government raid leveled the compound, killing leader David Koresh and about 80 followers.

Austin talk show host Alex Jones, 25, said Sunday he wants to rebuild the church as a memorial and to increase publicity about the FBI's possible role in the fire.

"This is about saying the witch hunt of 1993 is over," Jones said as he and about 60 people who accompanied him to the fenced-off hillside began digging foundations for a 38-by-40 frame church.

The deadly fire April 19, 1993, ended a 51-day standoff between Koresh and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms and FBI.

Jones said he chose now to build a memorial and church because of a recent admission by the FBI that agents had fired potentially incendiary tear gas canisters at the compound the day it burned, despite years of statements to the contrary. Attorney General Janet Reno earlier this month appointed a special counsel to investigate.

Government officials maintain that Branch Davidians, and not federal agents, set the fatal fire.

A wrongful death suit filed against the government by relatives of those who died is scheduled to go to trial next month.

"All of it — it's all about public opinion. We know that now is the perfect time, that's why we're doing it," Jones said.

The project is expected to take two to three months.

Koresh follower Clive Doyle, who survived the 1993 fire, said Sunday he has been leading 12-20 people in Bible studies near Waco and will lead the services.

Judge Joe Brown can handle real bench, TV

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — He dresses all in black and stars in his own TV show. He's got a publicist and routinely gets mobbed for autographs. Not bad for a mere public servant.

Joe Brown, the sharp-tongued administrator of justice at Shelby County Criminal Court, is the only sitting jurist with a national TV show. He relishes the high profile both jobs have given him.

But some critics grumble that Brown should choose between court business and show business. By doing both, they say, Judge Brown is doing neither any justice.

"The court system has a legitimate concern. It is a violation of ethics if he is not devoting full time to a full-time job," said Geoffrey Hazard, a University of Pennsylvania law professor.

Brown said he can do both jobs without compromising either.

"I don't play golf or anything like that. I'm in my office ... sometimes at 8 or 9 o'clock at night," he said. "I don't sleep much."

Brown, 52, gained national attention for handing down unusual sentences, like requiring lawbreakers to write book reports on the "Autobiography of Malcolm X." He has let burglary victims go to convicted thieves' homes and take some of their possessions.

Hollywood producers began paying attention when Brown presided over James Earl Ray's attempt to invalidate his guilty plea for killing the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. in Memphis in 1968.

A state appeals court removed Brown from the case last year after prosecutors argued he was biased toward Ray, who died in prison several weeks later. Brown denied the accusation.

"Contrary to the state's contentions, this court has no predisposition to favor a new trial for James Earl Ray nor to be biased against the merits of the state's position," he said at the time.

His syndicated "Judge Joe Brown" show began airing a year ago. He carries his no-nonsense demeanor to the program, which has 5 million viewers and has been second in popularity behind "Judge Judy."

With his peculiar sentences and stern lectures, Brown said he tries to make an impression on young, poorly educated lawbreakers who have little regard for law enforcement.

For his show, Brown travels to Los Angeles to tape two- or three-day sessions, 24 weeks a year. He would not disclose what he is paid for the show, but makes $102,240 a year as a judge.

Not counting weekends and holidays, Brown was away from his real court 80 days last year, according to the Administrative Office of the Courts in Nashville. That got the attention of the state Supreme Court, which recently told Brown to quit hiring a retired judge to sit in for him when he is gone.

The Commercial Appeal of Memphis suggested that Brown spend more time in Shelby County and less on TV. "A Criminal Court judgeship, these turbulent days, is a full-time job," the newspaper said in an editorial.

Brown said some of the work days he missed were for vacations and judicial meetings. And he noted that since the show began, the number of cases he disposed of has increased 20 percent.

"If I'm supposed to be overworked, why did I pick up the workload?" asked Brown, who won re-election to a second eight-year term last year.

Brown describes himself as a man of the people, though requests for interviews, once handled by his secretary, now are fielded by a public relations firm.

In addition to his removal from the Ray case, he has been criticized by the state Court of the Judiciary for saying another judge was "masquerading as a judge" and threatening to "put a foot deep in somebody's behind" if another court failed to supply information he wanted in a child support case.

A clerk in Brown's court recently was disciplined for signing arrest warrants for criminal defendants while the judge was out of town. Brown said he knew nothing about that.

Brown grew up in south-central Los Angeles and graduated with honors from law school at the University of California, Los Angeles. He prides himself on being streetwise and often packs a pistol, sometimes under his judge's robe.

He often speaks to youth groups and civic organizations, and tells young people in frank terms they only hurt themselves if they quit school, join gangs or end up in jail.

Brown plans to continue his TV show, which he said serves a public purpose by showing how a courtroom operates under a judge applying a common sense approach to the law.

Date Book

Monday, Sept. 20, 1999

Today is the 263rd day of 1999 and the 92nd day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1906, Upton Sinclair published "The Jungle," a novel about the American meat-packing industry.

On this day in 1963, in a speech at the United Nations General Assembly, President John F. Kennedy proposed a joint U.S.-Soviet program to land men on the moon.

On this day in 1984, "The Cosby Show" premiered on NBC television.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Upton Sinclair (1878-1968), writer; Maxwell Perkins (1884-1947), editor; Ferdinand "Jelly Roll" Morton (1885-1941), jazz great; Arnold "Red" Auerbach (1917-), basketball coach-executive, is 82; Anne Meara (1929-), actress, is 70; Sophia Loren (1934-), actress, is 65; Guy Lafleur (1951-), hockey great, is 48; Crispin Glover (1964-), actor, is 35.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1973, Willie Mays announced his retirement from major-league baseball.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I aimed at the public's heart, and by accident I hit it in the stomach." — Upton Sinclair, on his novel "The Jungle"

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Sept. 17) and full moon (Sept. 25).

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Truth About Family Depression Can Set Younger Members Free

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: Chills went through my body as I read the letter from "Torn in N.Y." asking if she should tell her children about their father's suicide. I quickly scanned to the bottom to see who had sent it. I was sure it was from someone I knew.

In 1978, my grandfather, with whom I was very close, committed suicide. I was only 4, and to ease the pain my parents told me he had "accidentally" killed himself. I never questioned their word.

One day in second grade, I was riding a bus to school. Another girl asked me if it was my grandfather who had killed himself. I adamantly denied it, but could think of little else the entire day.

When I returned home, my mother said we could talk about it when my dad got home from work. I'll never forget the looks on their faces when I asked if it was true. Yes, it was true, and it broke my heart. I cried for days, unable to understand why my grandfather would have killed himself.

I soon came to understand the depression from which he and many others in his family had suffered. He was not alone in committing suicide. His father, brother and sister had also taken their own lives. My father also battled with depression.

As I reached adolescence, I, too, became depressed. Talking with my family helped alleviate the pain I felt. I urge the mother of those preteens to tell the children the truth. The truth will set them free.

I wish my parents had told me the truth in the beginning. But I am glad I found out when I was young. I pray daily for my extended family members, who also suffer from depression, to seek help and talk with their families about it. As my mother says, "A family is only as sick as its secrets."

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DEAR KNOWING: Thank you for sharing your firsthand experience. One of the problems with depression is that people often don't realize they have it, and therefore they don't seek help for it. It is not a "weakness." It can be a very serious health problem.

Depression can affect the entire body. The symptoms can include vague physical complaints, including a host of sleep and eating disturbances, coupled with loss of enjoyment in activities formerly pleasurable. It can affect the way people feel about themselves and the way they perceive everyday events. Persistent sadness, feelings of worthlessness, hopelessness and anxiety, and withdrawal from friends and activities may be signs of depression.

A depressive illness is *not* a passing "blue" mood. While it's normal to feel sad or moody once in a while, if this feeling lasts for more than two weeks, the problem could be depression.

The good news is that between 80 percent and 90 percent of people with depression can be successfully treated with counseling and/or medication. It is very important to talk with someone to determine if you have depression and where to seek help.

To learn more about depression, its signs and treatment, call your local mental health association or the National Mental Health Association: (800) 969-6642.

Children and teens who are experiencing depression should discuss it with their parents or school nurse.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 09-20-99
♠ Q 6 4
♥ K Q 8 2
♦ A K 8 4 3
♣ 5

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

East
♠ 2
♥ 9 5
♦ Q 7 6 5 2
♣ A K J 9 7

South
♠ A J 10 9 5 3
♥ A 10 4
♦ J 10
♣ 10 3

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		1 ♦	2 ♣
2 ♠	4 ♣	4 ♠	5 ♣
5 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 9

Scores instant, winners soon

The annual worldwide simultaneous bridge events, which were scheduled for June 4 and 5, were canceled. However, the American Contract Bridge League stepped forward and ran two such tournaments on those dates. The so-called Millennium Games were played in 550 sites across North America, with proceeds going to the ACBL Education Foundation.

After finishing a deal, the players looked at the score sheet and received an instant matchpoint score out of 100. At the end of the session, it didn't take long to declare the winners.

The Friday North-South winners were Nancy and Ady Koffler, from Quebec, with 1789 points: 74.5 percent. They did well in this deal.

Ady (East) overcalled two clubs on a strong suit and good distribution; usually it pays to bid. Nancy's jump to four clubs was pre-emptive: a weak, distributional hand with good club support. Then, when North bid four spades, Ady judged well to sacrifice in five clubs. Four spades would have made for plus 620, whereas five clubs doubled would have been two down for only minus 300. (Even after a trump lead, declarer leads toward dummy's spade king, losing one spade, two hearts and one diamond.)

South hoped that five spades would be makable, but he was unlucky. Having trump control, Nancy led her singleton diamond. Declarer won with dummy's king, played a spade to his ace, and returned a low spade. However, Nancy won with her king, put Ady in with a club, and received a diamond ruff to defeat the contract. East-West received 83 matchpoints, North-South 17.

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Audit says funds are missing from national parade

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — An annual audit of the organization that puts on the Rose Bowl and New Year's Day Rose Parade has found $60,000 missing from the coffers, officials said.

Tournament of Roses officials declined comment, but confirmed that chief financial officer Richard Quattropane resigned on July 30, after the audit.

"When they did the audit this year, they discovered a lot of money was missing, and there were a lot of inconsistencies in what he was writing down or ledgering," police Lt. Keith Jones said Friday. No arrests have been made.

Auditors have now begun taking another look at previous years' records to see if there are other discrepancies, Jones said.

Quattropane is not listed in directory assistance and could not be located for comment.

The tournament spends about $6.5 million to put on the annual football game and parade of colorful floats covered in flowers and other plants.

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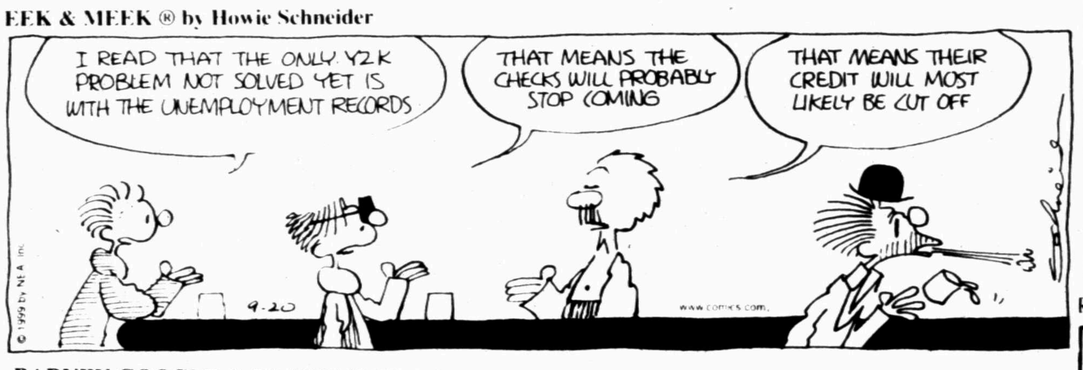

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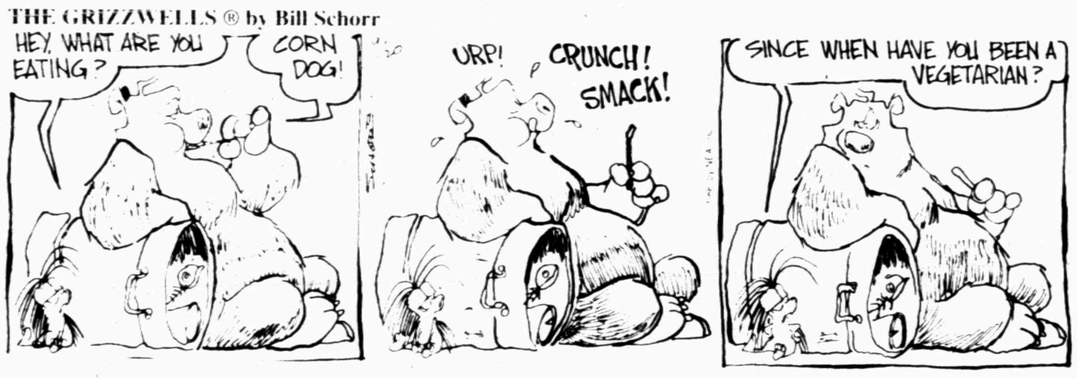

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Pakistan's Benazir —
7 — Mussolini
13 Martin — King, Jr.
14 Drunk (sl.)
15 Mean
16 Ancient Jewish ascetic
17 Fr. holy woman
18 Compass pt.
20 Garfield, e.g.
21 Antitoxins
23 Fishing pole
24 Gives a bad review to
25 Invitation inits.
27 Divide in two parts
29 Author Fleming
31 Convent lady
32 Quit working, like a battery
33 Econ. indicator
34 Attractive women
37 Actress Winslet
40 Small horse
41 Actress Joanne —
43 Molten rock
45 Moslem commander
46 "I think, therefore — —"
47 A Bobbsey twin
48 Reproductive cell
51 Football player George —
54 Wears away
55 Use coupons
56 Boulevard
57 Reluctant

DOWN

1 Ecstasy
2 Seeker
3 Pronounces
4 Off — wall
5 — -speed bike
6 Command
7 Suffering wounds
8 Dawn goddess
9 CPA's concerns
10 Medicinal root
11 Renter
12 Playwright Clifford —
19 San Francisco's — Hill
22 Eagerly
24 Certain correspondent (2 wds.)
26 Bucket
28 Submerged
30 Poorest
34 Bacall's mate
35 Charm
36 Madrid Mrs.
38 Leather maker
39 Avoids cleverly
40 Book units
42 Shadow
44 "What's in — —?"
49 Dutch town
50 Golf peg
52 Unit of Bulgarian currency
53 Summer cooler

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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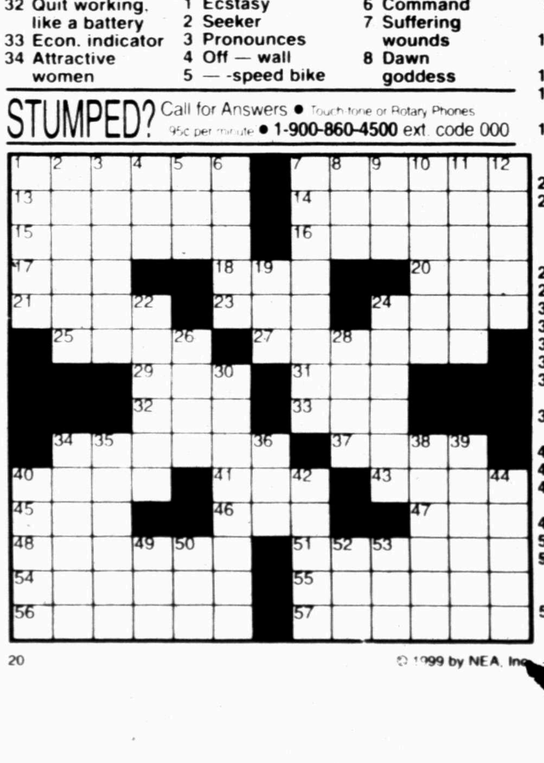

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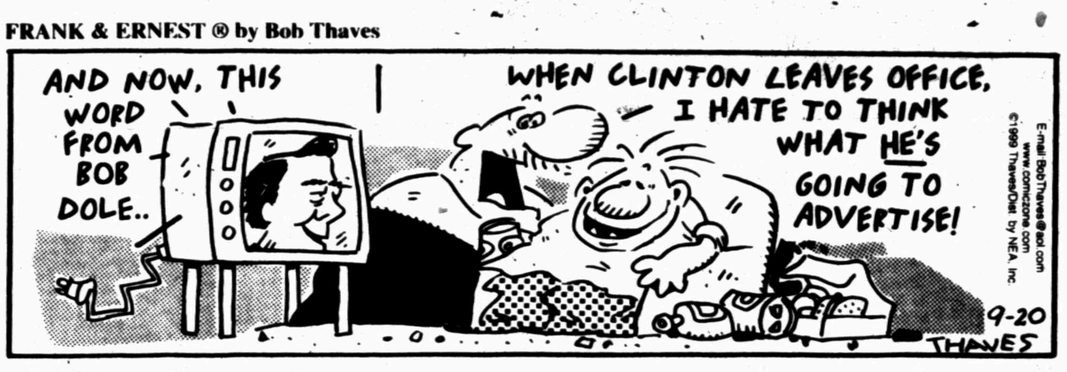

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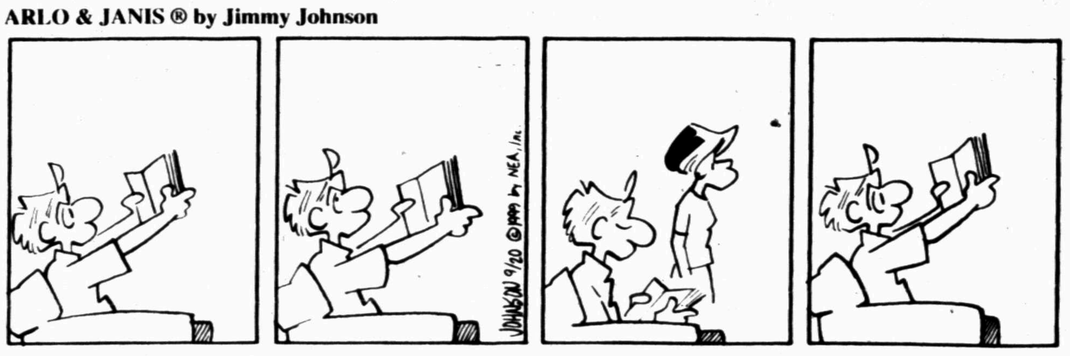

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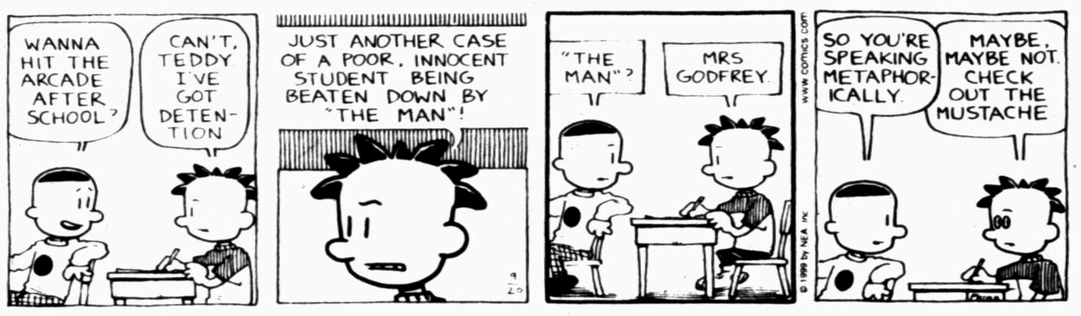

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FAT

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O T U B F I N E P L A T O
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B O B R L W I Z U F N E T
W A T A C C G E E D C L I
F R I G A H R Y S R S I R
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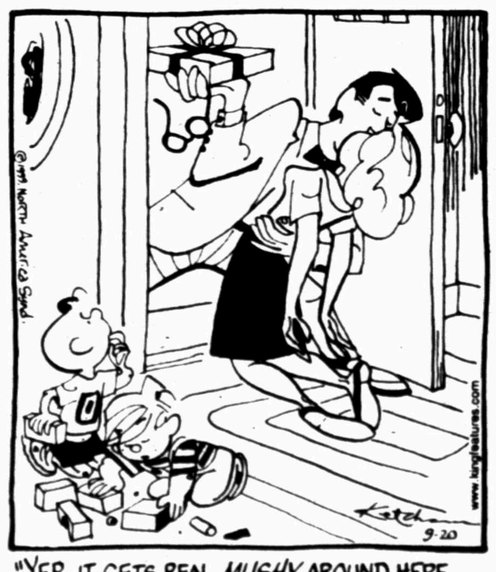

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SPORTS

Bulldogs blister Pirates in homecoming contest

By Eric Drennan
SDN Sports Editor

IRA — In Saturday's homecoming contest, the Ira Bulldogs held an 8-0 lead after just 14 seconds, and it quickly became apparent that the crowning of the queen would be a post-game activity.

Ira manhandled Paint Creek in every facet of the game on Saturday, finishing the off the Pirates in only two quarters with a 54-6 rout.

The Bulldogs tallied 229 yards of total offense, while holding Paint Creek to just 38 and one first down. The Pirates would have been in the negative numbers, except for one 59-yard sprint that accounted for their only score of the afternoon.

"I really don't know what to say," Ira coach Toby Goodwin remarked after the abbreviated contest. "Everything we did was good. We haven't been scoring a lot of points in the first quarter this season, so I told the kids to come out hard and jump on them quick. I challenged them by saying that I wanted 30 points in the first quarter, and they got 32."

Ira went straight to work against the Pirates. After Nathan Smith pounced on a loose ball on the opening kickoff, Jose Juarez toted the ball 10 yards into the endzone on the first play from scrimmage and the rout was on. Logan Daves booted the extra points for an 8-0 advantage.

It became 10-0 when Paint Creek snapped the ball out of the endzone.

The Bulldogs went to the air for their next score, with Smith hitting Terry Jamison for a 19-yard TD strike. Daves again added the conversion.

With the score holding at 18-6 with 1:36 left in the opening quarter, Ira turned the up the heat even more. Two touchdowns in a span of 21 seconds ended any hopes of a Paint Creek comeback.

The first score came on a 26-yard scamper by Daves, with the second coming on a 38-yard interception return from Richard Wilkins.

"We're playing with a lot of confidence right now," Goodwin said. "The season's going to get rougher from here on out, but the kids believe they can win every time they step onto the field. And right now, they're playing like they can."

Needing 24 points to end the contest on the 45-point mercy rule, Ira padded its lead with 6:45 to go in the second period when Smith tossed a 5-yard pass to a wide-open Daves in the endzone.

Jeremy Bowden pounded his way into the endzone from 12 yards out with just over three minutes to go, before Juarez ended the game on the final play of the first half, struggling in on fourth-and-goal from the 6.

The Pirates never completed a pass on the day, while Smith went six of seven for 80 yards.

Juarez, Daves and Bowden led the Bulldog's ground attack. Juarez accounted for 38 yards on five carries, with Daves rolling up 34 yards on just two attempts. Bowden finished the day with 33 yards.

Following the contest, Jamie Goolsby was crowned as Ira's homecoming queen for 1999.

The Bulldogs will be in action again Friday when they travel to Three Way for a 7:30 kickoff.

CAPTURED PIRATE — In a play typical for the afternoon contest, a pair of Ira Bulldogs hauld down a Paint Creek ball carrier for a loss. Ira routed the Pirates, 54-6, in the homecoming event, ending the game at halftime on the 45-point rule. Ira will be in action again Friday when it visits Three Way. (SDN Staff Photo)

SHS downs Andrews in district test

ANDREWS — After strong performances in their final non-district contests, the Lady Tigers continued their stellar play in the 5-4A opener on Saturday.

Snyder began its chase for another playoff appearance with a 15-1, 15-12 victory over the Lady Mustangs in Andrews.

The Lady Tigers, now 12-9 on the season, will be looking to improve to 2-0 when they visit a struggling Sweetwater squad at 6 p.m. Tuesday.

"It's really important to get off to a good start," SHS coach Patty Grimmett said. "You don't ever know what's going to happen with the other teams, so it's important to get that win anytime you get the chance."

Snyder, which has been powered by strong play at the net all season long, controlled the action up front once again on Saturday.

Kameron Kallemeyn and Ashley Delce anchored the charge, combining for 8 kills and 10 blocks.

Rina Geiger also contributed at the net, accounting for 2 kills and a pair of blocks.

Behind Snyder's net powers, the back-row defenders put together a workman-like outing, continuously saving points for the Lady Tigers with diving saves.

Tessa Hildebrand finished the contest with 5 digs, while Christina Holder notched 4 more.

"The girls played really well defensively," Grimmett stated. "They made good passes so that the setters could get the ball in a position to set up our hitters. I'm really proud of how we played overall. We only missed one serve the entire match, so that just shows how focused the girls were on getting the job done."

Holder paced Snyder from the service line with nine points, while T'Leah Eicke served up six.

Tuesday's match-up with Sweetwater will be the second of four straight road matches for the Lady Tigers to open 5-4A play.

Snyder travels to Big Spring on Friday.

Snyder def. Andrews 15-1, 15-12

Snyder service points: Holder, 9; Eicke and Hildebrand, 6; Kallemeyn, 5; Tomlinson, 3; Martinez, 2. **Kills:** Delce and Kallemeyn, 4; Geiger, 2; Holder, Hildebrand and Best, 1. **Blocks:** Delce, 8; Hildebrand, 4; Holder, 3; Kallemeyn and Geiger, 2; Best, 1. **Digs:** Hildebrand, 5; Holder, 4; Kallemeyn and Tomlinson, 3; Best and Eicke, 2; Martinez, 1.

Cowboys to face struggling Falcons

IRVING (AP) — The Atlanta Falcons aren't doing a good job of convincing people they're for real.

The team that beat Minnesota to win the NFC championship was trampled by Denver in the Super Bowl and played sloppily in a season-opening loss at home to the Vikings.

Atlanta goes into Monday night's game against Dallas unsure if quarterback Chris Chandler's ailing hamstring will allow him to play. Should the Falcons start 0-2, they would be living down to the low expectations of those who thought last season a fluke.

"After last week, I can see why we haven't gotten any more respect," coach Dan Reeves said. "We've got to do the things we did last year for us to get back on track."

For the Dirty Birds to be treated like NFC champions, they'll have to defy critics and team history. The Falcons have never had consecutive winning seasons or back-to-back playoff trips.

"The sentiment is maybe we should've achieved a little more respect, but it's one of those situations where if you want people to respect you, you have to go out and earn it," running back Jamal Anderson said. "That's what we did last year."

The Cowboys (1-0) also seem to be battling public opinion.

These days, the biggest knock on them is that they're a bunch of has-beens. They have one playoff victory in the three years since ending their streak of three Super Bowls in four seasons.

"Do teams respect us the way they used to respect us? I don't know that," receiver Michael Irvin said. "If we win the Super Bowl, people should respect us again. Until then, they shouldn't, and I really can't blame them if they don't."

Running back Emmitt Smith said the attitude toward Dallas now is similar to when the team began its championship run.

"It's not like we've been successful for such a long time that we can't see ourselves being the underdog," Smith said. "It doesn't matter. You play both sides of the spectrum. Right now, we're just on the bottom side.

"Being the underdog is being on the bottom, but there's a lot of fight in a dog that's going to bark a lot."

The Cowboys seemed to roll over and play dead last Sunday against Washington when they gave up 32 consecutive points. But old-timers Irvin, Smith and Troy Aikman rallied Dallas to 27 straight points and a 41-35 overtime victory.

Against the Vikings, Atlanta lost three fumbles and committed two long pass interference penalties to help Minnesota take a 17-0 lead. The Falcons came back, too, but not far enough, losing 17-13.

"We just never established a rhythm of the things we like to do," said Anderson, who had 50 yards on 16 carries. "We never got comfortable and in the flow of running our offense properly."

Chandler's strained right hamstring prevented him from taking any snaps in practice this week.

WTC men capture rodeo title

PORTALES, N.M. — In its first rodeo of the season, Western Texas sent a message to all the other competitors, that the Westerners just might be the team to beat.

The WTC men rolled up 265 points over the weekend to take the title of the Eastern New Mexico University rodeo, while the Lady Westerners claimed the runner-up spot, 75 points behind first-place Tarleton.

WTC coach Greg Rhodes was pleased with the efforts of his men's squad, and expects his women to be at the top the next time around.

"I knew coming into the season that our men would be pretty good, because we have some outstanding people in each individual event," Rhodes said. "We'll have to wait and see if we keep on finishing first, but I like our chances.

"Our women just didn't have their kind of rodeo. But there's no sense of panic. I would be surprised if our women struggle again like they did this weekend."

The WTC men were led by the performance of all-around title winner Leland Wood. The sophomore finished first in the finals of the team roping with a time of 7.8 seconds, giving him second place in the average.

"Leland performed well throughout the entire rodeo," Rhodes stated. "I think that's a sign of his maturity. He's back for his second year, and the experience he gained last year showed in his performance this weekend."

Also in the team roping, Jody Pinkert posted an 8.1 in the short round for second place, while finishing atop the standings in the average. Matt Gully's 12.6 in the finals was good enough for third place, the same place he finished in the average.

Freshman Rawley McFarland registered an 80 on his final saddle bronc ride, giving him the top spot in the short round and in the average. Brandon Mayberry's 74 placed him second in the finals and third in the average.

The final round of the calf roping saw Cimmaron Boardman race to a first-place time of 10.0, giving him fourth place in the overall standings.

Wes Stephenson's 75 in the short round of the bareback competition gave the WTC cowboy top billing in the average.

Bill Herbert notched a 68 in the final round of bullriding to take third in the overall standings, while Casey Baize finished a close fourth.

The closest squad to WTC in the team standings was West Texas A&M, which finished with 190 points.

On the women's side, Jill Childers and Tara Bynum led the Lady Westerners in the short round.

In the goat tying, Childers' 7.1 gave her the top spot in the finals and in the overall standings, while Bynum's 4.0 was good enough for fourth place.

The Western Texas women finished with 105 points, while Tarleton tallied 180.

Major College Football Scores

EAST
Boston College 14, Navy 10
Brown 25, Yale 24
Butler 21, St. Francis, Pa. 7
Colgate 49, Fordham 24
Connecticut 23, Buffalo 0
Cornell 20, Princeton 3
Delaware 29, West Chester 10
Fairfield 34, Duquesne 21
Georgetown, D.C. 47, Siena 12
Harvard 24, Columbia 7
Hofstra 28, Rhode Island 13
Holy Cross 30, Lafayette 12
Iona 31, La Salle 23
James Madison 35, New Hampshire 28
Lehigh 56, Monmouth, N.J. 10
Maine 21, Richmond 14
Michigan 18, Syracuse 13
Penn 17, Dartmouth 6
Pittsburgh 30, Kent 23
St. John's, NY 16, Marist 0
St. Peter's 33, Canisius 22
Towson 27, Bucknell 20
Villanova 26, Massachusetts 21
Wagner 33, Sacred Heart 0

SOUTH
Alabama A&M 26, MVSU 19
Auburn 41, LSU 7
Chattanooga 49, Savannah St. 0
Davidson 21, Sewanee 0
Delaware St. 26, Norfolk St. 6
E. Kentucky 31, Indiana St. 24
ETSU 26, VMI 17
East Carolina 21, South Carolina 3
Florida 23, Tennessee 21
Florida St. 42, N.C. State 11
Furman 52, William & Mary 6
Georgia Tech 41, Cent. Florida 10
Howard 31, Bethune-Cookman 27
Illinois 41, Louisville 36
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MIDWEST
Akron 25, Temple 15
Cincinnati 17, Wisconsin 12
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Iowa 24, N. Illinois 0
Kansas St. 40, UTEP 7
Kentucky 44, Indiana 35
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Purdue 58, Cent. Michigan 16
S. Illinois 34, E. Illinois 6
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Toledo 23, Ball St. 10
Valparaiso 17, Robert Morris 13
Wis.-Stevens Pt. 28, Drake 17
Youngstown St. 13, Indiana, Pa. 7

SOUTHWEST
Arkansas 44, Louisiana-Monroe 6
Hampton 26, Ark.-Pine Bluff 13
Houston 45, Louisiana-Lafayette 0
North Texas 21, Texas Tech 14
Oklahoma 41, Baylor 10
Stephen F. Austin 28, SW Texas 17
Texas 18, Rice 13
Texas A&M 62, Tulsa 13
Texas Southern 38, Lane 15

FAR WEST
Air Force 31, Washington 21
Cal Poly-SLO 40, Montana St. 37
Colorado 51, Kansas 17
Hawaii 34, Boise St. 19
Iowa St. 24, UNLV 0
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Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	59	45
N.Y. Jets	0	2	0	.000	31	47
Central						
Jacksonville	2	0	0	1.000	63	23
Pittsburgh	2	0	0	1.000	66	20
Tennessee	2	0	0	1.000	62	44
Baltimore	0	2	0	.000	30	50
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	42	70
Cleveland	0	2	0	.000	9	69
West						
San Diego	1	0	0	1.000	34	7
Kansas City	1	1	0	.500	43	30
Oakland	1	1	0	.500	46	45
Seattle	1	1	0	.500	34	41
Denver	0	2	0	.000	31	64
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
Dallas	1	0	0	1.000	41	35
Arizona	1	1	0	.500	41	43
N.Y. Giants	1	1	0	.500	38	63
Washington	1	1	0	.500	85	62
Philadelphia	0	2	0	.000	29	44
Central						
Detroit	2	0	0	1.000	51	35
Chicago	1	1	0	.500	33	31
Green Bay	1	1	0	.500	43	47
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	34	36
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	32	22
West						
St. Louis	1	0	0	1.000	27	10
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	40	38
San Francisco	1	1	0	.500	31	62
Atlanta	0	1	0	.000	14	17
Carolina	0	2	0	.000	30	41

Sunday's Games
Tampa Bay 19, Philadelphia 5
Washington 50, New York Giants 21
Jacksonville 22, Carolina 20
Miami 19, Arizona 16
Seattle 14, Chicago 13
Oakland 22, Minnesota 17
New England 31, Indianapolis 28
San Diego 34, Cincinnati 7
Pittsburgh 23, Baltimore 20
Detroit 23, Green Bay 15
San Francisco 28, New Orleans 21
Tennessee 26, Cleveland 9
Kansas City 26, Denver 10
Buffalo 17, New York Jets 3
OPEN: St. Louis

Monday's Game
Atlanta at Dallas, 9 p.m.

Top-25 Poll

By The Associated Press

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Sept. 19, points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and previous ranking.

	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Florida St. (59)	3-0	1,738	1
2. Penn St. (7)	4-0	1,658	3
3. Florida (3)	3-0	1,628	4
4. Michigan	3-0	1,447	6
5. Texas A&M	2-0	1,426	7
6. Nebraska	3-0	1,412	4
7. Tennessee	1-1	1,396	2
8. Virginia Tech (1)	2-0	1,157	10
9. Miami	2-1	1,130	8
10. Georgia Tech	2-1	1,101	12
11. Georgia	2-0	1,096	11
12. Ohio St.	2-1	960	13
13. Purdue	3-0	927	14
14. Arkansas	2-0	858	15
15. Kansas St.	2-0	778	16
16. Southern Cal	2-0	637	17
17. BYU	2-0	526	25
18. UCLA	2-1	452	21
19. Michigan St.	3-0	435	—
20. Wisconsin	2-1	390	9
21. Marshall	3-0	297	—
22. Texas	3-1	252	—
23. Mississippi St.	3-0	211	—
24. Air Force	2-0	145	—
25. N.C. State	3-1	142	20

Others receiving votes: Syracuse 119, Auburn 60, Oklahoma 58, Alabama 49, Southern Miss 49, Maryland 31, Illinois 27, Arizona St. 25, East Carolina 22, Virginia 18, Louisville 15, Oregon 15, Arizona 14, Colorado 12, Colorado St. 6, New Mexico St. 6, Stanford 6, Kentucky 5, Wyoming 5, Clemson 2, Minnesota 2, Utah 2, Cincinnati 1, Louisiana Tech 1, Oregon St. 1.

Major League Baseball

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	90	59	.604	—
Boston	87	62	.584	3
Toronto	77	73	.513	13½
Baltimore	72	76	.486	17½
Tampa Bay	65	85	.433	25½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
x-Cleveland	90	59	.604	—
Chicago	68	81	.456	22
Detroit	60	88	.405	29½
Minnesota	60	88	.405	29½
Kansas City	59	91	.393	31½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	89	61	.593	—
Oakland	82	66	.554	6
Seattle	74	75	.497	14½
Anaheim	61	89	.407	28

x-clinched division title

Saturday's Games
Cleveland 5, New York 4
Boston 9, Detroit 1
Oakland 8, Kansas City 4
Chicago 7, Toronto 4
Texas 6, Tampa Bay 1
Seattle 5, Minnesota 0
Baltimore 6, Anaheim 3

Sunday's Games
Boston 7, Detroit 3
Chicago 3, Toronto 2
New York 11, Cleveland 7
Tampa Bay 15, Texas 2
Oakland 12, Kansas City 3
Minnesota 2, Seattle 1
Baltimore 5, Anaheim 4

Monday's Games
Cleveland (Gooden 3-4) at Detroit (Nitkowski 3-5), 7:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Alvarez 9-7) at Anaheim (Finley 10-11), 10:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Ryan 0-2) at Oakland (Appier 15-12), 10:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Stein 1-1) at Seattle (Ramsay 0-1), 10:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Toronto (Hentgen 10-11) at Boston (P. Martinez 21-4), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Burba 14-8) at Detroit (Borkowski 1-4), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago (Baldwin 10-12) at New York (Pettitte 13-11), 7:35 p.m.
Baltimore (J. Johnson 6-7) at Texas (Loaiza 8-4), 8:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Rupe 8-9) at Anaheim (Ortiz 1-3), 10:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 12-14) at Oakland (Oquist 9-10), 10:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Suppan 10-9) at Seattle (F. Garcia 15-8), 10:05 p.m.

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	93	57	.620	—
New York	92	58	.613	1
Philadelphia	70	79	.470	22½
Montreal	63	86	.423	29½
Florida	58	91	.389	34½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	92	59	.609	—
Cincinnati	88	62	.587	3½
Pittsburgh	73	75	.493	17½
St. Louis	70	79	.470	21
Milwaukee	66	82	.446	24½
Chicago	60	89	.403	31
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	90	59	.604	—
San Francisco	82	67	.550	8
San Diego	71	79	.473	19½
Los Angeles	69	80	.463	21
Colorado	67	83	.447	23½

Saturday's Games
St. Louis 13, Houston 6
Cincinnati 3, Pittsburgh 0
Los Angeles 5, Colorado 4
San Diego 11, San Francisco 5
Arizona 8, Florida 6, 10 innings
Milwaukee 7, Chicago 4, 14 innings
Montreal 4, Atlanta 3
New York 11, Philadelphia 1

Sunday's Games
Atlanta 5, Montreal 1
Pittsburgh 8, Cincinnati 5
New York 8, Philadelphia 6
Houston 4, St. Louis 3
Chicago 8, Milwaukee 7, 10 innings
Los Angeles 5, Colorado 2, 7 innings, rain
Arizona 8, Florida 7
San Diego 6, San Francisco 3

Monday's Games
Houston (Reynolds 16-11) at Pittsburgh (Cordova 8-8), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Thompson 0-2) at Chicago (Lieber 8-10), 8:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Person 8-5) at Milwaukee (Karl 10-11), 8:05 p.m.
Arizona (Daal 15-8) at Colorado (Wright 3-2), 8:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Neagle 7-5) at San Diego (Carlyle 1-2), 10:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Ortiz 17-9) at Los Angeles (Gagne 0-1), 10:10 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Tuesday's Games
Montreal (Vazquez 8-7 and Powell 3-6) at Florida (Springer 5-15 and Cornelius 0-0), 2, 4:05 p.m.
Houston (Elarton 8-4) at Pittsburgh (Benson 11-13), 7:05 p.m.
New York (Reed 10-4) at Atlanta (Smoltz 9-8), 7:40 p.m.
St. Louis (Bottenfield 17-7) at Chicago (Lorraine 1-4), 8:05 p.m.

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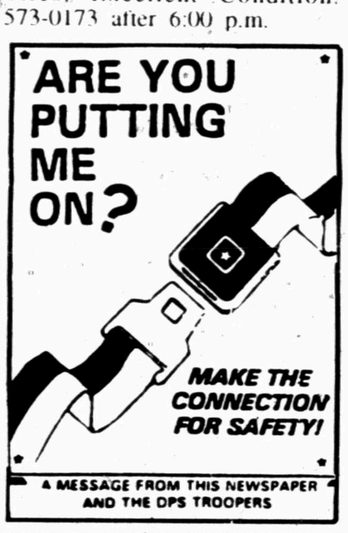

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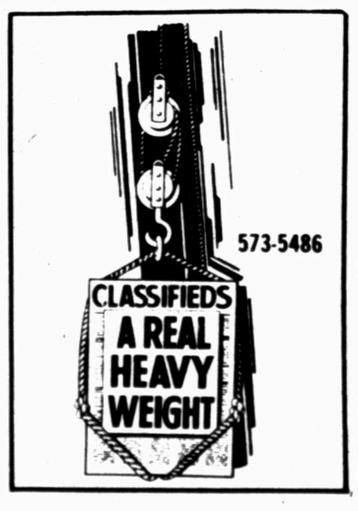

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Profits put first, news story says

DALLAS (AP) — Faced with mounting evidence of the diet combination fen-phen's link to a fatal disease and heart damage, the nation's fifth largest drug manufacturer's lobbyists pressed government regulators to relax federal constraints on its products, a published report says today.

American Home Products Corp.'s massive lobbying effort, according to company memos reviewed in The Dallas Morning News' copyright report, included a self-described "SWAT team" to prepare testimony supporting fewer regulations.

An appeal to an influential lawmaker that would remain "below the radar screen" of public opinion and a public relations campaign to downplay diet drugs' risks were also devised, the newspaper said.

"They were trying to make the drug more readily available to the American people rather than warn them not to take it when they were sitting there with the knowledge," Houston lawyer Tom Pirtle, who represents 3,200 fen-phen users, told the newspaper.

The Madison, N.J.-based drug maker, which has been hit with multimillion-dollar jury awards in civil lawsuits relating to the diet pill combo, is close to settling most of the thousands of additional lawsuits filed against it for at least $3 billion.

Critics of American Home Products contend the company that made fenfluramine, the "fen" in the fen-phen combination, put profits ahead of patient safety in the face of clear indications of health dangers. Pondimin was the company's the brand name for fenfluramine.

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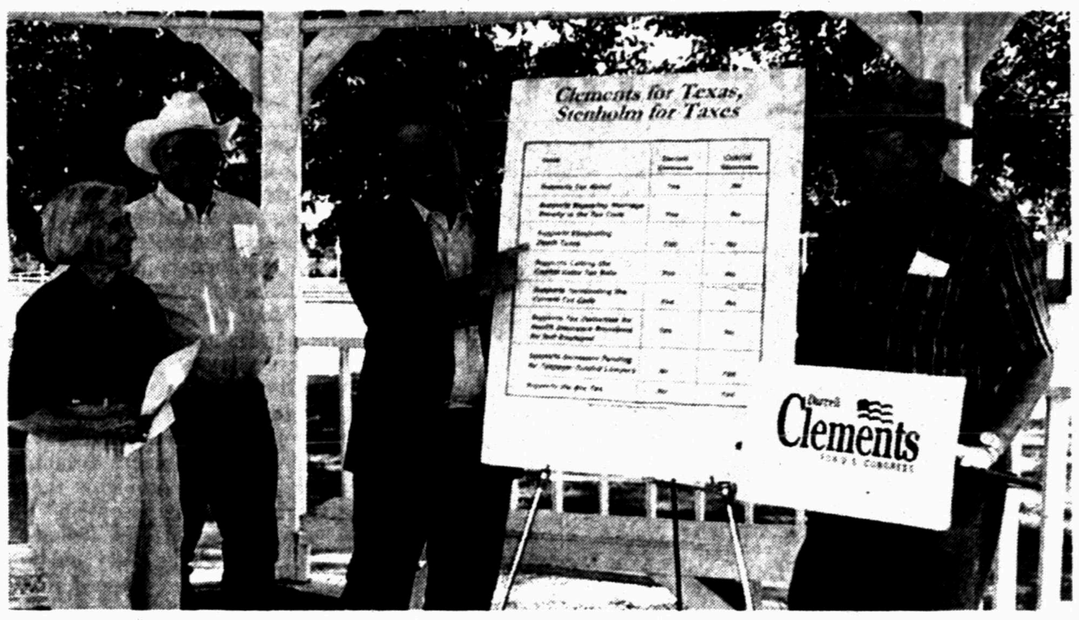

CLEMENTS VISITS SNYDER — Darrell Clements announced his bid for U.S. Congress Saturday at the gazebo at the courthouse. He said his priority would be providing tax relief for the hard working men and women in America. The Republican challenger said "Congressman Charlie Stenholm is a man I would like to have as a neighbor, but I don't want him as my congressman. We have major differences over tax issues including marriage penalty, death and capital gains taxes." Clements is pictured with Jean Bullard, Byron Hedges and Bob Stewart. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Researcher seeks anti-cancer agents in leftovers of soybeans

URBANA, Ill. (AP) — University of Illinois researcher Michael Plewa has heard the talk about lifesaving drugs that might found in the exotic plants and trees of the rain forest.

But Plewa would rather do his research on the common plants found in the farmers' fields that surround his university.

"We're sitting on 2.5 billion bushels of soybeans and 10 billion bushels of corn in the United States," said Plewa, a genetics professor. "I think there should be a thorough analysis to look for anti-mutagenic properties in those plants."

Plewa's work centers on finding compounds in soybeans that could help prevent cancerous tumors. He also is looking for compounds that could fight tumors, which could be a great help in chemotherapy treatment. His hope is to find something that could be incorporated into food.

In a case of "waste not, want not" research, Plewa is looking at the parts of the soybean left over after products like soybean oil or soybean meal are produced.

He's finding some promising results, although he cautions that much work remains to be done and his findings are a long way from being applied to humans.

In his cancer prevention research, agribusiness giant Archer Daniels Midland Co. provides the soybean byproducts. The U.S. Department of Agriculture fractures them into compounds that are applied one-by-one to the ovary cells of hamsters.

The cells then are blasted with a carcinogen, or cancer-causing substance, and Plewa uses a new technique to determine whether the soybean compound protected the cell's DNA from being damaged.

"We're looking for an agent that can stop this process or put up roadblocks to this process of mutagenic activity — in which DNA is damaged, a cell loses its shape, becomes a tumor and then metastasizes to other tumors," he said.

Much attention has been paid in the last few years to isoflavones — estrogen-like compounds in soy protein that appear to somehow protect health.

But Plewa has found that so far, other compounds called saponins seem to do the best job of protecting cells from cancer-starting activity.

Another aspect of Plewa's work is determining whether certain soybean compounds could slow the growth rate of cancerous tumor cells while leaving healthy cells alone.

In this case, he has found isoflavones to be the most helpful.

"Although there is a lot of work to be done, we clearly have found a treasure trove of promising compounds in soybean products," Plewa said.

Dr. James Anderson of the University of Kentucky, a leading nutrition researcher, said he is pleased that more research is being done into soybean compounds and their effects on cancer.

With so much up in the air, though, Anderson said he now advises his patients to incorporate more whole grains and soy into their diets, instead of trying to eat certain compounds.

"The whole hope of a lot of people is that we can identify what inside the soybean is the most protective element and give that in a capsule," he said. "But right now it is a fuzzy area."

Experimental car has good gas mileage

WASHINGTON (AP) — Government engineers soon will get to test a family-sized experimental car from Ford Motor Co. that is powered by a diesel-electric engine and can run for 60 miles on a gallon of fuel — double the distance of a typical car.

The P2000 LSR, which is expected to be delivered next month to the Energy Department for testing, was developed as part of a program intended to foster development of technologies for a mass-produced family car with improved fuel efficiency.

Ford is the first company to deliver a full-size hybrid-powered car that engineers can drive daily and test its engineering. Other automakers are working on similar fuel-efficient hybrid cars or have produced working models.

The P2000 has the passenger room, trunk space and acceleration of a Taurus, with 40 percent less weight. The car is made mostly of aluminum and other lightweight materials, and weights about 2,000 pounds, Ford engineers said.

Ford has not said it would put the car into production in the future. Domestic automakers are struggling with the cost of such a vehicle and have kept their research costs confidential. For instance, aluminum is three to five times as expensive to use as steel, pound for pound.

"This is not some sort of high-expense low-volume small vehicle we're working on. We want to hit the mainstream of the market with a family sedan. That's a little bit of a tougher order," said Mike Tamor, Ford's project leader of hybrid electric vehicle design.

The engine has an important advantage over the hydrogen fuel cell future cars some other automakers are designing: It can be refueled at a gas station that also sells diesel fuel.

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ATMOS Egy	24½	24 5-16	24 7-16	+ 3-16
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BethSteel	7⅛	7 7-16	7 7-16	— ⅛
BurlNoSFe	29 1-16	28 7-16	28 11-16	— ½
CBS Corp	50⅝	49½	49¾	— 5-16
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CenSoWst	22 11-16	22¼	22 9-16	+ ¼
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Citigroup s	43 15-16	43⅛	43¼	+ 1-16
Coastal	43⅛	42⅝	42 11-16	+ ¼
CocaCola	54⅞	54 5-16	54 7-16	+ 7-16
ColgatePal s	51½	50⅞	51 7-16	— 7-16
ComclMetals	29 3-16	29	3-16	29 3-16
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College students involved in welfare-to-work

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the debate continues over the best way to help people move off welfare, hundreds of college students across the country are aiming for a simple, personal approach — helping people one by one.

They're scouring the classified ads, writing resumes, giving rides to job interviews and prodding unemployed people to think about long-term life goals. They aim to give, for free and with minimal training, the same sorts of help an entire industry of professionals is paid millions of dollars in government contracts to provide.

"We just problem-solve," explained senior Brian Kreiter, who arrived at Yale University eager to reach beyond the ivory towers and into the poverty-stricken streets of New Haven, Conn.

"That's what students are good at — working the system," he said. "We found they'll stop at nothing. They'll call their parents' friend's uncle and find out who's a good pro bono lawyer."

The Yale group, which has served 57 clients since January, was formed about a year ago and quickly set its sights on expansion. Kreiter and co-founder Kirsten Lodal began by calling high school friends who had scattered to various colleges and prodded them to start their own chapters.

Now students in six cities have formed full-fledged groups. Two of them — Yale's and one at the University of Michigan — have started helping people. Students at 16 other schools plan to launch chapters this fall.

They've connected with the Welfare to Work Partnership, a group that prods businesses to hire welfare recipients and is lending the students its lists of interested companies.

"We see them as a great, non-traditional way to carry our message," said Eli Segal, the partnership's president. "There are lots of ways young people can help with their energy and idealism, provided they have the wisdom to know what they don't know."

Student organizers realize there are some problems they shouldn't tackle themselves.

"I would be terrified to have one of my students to try and do drug rehab with someone," Kreiter said, "but they sure as heck can find someone who can."

Claudia Valasco, 33, had been looking for work on her own for three months but hadn't found any when she walked into the New Haven student office.

"I had tried everything — agencies and everything — but nobody called me," she said.

She found Annie Moyer, now a junior at Yale, who asked what sort of job she wanted, then helped improve Valasco's resume and scoured the paper for jobs at child care centers.

Moyer coached her new "client," whose English is a little shaky, before she called for an interview, and helped her get proper directions — a problem in the past due to the language barrier.

Valasco found work at a child care center, and now Moyer is trying to help her find another job that pays more.

"They are so friendly and they always call me (and ask), 'How's everything?'" Valasco said. "They always worry about me."

Students start off knowing little about child care or bus schedules or looking for work without much education. "But we have a lot of time and we have the willingness to figure it out," Moyer said.

Hoping to spread their work nationally, Kreiter and Lodal took several months off from Yale and moved to Washington, opened the National Student Partnerships office and spent the summer recruiting students in town for internships. They estimate that some 1,000 students are involved nationwide.

Each group begins by contacting businesses that serve students and asking if they would be willing to hire someone who needs work. They alert drug treatment clinics and job training centers to what they are doing. And they hang signs around town offering help.

They try to help everyone in need, not just people who have been on welfare.

Students found one man a volunteer job on campus to boost his resume and helped another fill out applications for junior college. One student went to court with a client who faced jail for failing to pay child support, vouching that the group was helping him find work.

At Valdosta State University in Georgia, 18-year-old Ashley Bell hopes to help people find transportation to jobs. In Richmond, Va., senior Stephen Dumont is setting up a career fair with a local bank and hopes to open an office this fall near his University of Richmond campus. And in New York City, junior Candice Ashton hopes to recruit fellow Columbia University students.

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Police scandal surprises neighborhood

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Around Rampart, west of downtown Los Angeles, residents said the maze of hills and small streets lined by modest old homes has been getting safer for years.

Crime has dropped since 1992, when Rampart was the most violent of the the 18 divisions in the Los Angeles Police Department. Many credit local officers, describing them as polite, professional and quick to answer even minor calls.

"They're pretty good, yes they are," said Jack Macisaac, who has lived in the neighborhood since 1969.

Added Hector Martinez, up early Sunday to wash his car: "A lot of neighborhoods, you want to be inside by 6 o'clock. But here, if you want to come down to the market after dark and walk back, you can. Here it's a quiet, nice place. A nice neighborhood."

Which made it all the more surprising when a small army of reporters arrived seeking comment on the biggest police scandal to hit Los Angeles in more than 50 years.

Ten officers and a supervisor from the Rampart station have been suspended after allegations that officers lied in court, framed innocent people and shot at least one man, then put a gun in his hand and arrested him for assault.

Javier Francisco Ovando, who allegedly was handcuffed when he was shot and paralyzed, was released from prison last week. On Sunday, he got to speak by phone for the first time to Destiny, the 2-year-old daughter he never has seen, his lawyers said.

At the heart of the investigation is Rafael Perez, a former narcotics officer who pleaded guilty to stealing eight pounds of cocaine from an evidence room. He made the allegations of wrongdoing in an effort to obtain a lighter punishment when he is sentenced Oct. 22.

"It makes me think less of the police department, by all means," said Jack Williamson, who lives near the Rampart station. "If you're ever under investigation or stopped for something, who knows what might happen to you?"

Yet several neighbors praised police efforts in the old neighborhood, which has emerged in recent years as one of the more ethnically diverse sections of Los Angeles as immigrants from Korea, Thailand, the Philippines and other countries joined Hispanic and white residents.

"They do a good job, at least out here," Danny Dagdagan said of the police.

Then, gesturing toward the station down the hill, he laughed and added, "I don't know about inside there."

Energy department review reveals security is improved

WASHINGTON (AP) — Security has improved markedly at the government's three nuclear weapons laboratories, but investigators were able to penetrate some sensitive areas of the facilities' computer systems, says an Energy Department review being released today.

Security experts were unable to enter the top-secret computer network used for nuclear weapon design during the intense security review conducted over the summer.

But at two labs — Sandia in New Mexico and Lawrence Livermore in California — the security team was able to obtain from the outside "sensitive," though not secret, information on unclassified computer systems "without a whole lot of difficulty," one official said.

At the Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico, which has been the focus of a three-year investigation into alleged Chinese espionage, such penetrations were successful only from within the lab compound, said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity in advance of the report's release.

The study by the Energy Department's Office of Independent Oversight says Los Alamos overall showed significant improvements in its security and was given a "satisfactory" rating.

The Sandia and Lawrence Livermore labs were given "marginal" rating, but officials said security improvement under way make it likely the two labs' rating will be raised to satisfactory by year's end.

Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said that while more work is needed, the findings showed major improvement and demonstrated that security efforts are working.

"It's good to get a decent report card on security measures," he said in a telephone interview. "Security at our labs is good and getting better. The labs deserve credit for their improvements rather than continued criticism."

White House national security adviser Sandy Berger said Sunday that efforts to improve security, beginning in 1997, were hampered by "bureaucratic resistance" and "an institutional unwillingness" by the research labs to adopt more rigorous controls.

Berger, appearing on NBC's "Meet the Press," defended Clinton administration responses to allegation of Chinese espionage at the labs, about which he got a detailed briefing in mid-1997. While President Clinton directed new security measures in February 1998, it was not until earlier this year that tough, new measures were put in place.

The independent reviews by the team of 25 security specialists — dubbed by Richardson as his "junkyard dogs" — was intended to test those new measures, including computer safeguards and improved handling of classified material.

Over the past six months, new procedures have been implemented to guard against moving data out of the top-secret classified system and to better safeguard the unclassified system against outside access.

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*Has your doctor told you that you have bone or joint problems, like arthritis that could get worse if you exercise?
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If you have answered yes to any of these questions, check with your doctor before starting a walking program.

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*Be aware of your surroundings.

Annual prostate checkups advised

Men are not aware of the most common male cancer," Dr. Jim Burleson, chief of staff at Cogdell Memorial Hospital, said this week.

The American Cancer Society estimates that 184,500 new cases of prostate cancer are diagnosed annually in the United States and 39,200 men die from the disease each year. It is the second leading cause of cancer death after lung cancer in American men," he said.

In observance of Prostate Cancer Awareness week, Sept. 20-26, Cogdell Memorial Hospital reminds men over 40 that this is the ideal time to have a checkup. A simple blood test, the PSA test, is the best tool currently available for detecting prostate cancer in its earliest and most curable stages.

Since prostate cancer usually progresses slowly and produces no symptoms in its initial stages, early testing can be a lifesaver. Warning signs may include difficult, painful or frequent urination.

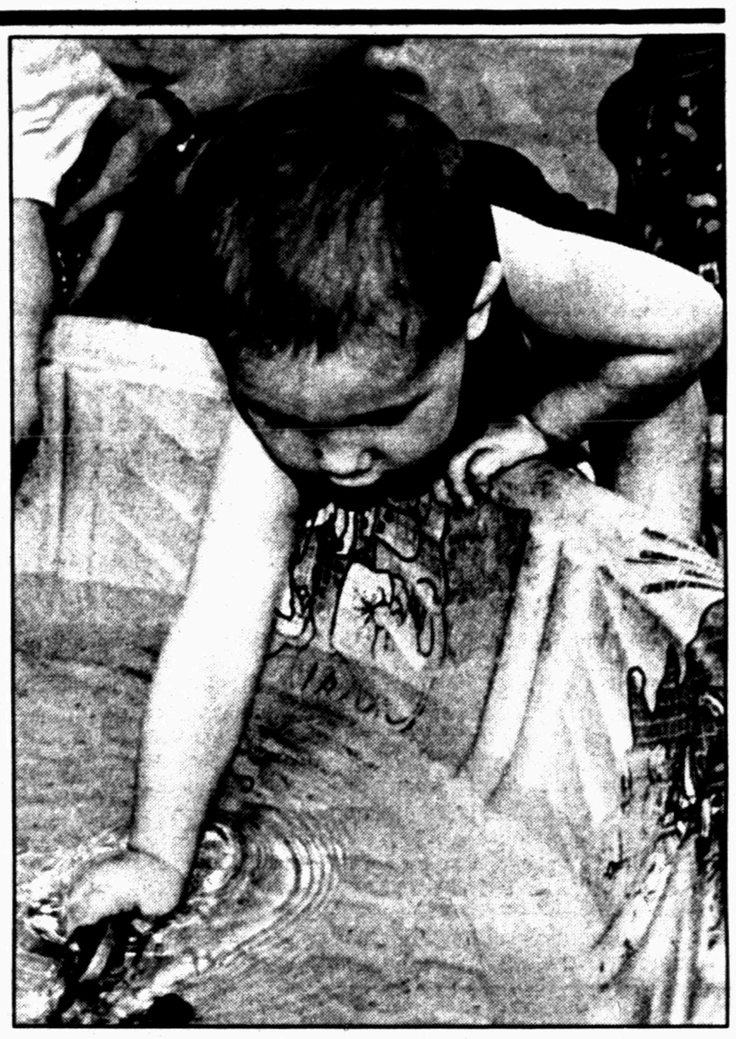
The American Cancer Society recommends that men have an annual, digital rectal exam beginning at age 40. In addition, men 50 years and older should have an annual PSA blood test.

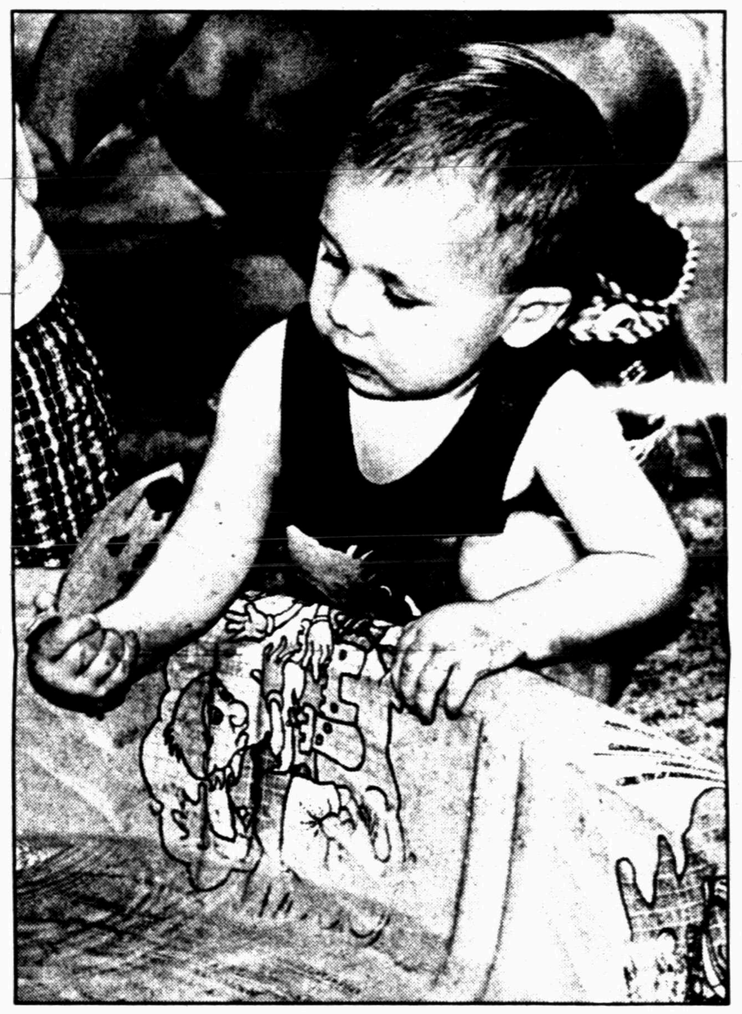
"The National Cancer Institute and the American Cancer Society recommend an annual rectal exam for men over age 40, Dr. Burleson said. "Most experts agree that the best way to detect prostate cancer is a combination of a rectal exam and the PSA test."

Prostate cancer will affect one in 17 men, and is the second leading cause of cancer death among men. According to the American Cancer Society, 89 percent of men diagnosed with prostate cancer survive at least five years after diagnosis, and 63 percent survive 10 years.

If the cancer is discovered while still localized, the five-year relative survival rate (a measure used to monitor persons who are living five years after diagnosis) is nearly 100 percent. About 58 percent of prostate cancer are discovered at this stage.

Just because everything seems okay, does not necessarily mean that it is. Having an annual exam could be the wisest thing you do this year. Consult your local physician for more information.





GOT ONE! While Gage Rigsby, 2, waited for the fishing pond event to begin Saturday, he tried his hand at fishing without a pole. (Photos By Shirley A. Gorman)

Commission sues dealership

HOUSTON (AP) — Taunts reported by a black car salesman from Nigeria who said he was regularly called "Ebola virus" have prompted the federal government to sue an automobile dealership here.

The Equal Employment Opportunity Commission sued Charlie Thomas Ford in federal court on Friday for alleged discrimination based on race and natural origin.

James Eboka was addressed as "Ebola" or "Ebola virus" by co-workers and supervisors every day he worked at the dealership, according to the salesman's lawyer, Ned Gill III.

The taunting was so regular that some employees didn't even know Eboka's real name, Gill told the Houston Chronicle in today's editions.

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Snap judgments about obesity

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I read your column — as well as those by other health professionals — regularly. None of you would ever consider diagnosing a person's illness without "more information," but you don't hesitate to give a snap diagnosis about obesity. I've heard it all: from the patronizing to the smugly superior. You almost take on a moral fervor. You attack obese women with the same ferocity as the teen-age boys who shout obscenities at me from passing cars, or the so-called "Christians" who "witness" my "sin" of gluttony. Finally, a few weeks ago, a friendly nurse asked: "Has anyone ever tested your thyroid?" And guess what?

DEAR READER: Your rhetorical question suggests that underactive thyroid function led to your obesity. This is rarely the case. It's true that some overweight people do have a glandular/metabolic cause for their problem. However, thyroid deficiency as a cause of obesity would be a medical curiosity. Hypothyroid patients may be stout and puffy, because they retain fluid. Overweight people get that way, as a rule, because they consume more calories than they burn. Incidentally, doctors may make snap diagnoses of obesity because, like high blood pressure, the diagnosis depends solely on the numbers. If you weigh 300 pounds, you're obese. Period. If you feel tired and have a fever, we'll need "more information" to help you.

Although many overweight patients have a genetic tendency to obesity, most people can lose weight (and keep it off) by assiduously keeping their caloric intakes at or below their daily requirements. If physicians sometimes take on a "moral fervor," it's because fat people have a high statistical prevalence of medical problems, ranging from hip and knee arthritis to hypertension and heart disease — and we would like to help patients avoid these complications.

Media doctors try their best to guide patients to additional resources, rather than second-guessing or making impulsive pronouncements. However, when the subject is obesity, the conclusion is inescapable: Eat less. If that doesn't work, seek medical attention.

To give you related information, I am sending you copies of my Health Reports "Winning The Battle Of The Bulge" and "Weight Control Through Calorie Control." Other readers who would like copies should send $2 for each report 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(s).

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have a constant sweet taste in my mouth, as well as headaches and lightheadedness. What could these symptoms point to?

DEAR READER: A persistent sweet taste could indicate gum disease or a dental abscess. Check with your dentist to make sure that your teeth don't need attention. Your other two symptoms may reflect sinus infection that could have resulted from a bad tooth. If your dentist cannot put all this together, have your family doctor examine you.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

1,000 troops airlifted to 'Timor'

DILI, Indonesia (AP) — An international peace force airlifted more than 1,000 soldiers to East Timor by nightfall today, seeking to take control of the provincial capital from pro-Indonesian militias who burned, looted and killed in a rampage that left Dili in smoking in ruins.

Dozens of Hercules transport planes from northern Australia landed at 20-minute intervals carrying the tools of war — vehicles and tons of ammunition, explosives, land mines and supplies.

Securing the airport, some commandos waded into high grass and palm trees and others crouched near the tarmac, guns at the ready, while the planes landed, swiftly unloaded, and took off for another sortie.

As the peacekeeping force spread across Dili toward the wharf, columns of black smoke from burning houses billowed over the city, apparently from fresh fires. Despite the arrival of the peacekeepers, it was still too dangerous to walk freely around the capital to investigate. More fires could be seen outside Dili and along the coast.

Flights were to continue through the night, and 500 more troops set sail from Darwin, Australia, aboard the Australian navy's seacat HMAS Jervis Bay. By daybreak Tuesday, operation commanders said they hoped to have 2,300 troops in East Timor.

Within hours of beginning the operation at dawn, heavily armed combat troops from Australia, New Zealand and Britain were in control of the airport and the harbor, the two vital links to Dili.

Indonesian soldiers watched in apparent bemusement as the force moved into position, outfitted in heavy battle fatigues, armored vests, packs and ammunition belts in the sweltering tropical heat.

Men wearing the red and white bandanas of anti-independence militias were among hundreds of people at the garbage-strewn harbor who watched the armed and helmeted soldiers take positions near destroyed warehouses.

The chaotic port area was crowded with thousands of refugees waiting to escape after more than two weeks of violence. Throngs of people tried to clamber aboard a passenger ferry and Indonesian naval supply ship, which many believed were the last ships out.

Pro-Indonesia militias rejected East Timor's overwhelming vote for independence on Aug. 30 and went on a rampage in collusion with Indonesian security forces. Indonesia invaded the former Portuguese colony in 1975.

As the peacekeeping forces poured into East Timor, the militia groups opposed to independence have banded together to form a coalition called the United Nation Front, a news report said today.

"We won't attack the U.N. peacekeeping troops. We only want to defend our ground," coalition chief Joao da Silva Tavares said in a report broadcast on Indonesia's SCTV television.

Obituaries

Frances Hazel

Frances Hazle

1914-1999

Frances Annette Hazle, 85, died at 4:40 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 19, at her home in Snyder after a lengthy illness.

Private services are pending Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born March 31, 1914 in Mingus, she married John Hazle on Aug. 9, 1942 in Abilene. He died on Dec. 18, 1972.

A resident of Snyder since 1950, Mrs. Hazle worked for the Snyder ISD cafeterias for 15 years. She was a member of the First Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by three brothers, one sister, and three grandchildren.

Survivors include two daughters and a son-in-law, Jean and Bob Atchley of De Leon and Judy Jerome of Snyder; three sons and two daughters-in-law, Joe and Nelda Pittman and Bill Hazle, all of Fort Worth and Jerry and Betty Hazle of Grapevine; two sisters, Jay Smith of Houston and Lela Allen of Whiteface; a brother, C.D. Williams of Eliasville, Tex.; and nine grandchildren; and 12 great-grandchildren.

The family will greet friends at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Tuesday.

The family suggests memorials to the Vista Care Family Hospice, 3210 East 11th Street in Big Spring, 79720.

Pauline Price

1928-1999

Pauline Nadine Price, 71, died Sunday, Sept. 19, in Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Services for Mrs. Price are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born July 28, 1928 in Oklahoma, she was a homemaker and had moved to Snyder about six years ago from Porterville, Calif.

She was preceded in death by two sisters, Dovie Smart and Mercedez Gardner; and by two brothers, Jack Portlock and Robert Portlock.

Survivors include two daughters, Barbara Lee of Fluvanna and Geneva Robinson of Woodlake, Calif.; a son, Thomas Price of Terra Bella, Calif.; two brothers, Eugene Portlock of Paradise, Calif., and Clarence Portlock of Paso Robels, Calif.; six grandchildren, Lisa Lee, Thomas Lee, Karen Lee, Jason Robinson, Wanda Price and Thomas Price Jr.; and two great-grandchildren, Michael and Daniell Lee.

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Rusty Berry

1961-1999

LEVELLAND – Rusty Barry, a former resident of Snyder, died Sunday, Sept. 19, in Convenant Medical Center in Lubbock.

Funeral service for Mr. Barry, 38, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Fairview Baptist Church. The Rev. Glenn Reese pastor, and the Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Snyder's Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Sundown Cemetery under the direction of Geo. C. Price Funeral Directors.

Born Jan. 14, 1961 in Lubbock, he was a graduate of Sundown High School and had attended South Plains College.

Mr. Barry went to work for Sun Energy in 1982 and worked at the Snyder Gas Plant for Torch Energy for about nine years as a maintenance foreman. While living in Snyder, he was an active member of Calvary Baptist Church, and he was a current member of the Fairview Baptist Church in Levelland.

Survivors include a son, Bradley Barry of Aurora, Colo.; two daughters, Tiffany and Misty Barry, both of Aurora; his parents, Gene and Jo Ann Barry of Sundown; and two brothers, Roy Barry of Sundown and Rick Barry of Round Rock.

Amy Newhouse

1982-1999

PAMPA – Amy Newhouse, the great-niece of Marge Anderson of Snyder, died Saturday, Sept. 18, following a long battle with cancer.

Funeral service for Miss Newhouse, 16, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church. The Revs. Lonnie Robbins and Tim Kettenring will officiate.

Graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Citizens Cemetery in Clarendon under the direction of Carmichael-Whatley Funeral Directors.

Born in Kerrville, she moved with her family to Pampa in 1994. She attended Pampa schools and was active in Teen Leadership, Girls for Christ, Business Professionals of America, Thespian Society and was manager of the Pampa volleyball team. She was also active with the youth of Trinity Fellowship of Pampa.

Survivors also include her parents, Kevin and Nancy Hull of Amarillo and Bubba and Teresa Newhouse of Clarendon; four sisters, Sara Newhouse of Lubbock, Katy Newhouse, Nicole Newhouse and Abby Hull, all of Pampa; her grandparents, Kenneth and Sue Rodgers of Throckmorton, Bright and Cloe Ann Newhouse of Clarendon, Mary Sue Hull of Hereford and Jack and Charlotte Capps of Atkinson, Ill.

Busy weekend sees arrest of 11 people

Eleven subjects were taken into custody over the weekend on charges ranging from felony driving while intoxicated to outstanding traffic tickets.

Department of Public Safety troopers arrested 36-year-old Bobby Leroy Escobedo of 2006 Jacee in Lubbock at 1:26 a.m. Sunday for felony DWI and misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

An 18-year-old male was taken into custody by officers at 7:12 p.m. Saturday in the 4400 block of Avenue U on capias pro fine warrants.

Misdemeanor DWI sent a 32-year-old man to jail at 7:20 p.m. Saturday. He was arrested by DPS troopers on U.S. Hwy. 84.

At 8:18 p.m. Saturday, officers arrested a 21-year-old male in the 500 block of 33rd Street on a warrant for criminal trespassing.

Officers took a 27-year-old male into custody at 8:31 p.m. Saturday at the Latin American Center for public intoxication.

A 19-year-old male was arrested by officers at 10:18 p.m. in the 600 block of 25th Street for driving while intoxicated.

Capias pro fine warrants sent an 18-year-old male to jail at 10:23 p.m. Officers arrested him in the 2800 block of Avenue G.

Officers were called to the Latin American Center at 10:28 p.m. where they arrested a 44-year-old male for public intoxication.

Public intoxication also sent a 28-year-old female to jail at 5:36 a.m. Sunday. She was taken into custody in the 3800 block of Noble Drive.

A 47-year-old male was arrested by officers at 6:48 p.m. in the 1500 block of 25th Street for no Texas driver's license and no liability insurance.

DPS troopers took a 53-year-old male into custody at 7:24 p.m. Sunday in the 1400 block of 23rd Street for misdemeanor DWI.

In other weekend activity, officers filed an offense report for found property at 3:28 p.m. Saturday in the 1100 block of 27th Street in reference to a found bicycle.

Officers submitted an offense report for Class C assault at 12:54 a.m. Sunday.

An offense report for dog bite was filed at 7:30 p.m. Sunday in the 2200 block of 41st Street.

At 10:25 p.m. Sunday, Johnny Ervin of 113 Browning reported the theft of a tire from his pickup while it was parked at his residence. Officers filed an offense report for Class B theft.

Officers worked three accidents over the weekend.

A two-vehicle mishap occurred at 5:35 p.m. Friday in the 1900 block of 37th Street. Involved were a 1995 Ford Mustang GT driven by Connie Irene Gonzales, 39, of Hermleigh and a 1991 Chevrolet Lumina driven by Melissa Rea Hicks, 16, of 4500 Denison.

At 6:37 p.m. Friday, officers worked a two-vehicle accident in the 800 block of North U.S. Hwy. 84. Involved were a 1994 Chevrolet C1500 pickup driven by Coy Edmund Rhodes, 73, of 3732 North Hwy. 208 and a 1995 Ford Aerostar XLT van driven by Tommy Russell Valentine, 53, of 2603 Avenue V.

Three passengers from the van were transported by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Memorial Hospital. They included Tommy Valentine; Beverly Valentine, 51, of 2603 Avenue V; and Mindy Carroll, 22, of 304 33rd Street.

Tommy and Beverly Valentine were both treated and released. Carroll was admitted for observation and then released.

An accident occurred at 3:47 p.m. Sunday in the 2300 block of College involving a 1988 Chevrolet Cavalier driven by John Ross Logan, 16, of 4002 Austin Avenue and a 1996 Mercury Cougar driven by Rebecca Lee Smith, 42, of Ropesville.

Snyder Fire Department responded to a small grass fire at 5:07 p.m. four miles north on Clairemont Hwy. Damage was contained to grass.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Sept. 17-Mindy Carroll, John Morgan, James Hopkins, Mary Maden, Rainie Moore; Sept. 18-Trevor Abercrombie; Sept. 19-Noah Flores, Nicole Kerry and Ada Staton.

DISMISSALS: Sept. 17-Leona Boyd, Ila Byrd, Blanche Murry, Richard Sumruld, Burl Belew, Sue Griffin of San Angelo, Caleb Wilson; Sept. 18-Mindy Carroll, Tommie Meginty, John Morgan, Eva Scott and Charles Blakey.

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Tennis boosters

Snyder High School and junior high tennis boosters will meet at 6:30 p.m. today at Texas Savings Bank to discuss the year's activities. For more information, call 573-2400.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air each week on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 tonight are "The End of the Word," followed by "Finances, God's Way."

Parkinson's support group

The Parkinson's Disease support group's regular meeting will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Tuesday in the Cogdell Hospital board room. The program will be presented by Janet Schwantz, speech and language pathologist. She is associated with Neurology Research and Education Center in Lubbock.

SHS open house

Snyder High School will hand out report cards to parents during an open house set from 6-7:30 p.m. Tuesday.

Ira school pictures

School pictures for grades K-11 will be taken Tuesday as well as football, cheerleaders, mascots and class officers. Pictures must be paid in advance, but all students will photographed.

Swimnastics for seniors

Swimnastic classes for Senior Citizens at WTC are being held from 2:30-3:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. For more information call 573-4035.

MAWC game day

Martha Ann Woman's Club's luncheon and game day is set for Wednesday. A style show will be included. The cost is $7.50 and reservations may be made by calling 573-3427 by 5 p.m. today.

Junior high open house

Snyder junior high will hold an open house from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Wednesday. First six weeks report cards will be distributed at that time and parents will have an opportunity to visit with teachers.

Central open house

Central Elementary will have open house from 3:45 to 5 p.m. Wednesday. Teachers will distribute report cards. A book fair will be held Monday through Friday from 8-8:30 a.m. and from 3-3:30 p.m.

WTC planetarium open

The planetarium at Western Texas College is now open with its fall lineup of new programs, developed for specific age groups: pre-K and kindergarten, grades 1-3, grades 4-6, and grades 7 through adults. The 60-seat planetarium is open for group showings, by reservation, for Friday morning and afternoon programs. It is also available, by reservation, for group showings Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. Call Sharon Gill at WTC 573-8511, ext. 312, to make reservations.

Hermleigh bi-annual homecoming

Hermleigh homecoming will be this weekend with registration at 6 p.m. Friday at the high school followed by the football game at 7:30. Saturday registration begins at 9 a.m. and the noon meal will be in the cafeteria. The business meeting will be at 2 p.m. For additional information contact Jerry Gannaway at 863-2334.

Inmate art show

The third annual Inmate Art show continues through Oct. 21 at the Scurry County Museum on the campus of Western Texas College.

Canyon community reunion

The Canyon community reunion will be held Saturday beginning at 9 a.m. at the Ira Community Center. For further information or donations contact Cecil or Dorothy Lankford at 573-5246.

Car wash

The WTC student government will sponsor a cash wash from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday in the United parking lot.

Quilting Club

The Rock and Roll Quilting Club meets from 8 a.m. until noon each Monday at the Hermleigh Community Center. Everyone is invited for free quilting lessons. Call 863-2426 for more information.

SHS sophomores

PLAN, preparation for the ACT assessment, will be given to all SHS sophomores on Tuesday, Sept. 28. The SHS counseling office said PLAN is given at no cost to students and it provides an estimated ACT score to assist with college or career planning.

GED classes

GED classes will begin Oct. 5 in room 209 of Western Texas College's library. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, the morning session begins at 8 a.m. and ends at 11-30 a.m. and the evening session begins at 6 p.m. and ends at 8:30 p.m. The classes are for people needing GEDs, a refresher course or English as a second language.

First Christian fajita cookout

The annual fajita cookout sponsored by First Christian Church, originally scheduled before the SHS homecoming game, has been moved to the Sweetwater game on Oct. 22. The fajitas will be served before the game beginning at 5 p.m. Tickets will be available after Oct. 1.

Pick 3

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

0-9-4

(zero, nine, four)

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The jackpot was worth $7 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 1, 14, 19, 22, 31 and 40.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $10 million