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THURSDAY

Snyder Daily News

Ask Us

Q—Is the city manager hired or elected and who is responsible for overseeing his conduct?

A—The city manager is hired by the city council, which oversees his duties.

Local

Screening

Intrim Healthcare will hold a free blood pressure screening from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday at the Wal-Mart pharmacy.

Model planes

Snyder Area Model Airplace Club will meet at 7 this evening at the club flying field, 2½ miles wouth of Western Texas College on Round Top Road. Visitors are welcome.

PRIDE

Questions concerning the Family PRIDE project and its funding will be answered during a public meeting set for 7 this evening in the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center.

Car wash

Calvary Baptist Church youth group will hold a car wash on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at the Wal-Mart parking lot. Prices will be $5 for cars and $10 for large vans and trucks.

Guadalupe

Our Lady of Guadalupe Church will feature an enchilada lunch from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday in the West Elementary cafeteria. Cost is $4 for adults and $2.50 for children 10 and under.

Stanfield

Saturday will be a workday at Stanfield playground for parents and business partners from 8 a.m. until noon. Plans are to remove gravel from the play area. John Lacik will furnish equipment to haul the gravel away. Volunteers are asked

'Bow Down'

Celebration Singers and Wesley Ringers will present a musical drama, "Bow Down," at 7 p.m. Friday at Trinity United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to this free event.

Camp Springs

The annual Camp Springs Reunion will be held Saturday at the Northeast Community Center, beginning at 9 a,m. The meal will be a covered dish luncheon. Paper goods and ice will be furnished. Everyone is welcome.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Wednesday, 80 degrees; low, 56 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Thursday, 56 degrees; .01 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, 9.28 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, a 20 percent chance of evening thunderstorms, otherwise mostly clear. Low in the mid 60s. Southeast wind 5-15 mph. Friday, mostly sunny. High in the lower 90s. Southeast wind 10-20 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:43. Sunrise Friday, 6:40. Of 151 days in 1995, the sun has shone 138 days in Snyder.

Scary moments for Hermleigh citizens

'I heard some winds coming and I got into the bathroom' - Howard Lomax

An apparent tornado ripped the roofs off of three homes in Hermleigh Wednesday afternoon, leaving residents shaken, but thankful the storm wasn't worse.

"I heard strong winds coming and got into the bathroom. I'm glad I did," said Howard Lomax of Abilene, who was visiting his brother, H.M. Lomax, when the storm hit about 4:30 p.m. "Both doors blew open and then the roof came off."

The twister sheared the metal roof from the Lomax home, the DeShazo home across the street, and the Williamson home less than 100 yards away.

Twisted metal was scattered across the road and a field for more than a half-mile.

The Lomax family had left for Snyder a few minutes before the storm hit, but Howard had stayed behind. "I tried to get them to stay because a storm was coming. I guess now they're glad they

In the yard in front of the home, the tornado uprooted a large tree, which Lomax estimated to be at least 80 years old but tomato plants, only a few yards away, still had their blooms on them. Hail stones, which were described as near-baseball sized by some community members, knocked out windows along its path, including those on the entire left side of the DeShazo's automobile. Proving that the storm was selective, it did only minor damage to the body of the car, except for near the windows, where the chrome strips appeared as if they had been hit with a hammer.

The DeShazo's, Jeff and Jerry, were also at home when the storm hit, but were not injured.

John Williamson was at the Hermleigh Gin office when he looked up and saw a twister leaving the area.

"I didn't see it hit any buildings, but I saw it as it left. It was definately a tornado," he said.

Williamson went to check on the storm, and seeing the damage at the DeShazo home, stopped to make sure they were okay.

"I didn't even realize that my home might have been hit until someone said, 'What about your place?' and I realized it was right in the path."

The tornado demolished a mule barn and tore three-fourths of the roof off the Williamson family mobile home and completely off a storage building. A portion of the mobile home's porch was damaged, but ironically, potted plants were left untouched.

Williamson said that apparently the tornado picked up the mule barn, but his mule and a motorcycle that had been parked inside were unhurt.

"The mule was a little flighty when I went to check on her, but she's fine. No cuts or anything," Williamson said.

The barn and the roofs were scattered across a field beside the home.

H.M. Lomax said this morning that his place was still out of electricity and telephone service while Williamson said he had electricity.

STORM DAMAGE - H. M. Lomax surveys storm damage after Wednesday afternoon's storm. (SDN Staff Photo)

Hearing set to determine valedictorian

A hearing to determine which of two Snyder High School graduates is the highest ranked will be held at 10 a.m. Friday in 132nd District Court.

Judge Gene Dulaney set the hearing date a week ago, after signing a restraining order to keep the school district from certifying Veana Clay as the top-ranked student with the Texas Education Agency.

Clay's ranking is being challenged by Holly Renee Jones, whose attorney claims she deserves the top ranking and the TEA scholarship that goes along with the designation.

The controversy comes from wording in the high school student handbook, which stipulates that students shall be ranked "at the end of four years of high school."

Miss Clay is a three-year graduate. Miss Jones graduated in four years.

School records indicate that Miss Clay has the highest overall honors point average, a 7.073. Miss Clay graduated with an honors point average of 7.0614 — the best among four-year graduates.

Snyder ISD administrators named the girls co-valedictorians at the school awards ceremony in May, and both girls were presented as such in graduation exercises last Friday.

TEA will recognize two valedictorians for scholarship purposes only if they have identical grade point averages. School officials have said that they consider Miss Clay the top-ranked student, making her the only one eligible for the TEA scholarship.

After failing to get administrators to change their minds, the Jones family retained Lubbock lawyer Robert Nebb, who filed a formal complaint with the TEA and sought the injunction.

Storms snap utility poles, cause some power outages

A thunderstorm laced with hail, high winds and possible funnel clouds narrowly missed Snyder Wednesday afternoon, causing isolated damage and power outages in rural areas of Scurry County.

The dark, blue cloud moved from northwest to southwest, skirting Snyder's north city limits, moving toward the Price Daniel unit and Hermleigh.

The cloud, which contained golf-ball size hail and unconfirmed reports of tornadoes on the ground, missed the prison unit on the north by some 400 yards.

The winds did snap 12 70-foot utility poles that is the feeder line to the Plainview substation owned by Midwest Electric Cooperative just north of the prison. Power went out at 3:50 p.m. Midwest Electric employees and contract crews restored

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Friday and Saturday...

Senior Olympics slated here

Plans are set for the first-ever "Senior Olympics" to begin Friday afternoon with a golf tournament and end Saturday following several athletic events at Towle Park.

The golf tourney will be held at the Western Texas College golf course and the swimming events will be held at the WTC pool. All other events Saturday will be at the park.

The olympics are sponsored by the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

Those who wish to participate in the olympics but who have not signed up yet can still do so said Matt Cross, coordinator of the event.

"Contestants can sign up at the dance at the National Guard Armory Friday night or before competition starts Saturday," said Cross.

Competition will be for men and women 60 years of age and up. Medals will be awarded for first, second and third place finishers, plus each contestant will receive a commemorative T-shirt.

A person may enter as many events as they like and one "Outstanding Athlete" trophy will be given to the participant with the most medals.

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Friday, June 2

GOLF — Nine holes at Western Texas College. $10 entry fee, $7 greens fee. Closest to pin, longest drive. Carts not included.

Saturday, June 3

RUN-A-THON — 1/2-mile run and 100-yard dash begin at 8 a.m.; one-mile run at 9 a.m.

WALK-A-THON — 5K (3 miles) at 7 a.m.; one-mile walk at 7:30 a.m.

TENNIS — 10 a.m., Towle Park tennis courts.

SWIMMING — 9 a.m. at the Western Texas College pool. Crawl stroke (two lengths and poolside kick-off); back stroke (two lengths and poolside kick-off); free style diving.

BIKING — Three-mile race at 10 a.m.; stationary bike distance race from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. at the armory.

SOFTBALL THROW — Three balls, distance and target, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

CASTING CONTEST — Target and distance, 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

HORSESHOE PITCHING — 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

WASHER PITCHING — 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

CROQUET — 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

SOFTBALL — Exhibition game 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at Cates Field in Towle Park.

Morris Light named to key ag committee

Snyder farmer Morris Light has been appointed to a two-year term on the Texas Department of Agriculture's Producer Advisory Committee.

The committee was created by Agriculture Commissioner Rick Perry when he took office in 1991. Its purpose is to encourage a better working relationship between the agricultural industry and TDA.

"This committee has been a valuable sounding board for myself and TDA staff," said Perry. "I look forward to working over the next two years with the new members, who will help me prioritize agricultural issues and generate ideas to keep Texas agriculture vibrant."

Light is active on a number of agriculture-related boards and associations. He is on the board of directors of the Texas Cotton Producers, president of Rolling Plains Cotton Growers, president of Inadale Co-op Gin board, producer-delegate to the National Cotton Council and is on the Scur-

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MORRIS LIGHT

The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Not all women are talkers...some are hollerers."

A few of the guys in the coffee shop were trying to remember their childhood and how they spent their summer vacation.

Without expection, everybody came from hard times and tough neighborhoods:

--Our neighborhood was so tough we used to play cops and robbers with the real cops.

--We were so poor that when a begger came to our door, he brought his own sandwiches.

--In my neighborhood, when a debutant had a coming out party, it was held in a freight car.

--Anybody in our neighborhood with all their teeth and ears was a sissy.

--We didn't live on the wrong side of the tracks, we lived in the middle of the tracks.

--On my block, the goldfish got out of their bowls and chased the cats up the alley.

--On our street, if we saw a cat with a tail, we knew it was a tourist.

--Our house always had a strange smell, especially when mother was boiling the laundry.

--We used barbed wire for dental floss.

--There were no stolen hubcaps in our neighborhood, nobody could afford a car.

--Our preacher said there were 793 different sins. He immediately got almost that many requests for the list.

--When we were young, we had dragons to slay and damsels to rescue. Now, you begin to wonder if you weren't a little harsh with the dragons.

Bush signs juvenile crime bill

ARLINGTON (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush credits his mother, Barbara Bush, with many of the elements he made sure went into the overhaul of the Texas juvenile justice system.

"I was raised by a pretty strict mother, and she taught me that discipline and love go hand in hand," Bush said after signing the bill Wednesday during a ceremony at the Arlington YMCA.

"We've got children ... breaking the law over and over and over again and nothing's happening. The prior system reinforced bad behavior."

In signing the bill, Bush fulfilled a campaign pledge to get tough on violent youths.

"All of us can be proud of saying we heard the request of Texans. We listened to Texas and we have delivered ... tough love," Bush said. "Inherent in this bill is the fact that we love our children.

But ... our children must understand that there are consequences both good and bad, for different kinds of behavior."

Bush said the new law will help restore public confidence in the criminal justice system by combating the rising number of teen-agers committing crimes.

The juvenile crime rate in Texas has almost quadrupled since 1987. In 1993, more than 77,000 youths were arrested.

"This bill is good for Texas. It's good for our future," he said. "It will make Texas a safer place.

Rep. Toby Goodman, R-Arlington, who helped write the measure, called it "the best piece of legislation on juvenile law in the United States of America."

"It has intervention in it, it has prevention in it, it has diversion in it and it has rehabilitation in it," Goodman said. "And it gets tough on the kids we need to get tough with."

Sen. Chris Harris, R-Arlington, who also helped write the bill, said he is particularly pleased with the portions of the bill calling for early intervention with young offenders.

He said the average juvenile in the past has committed 15 to 17 felonies before the juvenile system really went into action.

The law stiffens penalties and sets maximum and minimum sentences for serious crimes at from two years to 40 years. The current average stay at juvenile facilities is about eight months.

Under the new law, the number of detention beds for youths will increase from 2,500 to 6,300 over the next four years. The proposed 1996-97 budget, awaiting Bush's signature, includes a $218 million increase on juvenile justice programs to help fund the expansion.

The law expands from five to 12 the crime categories under which violent teens are eligible to be sent to the adult prison system. Those categories include murder, aggravated assault, certain drug offenses and sex crimes.

It also lowers the age at which a juvenile can be tried as an adult from 15 to 14 and the age at which juveniles are eligible for transfer to adult prisons from 18 to 16.

In addition, the law authorizes counties and general-law cities to enact curfews.

The measure's authors said it also contains several preventative measures, including counseling and family services to children as young as 7 with behavioral problems.

Counselors or the courts could order parents to participate in counseling, tutoring, mentor programs or treatment.

Bush stressed the bill isn't meant only to punish.

"We all believe children can still be saved," he said. "That's a very important element."

Berry's World

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"Wanna see some obscenity in cyberspace?"

Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

What are the facts on emphysema?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can you discuss the progression of emphysema? What should I expect as the disease progresses and what might I do to keep myself comfortable?

DEAR READER: Emphysema is a form of chronic lung disease, marked by disruption of alveoli, the tiny, feathery sacs through which oxygen is exchanged for carbon dioxide.

Although a mild form of emphysema normally occurs with age (as the lungs become less efficient), and other types are inherited, most cases result from longstanding exposure to air pollution, chiefly cigarette smoke. The major symptoms are breathlessness, intolerance to exercise and a barrel-shaped chest. The diagnosis is made by chest X-ray and tests of pulmonary efficiency.

If the cause of the emphysema is not corrected, the disease inexorably progresses until patients literally suffocate. Consequently, such patients must, at the very least, stop smoking. This includes inhalation of "second-hand" smoke, as well as smog and other contaminants. Once the cause is removed, emphysema progresses very slowly and patients can enjoy many years of relatively normal, albeit somewhat restricted, life.

Many emphysema patients are also helped by the periodic use of antibiotics, oxygen, cortisone, and other medications. Mild-to-moderate emphysema can easily be treated by family physicians. More serious cases should be under the care of pulmonary specialists.

As your emphysema progresses (at whatever rate), you will experience increasing difficulty breathing during exercise. You may be able to compensate for this by altering your activity, losing weight (because obesity increases the work of breathing), learning special breathing exercises (that use the abdominal muscles, rather than the diaphragm), and following your doctor's advice with regard to avoiding air pollution and using prescription medications.

As is true for many diseases, it's easier to prevent emphysema than to treat it. For example, young people should not begin to smoke (because it's harder to give up later) and those individuals who work in dusty occupations must always use appropriate masks, filters or safety devices to avoid lung damage.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Living With Chronic Lung Disease." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

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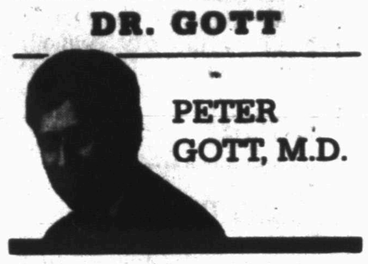

PETER GOTT, M.D.

Kentucky man executed for murdering Dallas man in '80

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — As thunder boomed and lightning crackled outside the execution chamber early today, a double murderer expressed love for his family and gratitude to his attorneys.

"And to my brothers on death row who died and are still there, y'all hang in there." said Fletcher Thomas Mann.

Minutes later, he became the ninth inmate executed by injection in Texas this year. His mother and two sisters sobbed quietly a few feet away.

Mann, 34, was convicted of the September 1980 shooting death of Christopher Lee Bates, 22, at a Dallas apartment. Barbara Hoppe, also 22, was raped, stabbed and strangled. Another man, Robert Matzig, was shot and left for dead, but survived.

Police said Mann and an accomplice, Martin Verbrugge, broke into the apartment where the three were watching a football game in search of money and cocaine. Verbrugge was convicted of attempted murder and received a life sentence.

At Mann's trial, a witness who was jailed with the Kentucky native said Mann bragged about the killings and expressed admiration for cult murderer Charles Manson. Defense attorneys called no witnesses. The jury took one hour to convict Mann and two to sentence him to death.

The U.S. Supreme Court rejected arguments that Mann's 13 years on death row amounted to cruel and unusual punishment. Gov. George W. Bush refused to delay the execution for 30 days so Mann's family could attend the high school graduation Wednesday of a relative in Kentucky.

New Hope Baptist Church sets 16th 'Appreciation'

The New Hope Baptist Church congregation will celebrate their 16th appreciation of their pastor and wife, the Rev. and Mrs. Raymond A. Dunkins, Friday and Sunday.

The theme will be "The Lord Says, 'I Am With You.'" (Isaiah 43:1-6)

Friday's program will begin at 7:30 p.m. Those attending from guest churches include the Revs. Mark Smith of Little Zion in Rotan; Roy C. Jones, Mt. Rose in Sweetwater; Earl Shelton, Mt. Zion in Colorado City; Robert Bracy, Saint James in Colorado City; E.D. Toines, Mount Olive in Snyder; and William Jackson Sr. of Helms Height in Snyder.

The sermon will be delivered by Rev. Mark Smith. He will be introduced by Rev. Bracy. Rev. Hamilton will be the conductor in charge.

Dana Durst will give the welcome. Both the Adult and Youth Choirs will perform and the response will be delivered by a guest church.

Refreshments will follow the service.

Sunday's service will begin at 3 p.m.

Representatives from guest churches include the Revs. J.W. Smith, Weeping Mary in Anson; H. Reddic, Canaan in Loraine; E. Reed, Greater New Hope in Brownfield; R. Robert, Lakeside in Spur; R. Walker, Macedonia in Aspermont; R.M. Collier, Community in Snyder; and B. Crosswhite, Abundant Life in Snyder.

Rev. J.W. Smith will deliver the sermon. He will be introduced by Rev. Reddic.

The Community and Youth Choirs will sing and Sister S. Malone will sing a solo. Rev. Eugene Reed will be the conductor in charge.

Sister Margiree Terrell will give the welcome and a guest church will deliver the response.

Sister Ola B. Delce will give the tribute to the pastor's wife and Sister O. Williams will give the tribute to the pastor.

Rev. Miller Robinson, pastor of Colonial Hill Baptist Church, and Rev. Marty Akins, pastor of First Baptist Church, will also address the congregation.

Dinner will be served following the service.

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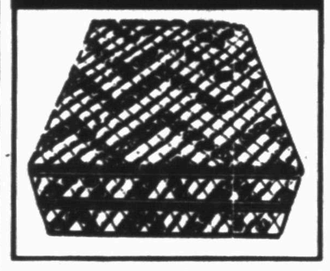

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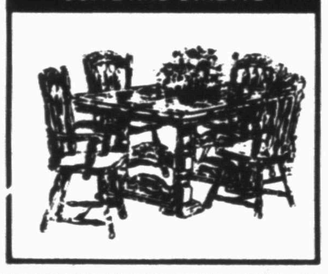

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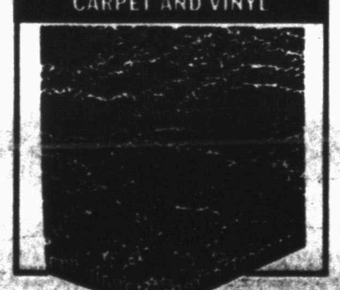

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Community Calendar

THURSDAY

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

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

SOS (singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Center; 7 p.m.

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0900 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

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

Beginners Alcoholics Anonymous and Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club at Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 7 p.m.

BRIDAL SHOWER — Dee Dee Dunn, bride-elect of Charles Rice, was feted with a kitchen gadget and recipe shower May 13 in the Ira home of Janet and Jim Brown. The couple was also honored with a bridal shower at the Westbrook Baptist Church on May 20. Pictured from left are Gladys Currie, grandmother of the groom; Marline Rice, mother of the groom; Dee Dunn, the honoree; Linda Dunn, the bride's mother; and Inez Wilson, grandmother of the bride. (Family Photo)

Stanfield

1994-1995 awards announced

"Kids Under Construction" is the new theme at Stanfield Elementary. Children, who exhibited "outstanding construction" practices in building toward their future, were recognized for outstanding citizenship and perfect attendance during Stanfield's annual awards assembly.

Mrs. Lois Boles, principal, awarded the Principal's Award to the following students who were recommended for citizenship: Megan Fouts and Joe Tarrango, pre-kindergarten; Kelton Clayton, Casey Arnold and Michael Mann, kindergarten; Glyn Wright, Carolyn Shaw and Cade Simpson, first grade.

Fourteen second grade students also received recognition for the Principal's Award including Jammie Treat, Corinna Fouts, Jessie Cosio, Nathaniel Clarady, Brooke Jackson, Phil Rice, Justin Hertel, Clint Cooper, Taren Knipe, Blake Robertson, Jessica Davis, Jerrica Gutierrez, Cindy Morin and Emily Pinkston.

Certificates and blue ribbons of perfect attendance were given to Andrew Dupree, Joseph Hefner, Roman Romero, Bryan Clifton, Tyler Hogan, Shawn Kincaid, Jeremy Reed, Beau Reeves, Marcus Torres, Christi Williams, Celina Wilson, Danisha Akins, Krysta Atwood, Jacy Beccue, Tanner Bloom, Frederico Castillo, Kim Cooper, Thomas Hefner, Conor Johnson, Mandy Jones, Patrick Jones, Brian Lee, Martin Martinez, Cody Pechacek, Rachel Redman, Justin Rios, Jessica Rodriguez, Jacob Sargent, James Sutton, Karen Taylor, Tamara Timora and Heather Zajicek.

The Stanfield Parent Council also recognized the four top salesmen in the candy sales. Receiving $50 for top sales was Beau Reeves; $30 for runner-up sales went to Tyler Hogan and $10 each was awarded to Marcus Torres and Brandon Bragg. A $500 check was presented to Mrs. Boles to help with the playground improvements.

Jill Porter, PE teacher, recognized these students for showing outstanding participation in physical education: Heather Zajicek, Nathaniel Clarady, Stacey Williamson, Colton Robertson, Sandra Alfaro, Raul Olvera, Cindy Morin, Patrick Jones, Rachel Redman, Jacy Beccue, Anthony Duckworth, Amanda Alaniz, Justin Hertel, Blake Robertson, Brad Richardson, Briana Burk, Tanner Bloom, Phillip Rice, Nikki Timora, Brandon Treat, Danisha Akins, Kalli Wesson, Jammie Treat, Zachary Garcia, Courtney Cox, Clint Cooper, Emily Pinkston, Seth Coffey, Jessica Davis, Matthew Qualls, Brooke Jackson and Lico Costillo.

Coupons and prizes for the awards occasion were donated by Taco John's, Don's Value King, Golden Corral and Lang Tire.

Rodriguez departs for six months overseas sea duty

(FHTNC) — Navy Seaman Gaylon R. Rodriguez, son of Raymond M. and Mary S. Rodriguez of Snyder, has departed for a six-month overseas deployment aboard the fast combat support ship USS Seattle as part of the USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group.

Rodriguez is one of 600 sailors aboard the supply ship, which departed Naval Weapons Station Earle, N.J., along with 10 other ships and submarines. The 11-ship USS Theodore Roosevelt Battle Group is a formidable force with an aircraft carrier equipped with jet fighters and attack aircraft, helicopters, and ships and submarines armed with Tomahawk cruise missiles. Extremely mobile and flexible, the battle group can operate together, moving nearly 700 miles a day, or can be deployed simultaneously to separate geographic regions.

Rodriguez and his fellow sailors spent the past year training for a variety of situations they might encounter during the deployment. They replaced the USS Dwight D. Eisenhower Battle Group, which had been operating in the Persian Gulf enforcing the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq and most recently supporting United Nations operations off Bosnia-Herzegovina in the Adriatic Sea.

Rodriguez will travel approximately 30,000 miles during the six-month voyage, spending much of his time at sea conducting operations with the U.S. and foreign naval forces. Rodriguez and fellow shipmates aboard the 793 foot long support ship are providing other battle group ships with fuel, ammunition, food and supplies while operating in remote forward deployed areas.

Rodriguez's involvement in this deployment reflects the Navy-Marine Corps team's unique capability of being able to conduct air, ground and logistics operations supported entirely by ships at sea — a critical option in regions where access to land bases is limited or does not exist.

The 1993 graduate of Snyder High School joined the Navy in September 1993.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

Don't change your routine

In England, people who repeat themselves a lot are said to sound like a record with the needle stuck. What will we say in 50 years when the LP is but a memory and the CD ubiquitous?

In today's deal, played in Bermuda last January, North had an awkward rebid. Here, mentioning diamonds again would have worked well because six diamonds is easy to make. But understandably he preferred his chunky hearts to his relatively weak diamonds. Four no-trump was Roman Key Card Blackwood. Five spades showed the heart queen and either two aces or one ace and the heart king.

South knew he would have to establish the diamonds. And usually it is right to work on the side suit first. So, South immediately played three rounds of diamonds, discarding a club from his hand. However, after winning with the diamond queen, West led the club queen, forcing dummy to ruff. Now declarer had no option but to cash the heart king, overtake the heart queen with his ace and cash the heart jack, hoping for a 3-3 break. There was no joy in Mudville: one down.

As South saw a moment too late, the correct play is to duck the *first* round of diamonds. If the defenders force the dummy to ruff a club, declarer cashes dummy's top hearts, returns to hand with a diamond to the ace, draws trumps, crosses to dummy in spades and runs the diamonds.

At the risk of sounding like a CD with the laser-beam stuck, I will again recommend that you plan your campaign at trick one.

6-1-95

NORTH
♠A K 4
♥K Q 7
♦K 9 8 7 6 3
♣3

WEST
♠Q 10 8 2
♥3 2
♦Q 10 4
♣K Q 10 5

EAST
♠5 3
♥10 9 8 5
♦J 5
♣J 9 8 7 6

SOUTH
♠J 9 7 6
♥A J 6 4
♦A 2
♣A 4 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: West

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

Opening lead: ♣K

Teen accused of bomb hoax had previous charges axed

FORT WORTH (AP) — The high school honor student jailed for his part in a fake bomb threat got out of charges for a federal credit card fraud case because of an investigator's foul-up, officials say.

Brock Groom, a former Tarrant County assistant district attorney who's now a defense lawyer, said the charges against Peter Koh and others were dropped because statements taken by Secret Service agents couldn't be used in court.

"The Secret Service obtained confessions from them, but they weren't in compliance with juvenile law," Groom told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram in today's editions.

"They (the teens) weren't given the proper juvenile warnings. I reviewed the case with another prosecutor and decided there wasn't enough evidence to proceed further."

Koh, 18, is being held without bond until he can be tried for allegedly masterminding a May 16 bomb threat at a school administration building that was designed to resemble the tragic Oklahoma City bombing.

Pick 3

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

0-8-1

(zero, eight, one)

Brooks Co. issues arrest warrant

FALFURRIAS (AP) — A search for bodies at a Brooks County ranch has been called off for now, but authorities still have an arrest warrant outstanding in the case.

Brooks County Sheriff Ruben Longoria said Wednesday that someone from the Rio Grande Valley is wanted in an arrest warrant, but withheld details.

On Tuesday, the sheriff's department had issued two arrest warrants in the case, but recalled one of them, Longoria said Wednesday.

A piece of clothing, which appeared to have blood on it, was found at a 200-acre ranch where someone tipped authorities that four bodies were buried, the sheriff said. The clothing was sent to the Texas Department of Public Safety for lab work.

Three days of searching at the ranch about 30 miles west of Falfurrias turned up no bodies, Longoria said. He said he had not established any motives or even whether anyone has been killed.

The search involved more than 20 investigators from the Brooks County sheriff's department, DPS and two constable offices. The search, hampered by rainfall all three days, ended Tuesday evening with the expiration of a search warrant.

Longoria said he had no plans to seek a new search warrant.

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Four tickets, two sold in Dallas, one in Big Spring and one in Brenham, correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said. The jackpot was worth $55 million.

The numbers drawn from a field of 50 were: 1, 18, 21, 29, 38 and 50.

Lottery officials estimate the jackpot for Saturday night's game will be a $4 million.

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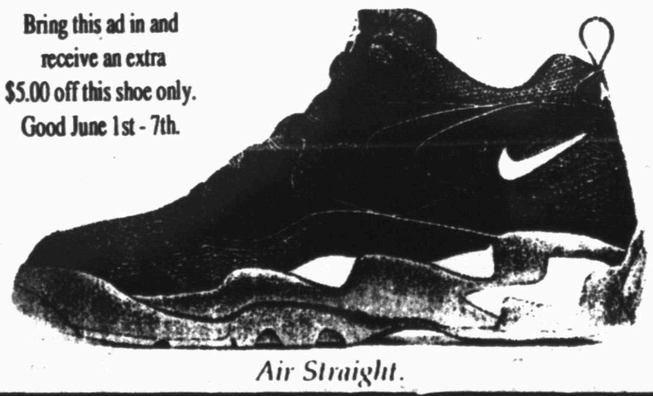

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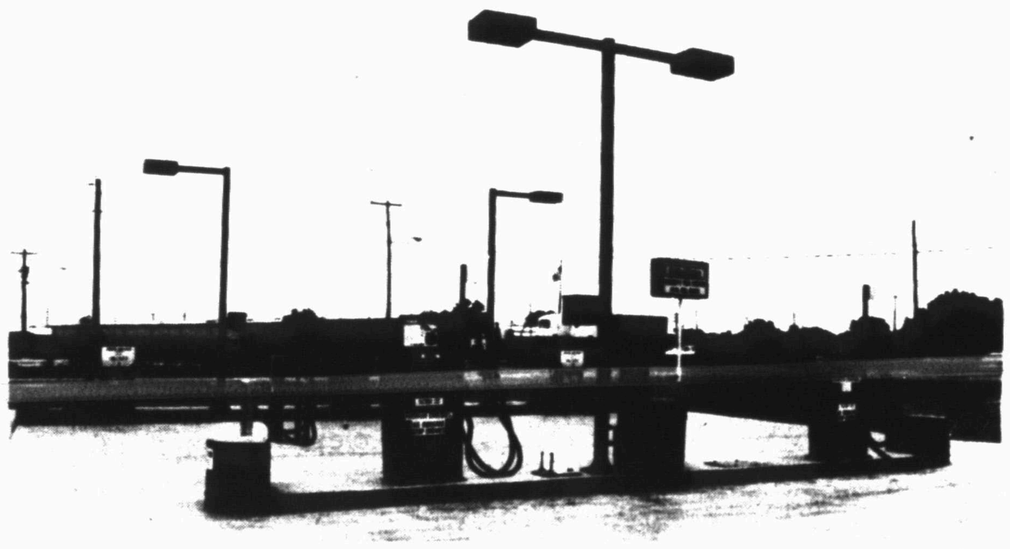

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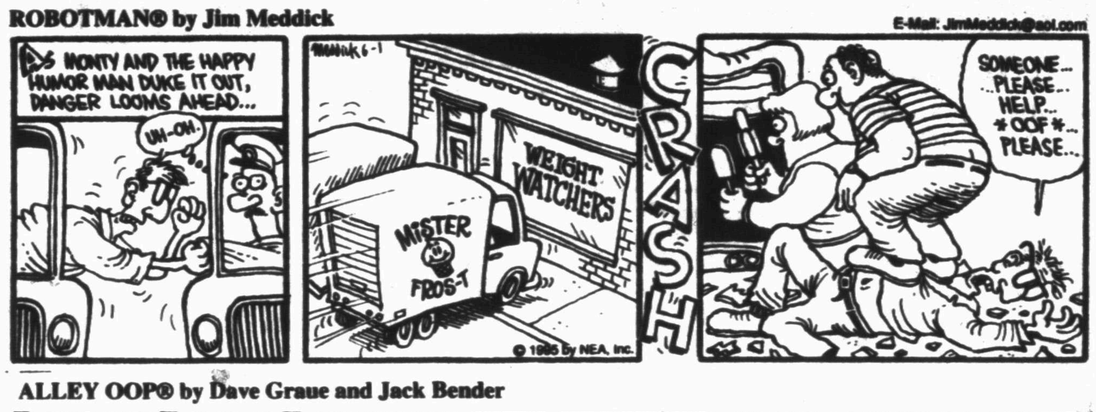

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Movies that ***George Raft*** turned down – like ***"The Maltese Falcon," "Casablanca"*** and ***"High Sierra"*** – gave ***Humphrey Bogart*** some of the biggest breaks of his career. A former prizefighter and ballroom dancer with self-confessed ties to organized crime, ***Raft*** – thanks to roles like the coin-flipping ***Guido Rinaldo*** in 1932's ***"Scarface"*** – was one of Hollywood's favorite tough-guys before his career went into decline. Ironically, ***Raft's*** last film role was a cameo in 1980's ***"The Man With Bogart's Face."***

Who portrayed the following gangsters?
a) ***Rico Bandello*** in ***"Little Caesar"*** *(1930)*
b) ***Vincent Mancini*** in ***"The Godfather, Part III"*** *(1990)*
c) ***Henry Hill*** in ***"Goodfellas"*** *(1990)*
d) ***Tom Powers*** in ***"The Public Enemy"*** *(1931)*
e) ***Clyde Barrow*** in ***"Bonnie and Clyde"*** *(1967)*

Answers: a) Edward G. Robinson b) Andy Garcia c) Ray Liotta d) James Cagney e) Warren Beatty

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ACROSS

1 Garden pest
6 McIntosh, e.g.
11 Peaceful
13 Style of type
14 Sewing tool
15 Breakfast food
16 Sea bird
17 Take a meal
19 Actress — Delany
20 To-do
23 Make lace
24 Enjoyment
27 — daisy
29 Stain
31 Hardship
35 Fast car
36 Taste
37 Subtract
40 — to Joy
41 Fe-fi-fo- —
44 Recover
46 Blue dye
48 Fortune
49 Court minutes
53 Extreme
55 To this place
57 Midday nap
58 Property
59 Brief
60 Fables

DOWN

1 Helps
2 Baby carriage
3 Roll call answer
4 Internal
5 Wane
6 Goddess of mischief
7 Chum
8 Flat fold in cloth
9 Tropical vine
10 Brilliant success
12 Nativity scene
13 Metrical stress
18 Alias (abbr.)
21 Loan shark
22 Cloud layers
24 Tree
25 Actress Thurman
26 TV network
28 Intend
30 Crimson
32 Mall ctr.
33 Ancient
34 Dakota Indian
36 Scorch
38 Actress — Burke
39 Playwright — Betti
41 Gounod opera
42 Open (a package)
43 Imitator
45 Neat and tidy
47 Profit and —
50 Converse
51 Hebrew letter
52 Surface measure
54 Sault — Marie
56 Doctrine

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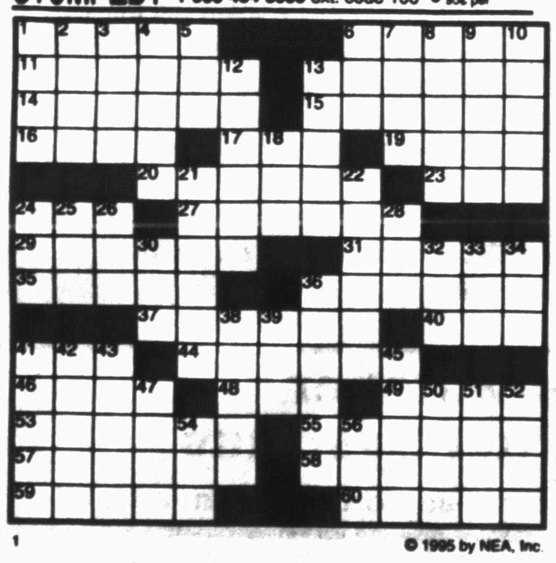

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SPORTS

Orlando uses home court advantage to win, 108-106

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The young, resilient Orlando Magic raised their arms in triumph. The disappointed Indiana Pacers left with heads bowed, promising to return.

Welcome to the Eastern Conference finals, where the home court makes a difference and no fourth-quarter lead has been big enough to discourage the visiting team.

"Every game's been close," Indiana's Rik Smits said. "I think we're very even."

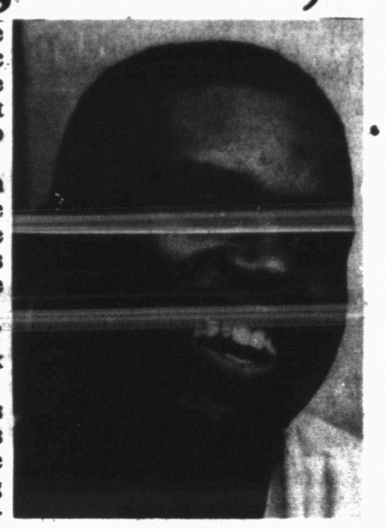
So even that neither team has been able to win on the other's floor. The Magic lead the best-of-7 series 3-2, but finishing the Pacers in Game 6 at Indianapolis will not be easy Friday night.

Indiana has beaten Orlando eight consecutive times at Market Square Arena, including four times this season. The Magic, however, are brimming with confidence after Wednesday night's 108-106 victory in the pivotal fifth game.

"They handled us pretty easily up there during the season. But we've closed the gap a little bit in the two playoff games," the Magic's Brian Shaw said. "We had opportunities to win both of them, so we're getting closer and closer. We wrapped up our first two series on the road, so we know we can do it again."

Shaquille O'Neal had 35 points and 13 rebounds to pace Orlando, but problems at the foul line almost cost the Magic the game. The Pacers trimmed a 14-point deficit to 106-103 before Mark Jackson's 3-point attempt with six seconds left bounced off the front of the rim.

Orlando's Anfernee Hardaway assured the victory with two free throws with 3.6 seconds remaining.



Shaquille O'Neal

"We made a lot of silly mistakes down the stretch," said O'Neal, who dominated Smits after being slowed by foul trouble in Games 3 and 4 — both Indiana victories.

"The last two games I didn't play that much. I had a lot of energy," the NBA scoring champion added after going 13-for-21 from the field and 9-for-19 from the foul line.

To force a seventh game in Orlando on Sunday, the Pacers will have to find a way to contain O'Neal.

In the three games he's avoided foul problems, he's averaged 35 points, and the Magic have won each time. He played just 30 minutes in Games 3 and 4 and scored a total of 34 points in the two games.

"It's gonna go down to the wire," Indiana's Reggie Miller said. "Both teams keep throwing jabs, and the other team is throwing counterjabs. We're fairly close. Each game is so pivotal. It's a two-game series. We can't lose and they've got two chances to win one."

Nick Anderson scored 19 points for the Magic, and Shaw came off the bench to make a trio of 3-pointers and finish with 15.

Rik Smits, whose buzzer-beater made him the hero of Game 4, was the center in foul trouble this time. He fouled out with 3:44 remaining and scored 20 points. Miller and Derrick McKey led the Pacers with 21 points apiece, and Jackson had 19.

Despite Indiana's failure to win at Orlando Arena during the series, Jackson remained confident.

Indiana trailed 104-90 with 4:21 remaining, but scored 10 straight points, capped by Jackson's 3-pointer with 1:05 left. Hardaway's free throw with 30 seconds to play made it 105-100, but as the Pacers have shown throughout the playoffs, they don't go down easy.

O'Neal, who missed four free throws during Indiana's spurt, grabbed the rebound of Jackson's miss with 22 seconds left. After two timeouts, Hardaway went to the line, but made only one, and McKey fired in a 3-pointer with 16 seconds left to make it 106-103.

Shaw bricked two free throws before Jackson, hesitating behind the arc and apparently looking for Miller, missed a 3-pointer. Hardaway got the rebound, then finally hit two free throws together. Miller sank a 3-pointer at the buzzer.

"We were down 14 and had a 3-pointer to tie it, so I'm pretty proud of our team," Pacers coach Larry Brown said. "I'm proud he (Jackson) took that shot. I don't know what other shot we were going to get in that situation."

NBA Playoffs

By The Associated Press
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CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7)
Monday, May 22
Houston 94, San Antonio 93
Tuesday, May 23
Orlando 105, Indiana 101
Wednesday, May 24
Houston 106, San Antonio 96
Thursday, May 25
Orlando 119, Indiana 114
Friday, May 26
San Antonio 107, Houston 102
Saturday, May 27
Indiana 105, Orlando 100
Sunday, May 28
San Antonio 103, Houston 81
Monday, May 29
Indiana 94, Orlando 93
Tuesday, May 30
Houston 111, San Antonio 90, Houston leads series 3-2
Wednesday, May 31
Orlando 108, Indiana 106, Orlando leads series 3-2
Thursday, June 1
San Antonio at Houston, 9 p.m. (NBC)
Friday, June 2
Orlando at Indiana, 9 p.m. (NBC)
Saturday, June 3
Houston at San Antonio, 3:30 p.m. (NBC), if necessary
Sunday, June 4
Indiana at Orlando, 7 p.m. (NBC), if necessary

Raggedy Ann, Andy tourney this weekend

Some 50 couples are expected in Snyder this weekend for the annual Raggedy Ann and Andy tournament at Snyder Country Club.

A practice round is planned Friday, followed by a dinner and entertainment for participants on Friday night.

Tee times Saturday and Sunday are 8 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. The teams will be divided into four or five flights, according to tournament chairman Carolyn Greene.

Other social events include a buffet, casino night and live entertainment on Saturday, and a luncheon on Sunday.

Girls' all-district softball chosen

One Hermleigh player made First Team all-district, while three others made Second Team.

Brandy Gill of Hermleigh was chosen First Team in the pitching position. Chosen for Second Team were Miranda Terry at catcher, Michelle Roemisch at shortstop, and Brandy Smith at left field.

FIRST TEAM
MVP— Audra Bingham/ Coahoma;Pitcher— Brandy Gill/ Hermleigh; Catcher— Dolores Garcia/ Coahoma; 1st Base— Stephanie Stone/ Coahoma; 2nd Base— Tonia Sparks/ Coahoma; Shortstop— Brooke Barber/ Coahoma; 3rd Base— Tori Elmore/ Coahoma; Left Field— Krista Jeffcoat/ Coahoma; Center Field— Julie Hernandez/ Coahoma; Right Field— BaLinda Turner/ Coahoma; D.H.— Brenda Austin/ Coahoma

SECOND TEAM
Pitcher— Scarlett Hawkins/ Westbrook, Jerriann Mitchell/ Coahoma; Catcher— Miranda Terry/ Hermleigh, Charlotte Hawkins/ Westbrook; 1st Base— Amanda Rich/ Westbrook; 2nd Base— Mandy Hogue/ Westbrook, Cassie Rich/ Coahoma; Shortstop— Michelle Roemisch/ Hermleigh, Jodie Duran/ Westbrook; 3rd Base— Lisa Jones/ Westbrook; Left Field— Toni Perales/ Westbrook, Brandy Smith/ Hermleigh; Center Field— Priscilla Parrack/ Westbrook, Shana Earnest/ Coahoma; Right Field— Jill Hemphill/ Westbrook, Mandi Herring/ Coahoma; D.H.— Sandra Vigil/ Westbrook

Moffett Field selected as tourney site

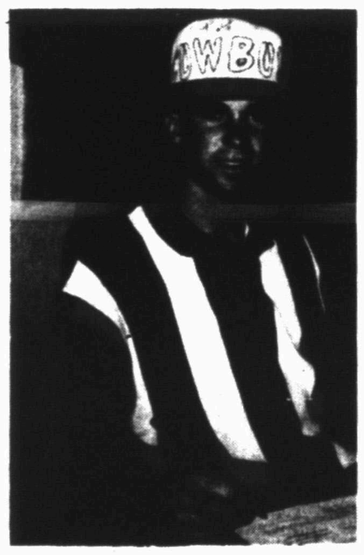
Snyder's Moffett Field has been selected as the site for next month's Texas Junior Teenage League state tournament.

The tournament, featuring district champions and approximately 100 players, will begin July 25 and run the remainder of the week.

Representatives to the state tournament will be determined in seven district tournaments to be held across the state. District tournament sites are in Crane, Sweetwater, Bridgeport, Troy, Dawson, Teague and Central Bowie.

On the first evening, Snyder will host players, coaches and their wives to a meal.

C.W. Berryman is the Snyder league president and Joel Hook is vice president.



LANCE GAILLARD

Texhoma native signs on with rodeo team at WTC

Lance Gaillard, a graduate of Texhoma High School, in Texhoma, has signed a letter of intent to rodeo for Western Texas College. Gaillard is the son of Aldene and Annette Gaillard of Texhoma.

While in high school, Gaillard competed in Saddle Bronc and Team Roping. Gaillard also garnered several honors. He was named Outstanding Speech Student and Outstanding Ag Student. He was also named All-District linebacker, Most Valuable Defensive Player of the Year, and Oklahoma All Star Linebacker. He is a 400 Meter Relay State Champion. Gaillard also served as a class officer for three years in high school. He will be competing in the Texas High School Finals in Abilene next week.

WTC's men and women's rodeo team will compete in the College National Finals Rodeo in Bozeman, Mont., June 12-18.

Magadan doubles to win over former team

MIAMI (AP) — Dave Magadan says it wasn't revenge that spurred him to a crucial two-run double. Maybe it was the fans, and being back home.

"It meant a lot to me, not because it was against the Marlins, but because I hadn't been hitting," Magadan said after his new team, Houston, beat his old one, Florida, 7-4 Wednesday night. "It was weird coming back and being in this dugout and this clubhouse."

Magadan, who enjoyed two separate stints with Florida in 1993 and '94, was signed by Houston after practicing with the Homestead free agents at the end of the abbreviated spring training.

In '93, Magadan played 66 games with Florida and hit .286 with 29 RBI. Now he's batting .257 with 13 RBI.

The Marlins didn't pursue Magadan after the strike-shortened 1994 season, and according to Collins, Florida's loss is the Astros' gain.

"I just know one thing," Collins said. "He can sure hit the ball."

Florida closed to 6-4 before a trio of Houston relievers combined for 4 1-3 innings of two-hit, no-run relief.

The Astros' pen is a combined 8-1 and is 6-for-6 in save opportunities.

Greg Swindell, who entered the game with a 4-0 mark against Florida and 1.65 ERA, had a one-hitter into the fifth inning when a misplayed foul pop-up led to the left-hander's departure and a three-run inning for the Marlins.

With two outs in the fifth, Swindell walked Sheffield with the bases loaded, cutting the lead to 6-4, and Collins had seen enough.

James Dougherty, a rookie right-hander, struck out slumping veteran Andre Dawson to end the threat and earn the victory.

After a pair of doubles by Orlando Miller and James Mouton made it 7-4 in the sixth, Dougherty gave up a single and walk to begin the Marlins seventh.

Todd Jones entered and fanned Alex Arias and Terry Pendleton before inducing an inning-ending groundout from Sheffield.

Rangers' over Royals on Rodriguez double

KANSAS CITY, Mo. (AP) — After Ivan Rodriguez's two ninth-inning errors let Kansas City beat Texas for a second time on Tuesday night, Rangers manager Johnny Oates had a bold prediction.

"I've seen many times when a team loses the first two games of a series and has to face the other team's ace in the third game, but things don't turn out the way everybody expects," he said. "I think that's what will happen Wednesday night."

And it did. But in a fashion that was even more uplifting than Oates dared hope.

Kevin Appier, bidding to become the major leagues' first seven-game winner, took a 2-1 lead into the eighth but gave up a two-out single to Jeff Frye and walked Will Clark and Mickey Tettleton.

Then who should come to the plate but Rodriguez, a man in need of attonement. The three-time All-Star catcher looked bad on a couple of pitches, then lashed a 3-1 delivery down the left-field line for a three-run double that lifted the Rangers to a 4-2 victory and snapped Kansas City's six-game winning streak.

Bob Tewksbury (4-1) gave up six hits, walked three, struck out two and retired the last 13 batters in his first complete game since last Aug. 4 with St. Louis.

Wally Joyner, who had three doubles, a home run and eight RBIs in the three-game series, made it 2-1 with an RBI double in the fifth. Joyner has hit safely in 11 of his last 12 games with 10 runs scored, seven doubles and 18 RBIs.

Greg Gagne singled and came around on Brent Mayne's single for a 1-0 Kansas City lead in the second. Rusty Greer tripled leading off the Rangers third and made it 1-1 on a single by Mike Pagliarulo.

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	20	11	.645	-
Detroit	15	18	.455	6
Toronto	14	18	.438	6½
NewYork	13	17	.433	6½
Baltimore	13	18	.419	7

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	21	9	.700	-
KansasCity	16	15	.516	5½
Milwaukee	15	17	.469	7
Chicago	11	19	.367	10
Minnesota	10	23	.303	12½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	20	13	.606	-
Seattle	19	13	.594	½
Texas	18	15	.545	2
Oakland	17	16	.515	3

Wednesday's Games
Toronto 5, Detroit 3
Milwaukee 8, Minnesota 1
Boston 6, Oakland 5
Cleveland 6, Chicago 3
Texas 4, Kansas City 2
Baltimore 5, California 3
Seattle 11, New York 9

Thursday's Games
Chicago (Bere 1-3) at Cleveland (Black 0-1), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 2-3) at Texas (Rogers 5-2), 8:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Friday's Games
Toronto (Leiter 2-2) at Cleveland (Nagy 3-1), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Bosio 3-0) at Boston (Clemens 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Ontiveros 5-1) at Baltimore (Brown 4-2), 7:35 p.m.
California (Finley 2-4) at New York (Pettitte 0-1), 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Bones 3-2) at Kansas City (Gubicza 2-4), 8:05 p.m.
Detroit (Wells 2-3) at Chicago (Keyser 0-0), 8:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Erickson 2-4) at Texas (Pavlik 3-1), 8:35 p.m.

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	23	9	.719	-
Atlanta	19	13	.594	4
Montreal	19	15	.559	5
NewYork	13	20	.394	10½
Florida	8	23	.258	14½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	20	11	.645	-
Cincinnati	20	11	.645	-
Houston	15	16	.484	5
St.Louis	14	20	.412	7½
Pittsburgh	12	18	.400	7½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanFrancisco	18	16	.529	-
Colorado	17	16	.515	½
LosAngeles	14	19	.424	3½
SanDiego	14	19	.424	3½

Wednesday's Games
Colorado 5, St. Louis 3
New York 7, San Diego 5, 10 innings
Chicago 4, Atlanta 1
Houston 7, Florida 4
Montreal 5, San Francisco 4
Cincinnati 11, Pittsburgh 1
Los Angeles 4, Philadelphia 1, 10 innings

Thursday's Games
Chicago (Traschel 2-1) at Philadelphia (Williams 0-0), 1:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Watson 1-1) at Montreal (Perez 4-0), 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Valdes 0-2) at Atlanta (Mercker 2-1), 5:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Rijo 3-2) at Pittsburgh (Neagle 4-1), 7:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

Friday's Games
Chicago (Navarro 4-0) at Florida (Burkett 3-4), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Jackson 0-6) at Cincinnati (Jarvis 2-2), 7:35 p.m.
Houston (Drabek 1-2) at Atlanta (Smoltz 3-2), 7:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Loaiza 1-2) at Colorado (Swift 1-1), 9:05 p.m.
New York (Saberhagen 1-1) at Los Angeles (Nomo 0-1), 10:05 p.m.
Montreal (Fassero 6-1) at San Diego (Ashby 2-3), 10:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Schilling 3-0) at San Francisco (Portugal 3-1), 10:05 p.m.

Snyder Youth Baseball

LITTLE LEAGUE
Astros 8, Cubs 5

The Astros walked away with the victory, 8-5, over the Cubs in Little League play Wednesday.

Heath Pinkerton took the win, allowing three hits. Garrett Luft led the Astros with two singles. Pinkerton, Daniel Highfield, Keith McClain, Jeremy Roemisch, Jason Williams and Wes Martin each belted singles for the Astros' win.

Ryan Braziel led the Cubs with a single and a double. Allen Smith busted a double to finish off Cubs' hitting.

FARM LEAGUE
Athletics 17, Giants 5

The Athletics whomped up on the Giants, 17-5, in Farm League action Wednesday.

Tommy Hull got winning pitcher honors, allowing only two hits. Eric Dickeroff led the A's with two singles. Hull showed his batting abilities with a single and a double. Tyson Kubena, Nathan Hines and Wes Pharris belted a single apiece.

Josh Wilson took the loss, allowing six hits. Zac Cain and Kris Hatley contributed the two hits with a single apiece.

GIRLS SOFTBALL
12 and Under
Pink Pizzaz 28, Iguanas 5

Pink Pizzaz blasted the Iguanas, 28-5, in Girls' Softball play Wednesday.

Whitney Webb walked away with the win, allowing only two hits. Webb also led batting for the Pizzaz, busting two singles and two homers. Cameron Mackey blasted two singles and a homerun. Jennifer Newman added a single, two doubles and a triple, while Amy Deloera contributed a double and a triple. Latisha Thamez whopped two doubles, while Dana McCright, Angie Shoemake and Keeli Shoemake each busted a single and a double.

Kasey Collier suffered the loss, allowing 21 hits. Dixie Yandrich and Katie Voss each got a triple for Iguanas' batting.

Local Events

Batting Camp

Batting camp will be held June 5-7, 8:30- 10 a.m. and 10- 11:30 a.m. It will be held at Snyder High School baseball field. All ages are invited to sign up. The registration fee is $25. For more information or to sign up contact SHS coaches Roland Herrera at 573-1355. or Charles Bollinger at 573-5734.

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A golf clinic, conducted by Rick Kahlick and Matt Glenn, will be held June 5-9 at WTC. Registration will be Sunday, from 1-3 p.m. at the WTC pro shop. Ages for the clinic are 8-17 years old. The cost is $70, and the clinic will run Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m.-12 p.m. Call 573-9291 to reserve a spot.

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'Devastating' virus probed at shrimp farms in S. Texas

HARLINGEN (AP) — A mysterious virus has dealt a "devastating blow" to the South Texas shrimp farming industry, killing most of the harvest and raising fears that wild shrimp stocks will be contaminated.

"We don't have a clue in the world how it got here," Michael Ray, director of inland fisheries for the Texas Department of Parks and Wildlife, said Wednesday.

Three Taiwanese-owned shrimp farms have voluntarily suspended water discharges from shrimp ponds into the environment. Ray formally requested Wednesday that they continue the suspension until state officials learn more about the potential dangers of contamination to marine life.

The farms expect to lose $10 million to $15 million in sales, said Tony Reisinger, Cameron County marine extension agent.

"It's a devastating blow to the industry," he said. However, he said the disease cannot be transmitted to humans.

The farms — Southern Star-Hung International and Arroyo Aquaculture Association, both in Arroyo City, and Harlingen Shrimp Farms, near Bayview — each discharge wastewater into the Lower Laguna Madre, which is a crucial nursing habitat for native shrimp in the Gulf of Mexico.

Roughly 80 percent of the harvest has been wiped out at Harlingen Shrimp Farms, 95 percent at Arroyo Aquaculture and about 70 percent at Southern Star, Reisinger said.

The culprit is the Taura virus, named after a river in Ecuador were it began infecting shrimp farms in 1992. The virus, which turns shrimp tails pinkish and kills within days, became an epidemic the following year in Ecuador.

It has spread to shrimp farms in Honduras and Guatemala but had not been detected in North America until now, Reisinger said.

"It's a terrible blow to the shrimp farming industry in South Texas in light of the fact that everything possible has been done to produce and utilize high health shrimp stocks," Harlingen Shrimp Farms said in a statement Wednesday. "The disaster will have a negative impact on not only the shrimp farms, but on suppliers, vendors and associated businesses."

The company said it didn't know how the ponds became infected. Southern Star spokesman Frank Puente said his company has not ruled out sabotage.

Harlingen Shrimp Farms, which supplies early-stage stocks to the other two South Texas farms, said its own supplies had been certified as disease-free by the Oceanic Institute in Hawaii before being introduced into its South Texas farms.

Harlingen Shrimp Farms said the virus has "absolutely no bearing on the quality of shrimp for human consumption."

Even so, all shipments have been stopped.

Scientists closing in on elusive 'werewolf' gene

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists have come closer to finding an aberrant gene that makes men in a rural Mexican family so hairy they join circus sideshows as "werewolves."

The men are born with hair all over their faces — even their eyelids. The gene is not known to afflict anybody outside the one family.

Finding the gene may someday help treat baldness and common types of excessive hairiness, researchers say. New progress in the search for the gene is reported in the June issue of the journal Nature Genetics. The family was not identified.

The men who inherit the gene have inch-long hair all over their faces. "The lips are the only things that are spared," said Pragna Patel, a genetics expert at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Men also get excessive hair elsewhere on their upper bodies. Women are less affected, with random patches of hair on the face and body.

The men "cannot go in a bar, for instance, without being noticed and being observed by everyone," said gene expert Dr. Jose Cantu of the Mexican Institute of Social Security in Guadalajara and the University of Guadalajara.

Some people fear them or make jokes about them, he said Wednesday. "They have suffered because of this trait."

Dr. Luis Figuera of Baylor recalled visiting one home where family members keep the curtains drawn against gawkers even when the affected man is on the road with the circus.

The condition is unique because the excessive hairiness is not accompanied by other abnormalities such as retardation or skeletal problems, Patel said. Even the other genetic conditions that include such facial hairiness are very rare, with only about 50 cases reported since the Middle Ages, researchers said.

Patel, Cantu and Figuera reported that they have found the general location of the Mexican family's aberrant gene.

Once the gene is found and analyzed, it might help scientists understand how the body grows and loses hair, Patel said. That in turn might lead to new treatments for baldness and excessive hairiness, she said.

The scientists speculate that the gene might have been active long ago in evolution but then turned off, leaving modern humans with much less facial hair. In the Mexican family, some abnormality may have switched the gene back on, Cantu said.

One piece of evidence for that is that the facial hair grows to around an inch long and then stops, much as one would see in other mammals, Cantu said.

Watchdog group preparing ethics charges against Armey

WASHINGTON (AP) — A congressional watchdog group is calling for an ethics investigation of House Majority Leader Dick Armey, charging that the House's No. 2 Republican improperly allowed a special-interest group to circulate a letter on congressional stationery.

An Armey spokesman rejected the accusation, calling the complaint prepared by the Ralph Nader-led Congressional Accountability Project "frivolous."

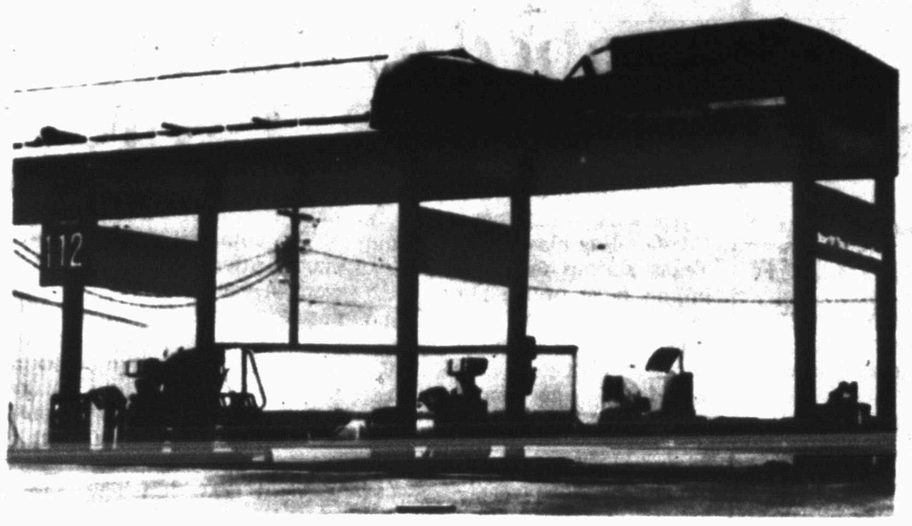
The complaint, which won't be considered by the House ethics committee unless forwarded by a House member, stems from a May 22nd Washington Post editorial that took Armey to task for a letter to 82 CEOs heading some of the nation's largest companies.

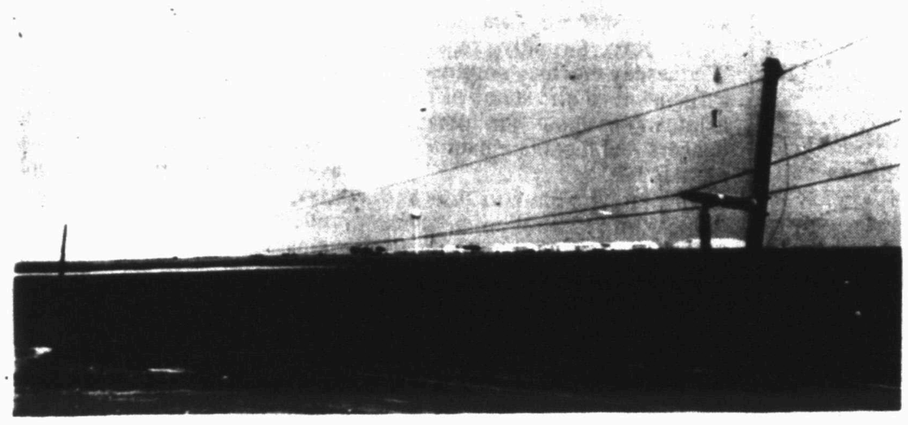
In the signed April 12 letter, the Irving lawmaker warned that the corporations, through their donations to charitable causes, are "among companies that support expansion of the welfare state."

The Congressional Accountability Project contends that Armey's letter — which says "Congress of the United States" at the top and notes his majority leader title — violates a House prohibition against allowing outside groups to use House letterhead.

"Majority Leader Armey is just one more career politician who can't be trusted to obey the law," Nader said.

Armey's spokesman, Ed Gillespie, said the letter wasn't on official letterhead. "He did not use the official congressional letterhead and he is allowed to identify himself as the House majority leader because that is what he is," Gillespie said.





STORM SCENES - Rip Griffin's Fastop, top left, suffered damage to the covering above the fuel pumps during a fast-moving storm that moved through Scurry County Wednesday afternoon. In the top right photo, Hermleigh resident John Williamson views the debris from his mobile home and storage building that was apparently hit by a tornado. The Price Daniel Unit was on emergency power in the afternoon and part of the evening due to 12 electrical poles being toppled by the storm, as seen in the botton left photo. In the bottom right photo, H.M. Lomax lost the tin roof to his house at Hermleigh. (SDN Staff Photos)

Storms

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power to some 880 customers by 7:30 p.m. by rerouting incoming power.

The storm, moving toward Sweetwater, lifted the roof off of a barn owned by John Zalman and damaged at least three houses in Hermleigh. It damaged a Texaco sign at Rip Griffin's Truck Plaza and blew over numerous temporary signs along U.S. Highway 84 set up to warn motorists of construction.

TU Electric reported an outage of 20 minutes for about 226 of its customers in the Hermleigh area. For TU Electric, Sweetwater was a different story where the portion of the city along Interstate 20 took the full brunt of the storm.

Hail and heavy rains were reported, starting in Dermott and moving north of Snyder through Ennis Creek and on to Hermleigh.

When power went out at the prison unit, all inmates were placed in their cells and the unit was locked down, according to Assistant Warden Chuck Biscoe.

The unit went on its emergency power generator, and inmates were fed the evening meal in their cells. Biscoe said the power was restored about 7 p.m.

Jerry Scrivner with Midwest Electric said 21 contract crew members as well as about 20 employees of Midwest worked throughout the night.

The replacement utility poles were being brought from Amarillo, and Scrivner said he expected the feeder line to the Plainview substation to back in service by noon today.

Despte the severity of the storms, most areas in the county reported less than a half-inch of rain. Rainfall totals for Wednesday came in at three-tenths in Snyder, Hermleigh and Fluvanna and at four-tenths east of Snyder and a quarter of an inch at Dunn. Camp Springs reported 1½ inches.

Light

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ry County Cotton Board.

He is a former member of the Board of County Development, Snyder Chamber of Commerce board and charter president of the Scurry County Producer's Association.

His wife, Charlene Light, is a counselor at Snyder High School. They have a son, Larry, of San Francisco, and a daughter, Leslie, of Dallas.

Other newly appointed members to the advisory committee are Sid Brough, an Edroy cotton gin owner; Rick Dockery, a Falls City part-time rancher; Lawrence Friesenhahn, a Knippa corn grower; Pat George, a Tulia grain sorghum producer; Larry Gibson, a Dublin dairy producer; W.H. "Billy" Green III, an Albany cattle rancher; John Lackey, a Weslaco shipper and fruit and vegetable grower; Gary Murphy, a Dawson wheat grower and elevator operator; Burt Richards, a Buffalo livestock auction owner; Billy Roeder, a Fredericksburg sheep and goat raiser; and Jim Schwertner, a Schwertner feedlot owner.

Members reappointed to the committee are Bettie Chandler, an Edinburg producer; Ed Edmondson, an executive with the Texas Association of Nurserymen in Austin; Delmon Ellison Jr., a Seagraves peanut grower; and Terry Legan, a Prosper egg producer.

Senior Olympics set

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Events will get underway at 4 p.m. Friday with a golf tournament at Western Texas College. Cost of the tourney will be a $10 entry fee plus a $7 green fee.

The get-acquainted dance will be held at the Armory beginning at 7 p.m. Friday with Benny Benitz and his band playing. Contestants will be admitted free while there will be a $3 cover charge for all others.

Events Saturday include run-a-thons of one-half mile, one mile, a 100- yard dash and walk-a-thons of 5K and one mile.

There will also be a tennis tournment, croquet tourney and a washer-pitcher tournament.

There will also be a bicycle race of three miles and a stationary bike race.

Other events include a softball throw contest, casting and fishing contest at the Towle Park Pond and an exhibition, co-ed softball game scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

To enter, or for more information, contact the chamber at 573-3558.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Don King, 510 33rd; Helen Hatter, P.O. Box 877.

DISMISSALS: Anna Perez and baby, Vera Pruitt, Margaret Villa and baby, Pamela Alarcon, Laura Carrera, Sabrina Graham.

CENSUS: 44 (Med.-9, Long-term Care-33, OB-1, Nursery-1).

DATE BOOK

June 1, 1995

Today is the 152nd day of 1995 and the 74th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1785, the United States sent its first ambassador to England — John Adams.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jacques Marquette (1637-1675), missionary-explorer; Brigham Young (1801-1877), Mormon leader; Marilyn Monroe (1926-1962), actress; Andy Griffith (1926-), actor, is 69; Pat Boone (1934-), singer, is 61; Morgan Freeman (1937-), actor, is 58.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1919, the Giants and the Phillies played a 51-minute game, the shortest in baseball history.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "One night some short weeks ago, for the first time in her not always happy life, Marilyn Monroe's soul sat down alone to a quiet supper from which it did not rise." — Clifford Odets

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1969, a brilliant white and red ball of fire illuminated an area near Washington, D.C., the result of ball lightning from a thunderstorm.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (May 29) and first quarter (June 6).

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Arrests, mischief, burglary investigated by law officers

A 29-year-old female was arrested at 3 p.m. Wednesday on two motions to revoke probation warrants.

Arrested at the sheriff's office was Rhonda Wright of 1701 Patricia in Arlington.

Officers arrested a 20-year-old female at 11:05 p.m. in the 1900 block of Coleman on Municipal Court warrants for no liability insurance, Class C assault and public intoxication.

In other activity Wednesday, officers investigated a report of criminal mischief at 9:36 a.m. from the 2200 block of Sunset. A back door had been shot out with a BB gun.

A person came to the sheriff's office at 10:01 a.m. and reported that a refrigerator had been stolen out of a residence in the 500 block of James.

A Class B theft report was filed at 11:21 a.m. in reference to a bicycle being stolen from the 4500 block of Garwood.

An offense report was submitted at 4:05 p.m. from Cogdell Hospital where a 10-year-old boy was being treated for a dog bite. He was treated and released.

A report of a disturbance was made at 10:52 p.m. from the 1900 block of Coleman. A woman had thrown a stereo into the street but the owner did not wish to press charges.

A Gail resident, Ylia Pavlovsky, was brought to Cogdell Hospital by EMS following a one-vehicle accident four miles west of Gail around 11:30 p.m. Wednesday. She was released this morning at 9 a.m.

An offense report for burglary was submitted at 3:33 a.m. today in reference to a burglary at the Minute Market. An undetermined amount of consumable goods were taken and the burglary is still under investigation.

Obituaries

Mrs. Lee Falls

1915-1995

Funeral service is set for 11 a.m. Friday in the First United Methodist Church for Mrs. Lee Falls, 79, who died Monday afternoon in University Medical Center in Lubbock.

Officiating will be the Rev. Ernie McGaughey, pastor of the church. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Falls was born two miles from her present home located west of Snyder. She and her husband, Pat Falls, whom she married on Oct. 15, 1938 in Post, spent the past 20 years building what they described as a western, rustic home that is a personal history of their life and marriage.

Mrs. Falls was preceded in death by two sisters, Eleanor Tuck and Emma Gene Hays, and she was a member of the First United Methodist Church.

Survivors include her husband, W.T. "Pat" Falls of Snyder; a son, Thom Falls of Los Angeles; two daughters, Lady Brown of Lubbock and Dana Mattingly of Austin; a brother, S.D. Hays Jr. of Snyder; four sisters, Elizabeth Williams of Booneville, Ark., Ethellynn Mitchell of Lamesa, Billy Lou Richardson of Snyder and Bobby Jo Melchor of Lubbock; and five grandchildren.

Jonn Young

1972-1995

BIG SPRING — Funeral service for John Dale Young, 22, is set for 10 a.m. Friday in the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Chapel. Officiating will be Dr. Randy Cotton, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church. A graveside service is set for 4 p.m. at the Meanda Cemetery in Anson.

Young, a foreman for Price Construction Co. in Big Spring, drown Saturday afternoon while swimming at Lake Thomas.

Born in Stamford, he married Melissa Carson on Sept. 13, 1992 in Big Spring. A 1991 graduate of Sands High School in Ackerly, Mr. Young had been a resident of Big Spring since 1979. He was a Baptist.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Elma Jean Young, and a sister, Lisa Young.

Survivors include his wife, Melissa Young of Big Spring; two step-children, Amanda and John Michael Edmondson, both of Coahoma; his father, George Young of Big Spring; two sisters, Sabrina Young of Big Spring and Jenny Clifton of Garden City; and a brother, Lee Young of Big Spring.

Donald Burrus

1925-1995

COLORADO CITY — Funeral service is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Kiker-Seale Funeral Home Chapel for Donald Hall Burrus, 70, who died Wednesday in a local nursing home.

Officiating will be the Rev. Frank Swindle. Burial will follow in the Colorado City Cemetery.

Born in Colorado City, Mr. Burrus was a life-long resident of Mitchell County. He owned and operated the Burris Drive-In Grocery. Mr. Burrus was a nember of the All Saints Episcopal Church.

Survivors include an uncle, Cecil Hall of Hermleigh; and an aunt, Ruby McClain of Snyder; and numerous cousins.

The three-pound brain of a human being is thought to be the most complex and orderly arrangement of matter in the universe.

Body is found at Lake Thomas

The body of a 22-year-old Big Spring man who drowned during a Memorial Day weekend outing at Lake J.B. Thomas was found early Wednesday afternoon by fishermen.

Game Warden Mel Reed said the body of John Dale Young was discovered shortly before 1 p.m. on the north side of the lake, about three-quarters of a mile from where he was swimming last Saturday afternoon.

Reed said Young's body had been driven north by the waves and winds. Rescue efforts had been hampered by wind, rain and muddy water.

Young was pronounced dead at the scene by Peace Justice Charlie Reynolds.

Young was swimming at Rocky Point on the lake's south side with a large group Saturday when he went under. Attempts to pull Young to shore by two persons, one a trained lifeguard, were unsuccessful.

Services for Young are set for 10 a.m. Friday in the Nalley-Pickel and Welch Funeral Home Chapel. A graveside service is set for 4 p.m. Friday in the Meanda Cemetery in Anson.

Key CRP program changes made for '95, Hefner notes

The Conservation Reserve Program (CRP), under which producers retired production from over 36.4 million acres of cropland under 10 to 15 year contracts, has three significant changes in it this year," said Joe Hefner, acting county executive director for the Scurry County Consolidated Farm Service Agency.

Producers with CRP contracts expiring Sept. 30, can extend the maturity dates for one year for part or all of the land. No new land can be added. Rental rates remain unchanged and crop insurance requirements will not apply to 1-year extensions.

CRP participants have a one-time chance to withdraw part or all of their land from the program. Not all CRP acreage is eligible for removal. Landowners requesting early release need to meet with NRCS regarding proposed land use activities. Participants approved for early release must follow a basic conservation system or haying or grazing plan until such time as CRP-1 would normally expire.

Sign-up for 1-year extensions and early releasees from contracts will be held through tomorrow.

Concerning the third change, Joe Hefner said that there will be modified program requirements covering CRP land preparation for fall seeding for producers whose contracts expire thie year and who wish to plant CRP acres this fall. Under current requirements, CRP cover may be destroyed without penalty during the last 90 days of the contract, but not earlier than July 1.

In some areas, maintaining crop cover till July could effectively prevent the planting of fall crops; therefore, producers may apply for an earlier date for the preparation of seedbed for fall planting.

"Producers wishing to begin land preparation before July 1 must obtain approval from the county committee, and the CRP rental payment will be reduced," said Joe Hedfner.

ACU removes play director for being gay

An Abilene Christian University graduate, picked to direct this summer's Shakespearean production, has been removed from the position by university officials because he is gay.

Robert Neblett, a 1993 graduate of the university and a Snyder native, is currently studying at Washington University in St. Louis.

He was to have directed ACU's summer production of "The Merchant of Venice." ACU President, Dr. Royce Money, said it is the school's custom to invite former students to participate in summer shows. However, Money said, though the university appreciates Neblett's "tremendous talent," religious convictions prevent the university from allowing homosexuals to serve in a position of leadership.

Neblett, 23, said the news came as a huge personal blow to him because he was looking forward to the honor of directing a show for his alma mater and because it forced him to tell his family about his homosexuality before he was ready to.

University officials said a new director has been chosen and performances will begin as scheduled on June 16.

Women find it harder to get on front page, survey reveals

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite major news stories this year involving women — the O.J. Simpson murder trial, the death of Rose Kennedy and the slayings of two workers at abortion clinics — front-page references to women are declining, a media research group says.

Front-page references and quotes attributed to females dropped to 19 percent from 25 percent in 1994 based on an annual review of 20 major and small daily newspapers conducted by the group Women, Men and Media.

"Female references were conspicuously missing in front-page stories about the new national political agenda, war and international disasters," which were the most covered stories during the study period, according to the annual survey released Wednesday.

"It's not a deliberate attempt to leave women out, but is plain old sloppy journalism," Nancy Woodhull, co-chairwoman of the group. Woodhull runs her own media consulting firm.

Paul Luthringer, spokesman for the Newspaper Association of America, disagreed. "The fact that women are quoted less than men has nothing to do with the state of journalism, but has more to do with who — male or female — is the first to return a reporter's phone call," he said.

The association represents more than 1,500 newspapers in the United States and Canada.

Women, Men and Media is funded by foundations and media organizations including the Times Mirror Foundation, the Freedom Forum and Capital Cities-ABC Inc.

In television news, the average percentage of women among people interviewed on the nightly newscasts of ABC, CBS and NBC remained the same — 24 percent.

Even with the addition to the survey this year of CNN's nightly news show and public television's "MacNeil-Lehrer NewsHour," the percentage of women interviewed was unchanged. Of the 2,036 people interviewed for the five newscasts, 1,544 — 76 percent — were men, the survey found.

The survey is not scientific. It simply tallies the number of front-page references or TV news interviews of women. It examines newspapers and TV news shows during January and compares them to coverage for the same month a year earlier.

People involved in the project are not sure what's causing the decrease of front-page coverage. But they have theories.

It "reflects a backlash against women in this country," said feminist author Betty Friedan, a co-chairwoman of the project. She contended there are many "angry white men" who are hurt and frustrated by economic problems and that women have become scapegoats.

But former network correspondent Marlene Sanders, now director of program development and career services at Columbia University's graduate school of journalism, has a different theory.

"Women themselves are not seeking out women" to interview, she said.

The survey found that — as in previous years — "it appeared that front-page female reporters did not include female sources any more often than male reporters ... even though female commentary would have been appropriate and female expertise existed."

The Los Angeles Times, according to the survey, had the lowest overall average percentage of female references on its front pages in January — 12 percent. California is the only state in the country with two female senators, Dianne Feinstein and Barbara Boxer. They were mentioned four times on the front page in January, the survey found.

A message left with the newspaper seeking comment was not returned immediately.

Other newspapers surveyed include The New York Times, The Washington Post, the Chicago Tribune, The Beacon-News in Aurora, Ill., and the Enid News and Eagle in Oklahoma.

Nude steakhouse obeys court order

LONGVIEW (AP) — The East Texas Chicken Ranch, a steakhouse featuring nude dancers, has obeyed a court order and closed.

But Herbert "Andy" Anderson, the majority owner of the controversial establishment, said Wednesday he plans to open another sexually oriented business near Gregg County.

Under terms of an agreement with county officials, Anderson can't open another sexually oriented business in the county.

"I am 80 percent sure I am going to open another sexually oriented business pretty close to here in a month," said Anderson, adding that he was in Longview to make sure that the business closed without problems.

Anderson said the new location will be "10 minutes away" from Longview, but he declined to be more specific.

FLUVANNA FOURTH GRADERS — Pictured outside the Fluvanna School, the third and fourth grade classes of 1938-1939 pose with their teacher, Mrs. Hale. Students are: (top row and down the wall) Mrs. Hale, teacher, Billy Noel Wills, Billy Evans, Raymond Montgomery, E.J. Moore, Harley Carmichael, Wallace Jones, Jr., Billy Lee Lavender, Orval Mathis, Bobbie Brown, Carl Turner, Ralph Greeley and A.J. Frizzell. Second row: John R. Hunnicutt, Harold Haynes, Louis Greenfield, Dennis Carl Browning, Allen Hambrick, Joel Johnson, Riley Miller. Third row: Ruth Higgens, Patsy Lee Browning, Lara Lee Cumby, Angie Frizzell, Abbie Flournoy, Rebecca Walker, Vivian Lindsey and Clara Lee Lightfoot. Fourth row: Dewey Brown, Charley Bell Green, Verna Lee Reed, Billie Jean Taylor, Patsy Jones, Mada Ruth Campbell, Berna Dean Freeman, Sharle Hobbs and Althea Hughes. Fluvanna's Homecoming is set for June 9-10. (Contributed Photo)

Rainstorms welcome, but not enough to end border drought

HARLINGEN (AP) — After several bone-dry months, rain has returned to the Rio Grande Valley.

Althought farmers badly needed the rain, not everyone welcomed it. About 200 residences in the border town of Progreso took in water after an 8-inch deluge of rain Monday.

Two nights of thunderstorms have renewed hopes among many drought-suffering farmers, but experts say the water shortage along the border is far from over.

"It takes more than one spate of thunderstorms," Julian Sauls, a horticulturist at Texas A&M University's Agricultural Extension in Weslaco, said Wednesday.

The month of April passed with one-tenth of an inch of rain falling at the National Weather Service station in Brownsville. Only 0.07 of an inch had fallen there in May until thunderstorms hit the Valley this week.

Six inches of rain fell on Mercedes and 5 inches in Raymondville Monday, and several other Valley cities reported more than 3 inches. A faster-moving thunderstorm passed through from the northwest Tuesday night, pouring more than 2 inches of badly needed showers across the Valley.

Low-lying areas around Progeso were flooded, prompting the American Red Cross to rush in at least 30 volunteers to set up an emergency aid station.

Despite the downpours, Brownsville is still 5.5 inches short of its average rainfall for this time of year, weather service meteorologist Tim Speece said.

Much of the rain fell downstream of Falcon Lake and Amistad Reservoir. Those two reservoirs, created by international dams of the Rio Grande, provide the key storage of drinking and irrigation water for more than 2 million people on both sides of the river. Texas and Mexico share the Rio Grande water under a 1944 treaty.

Falcon and Amistad have been dropping since January because of irrigation demands and the drought in northern Mexico and western Texas.

Ken Rakestraw, a staff hydrologist for the International Boundary and Water Commission, said the recent rains in the Valley and the Trans Pecos region of West Texas have reversed that trend — at least temporarily.

"It's going to take a major wet trend or a major tropical storm to recharge the reservoirs," Rakestraw said.

Sentences are upheld

AUSTIN (AP) — The Texas Court of Criminal Appeals has upheld the death sentences of two men, including a 51-year-old Houston man convicted of shooting a police officer in the head.

Carl Wayne Buntion was convicted of the June 1990 murder of 37-year-old James Irby, a popular 18-year veteran of the Houston Police force.

Buntion's appeal, which argued 72 points of error, centered largely on a claim that the trial judge was biased against him and should have recused himself from the case. The appeals court ruled Wednesday that the trial judge had not abused his discretion.

Buntion said in a death row interview that he was sorry for shooting Irby, but insisted he killed the motorcycle officer on June 27, 1990, in self defense.

Irby was shot in the head after he pulled over a car for a traffic violation.

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Astrograph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, June 2, 1995

Conditions that affect your work or career might shift in unusual directions in the year ahead. If you're alert and minding the store, it can be manipulated to your advantage.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Legal documents with complicated clauses should be read carefully today. Do not sign any papers about which you're dubious. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions today by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Keep your guard up today to prevent being drawn into a development initiated by someone else. You could be held accountable for some of the losses.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Independence is an admirable quality, but don't flaunt it today in situations that require teamwork and cooperation. Shape your interests to the needs at hand.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) There are times when it is advantageous to experiment with shortcuts, but this won't be one of those days. Stick to tested, proven procedures.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Pay special attention to social graces today in activities with friends. A loss of respect is possible if you're thoughtless when dealing with pals.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Resist managing the affairs of one who looks to you for guidance today. Your good intentions might hinder rather than help this individual.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Just because a person is knowledgeable in a specific area, doesn't qualify him/her as an expert in everything. Accept advice with discernment today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Although you're not apt to be careless with your resources or possessions today, someone in whom you place your trust might be.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Try not to depend too much upon others in this present cycle. Allies you think are firmly behind you might suddenly switch allegiance.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Try to help others today, but also remain conscious of the complexities of the burdens you assume. They might prove beyond your capabilities.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) One of your closest friends, who has a history of crossing swords with you, might be difficult to deal with again today. Do not let matters get out of hand.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Objectives you establish for yourself today might elude you if the methods you employ to achieve them are complicated and untested. Be consistent, practical and traditional.

A rare metal called gallium has a melting point of only 86 degrees. If you hold a chunk in your hand, it will turn to liquid.

Dear Abby

Wife Ignores Ghosts of Past To Focus on Happy Present

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I felt compelled to write after reading the letter in your column from the woman who had been married a year and found a box of old pictures of her husband and a woman in his past. I think your advice was right on target, Abby!

I got married a year ago to a wonderful, loving man. It was a second marriage for both of us.

While making room to combine two households into his existing home, I ran across a box containing pictures, letters and cards from a woman from his past. I, too, was surprised. But I rationalized that they were long forgotten, so I left them where I found them. A few months later, my husband discreetly discarded them without comment.

I thank my lucky stars that he had the experience he did, because if he hadn't he might not have fallen in love with me.

I can't be jealous or hurt over what he did before he met me. There are a few mementos of his past in our home that I will not touch.

I believe my husband is entitled to cherish these memories, just as I am entitled to silently cherish some memories from my own past.

SECURE IN WISCONSIN

DEAR SECURE: You are a very wise woman. And your husband is a lucky man. May it ever be thus.

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DEAR ABBY: I never dreamed I would be writing to you, but after reading about the wife who found pictures of her husband and an old girlfriend, here I am.

About 15 years ago, my husband owned up to an affair with another woman. He begged me to forgive him and I did; since then, everything has been going smoothly — until recently.

I was looking through his billfold for something else and saw a picture of a woman I had never seen. I am sure she is the woman he had been seeing back then. I doubt that he has seen her since, but I wonder why he's still carrying her picture in his billfold.

Should I confront him about the picture, or just forget about it?

WONDERING

DEAR WONDERING: Don't "confront" him. Casually mention seeing the picture without being angry, hurt or accusatory. And if he doesn't remove it from his wallet, tear it up and casually toss it in the garbage can, I'd be surprised!

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DEAR ABBY: Years ago, I asked the mother of my son's new friend if he was her middle child. She replied, "We have six children, Karen, Wayne, Chris, Beth, Jeff, and Mary, who died in a hiking accident a few years ago." Although I was momentarily speechless, I was touched by the way she handled my question. It opened up our conversation and our understanding of each other.

I think the mother who wrote asking whether to count her son who had recently died could use this approach. It might help her, and it would also help people she meets. They may either offer their sympathy and move on to another topic, or encourage her to talk about her son. Ignoring his existence would be far more painful than talking about him.

KATE O'NEILL,
PENNINGTON, N.J.

DEAR KATE: Your letter echoes what hundreds of mothers have expressed in their letter to me. Thank you for writing.

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

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West Elementary

Students receive awards for 1994-1995

West Elementary students received 1994-1995 awards in May.

A HONOR ROLL

Students recognized for the 1994-1995 school year were:

Joshua Arizamendi, Callie Bane, Charlie Boone, Jennifer Bryan, Sarah Bryant, Melina Campos, Neil Cooper, Claire Cotton, Destini Crawford, Eric DeLeon, Jessica Dea, T'Leah Eicke, Leslie English, Melina Gilbert and Ryan Gibson.

Others were: Whitney Graham, Tim Green, Matthew Grimmett, Jessie Haines, Valery Haines, Austin Haire, Lisa Hall, Leslie Hancock, Jordan Hardin, Kara Harrison, Melissa Hicks, Nicholas Jaquez, Lyndell Lee, Garrett Luft, Cameron Mackey, Levi Mandrell and Dana McCright.

Also included were: Patrick McKamie, Leslie Mitchell, Kimberly Moore, Kristin Murray, Kayla Phillips, Leslye Starnes, Dana Stribling, Tiffany Sutter, Latisha Thamez, Jared Thornhill, Crissida Tyler and Brooke Williams.

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Kindergarten: Krista Dorsett, Ashley Luecke, Lindsey Small; first grade: Seth Cooper, Alyshia Fletcher, Kasey Krop, Tara Kubena, Nathan Lancaster, Amber Luecke, Joey Mendonca, Breanna Talavera and Landry Matthies; sixth grade: Jeremy Bowden, Alma Estrada, Renite Jackson, Matt Jones, David Long, Kimberly Moore, Kayla Phillips, Tara Price, Juliet Rios and Kimberly Vath.

PRESIDENT'S ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Students honored were:

Leslie Hancock, Garrett Luft, Kayla Phillips, Leslye Starnes, Valery Haines, Jessica Dea, Whitney Graham, Cameron Mackey, Sarah Bryant, Dana Stribling, Kimberly Moore, Jared Thornhill, Tiffany Sutter, Austin Haire, Destini Crawford and Claire Cotton.

Others were: Neil Cooper, Lyndell Lee, Jordan Hardin, Tim Green, Nicholas Jaquez, Crissida Tyler, Leslie English, Melissa Hicks, Kara Harrison, Callie Bane, Latisha Thamez, Jesse Haines, Jennifer Bryan, William McKamie and Lisa Hall.

Also honored were: Dana McCright, Brooke Williams, James Smith, Melina Campos, Leslie Mitchell, T'Leah Eicke, Kyle McClendon and Levi Mandrell.

TEXAS STATE MATHEMATICS LEAGUE CONTEST

The following students won:

First, Garrett Luft; second, Zach Allred; third, Jessica Dea; fourth, Leslie Hancock; and fifth, Jared Thornhill.

READING AWARDS

Mrs. Patti Palmer recognized the following students for achievement in reading:

Tyler Baze, Krysta Burleson, Jennifer Campbell, Wes Chandler, Wade Corley, Blake Fenner, Betty Guerrero, Traci Gutierrez, Nikki Howell, Kasey Krop, Nicholas Martinez, Jacky McCann, Jessica McCann, Lindsey Morin and Amanda Murray.

Others included: Kaylynn Orosco, Merissa Pierson, Ryan Realsola, Adam Rivera, Anya Terrasas, Temi Thompson, Jeremy Torrez, Rocky Treat, Adele Vasquez and Dakota Whitely.

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

Early childhood: Bobby Gutierrez and Roseanna Silva; kindergarten: Alyssa Davis, Jordan Lester, Austin Owens and Shannon Mangis; first grade: Blake Seale, Kimberly Bell, Austin Brunson, Breanna Talavera.

Sixth grade: T'Leah Eicke, Stephanie Ervin, Alma Estrada, Whitney Graham, Valery Haines, Austin Haire, Garrett Luft, Levi Mandrell, Brandon McCraw, Pace Millhollon, Jennifer Newman, Kayla Phillips, Leslye Starnes, Crissida Tyler, Brooke Williams and Alicia Whittie.

MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND — Mobil E&P, Salt Creek, has established a memorial scholarship fund at Western Texas College in memory of Michael Avila. From left are Dennis Carlton, student financial aid director; Avila's father, Manuel M. Avila, Mobile maintenance technician, and Mike Crunk. (SDN Staff Photo)

Mobil establishes memorial scholarship fund at college

Mobil E&P U.S., Salt Creek, has established a memorial scholaship fund at Western Texas College in memory of Micheal Avila.

Avila attended Western Texas in 1989-90. His father, Manual M. Avila, is a maintenance technician with Mobil.

The scholarship is to be awarded to a student with a genuine desire for education, said Dennis Carlton, WTC student financial aid director. He said the scholarship will probably be awarded for the first time in the fall of 1996.

The scholarship was announced in a recent meeting of the college scholarship board. It was also announced that an Andy Anderson Memorial Scholarship has been established within the past quarter.

Also, Carlton noted that the college drama department donated receipts from the spring production of "The Importance of Being Ernest" to the Jack Smartt Memorial Scholarship Fund.

Any individual or group interested in establishing a scholarship at Western Texas College is encouraged to contact the financial aid office.

Prisoner forgives Japanese 'voice' after years of hatred

RIVER KWAI, Thailand (AP) — For nearly half a century, World War II veteran Eric Lomax was haunted by a Japanese voice from his torture sessions as a POW. He craved some sort of resolution or revenge.

At age 75, after years of search, the former British soldier finally came face to face with Takashi Nagase, who had interpreted the questions of brutal military policemen as they pumped water into his stomach during excruciating torture sessions.

The 1993 encounter occurred against the backdrop of the River Kwai bridge and the infamous "Death Railway," along which 16,000 Allied prisoners and more than 100,000 Asian slave laborers died of disease and executions.

But instead of venting hatred, Lomax and Nagase grasped one another's hands and shed tears.

"I apologized to him for what we did during the war," Nagase said in an interview last weekend. "Our meeting showed the power of reconciliation after the evil of war."

On his most recent return to the Kwai, the 87th since the war, Nagase joined a British Broadcasting Corp. team filming "A Passage in Time," a docu-drama of war's deep hatreds and final forgiveness to be televised in mid-August on the 50th anniversary of Japan's defeat.

Nagase, a 76-year-old English teacher, says he never committed atrocities, but his life has been a quest for personal and national atonement.

Branded a traitor by many Japanese veterans, Nagase has denounced Japan's conduct in the war and begged forgiveness of former Allied POWs.

In 1976, he organized the first reunion of former prisoners and some of their Japanese captors. He has built a small Buddhist peace shrine at the Kwai and helps needy Thais in the area.

Visiting at least three times a year, Nagase has tracked down and supports the few surviving Asians who bore the brunt of Japan's campaign to cut a railway through thick jungles to move supplies between Thailand and Burma. His motto has been to forgive but not forget.

He says one of his most painful memories is the torturing of Lomax, who was beaten half to death and confined to a tiny cage on suspicion of being a spy.

"He was crying just in front of me for his mother," Nagase recalled.

An enlisted man captured by the Japanese after the fall of Singapore, Lomax never broke under torture and was sent from the Kwai to a prison where he withered away until two U.S. atomic bombs ended the war and probably saved his life.

Nagase said he was also saved by the bombs because he had been ordered to report for regular army duty on Aug. 20, but the war ended five days before that. Had the fighting been prolonged, Nagase is certain he would have had to take part in the planned mass execution of the River Kwai POWs.

Lomax returned home with physical and mental scars. Beset by nightmares and sudden moments of panic he developed an obsession to confront his torturers, and especially the "voice."

Therapy helped, but his search for the past intensified after his retirement. Then in 1991 a friend showed him a newspaper with Nagase's photograph

1 sentenced in drunk driving mishap

TYLER (AP) — A 19-year-old woman was sentenced Wednesday to a second 10-year prison term in connection with a five-car traffic accident in 1993 that killed three children.

Alisha Lockridge pleaded guilty earlier to involuntary manslaughter.

State District Judge Cynthia Kent sentenced Ms. Lockridge to 10 years in prison and fined her $10,000 for one of the deaths. She had received the same sentence a day earlier for another of the deaths.

She will be sentenced Thursday in connection with the third death.

She was charged in the deaths of Dewalla Jones, 11, of Ben Wheeler; and April English, 15, and Ira English, 8, both of Chandler. The Englishes were the Jones girl's cousins.

Police reports say Ms. Lockridge was drunk and that her vehicle was traveling at an "unreasonable speed" when it slammed into a car carrying the children, which was stopped at a traffic signal in front of John Tyler High School in Tyler.

NAACP's former director returns with a new group

WASHINGTON (AP) — Benjamin Chavis returned to the national civil rights scene Wednesday as head of a new organization. It seeks to carry out the quasi-nationalist agenda he espoused but couldn't make stick at the NAACP.

This new entity, the National African American Leadership Summit, formalizes the "unity" summits Chavis began before he was fired as NAACP executive director last year.

The new group will convene at Texas Southern University in Houston on June 9-11 to approve a constitution and bylaws and establish rules for membership, said Chavis, who is the group's national spokesman.

While he has been active in local or regional grassroots activism, Chavis has been out of the national spotlight on civil rights issues since his August 1994 firing.

Chavis originally said he wouldn't create another organization to continue the work he started at the NAACP. But he steadily took steps in that direction by convening two informal summits, one in Baltimore the day after his firing and the other in Chicago last December.

"I am not at the same place I was last year on that question, obviously," Chavis said. "There has been evolving enthusiasm and support. I now believe that NAALS needs to be a permanent organization."

One of the new group's first objectives is to mobilize black men for the Million Man March on Washington, to be held Oct. 16. It also plans to focus on fighting to preserve affirmative action programs, black economic and political empowerment and federal aid to Africa — all elements of Chavis' NAACP agenda.

The Houston meeting will be the first summit at which the new group will operate as an official entity, Chavis said. He denied that the new group seeks to rival the NAACP, but acknowledged he wants to organize those who are frustrated with the NAACP.

The new group is emerging at a time of severe weakness at the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The NAACP is $3.8 million in debt and is struggling to hang onto its corporate donors. It also is hobbled by a split between its 86-year-old integrationist mission and younger potential members who are drawn to black nationalism.

Chavis honed in on those weaknesses. The new group, he said, will not rely on big corporate or philanthropic donations. The leadership summit will boost young people into positions of authority, he said, unlike other groups that "have pushed young people out, or blocked young people from participating and tried to hold them down."

"We're going to have to learn from the mistakes of other organizations," Chavis said. "This is coming from a demand for an organization that will be unapologetic about trying to promote unity among our people."

He was referring to his own struggles at the NAACP when he sought to include Nation of Islam leader Louis Farrakhan in gatherings of mainstream black leaders. He also drew wrath from NAACP board members for secretly meeting with a group of black nationalists, radicals and progressives in March 1994.

That message is likely to attract youth who long to be involved in civil rights but are impeded by a general lack of knowledge about it, said the new group's student coordinator, Michael 3X, a 26-year-old Howard University student. He heads Progressive Education for Black Students, a grassroots organization that advocates Afrocentric education.

"Much like sunlight on a plant, if you do not give love to the young, they will die," he said. "We need the support of the older generation."

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