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Accident kills one

Hardin-Simmons student hit while changing flat

Scurry County recorded one fatal accident over the Fourth of July weekend as a 22-year-old Hardin-Simmons student was killed Sunday on U.S. Hwy. 84 as he was struck by a vehicle as he attempted to change a flat tire.

Scurry County Justice of the Peace Charlie Reynolds pronounced Clayton Corder of Albuquerque, N.M., dead at the scene.

Corder was a student at Hardin-Simmons University in Abilene.

The accident occurred around 4:25 p.m. north of Dermott on U.S. Hwy. 84.

Corder was attempting to change the front left tire on his 1993 Chevrolet Cavalier when he was struck by a 1983 Nissan Sentra traveling southbound and driven by Jerry Black, 36, of Sweetwater.

Black and a passenger in the Nissan, 36-year-old Clarence Conner III, refused treatment at the scene.

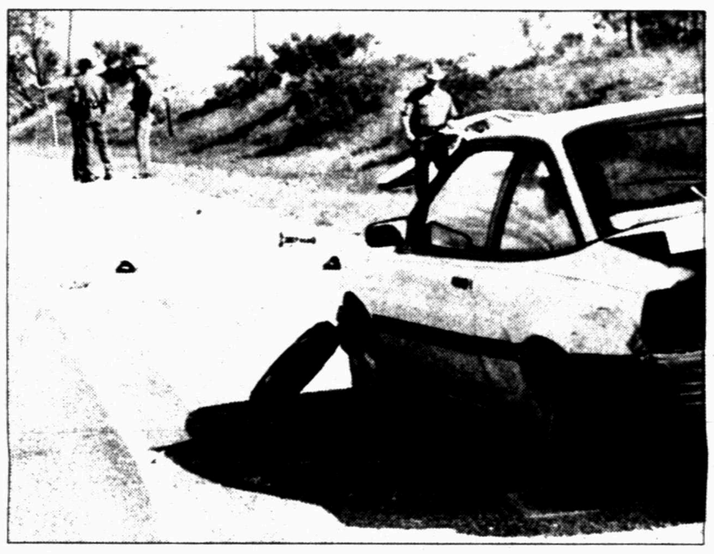
Department of Public Safety Trooper Terry Snyder said there was no evidence that alcohol was involved.

This fatal accident pushed the number of deaths over the Fourth of July holiday to 30 in 22 separate accidents.

The Department of Public Safety had estimated 31 people would die over the holiday period which began at 6 p.m. Friday and continued through midnight Sunday.

The final report on the number of fatalities will be released by the DPS at 3 p.m. today.

The 30 fatalities include five in one accident in Hidalgo County which occurred at 2:30 a.m. Sunday as two vehicles crashed head-on.



FATAL ACCIDENT SCENE — DPS troopers Terry Snyder, left, and Chris Wischkaemper investigate a fatal accident on U.S. Highway 84 which occurred around 4:25 p.m. Sunday some 13 miles northwest of Snyder. Clayton Corder, a 22-year-old Hardin Simmons, student was killed when he was struck by a Nissan Sentra (top) while attempting to change a flat tire on his Chevrolet Cavalier (right). (Staff Photos by Wade Warren)

Clinton embarks on tour of poverty-stricken areas

HAZARD, Ky. (AP) — Going where Wall Street traders never tread, President Clinton is embarking on a four-day tour of some of the nation's poorest areas, bringing a message of hope for the needy and of opportunity for corporate America.

Clinton wants to extend the country's good economic times to its inner cities and rural areas — from Appalachia to Watts — which the administration is selling as an $80 billion untapped market to interested business executives and investors.

"We should have a partnership between government and the private sector that would literally empower people to change the dynamics of their lives in these poor neighborhoods," the president said.

His visit starting today to communities in six states, designed to highlight legislation that would help leverage corporate investment in impoverished areas, has the trappings of a trade mission to Africa or Latin America.

A handful of corporate chieftains are accompanying Clinton and several Cabinet secretaries as they scout out what programs and ideas have helped plant the seeds of growth in regions where the economic boom has yet to take root.

The business leaders and government officials also are delivering specific promises of investment and assistance to areas where Wall Street's wealth has yet to trickle down.

Clinton, accompanied by Agriculture Secretary Dan Glickman and Kentucky Gov. Paul Patton, was touring the Whispering Pines neighborhood of Tyner, Ky., and a small business that is a beneficiary of a Kentucky community development corporation.

In Hazard, First Union National Bank was committing $5 million in small business equity loans in Appalachia; Bell South was announcing a partnership with the Kentucky community college system to place 100 people in technical and customer service jobs; and Bank One was investing $1 million in the new Appalachian Ohio Development Fund, which will provide financing and technical assistance to small businesses.

Aides said Clinton's pitch is a '90s answer to the persistent challenge of poverty. In the 1960s, they said, government offered handouts, while in the 1980s the rich got richer and the less well-off were expected to reap some of the benefits.

Clinton wants to encourage corporations to invest in these "new markets" with an eye on their bottom lines, just as they do in developing countries abroad.

"There's a lot of money to be made out there," he said.

Not everyone is impressed.

Liberal Sen. Paul Wellstone, D-Minn., who two years ago traveled in many of the same areas Clinton will visit, thinks the poverty tour comes too late in the president's administration to make any difference.

"I think the Clinton administration has abandoned many of the most important economic justice concerns," Wellstone said. "I'd say it's a little late."

Today's stop was a good example of the hardscrabble lives some Americans lead.

15 workers injured in plant blast

GRAMERCY, La. (AP) — A series of explosions heard for miles shook an aluminum plant early today, injuring at least 15 workers and spraying a caustic chemical over the area.

Authorities told residents to stay indoors and close their windows.

No one was killed in the blast at the Kaiser Aluminum and Chemical Co. plant, said state police Sgt. William Davis.

The explosions at about 5:15 a.m. occurred in a part of the plant where electricity is generated and where bauxite, a reddish and clay-like aluminum ore, is mixed with a liquid form of sodium hydroxide, a caustic chemical.

The blasts awakened people living miles from the plant, broke windows several miles away and knocked dishes off shelves.

"I thought it was a jet airplane explosion," said Leon Millet, who lives about two miles away.

The blasts sent a cloud of the bauxite-sodium hydroxide mixture into the air, and state police Lt. Mike Edmonson said some of it landed in residential yards within a mile of the plant.

Authorities warned people not to touch the material, which can burn the skin.

Everyone was accounted for at the plant 40 miles west of New Orleans, and none of the injuries was considered life-threatening, Edmonson said.

WAITING THEIR TURN — These bicyclers wait their turn to enter the line-up during Saturday's Fourth of July parade in Towle Park. There were over 50 entries in the parade. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Suspect in shooting spree apparently killed himself

SALEM, Ill. (AP) — A white supremacist who targeted minorities in a deadly Fourth of July weekend shooting spree in two states fatally shot himself as officers grappled with him after a chase, investigators said.

Benjamin Nathaniel Smith, 21, was being pursued Sunday after he carjacked a van at gunpoint in rural Marion County, Ill., said Doug Garrison, an FBI spokesman in Indianapolis. No one was hurt in the carjacking.

Marion County Sheriff Gerald L. Benjamin said today that Smith apparently shot and wounded himself twice as officers pursued the van in a slow-speed chase. The van then crashed and Smith shot himself a third time when he was struggling with sheriff's deputies. He said that the final shot appears to have hit Smith in the chest.

"All the shots were fired by him," Benjamin said.

"I'm glad it's over," he added. "I feel sorry for his parents and the victims and their relatives. I don't know what caused this but it's very sad."

Authorities believe Smith began his drive-by killing spree in Chicago on Friday, when a black former college basketball coach was fatally shot and six Orthodox Jews were wounded.

The shooter also fired at Asians and blacks in two Illinois cities, on Saturday, seriously wounding one man, and fatally shot a Korean man Sunday outside a church in Bloomington, Ind., police said.

Two guns found with Smith were consistent with the shootings and the body had a tattoo on the chest that said "Sabbath Breaker" — which Smith was said to have sported.

"It looks like our guy," Garrison said, adding that the FBI must double-check the fingerprints of the body with those of Smith's to make sure. Authorities also were attempting today to trace the source of the guns.

Smith was a member of the World Church of the Creator, a white supremacist organization, and distributed anti-minority and anti-Semitic literature while a student at Indiana University.

The church, based in East Peoria, Ill., is led by Matt Hale, who said Smith was a member from June 1998 until May, 1999 and never showed any predilection for violence.

"When I spoke to him he never gave any inkling of being able to do this," Hale said before Smith apparently took his life.

The FBI had not been investigating Smith until the last couple of days.

"He was known to police in Chicago and police in Bloomington but not to the FBI," Ken Kaiser, special agent in charge of FBI, said today. Witnesses did not see anyone with Smith, but the investigation into whether he acted alone was continuing, Kaiser said.

Harlan Loeb, Midwest counsel for the Anti-Defamation League, said his organization has had Smith "on our radar screen for quite some time, which is particularly tragic for someone so young."

Bloomington Police Chief Jim Kennedy said officers had questioned him twice at his apartment in the past, related to the pamphlets he was passing out, because some people had complained about them.

"The biggest thing we could've arrested him for was littering," Kennedy said.

The gunman struck outside a synagogue in Chicago on Friday evening, the start of the Jewish Sabbath. The same shooter is believed to have killed Ricky Byrdsong, the black former basketball coach at Northwestern University, a half-hour later as he walked with his children in nearby Skokie, and later fired at an Asian-American couple in the suburb of Northbrook.

Commissioners to meet Tuesday

Scurry County Commissioners Court will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday with four items of business to consider.

In two items of old business, the court will consider approving the 1998 fiscal year audit presented by Condley & Company and consider the transfer of approximately 1.5 acres of land to the City of Snyder.

Consideration will also be given to granting Cogdell Memorial Hospital permission to donate outdated medical supplies to Snyder Rotary Club.

The court is also expected to approve a long distance service company.

ASK US

Q—If the economy is so bad in Snyder, how can the school district give paraprofessionals a $3,000 raise?

A—That group should not have been listed as receiving a $3,000 raise. Their raises will be based on percentages of teacher salaries, and raises will range from $1,260 to $2,700.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 94 degrees; low; 73; high Sunday, 92 degrees; low, 69; 7 a.m. Monday, 70; no precipitation; total for 1999, 13.59 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy. Low around 70. SE wind 5-15 mph. Tuesday, partly cloudy. High 90-95. SE wind 10-20 mph.

Dustin Murdock
Sunny

Sunset: 8:52 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:45 a.m.
Of 185 days in 1999, the sun has shone 178 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Pursue worthy aims."

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9 feared dead in boat collision

BAYPORT, Minn. (AP) — Up to nine people are feared dead after a weekend collision between two speedboats on the St. Croix River, authorities say.

Divers pulled a third body from the murky waters on Sunday evening after two pieces of boat debris found on the river bottom helped searchers locate the crash site. Two other bodies were recovered from the river on Saturday.

It remains unclear how many people were aboard the two pleasure boats, but officials said up to six people remain missing.

"The percentages aren't very good that someone survived," said Washington County Sheriff Jim Frank.

Divers were to resume their search again today.

Standing: Amy Harless, Stephanie Buchanan, Kaila Barbee-Bethel, Julie Sterling-McMullan and Leonard Tovar. Seated: Amanda Compton, Randy Green and Carolyn Barbee

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API SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS — The API annual golf tournament held June 5 benefitted area seniors who received scholarships. The local chapter gave away $15,000 this year. API Scholarship recipients are front row: Holly Goebel, $2,000; Ashley Grimmett, $1,000; Laurie Kerley, $1,000; Jennifer Roemisch, $2,000; back row: Jeffery Knowles, $1,000; Nickolas Means, $1,000; Dusty Ashby, $1,000. Not pictured are Lina Alvarez, $2,000; Sam Bedell, $1,000; Starla Davis, $1,000; Reid Johnson, $1,000; Cory Mandrell, $1,000. (Contributed Photo)

Scurry County Rainfall Since 1911

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Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total
1912	*	1.90	.77	.72	1.68	2.54	1.30	.76	.80	2.80	*	1.12	14.39
1913	.25	.58	1.57	2.48	1.52	2.44	2.58	.24	2.44	3.45	3.79	3.05	24.39
1914	.22	.04	1.04	4.06	2.59	4.78	3.03	5.54	1.22	3.58	1.59	1.27	28.96
1915	.22	.83	1.00	8.03	2.25	2.70	.50	4.48	5.40	3.77	**	.82	30.09
1916	.15	*	.34	3.58	1.67	.65	1.40	.49	1.52	2.00	.76	.05	12.61
1917	.34	*	.34	.88	.99	.83	1.04	2.18	1.53	**	.02	*	08.15
1918	.32	.57	.21	.45	2.46	1.14	**	.34	1.20	3.73	.62	1.28	12.32
1919	.99	.21	3.43	3.45	2.19	3.72	1.82	2.93	3.20	5.63	1.13	**	28.70
1920	1.08	.25	**	**	4.66	4.01	.50	11.27	2.37	1.55	.22	*	25.91
1921	.13	.96	1.05	.30	.87	7.05	.70	.40	3.15	.70	*	.03	15.34
1922	.58	.02	1.20	7.43	5.19	4.48	.05	1.75	**	.93	1.65	**	23.28
1923	.40	2.25	2.05	4.28	.75	2.40	.93	2.10	2.00	6.88	3.15	1.30	28.55
1924	**	.05	1.15	4.34	4.27	.45	.57	1.55	1.40	2.00	**	*	15.78
1925	.40	**	**	2.75	4.26	.25	1.13	2.47	5.00	3.55	**	**	19.81
1926	.75	*	1.98	4.20	3.10	1.47	1.91	4.35	2.59	3.60	1.10	3.30	28.35
1927	1.25	1.20	.90	1.83	.70	3.05	6.35	3.85	5.30	.05	*	.50	25.85
1928	.40	.80	.40	.27	5.35	1.17	5.87	2.82	.98	.35	1.52	.28	20.21
1929	.60	*	1.99	1.05	3.97	.50	2.76	.61	2.51	1.61	.52	.10	16.22
1930	1.02	*	.27	4.05	5.00	2.52	.10	1.67	.25	4.95	1.85	1.25	22.95
1931	1.40	1.15	.57	1.62	1.30	1.10	1.74	.18	.13	5.35	1.80	1.80	18.14
1932	1.78	3.01	.05	2.25	3.57	3.12	1.12	5.79	10.60	.43	*	4.10	35.82
1933	.20	1.63	.70	.10	2.30	.02	3.60	1.90	**	2.63	1.20	1.13	15.46
1934	.35	.22	2.70	.56	.65	.30	.21	1.25	1.58	.24	2.69	.03	10.78
1935	.05	1.03	1.61	.42	4.07	4.09	4.58	.21	2.54	1.79	2.11	.67	23.13
1936	.64	1.12	.44	1.03	2.40	.33	.92	**	9.01	1.79	.77	.67	18.06
1937	.17	.25	1.36	.06	4.25	1.55	1.45	2.38	1.76	.44	.68	1.03	15.40
1938	1.55	3.51	1.73	1.00	3.35	2.76	3.51	.12	.94	1.22	.84	.06	20.59
1939	2.42	.20	1.00	.29	6.38	7.46	.65	2.28	*	1.66	1.09	.71	24.14
1940	.22	1.50	.32	1.44	1.37	2.81	.30	3.51	.78	.49	2.63	.29	15.66
1941	.91	2.04	2.20	4.85	5.97	5.39	6.70	2.66	2.37	9.81	.21	.91	44.02
1942	.14	.09	.54	1.50	1.10	1.48	2.56	6.35	3.59	3.61	1.80	1.50	24.26
1943	.15	**	1.30	.60	4.37	2.17	.19	.05	.37	.25	1.31	1.49	12.25
1944	.83	1.84	.20	.69	7.34	1.11	6.04	1.13	2.22	1.05	2.49	2.41	27.35
1945	1.20	.36	1.25	1.03	1.45	2.51	5.44	3.00	2.60	4.02	.34	.48	23.68
1946	1.53	*	.53	.41	3.49	2.42	.04	1.52	.97	2.71	.75	2.60	16.97
1947	.30	*	.92	.36	6.64	2.13	.80	1.06	1.77	.37	1.81	1.60	17.76
1948	.21	1.98	.06	.29	4.38	1.67	7.30	*	*	2.55	*	*	18.44
1949	2.30	.47	.23	3.22	3.69	3.70	1.04	1.94	2.32	1.82	*	.55	21.28
1950	.40	.66	*	2.55	7.37	2.00	3.03	.98	4.20	**	*	**	21.19
1951	.14	.67	.30	1.06	1.42	1.57	.80	1.42	2.36	.48	**	.04	10.26
1952	.12	.18	.80	2.19	1.60	*	3.18	1.85	2.42	*	1.89	.90	15.13
1953	.15	.48	1.17	1.75	.66	.08	1.73	3.30	.98	3.70	.10	.15	14.25
1954	.30	.03	.10	2.93	3.55	1.20	.18	.81	**	.64	.55	.07	10.36
1955	.46	.18	.39	.21	6.21	1.40	3.21	.61	1.59	3.39	.10	*	17.75
1956	.19	.11	*	2.97	2.50	.45	1.88	.24	*	1.77	.28	1.01	11.40
1957	.53	2.80	.16	3.61	7.13	2.29	2.93	.82	1.38	1.52	2.83	.04	26.04
1958	1.01	1.11	.94	3.72	2.73	2.32	.55	2.06	1.44	2.41	.55	*	18.84
1959	**	.21	1.03	.97	2.46	6.95	5.05	.37	.57	2.23	.20	1.22	21.22
1960	1.40	.28	.02	.28	.97	.47	6.28	2.56	.35	3.40	*	1.18	17.16
1961	1.87	.54	.66	.71	2.12	5.90	3.63	.26	2.95	2.22	3.36	.56	24.79
1962	.01	*	.60	1.16	.22	5.16	2.23	1.36	6.47	2.30	.69	.81	21.01
1963	**	.23	.43	1.16	3.05	2.46	.17	.47	1.63	1.15	2.21	1.13	14.09
1964	1.15	.25	.57	.04	2.07	2.72	.94	.88	1.70	1.34	.71	.57	12.94
1965	.15	.46	.03	.29	7.21	3.20	1.21	3.14	1.05	2.11	.40	.41	19.66
1966	.72	.55	.47	4.51	.91	3.32	.68	5.20	1.98	1.04	.15	*	19.48
1967	*	.14	1.59	.47	.10	8.44	1.58	.94	3.19	1.91	.91	.57	19.64
1968	2.19	1.68	2.02	3.39	2.90	1.60	1.44	.87	.74	.37	3.30	.19	20.63
1969	*	.40	1.24	1.01	5.72	2.46	.70	.55	2.95	3.65	.62	1.98	21.28
1970	*	1.15	2.25	1.31	3.30	1.40	*	.50	2.11	2.42	*	.26	14.70
1971	*	.49	*	.56	3.77	2.02	1.78	16.7	4.0	3.62	.27	.45	33.66
1972	*	.05	*	3.35	2.95	1.03	1.07	7.60	7.59	6.25	.29	.03	30.21
1973	2.09	2.47	3.19	1.25	1.12	2.07	.87	*	4.14	.29	*	*	17.49
1974	.19	.35	.50	2.32	.62	2.37	.10	6.41	0.24	5.80	.65	1.08	28.61
1975	.33	2.04	.15	.31	3.33	1.14	6.24	2.43	5.38	.58	2.36	1.01	25.30
1976	.02	*	.31	4.79	1.09	.56	6.16	.45	5.30	6.69	.12	*	25.49
1977	.58	.63	1.77	3.81	1.35	4.03	4.71	5.38	.07	.37	.30	.09	23.09
1978	.46	1.28	.11	.15	7.37	2.70	1.01	1.79	5.68	1.84	.86	*	23.25
1979	.62	.68	1.26	.17	3.88	3.02	4.05	2.73	.02	.44	1.19	2.40	20.46
1980	.50	.53	.48	.59	5.77	1.94	.96	.60	11.91	.44	.55	1.43	25.70
1981	.56	.70	.59	6.60	1.51	3.08	1.53	.81	.58	3.27	.70	.16	20.09
1982	.68	.35	.81	2.25	8.04	6.59	2.71	1.19	.52	.28	1.48	1.72	26.62
1983	2.91	.43	.47	1.17	3.11	1.37	.42	1.22	.20	4.33	1.06	.10	16.79
1984	.52	.01	.30	*	.81	1.75	1.76	2.0	2.70	4.15	1.78	2.40	18.19
1985	.10	1.06	2.71	4.55	5.28	2.30	3.16	.18	2.96	4.79	.36	*	27.45
1986	.19	.35	.29	1.19	3.73	3.98	3.58	3.89	3.88	6.53	.71	1.88	30.20
1987	.18	2.82	.15	.71	7.76	3.17	1.35	*	1.96	.06	.05	.92	19.13
1988	.25	.55	.77	1.06	1.61	1.20	3.81	4.51	1.02	5.52	.22	.72	21.24
1989	.76	1.72	.19	.53	.48	2.95	.11	2.71	1.21	.82	.03	.16	11.67
1990	1.14	1.90	3.11	4.20	.19	.21	5.69	4.16	5.30	1.60	1.57	1.42	30.49
1991	1.64	*	*	.19	3.68	5.83	4.10	1.90	5.16	2.21	.93	4.27	29.91
1992	1.81	4.48	.56	1.61	6.04	3.87	2.43	2.07	.95	*	2.10	1.79	27.71
1993	.96	.80	1.25	1.83	1.25	3.32	1.58	1.27	1.55	1.83	.46	.19	16.29
1994	.53	.47	.11	.81	3.40	*	.54	.23	2.76	2.16	.41	.79	12.21
1995	.81	.90	1.29	.48	6.40	1.93	.88	1.23	5.11	.64	.12	.19	19.98
1996	.21	*	.39	1.33	.29	2.75	1.22	3.33	2.82	1.10	4.80	*	18.24
1997	.42	4.48	.18	5.55	2.07	6.74	.31	1.52	.68	1.25	0.36	2.13	25.69
1998	1.20	1.56	2.03	.21	.31	.26	.18	.76	.02	1.43	2.28	0.26	10.50
1999	.95	0	1.74	2.12	1.55	7.23							
Avg.	.65	.83	.87	1.88	3.12	3.15	2.10	2.17	2.48	2.30	.98	.84	20.84

Banning flag burning...

Former Marine collects flags but doesn't favor amendment

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Ex-Marine Kit Hinrichs, a collector of hundreds of flags since childhood, would never burn his beloved Stars and Stripes. But he thinks others should have that right.

"You can't force people to respect the flag," said the former Eagle Scout as he stood before a flag with 45 stars which dates back to when Teddy Roosevelt was a Rough Rider.

He also believes other controversial forms of political protest should be allowed, including burning a cross.

"But I do get upset when I see the Ku Klux Klan using the flag as if only it can be patriotic," Hinrichs said.

Hinrichs, who has 300 American flags among a collection of 2,500 Old Glory items, belongs to an ad hoc group called Veterans Defending the Bill of Rights.

The organization of about 400 members sprang up on the Internet to fight legislation that bans desecration of the U.S. flag. Some funding comes from the American Civil Liberties Union, said spokeswoman Rita Marcus.

"I get mail from people who assume I'd be for the flag burning amendment," said Hinrichs, a graphic designer and partner in Pentagram Design Inc., which has produced logos for such companies as Muzak and Gymboree.

That wouldn't be an unreasonable assumption about a man who served in the Marine Corps reserve from 1963-1969.

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Oil Patch News

Garza County

HAT Oil and Gas Inc. has completed the No.1-C Crooked Stick in the Rocker A south field, four miles southwest of Justiceburg. The well was finaled to produce 26 barrels of oil and 115 barrels of water. Perforations were from 3,030-3,310 feet, and location is in Section 89, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Patterson Petroleum Inc. will drill the No. 1 Kim, a 5,200-foot wildcat located nine miles south of Post. Drill site is in Section 18, Block 2, T&NO survey.

Kent County

Woods Operating Inc. will drill the No. 1 Tidwell, a 7,300-foot wildcat located 11 miles northwest of Jayton. Location is in Section 114, Block 1, H&GN survey.

Howard County

Anadarko Petroleum Corporation will drill the No. 2716 Susie B. in the Snyder field, seven miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned for a depth of 3,500 feet, location is in Section 27, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 2059 Susie B. in the Snyder field, five miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned depth is 3,500 feet, and location is in Section 20, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 2013 Susie B. in the Snyder field, five miles southeast of Coahoma. Contracted for 3,500 feet, location is in Section 20, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Fisher County

ACT Operating will drill the No. 5604 Butler, a 7,000-foot wildcat located six miles southwest of Longworth. Location is in Section 56, Block Y, T&P survey.

ACT Operating will drill the No. 5605 Butler, a 7,000-foot wildcat located six miles southwest of Longworth. Drill site is in Section 56, Block Y, T&P survey.

Bettis Boyle and Stovall will drill the No. 1-A Willingham, a 4,500-foot wildcat located 15 miles west of Roby. Drill site is in Section 67, Block 3, H&TC survey.

Nolan County

Sinclair Oil Corporation will drill the No. 1-A Dyess, a 5,750-foot wildcat located 15 miles southeast of Sweetwater. Location is in Section 1, Block Z, T&P survey.

Sinclair Oil will drill the No. 3 Holt in the R.E.H. field, 15 miles southeast of Sweetwater. Planned for a depth of 5,000 feet, location is in Section 1,Block Z, T&P survey.

Community Calender

MONDAY

Al-Anon, Snyder Park Club; noon

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

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

Manic Depression (Bipolar) support group; Family Life Community Church, 904 26th Street; 7 p.m.

Scurry County AA; closed meeting; Park Club; for more information, call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church, 5200 Trinity Blvd.; for more information call for Nathalie at 573-0015; 5 p.m. weigh-in.

Just for Today NA, closed meeting; for information call 573-0949. 573-4238 pr 573-8010; 6 p.m.

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

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5 to 6 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

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

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-4203, 573-8018 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; horseshoe courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 3 p.m.

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

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

New Horizons AA, closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; senior Citizens Center; 9;30 to 11 a.m.

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-9742.

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

Scurry County AA closed meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information cal 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

Just For Today NA open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County AA open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 10 a.m. p.m.

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

TV schedule refutes man's alibi night before bombing

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — A former Ku Klux Klansman suspected in a 1963 church bombing in Birmingham, Ala., that killed four black girls claims he was home watching wrestling on TV the night before the blast, when investigators believe the dynamite was planted.

The Clarion-Ledger of Jackson reported Sunday there was no such program on the air in Birmingham at that time.

Bobby Frank Cherry, 69, is among suspects who have been questioned in a reopened investigation into the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church explosion. He has repeatedly denied any involvement.

The explosion killed Addie Mae Collins, Carole Robertson and Cynthia Wesley, all 14, and Denise McNair, 11, as they were preparing for church services on a Sunday morning. The powerful explosives blew down an outside wall of the church.

In an interview with the Clarion-Ledger at his Texas home, Cherry said he was at a Birmingham sign shop — several blocks from the church — the night before the bombing, but left about 9:45 p.m. to get home to watch live studio wrestling on WBRC-TV. The retired truck driver said the 10 p.m. program was a Saturday-night ritual for him.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Large-Print Menus a Bright Idea For Senior Restaurant Patrons

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I recently went to visit my widowed, elderly father in Florida. Like many elderly, his eyesight is not what it once was. He suffers from macular degeneration and has trouble reading small print. What disturbed me so was the fact that he could no longer go to restaurants because he couldn't read the menu.

Why don't restaurants print menus in large print? I'm not suggesting that all of their menus be that way, only to have some on hand for people who would like them.

Abby, my father is not alone — his friends are not going to restaurants either. They're embarrassed. I asked him why they don't ask the restaurants to provide large-print menus. He said they would laugh at him. I felt awful.

Please, Abby, be the voice of the elderly once again. These people have a lot of spendable cash, and it wouldn't hurt the restaurants to cater to this large group of people. We're all going to be there one day.

A word to the restaurant association would be appreciated by many.

MILDRED, A LOVING AND CONCERNED DAUGHTER IN ILLINOIS

DEAR MILDRED: I'm pleased to pass the word along, but a person doesn't have to be elderly to have trouble reading small print; being over the age of 40 is usually enough. Large-print menus are an excellent suggestion — and while I'm at it, a clever restaurateur should be willing to keep a few pairs of reading glasses on hand as well as a couple of flashlights in case the ambient lighting isn't enough.

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DEAR ABBY: Our 15-year-old daughter is grounded. My husband gave the punishment of one week off the phone, which I felt was appropriate. After one day of no phone calls, she asked to get on the Internet to check her e-mail. Her dad said no, because the Internet requires a phone line so that's considered the phone.

I told him I did not agree. I feel that if he takes away the Internet that it is considered another punishment. Rather than argue, we decided to let you decide, and both of us will abide by your decision for future disciplinary action.

OAK HILL, W.VA., MOM

DEAR WEST VIRGINIA MOM: I vote with your husband. The purpose of the punishment was to give your daughter a week of "quiet time" to rethink the actions that led to her being disciplined in the first place.

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DEAR ABBY: I would like to share this information with your readers so they may start this great act of charity at their places of worship.

At our church, many of the children bring nonperishable food from home and put it into big baskets on the altar while the collection baskets are passed around. The food is then distributed to local food banks. The children enjoy doing it, and they learn the meaning of sharing and helping others in need.

KIM IN SAVAGE, MINN.

DEAR KIM: That is an idea worth emulating — and thank you for it. I'm sure that many churches, in many denominations, will find it worth considering.

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Date Book

Monday, July 5, 1999

Today is the 186th day of 1999 and the 15th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1865, the Salvation Army was founded, in London, by William Booth.

On this day in 1946, the French designer Louis Reard presented his atomic-age swimsuit for women, the bikini, at a Parisian fashion show.

On this day in 1986, first lady Nancy Reagan presided at a ceremony celebrating the restoration and reopening of the Statue of Liberty.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: P.T. Barnum (1810-1891), showman; Jean Cocteau (1889-1963), writer-filmmaker; Henry Cabot Lodge Jr. (1902-1985), U.S. politician; Georges Pompidou (1911-1974), French statesman; Katherine Helmond (1934-), actress, is 65; Robbie Robertson (1944-), musician-composer, is 55; James Lofton (1956-), football player, is 43.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1980, Bjorn Borg defeated John McEnroe to win his fifth consecutive Wimbledon victory. The score was 1-6, 7-5, 6-3, 6-7, 8-6.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Example is the school of mankind, and they will learn at no other." — Edmund Burke

TODAY'S MOON: Day before last quarter (July 6).

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

	North 07-05-99 ♠ Q J 9 ♥ K 10 4 ♦ 10 5 2 ♣ A K 6 3	
West ♠ A 6 4 3 ♥ 8 3 ♦ K Q J 9 ♣ 9 7 4		East ♠ 7 ♥ 9 7 6 2 ♦ A 8 7 4 ♣ 10 8 5 2
	South ♠ K 10 8 5 2 ♥ A Q J 5 ♦ 6 3 ♣ Q J	

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: North

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

Opening lead: ♦ K

Extra trump tricks for the defense

By Phillip Alder

Last week, we looked at some of the declarer-play techniques in suit contracts. Yet the defenders are also trying to generate extra trump tricks. These might come from simple ruffs or from trump-promotion plays. However, first let's look at wresting trump control from declarer.

How do you steal trump control? By having more trumps than declarer. Sometimes the deal begins that way — declarer is walking into a really bad trump break. More often, though, the defender with the trump length must do some careful maneuvering. The first stage is to try to make declarer ruff, thus reducing his trump length.

In this deal, West leads three rounds of diamonds against four spades. After South ruffs, he is down to four trumps, the same number as West.

Declarer immediately attacks spades. How should West continue the defense?

If West grabs an early trump trick — the first or second — and leads his last diamond, declarer will ruff in the dummy. Then, he will play a club to his queen, draw West's remaining trumps, and claim.

West must hold up his trump ace for the first two rounds. Then, when declarer sees East discard, he knows his number is up. If South plays a third trump, denuding dummy of trumps, West wins with the ace and leads his last diamond, forcing declarer's final trump and establishing the spade six. Alternatively, if South switches to the side suits, West will get a ruff with that spade six. Either way, the defenders get four tricks from two spades and two diamonds.

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AG Cornyn to give opinion on request for access to data

DENTON, Texas (AP) — Attorney General John Cornyn has been asked to give his opinion on a newspaper's request for access to records produced and received daily by a county commissioners' court judge.

The Denton County district attorney's office wants Cornyn to decide whether County Judge Kirk Wilson must comply with the Denton Record-Chronicle's request to regularly review letters, memos, directives and any other records that appear in Wilson's daily office mail stream.

In a letter to Cornyn, Assistant District Attorney Tom Keever said the newspaper is asking for too much.

"We maintain that the Public Information Act does not require a governmental body, public information officer, or custodian of records to provide access to, or inspection and/or copying of public information on the broad, all-inclusive basis as being requested by the Record-Chronicle," Keever wrote.

The North Texas newspaper has made 17 requests for Wilson's records since June 7.

Police wonder why cop wasn't arrested

DALLAS (AP) — Police here are trying to determine why an officer with documented alcohol problems dating back seven years wasn't arrested after his patrol car slammed into the rear of another vehicle.

Wade Smith disputes that he was drunk on duty on that August 1998 night, but a police traffic investigator said he smelled alcohol on Smith, watched him stumble and heard his slurred speech.

However, patrol supervisors took Smith to headquarters where they pushed for an internal investigation that could lead to discipline but not criminal charges, records and interviews reviewed by The Dallas Morning News show.

"It smells terribly of a cover-up," police Sgt. Kirk Fulmer, a traffic section supervisor who was present that night and whose investigators wanted a criminal investigation, told the newspaper in today's editions. "I don't know Wade Smith personally, but we are not talking Officer of the Year material here."

Smith was fired but not prosecuted after the collision with a car waiting at a red light near Deep Ellum. The 31-year-old officer, who was in uniform and driving a marked car, had a blood-alcohol content several hours later that tested at more than twice the legal limit.

Two central operations division sergeants involved in the first investigation were reprimanded and transferred to night duty at the Dallas County jail. The deputy chief who finally decided against a criminal investigation, over recommendations of internal investigators and another deputy chief, received a letter of reprimand.

Smith told the newspaper that he accepts responsibility for his problems, but questions how the department deals with officers with alcohol problems.

Sgt. Beverly Hendley, Smith's immediate supervisor, and Sgt. Jack Means, former president of the Dallas Police Patrolmen's Union, told the officer less than a month before the crash they believed he had a drinking problem. The newspaper said the problem dated back to 1992.

Rare strain of E. coli blamed for ill students

FORT WORTH (AP) — Health officials have confirmed that a rare strain of the E. coli bacteria was the mysterious bug that sickened at least 58 students and instructors during a drill team camp last month at the University of North Texas.

Now that the strain — E. coli O111:NM — has been found, the investigation is focusing where it came from, said Texas Health Department epidemiologist Brad Walsh.

A likely source for the bacteria is raw or undercooked food, he said.

Federal officials will be notified of the discovery of the rare E. coli strain, which has been reported sporadically in the United States, Walsh said.

"It has never been found to cause an outbreak in the U.S. before," he said. "This will begin to alert folks at the federal level. If we find a pathogen that is rare in the U.S. ... it has implications for food policy. We have to figure out where it came from."

The strain is similar to a more common strain, E. coli O157:H7, that killed more than a dozen people on the West Coast six years ago, health officials said.

E. coli is a bacteria commonly found in healthy humans and animals. Most strains do not cause problems, but a mutated strain can cause severe stomach illness. Symptoms include diarrhea, vomiting, nausea and cramping.

One of the two people hospitalized with kidney problems after the camp, a 16-year-old student at Colleyville Heritage High School, was released Saturday from Baylor Medical Center at Dallas, hospital officials said. While at the hospital, she underwent kidney dialysis.

Information about the second person hospitalized with kidney problems, an unidentified instructor who has been at Medical City Dallas, was unavailable.

More than 700 students from 36 schools, including some from Kansas and Oklahoma, attended the June 9-11 camp. Most of the people who became sick have recovered, officials said.

E. coli, commonly associated with undercooked hamburger meat, also can be transmitted through unpasteurized juices and unwashed crops such as lettuce and cantaloupes. Food also can be infected by handlers who do not wash their hands after using the restroom.

Investigators have found no overt health risks at the University of North Texas cafeteria, Kerr Hall, where many camp attendees ate, Walsh said.

"I have been up there for a week and I have to say they have been very careful about things," Walsh told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "They made reasonable decisions about food products."

Health officials in Fort Worth and Austin, and at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta, have been involved in the investigation of the camp illnesses.

Some teachers doubt pay raises will come through

DALLAS (AP) — Some public school teachers fear that $3,000 pay raises approved by the state won't come through and administrators who've heard that same concern say they're working to fulfill the promise.

Districts could use the money earmarked by the Texas Legislature in lieu of scheduled raises or spend the funds on other items, the employees say.

"We've heard rumors of that from teachers," Larry Shaw, executive director of United Educators Association, told The Dallas Morning News in today's editions. "But administrators know good and well that there's no wiggle room."

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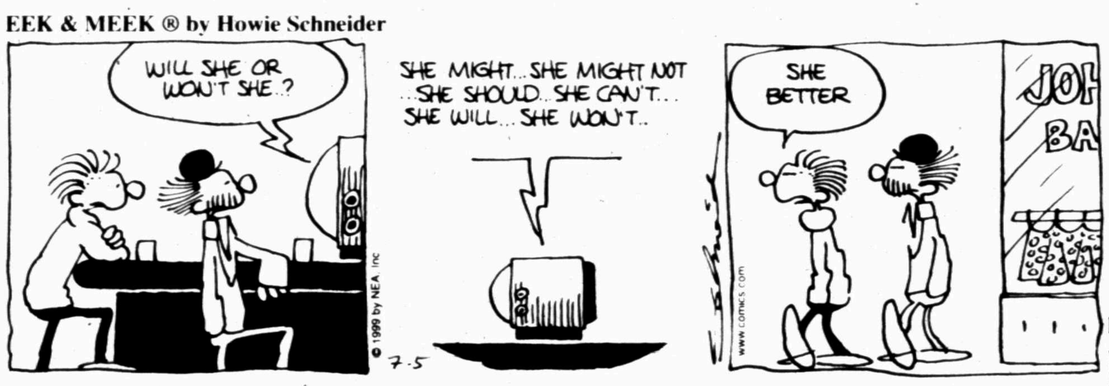

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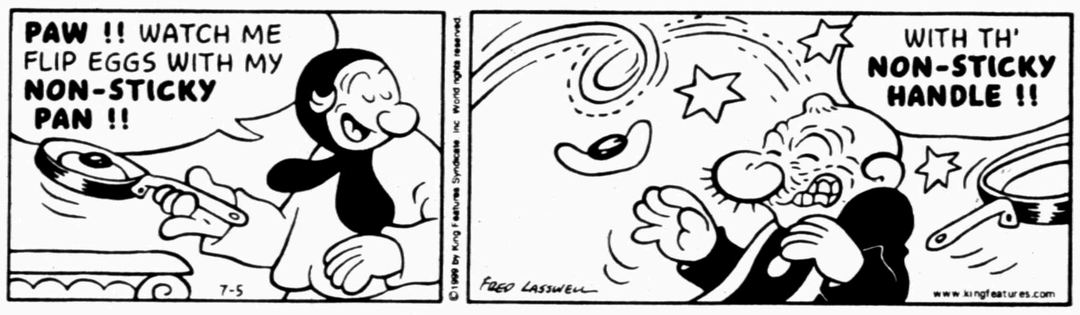

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Unsoiled
6 TV's talking horse (2 wds.)
10 New York City area
12 Laborer
14 — down (inverted)
15 Motorcyclist's need
16 Colo. time
17 Native of (suff.)
19 "Jane —"
20 Drinking cup
23 Explicit
26 Ear (comb. form)
27 Women's —
30 Comedian Phil —
32 Incorporate
34 Complete agreement
35 Actress Luise —
36 "Gosh!"
37 Actor Mineo
39 Water nymph
40 Type of dancer
42 Bill of fare
45 Ore. summer time
46 African native
49 Noon
51 Mass of lymphoid tissue
54 Detected
55 Debonair
56 Chair
57 Ballroom dance

DOWN

1 Pal
2 Race circuits
3 Formerly, once
4 Actress MacGraw
5 Composer Rorem
6 A Stooge
7 Ired
8 Full of shade trees
9 Antelope's playmate, in a song
11 Chicken chow —
12 Movie —
13 Map abbr.
18 Boxing-victory abbr.
20 Paving substances
21 Songlike
22 Some Italians
23 Locomotive sound
24 Narrow road
25 A Great Lake
27 Entertainer Anderson
28 Mental image
29 Antarctic explorer
31 Cracked
33 Favoritism
38 Atty.'s deg.
40 City in Oklahoma
41 — —, Brute
42 Alps and Rockies (abbr.)
43 Rams' mates
44 Hawaiian goose
46 No man — — island
47 Type of cherry
48 Bread spread
50 Horse doc
52 Table scrap
53 Knicks' org.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

S	W	I	N	G	S			P	R	I	M	E
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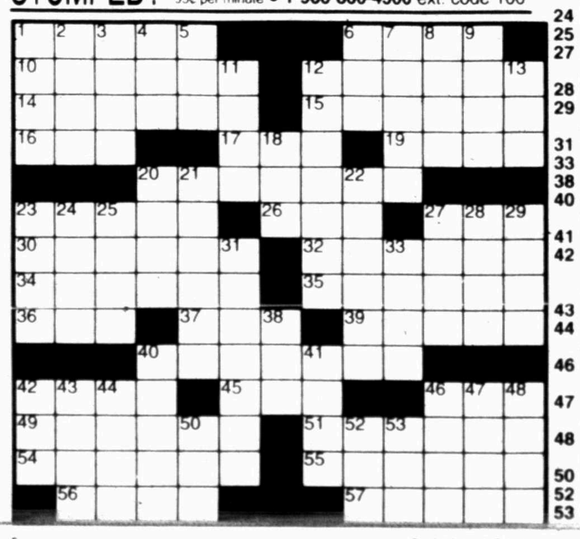

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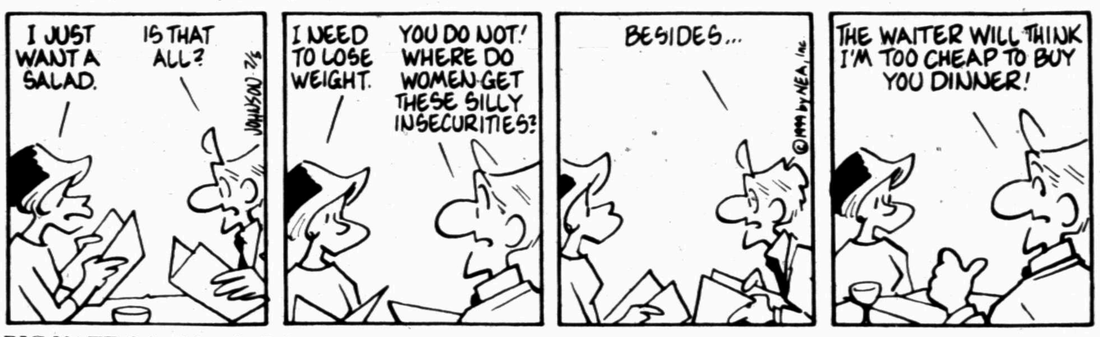

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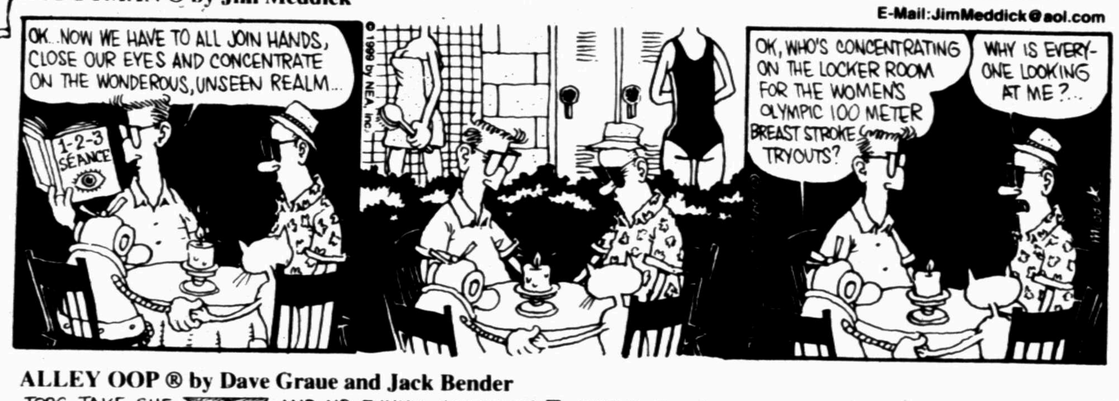

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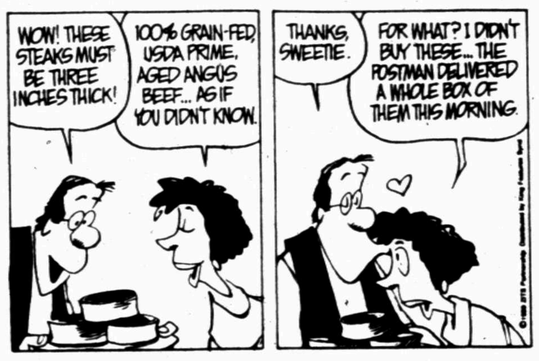

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SPORTS

Sampras, Davenport earn Wimbledon crowns...

Americans sweep singles' titles

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — After a fortnight featuring the emergence of new faces and the farewell of old champions, Wimbledon ended on a familiar note: Pete Sampras holding up the men's trophy on Centre Court.

This Fourth of July was a banner day for American tennis as Sampras outplayed Andre Agassi for his sixth Wimbledon title and Lindsay Davenport beat Steffi Graf for her first.

Sampras overwhelmed Agassi 6-3, 6-4, 7-5 to become the first man in the Open era to win Wimbledon six times and tie Roy Emerson's record of 12 Grand Slam tournament titles.

Davenport outslugged Graf 6-4, 7-5 to add the Wimbledon crown to last year's U.S. Open title. Immediately after the match, Graf, a seven-time Wimbledon champ, announced she had played her last match at the All England Club.

Sampras, who has never lost in a Wimbledon final, put on one of the most brilliant displays ever seen on Centre Court. His serves, volleys, returns, ground strokes — all were virtually flawless.

Pat Cash, the 1987 champion, called Sampras' performance "as close to perfection as you're ever going to get."

Said Agassi: "He walked on water today."

Even Sampras himself was in awe.

"I couldn't have played any better," he said. "In the middle of the second set, I was on fire from all aspects of my game. I was playing in 'the zone.'"

Sampras said he was too dazed to even think about his place in tennis history.

"It's a little overwhelming to have won what I've won," he said. "I don't know how I do it, to be honest with you."

Agassi's brilliant counterpunching style, which earned him the 1992 Wimbledon title and was so effective in his six previous matches, was powerless against Sampras' serve-and-volley onslaught.

The match turned in the seventh game of the first set, when Sampras, down 0-40, saved three break points and held.

"He came out with four big bombs and basically an unreturnable second serve," Agassi said.

Agassi didn't see a break point the rest of the match.

Sampras, meanwhile, broke for the first time in the next game and never looked back, ending the match with his 17th ace.

"This place brings out the best in me," he said. "And Andre elevates my game to a level that is phenomenal."

Sampras is arguably the best grass court player in history. Whether he's the greatest player ever remains a matter of debate since he has never won the French Open or even reached the final of that clay court classic.

Agassi, who won the French Open a month ago to become only the fifth man in history to win all four Grand Slam tournament titles, said he considers Sampras worthy of the all-time accolade.

"He's accomplished more than anybody else has in my opinion, no question about it," Agassi said. "The guy's dominated the grass and he's finished the year No. 1 six years in a row. His achievements speak for themselves."

Despite the lopsided defeat, Agassi supplants Sampras at No. 1 in the new ATP Tour rankings released today, completing a remarkable revival.

PUMPJACK PARTNERSHIP — Snyder Country Club WGA hosted the Ladies' Pumpjack Partnership recently. Winners in the championship flight (top) were, seated left to right, Melissa O'Harrow, Helen Turner, Anita Talbott and Lisa Beck. Standing are Barbara Hardin, Marian Barker, Nancy Corneillie and Edie Bledsoe. Finishing in the top two places in the second flight (bottom) were, seated from left, Donna Stehley, Peggy Hardin, Dolores Jones and Colleen Duke. Standing are Judy Moss, Becky Knipe, Lisa Miller and Beverly Ellison. (SDN Staff Photo)

Three all-star squads in action tonight

ROTAN — Snyder's major all-stars face a rematch of their first-round game when they square off with Sweetwater tonight at 6 o'clock.

But this time around, there's more on the line.

After opening the tourney against each other, the two squads now battle in an elimination game, with the winner advancing to the semifinals.

Snyder won the first match-up against Sweetwater, 9-3, before falling to Abilene Wylie in the second round.

Snyder responded in its third game in three days with a victory over Rotan, earning a shot at tonight's contest.

In other all-star action, the junior and senior tournaments get underway this evening. Snyder's junior squad will face Colorado City at 8:30 in Sweetwater, while the Snyder seniors go up against Clyde at 8:30 at Abilene's Rose Park.

Snyder's minor all-stars hit the field Tuesday at 8 p.m. against Merkel. The minor tournament is being held at Abilene's Western Complex.

Astros melt Reds, 5-3

CINCINNATI (AP) — Shane Reynolds withstood sweltering heat to become Houston's third double-digit winner Sunday as the Astros rebounded with a 5-3 victory over the Cincinnati Reds.

Reynolds (10-6) allowed three runs in 5 1-3 innings.

Reynolds gave up Aaron Boone's two-run homer in the fifth and left the game after Barry Larkin's double in the sixth. Eddie Taubensee's sacrifice fly off Jay Powell cut it to 4-3.

Taubensee's errant throw on a steal attempt let in another Houston run in the seventh. Billy Wagner got the save.

Carl Everett hit a two-run homer and Derek Bell had a solo shot off Steve Avery (5-7). The left-hander had given up at least one run in the first innings of his last seven starts.

Everett chose to bat left-handed in the third and homered.

Ricky Gutierrez tripled in the fourth and scored on Reynolds' groundout. Bell then led off the fifth with a homer for a 4-0 lead.

Mariners blank Rangers

ARLINGTON (AP) — John Halama scattered six hits in his first career shutout and Edgar Martinez hit a three-run homer to lead the Seattle Mariners to a 6-0 victory over the Texas Rangers on Sunday night.

Halama (7-2) struck out four, walked two and allowed just one runners to reach third base for the win.

After cruising through the first 8 2-3 innings, Halama gave up a double to Rafael Palmeiro, walked Todd Zeile and hit Roberto Kelly with a pitch before getting Lee Stevens to ground out to second to end the game.

Alex Rodriguez had a run-scoring single and Martinez followed with a three-run homer to left.

Mike Morgan (9-6) allowed five runs — four earned — on nine hits in three innings.

Brian Hunter hit reliever Danny Kolb's third pitch to left for a solo homer in the fourth inning

U.S. women earn final's berth

STANFORD, Calif. (AP) — As the ball floated temptingly toward the U.S. net, the huge crowd collectively gasped. American players turned and stared at the one woman who could save them.

And Briana Scurry did just that.

"Never a doubt," defender Kate Sobrero said after Scurry made the first of several spectacular saves Sunday, preserving the United States' 2-0 victory over Brazil and earning a berth in the Women's World Cup final against China. "We know that if we need it, Bri is going to be there."

The Americans needed it before 73,123 on the Fourth of July, when their usual offensive fireworks often turned into duds. Scurry tipped that shot by Brazil's Nene from 35 yards just over the crossbar early in the second half. Later, Scurry barely got a hand on Nene's kick in the 56th minute and made a sprawling two-handed stop on Pretinha in the 83rd.

So while the attack generally sputtered as the grind of playing two games in less than three full days affected both sides, Scurry stood firm for her 52nd career shutout and third of the tournament.

"Any game where I can do my part and get my team in the final of the Women's World Cup is my best game," said Scurry, who also backstopped the Americans to a 1996 Olympic gold medal, then streaked through the streets of Athens, Ga. — for a few seconds — in celebration. "I definitely think today was my best effort in five years of playing with the team."

But she might need another such display in Saturday's final at the Rose Bowl. China routed Norway, the defending champion, 5-0 in the other semifinal in Foxboro, Mass., and has looked like the best team in the field throughout the tournament.

Meanwhile, the United States has been inconsistent.

Against Brazil, which U.S. coach Tony DiCicco once again called "the most improved team in our sport," there was little flow.

"I think fatigue probably played a part," said U.S. star Mia Hamm, who created a few scoring opportunities and was fouled in the penalty area, setting up Michelle Akers' 80th-minute penalty kick goal. "Both teams are pretty emotional, attacking teams. We both had our surges where we would be in their end for 15 or 20 minutes, then they would be near our goal."

But every time the Brazilians got close, Scurry was too good.

"It's hard to keep them under wraps," Scurry said. "Brazil's going to get their chances no matter how well you play defensively."

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	50	32	.610	-
New York	46	36	.561	4
Philadelphia	43	37	.538	6
Montreal	30	47	.390	17½
Florida	29	52	.358	20½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	45	33	.577	-
Houston	46	34	.575	-
Pittsburgh	40	40	.500	6
Milwaukee	39	41	.488	7
St.Louis	39	42	.481	7½
Chicago	37	41	.474	8
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanFrancisco	46	36	.561	-
Arizona	45	37	.549	1
SanDiego	40	40	.500	5
Colorado	36	43	.456	8½
LosAngeles	35	44	.443	9½

Saturday's Games
Atlanta 3, New York 0
Colorado 12, San Diego 10, 1st game
St. Louis 2, Arizona 1, 10 innings
San Francisco 9, Los Angeles 1
Florida 6, Montreal 1
Milwaukee 9, Pittsburgh 4
Cincinnati 10, Houston 0
Philadelphia 21, Chicago 8
Colorado 8, San Diego 6, 2nd game

Sunday's Games
Philadelphia 6, Chicago 2
Houston 5, Cincinnati 3
Milwaukee 4, Pittsburgh 3
San Diego 11, Colorado 0
Florida 5, Montreal 1
Arizona 17, St. Louis 5
New York 7, Atlanta 6
Los Angeles 7, San Francisco 1

Monday's Games
Houston (Hampton 10-3) at Cincinnati (Villone 3-2), 12:35 p.m.
Chicago (Lieber 6-3) at Pittsburgh (Schmidt 8-5), 1:35 p.m.
Arizona (R.Johnson 9-5) at St. Louis (Jimenez 4-8), 4:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Abbott 1-7) at Philadelphia (Ogea 4-7), 7:05 p.m.
Montreal (Hermanson 3-7) at New York (Reed 6-3), 7:40 p.m.
Florida (Fernandez 2-3) at Atlanta (Perez 4-5), 7:40 p.m.
Los Angeles (Brown 9-5) at Colorado (Kile 4-6), 9:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Ortiz 9-5) at San Diego (Boehringer 5-1), 9:05 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	49	30	.620	-
Boston	47	34	.580	3
Toronto	42	42	.500	9½
TampaBay	35	46	.432	15
Baltimore	33	47	.413	16½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	53	28	.654	-
Chicago	39	40	.494	13
KansasCity	34	47	.420	19
Detroit	34	48	.415	19½
Minnesota	31	49	.388	21½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	46	35	.568	-
Seattle	41	40	.506	5
Oakland	39	42	.481	7
Anaheim	37	43	.463	8½

Saturday's Games
Cleveland 9, Kansas City 8, 1st game
Chicago 11, Boston 2
Toronto 5, Tampa Bay 0
New York 6, Baltimore 5
Cleveland 9, Kansas City 5, 2nd game
Minnesota 7, Detroit 2
Seattle 13, Texas 12
Oakland 9, Anaheim 7

Sunday's Games
Toronto 6, Tampa Bay 3
Boston 5, Chicago 2,
Kansas City 10, Cleveland 9
Baltimore 7, New York 3
Detroit 15, Minnesota 5
Anaheim 5, Oakland 2
Seattle 6, Texas 0

Monday's Games
Boston (Portugal 4-6) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 5-3), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 9-4) at New York (Pettitte 5-6), 7:35 p.m.
Texas (Burkett 2-3) at Oakland (Hudson 3-1), 10:05 p.m.
Seattle (Fassero 3-8) at Anaheim (Hasegawa 1-2), 10:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

SDN Sports Briefs

SCC scramble and MGA

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

WGA play day and couples play

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its Tuesday play day at 9 a.m. Format will be all irons on the back nine. A luncheon and business meeting will follow play.

The WGA will also hold a mixed foursomes event Friday evening at 5:30.

Snyder volleyball camp

The Snyder volleyball camp will begin next Monday and run through July 15 for incoming 5th-9th graders at the SHS gym. Camp hours will be from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

Cost is $40 and all campers need to register by Friday, so T-shirts can be ordered.

To register, call Patty Grimmett at 573-9416. If no answer, leave a message.

Athletic physicals

All athletes needing to take a physical should do so prior to Aug. 3. SISD will pay for physicals through Aug. 3 only. An appointment must be made with one f the following doctors: Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey or Rakov.

Athletes requiring physicals include all incoming 7th and 9th graders, students new to SISD, students wishing to participate in athletics for the first time, and any student whose medical history form requires them to do so.

All athletes not needing a physical must return all completed forms to their coach, athletic director's office, or Steve Krueger.

Incoming 7th and 9th graders can pick up physical forms in the doctors' offices.

WTC junior golf clinic

A junior golf clinic for ages 10-17 will be held at Western Texas College July 26-30. Cost is $75 per student for the week.

Covered during the clinic will be the short game, putting, trouble shots, etiquette and rules, with video swing analysis also provided.

The first 50 golfers to register will be accepted. For more information, call the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

SCC mixed scramble

A mixed scramble will be held Saturday at Snyder Country Club. For more information, contact the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

WNBA Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	6	3	.667	—
Orlando	5	4	.556	1
Detroit	5	6	.455	2
Charlotte	4	5	.444	2
Washington	2	8	.200	4½
Cleveland	2	9	.182	5
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	10	1	.909	—
Sacramento	8	3	.727	2
Los Angeles	7	4	.636	3
Minnesota	5	4	.556	4
Utah	3	6	.333	6
Phoenix	3	7	.300	6½

Saturday's Games
Houston 65, New York 50
Charlotte 75, Orlando 58
Minnesota 56, Phoenix 47

Sunday's Game
Sacramento 92, Detroit 78

Monday's Games
Sacramento at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Cleveland at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games
New York at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
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Dr. Gott By Peter Gott, M.D.

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DEAR DR. GOTT: My friend told me that she got a very serious case of diarrhea from eating parsley. Is there any truth to this?

DEAR READER: Yes, there is. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recently released a report that indicted fresh parsley as the source of acute diarrheal illness in both Canadian and United States citizens. Because the bacteria were so unusual (shigella), authorities traced the contaminated parsley back to a farm in Mexico. People in three states (Minnesota, California and Massachusetts) were affected. All the victims had eaten in restaurants and had consumed chopped, uncooked, fresh parsley.

Although shigellosis is spread by the fecal/oral route and is a common cause of diarrheal outbreaks in child care centers, adult infections are relatively rare and are usually contracted from raw produce, such as onions and lettuce. Experts believe that chopping the contaminated parsley resulted in the release of nutrients that favored bacterial growth. The scientists emphasize that shigella in parsley is very unusual. Nonetheless, restaurateurs (and consumers) are cautioned to wash parsley thoroughly before eating it, avoid storing chopped parsley, and refrigerate the product both before and after preparation.

Your friend was one of several hundred victims of this outbreak. Experiences such as this serve as a reminder to us all — in this age of imported produce — to wash the products thoroughly and store them appropriately.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've been taking vitamin B6 for several months in an attempt to reduce any symptoms of premenstrual tension and depression. I didn't notice much change. Am I wasting my money on this vitamin?

DEAR READER: In all likelihood, yes. Vitamin B6 has not been shown to relieve the symptoms of premenstrual syndrome (PMS).

When a blood-chemical called serotonin, which acts on the brain, is depleted, some women experience depression and other symptoms. Serotonin levels may be reduced by cyclic variations in the female hormone estrogen, so pregnant women and those taking contraceptive pills may experience periodic "blues." True, serotonin production can be low in the presence of B6 deficiency; however, such a deficiency is exceedingly rare in adults who consume a regular diet.

You won't be harmed by taking B6 supplements, but if the vitamin hasn't relieved your periodic depression, you should examine other options. Some degree of depression and emotional upset affects almost every woman, from time to time, before her menstrual cycle. This is normal and ordinarily requires no therapy. On the other hand, if the cyclic depression is severe, prescription anti-depressant medication might help. (As an aside, I know of several women whose PMS depression was lifted by using St. John's Wort, an herbal remedy.)

The causes of PMS are not clearly understood; thus, treatment is far from being consistently successful. I suggest that you contact your gynecologist for further advice. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Fads I: Vitamins and Minerals." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

Seven arrested over July Fourth weekend

Activity over the July Fourth weekend resulted in seven arrests.

Officers took a 17-year-old male into custody at 8:45 p.m. Friday in the 3000 block of South Towle Park Road for disorderly conduct.

A 22-year-old male was arrested at 11:07 p.m. Saturday in the 2900 block of Towle Park Road for public intoxication.

At 1:18 a.m. Sunday, a 30-year-old female was taken into custody near the intersection of North College Avenue and U.S. Hwy. 84 on outstanding warrants for speeding in a school zone, failure to appear and failure to carry a drivers license.

Officers took a 20-year-old male into custody in the 1000 block of 34th Street at 2:49 a.m. Sunday on outstanding city warrants for failure to wear safety belt and failure to appear and a county warrant for issuance of a bad check.

A 72-year-old male was booked into jail for public intoxication Sunday. He was arrested in the 1700 block of Avenue T at 8:12 p.m.

Public intoxication also sent a 28-year-old male to jail at 10:35 p.m. Sunday. He was taken into custody at the intersection of Denison and Towle Park Road.

Officers arrested a 25-year-old male at 12:22 a.m. today in the 1800 block of Scott Street for Class C family violence.

Several offense reports were also filed over the holiday weekend.

Carolyn Faulkenberry requested an officer at 8 a.m. Friday at Travis Gym in reference to graffiti. An offense report was filed.

At 9:08 a.m. Friday, Jimmy Simpson reported criminal mischief to a vacant house in the 2100 block of 43rd Street. Officers submitted an offense report.

An offense report for state jail felony criminal mischief was filed at 10:42 a.m. Friday in reference to damage done to a vehicle in the 200 block of Birch. Lydia Guerrero reported the incident.

Kayla Barbee requested an officer at 12:17 p.m. Saturday in reference to damage to a storage building. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

An offense report for family violence was filed at 3:30 p.m. Saturday.

Officers submitted an offense report for disorderly conduct at 1:05 a.m. Sunday at the Field Crest Apartments.

At 9:55 a.m. Sunday, an offense report for found property was filed in reference to an overnight bag being found in the dumpster in the 3700 block of Avenue U.

Jina Juarez reported at 9:59 p.m. Sunday that someone had broken into her vehicle in the 2400 block of 42nd Street. Two male subjects were apprehended and an offense report for burglary of a vehicle was filed.

Ages or identities of the subjects were unavailable this morning.

Kimberly Villarreal reported her Chihuahua missing at 3:32 p.m. Sunday. Officers filed an offense report for Class B theft.

At 4:50 p.m. Sunday, Sally Boss contacted officers in reference to someone stealing $700 from her residence in the 3700 block of Noble. An offense report for burglary of a habitation was submitted.

An offense report for Class C family violence was submitted at 11:58 p.m. Sunday.

Several accidents also occurred over the weekend.

Officers worked a three-vehicle accident at 8 a.m. Friday in the 1800 block of 25th Street. Involved were a 1997 Ford F-150 pickup driven by Billy Joe Stephens, 62, of 2907 Denison, a 1994 Ford F-700 utility truck owned by TXU Electric and driven by Robert Dwain McGuire, 57, of 3096 West U.S. Hwy. 180 and a 1979 Chevrolet Bonanza pickup driven by Billy Virgil Leatherwood, 52, of 711 North Avenue R.

At 6:26 p.m. Friday, a hit and run accident was reported. An unknown vehicle struck a 1990 Chevrolt 1500 pickup owned by David Johnson of 2900 Parks Avenue and left the scene.

Officers worked a two-vehicle mishap at 10:26 p.m. Friday in the 2600 block of 35th Street. Involved were a 1997 Chevrolet Suburban driven by Danny Kenneth Smedley, 34, of Grapevine and a 1986 Ford LTD station wagon driven by Roswell Rigsby, 88, of 200 East Highway.

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 10:29 p.m. in the 2800 block of Towle Park Road involving a 1993 Ford Ranger driven by Alfonso Rangel, 16, of Roscoe and a 1994 F-150 pickup driven by Tony Molina, 17, of 575 Herm in Hermleigh.

Officers worked a two-vehicle minor accident at 2:13 p.m. Sunday in the 4200 block of College. Involved were a 1997 Ford Crown Victoria driven by Beverly Porter, 39, of 215 35th Street and a 1991 Chevrolet Astro van driven by Esther Olivas Perales, 46, of Colorado City.

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Young 'Anakin' gets new movie role

MADISON, Ind. (AP) — Jake Lloyd is jumping from deep space to the deep, choppy waters of the Ohio River.

The 10-year-old actor, who played the young Anakin Skywalker in "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace," has been cast as the young Mike McCormick, whose late father drove a hydroplane called Miss Madison to its greatest victory in the 1971 Madison Regatta.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, July 6, 1999

There's a strong probability that social contacts could take on greater significance for you in the year ahead in ways that might open up avenues for furthering your material wherewithal.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Keep your eyes and ears open today for some type of personal gain that can be made. Your material trend looks rather attractive at this time. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Don't be surprised as others begin to sense an extra dimension added to your personality today that makes you a leader among your peers. They may notice it before you. Use it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) What gives you the edge when competing with your peers today is a powerful inner resolve you'll possess all day long. Stay on your toes and be open-minded.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Someone with whom you've been eager to tighten bonds could be just as desirous as you are. You may get an opportunity to strengthen that friendship today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) What were winners previously could be again for you today. Base your decisions, especially on financial matters, on factors you know from personal experience worked before.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your leadership skills will have a commanding effect on others today. Persons with whom you're involved will want to please you because you seem to know what you're doing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Benefits come today from leaning on the arms of those you help. Things you unselfishly do for others will produce unsought advantages for you as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Put a social activity together today that might include a mix of both family members and friends. It'll be the company of those you truly like that'll produce enjoyable moments.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) As you arrange your agenda today, be advised that ambitious objectives have a better chance of being achieved today than they might tomorrow. Don't waste this day.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) An opportunity you've been hoping to get for presenting a plan to a social contact might come from out of the blue today. Be ready, this could be a big break.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Being in the right place at the right moment may allow you to help someone make a change that could improve a critical condition that's been negatively affecting this person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Don't be reluctant to jump in and direct a matter about which you feel you know more than your companions. They would welcome the leadership and become enlightened supporters.

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Lynn started working at Cogdell Memorial Hospital in the housekeeping department in September, 1998. She recently transferred to the CMH Clinic at the Price Daniel Unit.

Lynn was born in Snyder and attended school here, graduating from Snyder High School in 1983. She also attended Western Texas College in 1983/84.

She has two children; Eric is 6 years old and a student at Northeast Elementary; Faith, 4 years old, goes to Snyder Day Care Center.

Lynn said the most rewarding aspect of her job has been "the opportunity to meet new people, and to learn from them."

She was selected for this honor by co-workers. Comments on nomination ballots for Lynn included: a very dependable and dedicated employee... knowledgeable about her job and efficient in carrying out assigned tasks... has a great attitude... willing to learn and accept additional responsibilities... goes out of her way to be helpful... has a smile and a greeting for everyone.

Cogdell Memorial Hospital

Man's traveling autopsy service big business

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Vidal Herrera's van says a lot about the man.

"1-800-Autopsy" is emblazoned on the side. The vanity plate reads "YSPOTUA" — that's autopsy spelled backward. And his license plate frame offers this advice: "Autopsy techs do it with more rigor mortis."

Herrera is a freelance — and very mobile — autopsy specialist, charging $2,000 for his services, and a little more if he digs up the corpse.

And in true entrepreneurial spirit, he's preparing for the bulge of baby boomers about to usher in what he calls a golden age of death: The man who is known as the rolling El Muerto ("The Dead One" in Spanish) is franchising his services nationally.

"There's 1-800-DENTIST and 1-800-FLOWERS, why not 1-800-AUTOPSY?" asked the 47-year-old owner of Los Angeles-based Autopsy/Post Services.

The former coroner's investigator arranges private autopsies on bodies from all over the world. He hires a freelance pathologist and assists with the grim work himself.

His catalogue of services includes DNA analysis, tissue procurement, medical photography as well as trial, television and movie consulting. Herrera even helped out the most notorious TV medical examiner show — "Quincy, M.E."

A big part of his business involves retrieving brains and joints from bodies donated for medical research. He also recycles hearing aids, pacemakers and prostheses for use in Third World countries. They can't be reused in the United States.

Herrera opened shop 11 years ago, concerned about the drop in autopsies amid cuts in hospital staff and health services. Post-mortems are performed on 7 percent of hospital deaths, down from 42 percent in 1965, according to the Archives of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine.

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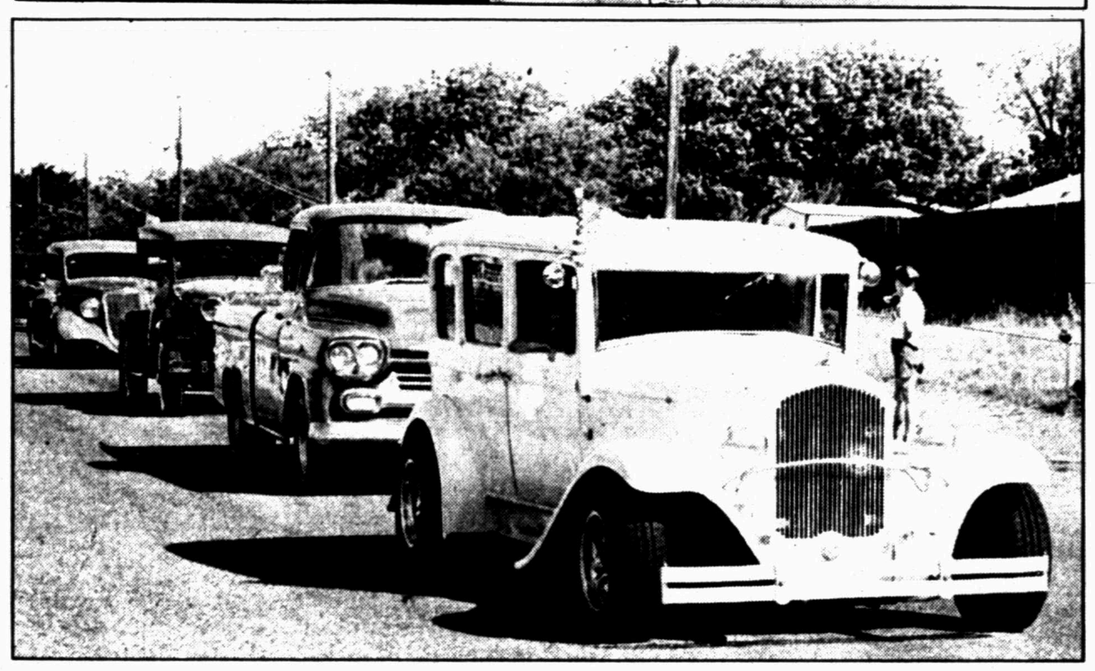

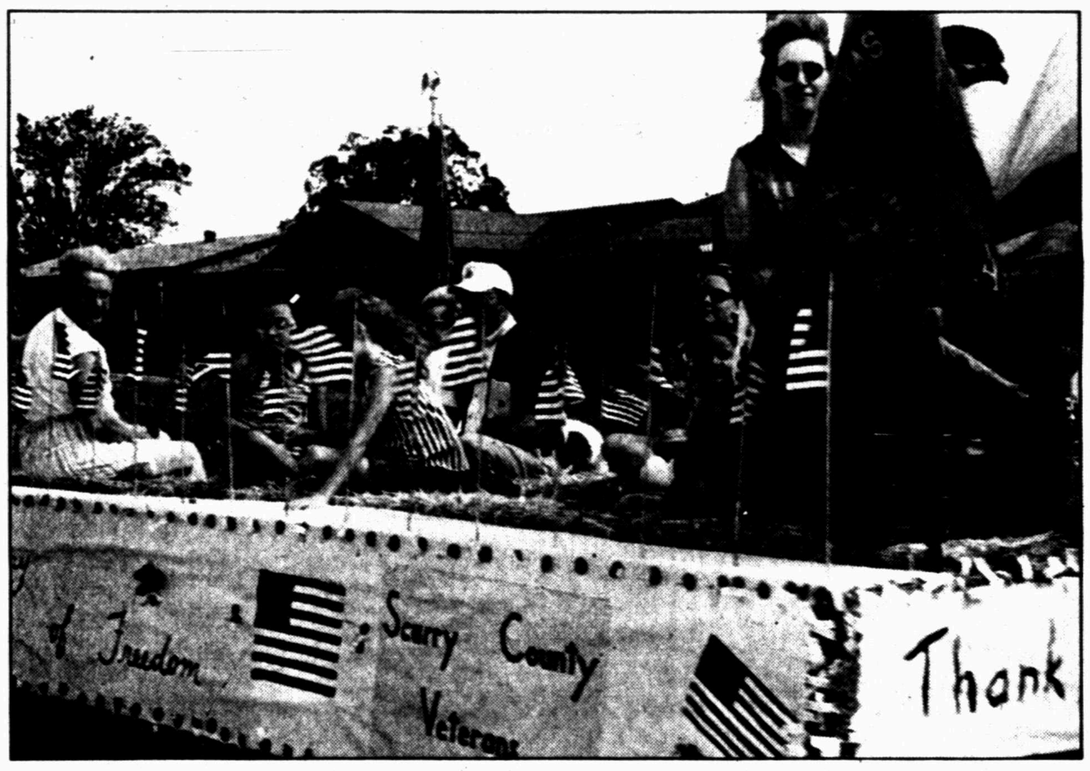

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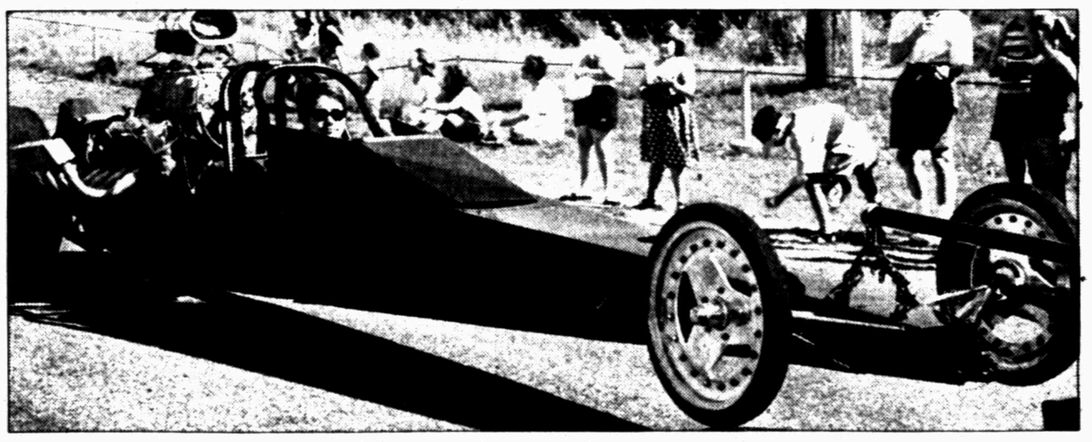

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Pakistan's PM, Clinton meet

WASHINGTON (AP) — After a three-hour meeting with President Clinton, Pakistan's prime minister agreed to move quickly to defuse an increasingly tense and violent standoff over the long-disputed territory of Kashmir.

Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif agreed in a joint statement after the meeting Sunday at Blair House, the government guest quarters, that "concrete steps will be taken" to restore the 1972 Line of Control separating Pakistani and Indian forces in the mountainous and contested region.

A U.S. official, while refusing to predict what precise steps Pakistan might now take, said: "Our understanding is that there will be a withdrawal of the (Pakistani) forces now."

"We want to see steps taken very quickly," said the official, who briefed reporters on the meeting on condition of anonymity. "Our position has been that the forces across the Line of Control need to be returned to the Pakistani side."

Another official said, "The prime minister will have to make those decisions himself on how he will undertake to implement the decisions contained in this document."

"We hope to get this back on track so that diplomacy can be resumed," this official said.

The joint statement said Clinton urged an immediate end to hostilities once Pakistan acts.

It said the two leaders agreed that an Indian-Pakistani dialogue begun last February in Lahore "provides the best forum for resolving all issues dividing India and Pakistan, including Kashmir."

"The president said he would take a personal interest in encouraging an expeditious resumption and intensification of those bilateral efforts, once the sanctity of the Line of Control has been fully restored," the statement said.

Clinton and Sharif "both agree that the current situation is very dangerous, risks wider conflict and must be defused," one U.S. official said.

There was no immediate indication of what India's response might be to the development, but officials said Clinton telephoned Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee with a progress report during the meeting and that national security adviser Sandy Berger gave the Indian side a full report at its conclusion.

Clinton promised to take "a personal interest" in encouraging a speedy and intensified resumption of direct contacts between Pakistan and India "once the sanctity of the Line of Control has been fully restored." He also said he intends to keep his promise to visit South Asia relatively soon.

Sharif urgently requested the meeting and flew from Islamabad, the Pakistani capital, to attend.

Vice president's daughter has baby on Fourth of July

WASHINGTON (AP) — Vice President Al Gore's first grandchild was born on the Fourth of July.

The Gores' daughter, Karenna Gore Schiff, 25, and her husband, Drew Schiff, 33, had been expecting the baby in late June.

But with the instincts of a politician, Wyatt Gore Schiff delayed his inaugural appearance until Sunday — Independence Day.

The vice president's office in Washington announced that he was born at 10:05 a.m. in New York City, weighing in at 6 pounds, 3 ounces and measuring 20 inches long.

The vice president and wife Tipper were in New York on Sunday to be with the young couple and their new son.

The two were married at Washington National Cathedral in 1997. Mrs. Schiff is in her second year at Columbia University law school.

"Al and I are thrilled about the prospect of becoming grandparents for the first time," Mrs. Gore said in a statement issued in February announcing that her daughter was pregnant. "We look forward to welcoming our first grandchild."

Ruling party wins top post in largest state

TOLUCA, Mexico (AP) — Mexico's ruling party appears to have won the governorship of the country's largest state but seemed to have lost in another state to a rare opposition coalition, in elections seen as key tests ahead of next year's presidential vote.

With 75 percent of the results counted early today in the crowded state of Mexico, governing party candidate Arturo Montiel had 39.9 percent compared with 35.3 percent for National Action Party candidate Jose Luis Duran. Democratic Revolution Party candidate Higinio Martinez had 20.9 percent.

Sunday's vote was a rebound for the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, which has governed Mexico for 70 years. Though it won about 66 percent of the vote in the state six years ago, polls two years ago showed it running even with opposition parties.

However, officially authorized quick counts indicated the PRI suffered a potentially ominous loss in the small Pacific coast state of Nayarit, where National Action and Democratic Revolution formed a rare alliance.

Party leaders have said they favor such an alliance for the 2000 elections, but so far ideological differences, legal hurdles and candidates' egos have stifled agreement.

There were no official results hours after the polls closed in Nayarit. But the national Televisa and TV Azteca polls indicated coalition candidate Antonio Echeverria had defeated the PRI's Jose Lucas Vallarta by about 10 points.

Echeverria's cheering supporters thronged the main plaza of Tepic, the capital of the small Pacific coast state.

"The real war begins now," Echeverria told the crowd. "We are not going to cry victory until we defeat poverty ... until we defeat corruption."

Montiel called the victory "a good precedent" for the 2000 elections, but warned that all elections are different.

Mexico state, with 11.7 million people, is home to about one-ninth of the country's population. It nearly surrounds Mexico City and includes huge working class suburbs of the capital, posh upper class neighborhoods and rural Indian villages.

Nayarit, with 900,000 people, is one of Mexico's smaller states and opposition parties until now had been weak there — a factor that made their alliance easier. Their candidate, Echeverria, had worked in two previous PRI governments.

Election reforms have helped opposition parties capture several statehouses over the past decade, and the PRI even lost its majority in Congress in 1997. But none of the opposition parties is strong nationwide.

The national director of Mexico's most prominent independent election-monitoring organization, Rogelio Gomez of Civic Alliance, told a news conference that it had found only "minor and dispersed" problems in Mexico state.

But Democratic Revolution complained of vote-buying and other irregularities. After earlier saying the election seemed clean, National Action leaders said early today that they also had recorded many irregularities.

Obituaries

Mack Warren

1906-1999

Funeral service for Mack Warren, 92, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel.

Wayne Horton, minister of the Hermleigh Church of Christ, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Pyron Cemetery.

Mr. Warren died Saturday, July 3, in Rolling Plains Hospital in Sweetwater following a brief illness.

Born Oct. 19, 1906 in Waxahachie, he married Mary Eunice Tramel in 1924 in Navarro County. She died in 1949. He married Vinita Luttrell on Nov. 1, 1951 in Plains.

Mr. Warren moved to Scurry County from Oklahoma in1960 and was a farmer and had worked in the oil fields.

He was also preceded in death by one son, Jack Warren; one granddaughter; five brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include his wife, Vinita Warren of Hermleigh; seven daughters, Tracy Dickerhoff and husband Paul of Snyder, Gloria Glass and husband Bill of Odessa, Joyce Lionberger and husband Jim of Hermleigh, Connie Reed and husband Joe of Sweetwater, Marilyn Williams and husband Ted of Post, Martha McCoy of Churchtown, Pa., and Billie Ruth Shingleton of Kerrville; two sons and daughters-in-law, Robert and Lela Warren of Edmond, Okla. and Stan and Terri Warren of Virginia Beach, Va.; a daughter-in-law Johnnye Warren of San Angelo; two sisters, Anice Gardner and Mary White, both of Houston; a brother, Jim Warren of Kerns; 25 grandchildren; 35 great-grandchildren; and 31 great-great-grandchildren.

Family visitation will be held from 6 to 9 this evening at the funeral home.

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Patsy Phillips

1938-1999

Patsy Ann "Pat" Phillips of Lake Thomas, died Sunday, July 4, in Odessa's Medical Center Hospital.

Funeral service for Mrs. Phillips, 61, were set for 2 p.m. today in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Leroy Ochoa, pastor of Knapp Baptist Church, was to officiate. Burial was to follow in the Ira Cemetery.

Born May 7, 1938 in Donna, she married Dixon Phillips on Dec. 17, 1954 in Edcouch, Tex. He died in 1993.

Mrs. Phillips was a homemaker and a member of the Knapp Baptist Church.

She was also preceded in death by a daughter, Pam Caswell; and a son, R.D. Phillips.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Marla and Mark Scott of Odessa and Annie and Chuck Greene of Ira; her stepfather, Dean Weber of Alamo, Tex.; a brother, Ronnie Hatton of McAllen; three grandchildren, Brooke Lynn Phillips and Brandon Caswell, both of Odessa, and Brittany Smith of Snyder; a great-granddaughter, Meagan Smith of Snyder.

Vollie Burton

1936-1999

BALLINGER – Vollie Jean Burton, the sister of Pauline Northcutt of Snyder, died Friday, July 2, in an Abilene hospital.

Graveside service for Mrs. Burton, 62, was held at 10 a.m. today in the St. Joseph Catholic Cemetery in Rowena with Fr. Stephen Kennelly officiating.

Born Aug. 27, 1936 in Wall, she married Robert Burton on April 22, 1966 in Christoval.

A resident of Rising Star, Mrs. Burton was a homemaker and a Catholic.

Survivors include her husband, Robert Burton of Rising Star; three sons, Richard Collins and Tim S. Burton of Rising Star and Bobby Collins of Midland; two daughters, Vicki Slatton of Brownwood and Terri O'Bannon of Ackerly; two other sisters, Joyce Knott of Rising Star and Caroline Blackwood of Midland.

Cora Holt

1926-1999

BRYAN - Cora Beth Holt, a former resident of Snyder, died Sunday, July 4, in St. Joseph Hospital.

A private family service will be held at a later date. Arrangements are under the direction of Callaway-Jones Funeral Home.

Born March 22, 1926 in Corpus Christi, Mrs. Holt was a resident of Bryan and a member of St. Joseph Catholic Church.

She was preceded in death by two husbands, Florian "Jab" Jaworski and Hoyt Holt.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Arthur and Betty Dvorak of Austin; two daughters and a son-in-law, Melissa and Jerry Moore of Bryan and Dr. Jordan Reed of San Antonio; and seven grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Scurry County Senior Citizens Center.

Loyd Arnold

1923-1999

BIG SPRING – Loyd V. Arnold, the brother of Luther Bedwell of Snyder, died Friday, July 2 in a Big Spring hospital.

Funeral service for Mr. Arnold, 76, was set for 2 p.m. today in the Nalley-Pickle and Welch Chapel. Burial was to follow in Trinity Memorial Park.

Born March 7, 1923 in Dierks, Ark., he was an operator for Cosden Oil and Chemical Co. and also worked as a farmer and plumber.

Survivors include his wife, Eva Arnold of Big Spring; four daughters, Charlene Kennedy, Eva Chappell, Elaine Matthies and Brenda Dugger, all of Big Spring; three sons, Ronnie Huitt, Roger Huitt and Rodney Huitt, all of Big Spring; two other brothers, Cecil Arnold of Big Spring and Dick Arnold of Brownwood; 21 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 tonight are "Esther, A Woman of Destiny," followed by "The Search for Intimacy."

Grand jury

The Scurry County grand jury will convene at 9 a.m. Tuesday in 132nd District Court. The grand jury will consider 14 felony cases.

Lions white elephant sale

Snyder Lions Club will have its white elephant sale at Tuesday's noon meeting at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Members not bringing a gag gift will be fined.

Retirement party

A retirement party in honor of Fluvanna Postmaster Lynda Beaver will be held from 2 to 3 p.m. Tuesday in the Fluvanna Community Center. Mrs. Beaver will retire July 14.

Masonic Lodge meeting

The Scurry Masonic Lodge will have a stated meeting at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Lodge Hall.

Class of '69 reunion

The SHS Class of 1969 will have its 30th reunion Friday and Saturday at Snyder Country Club. The class extends a special invitation to teachers, parents and family of the class as well as friends and other classmates for the social at 8 p.m. Friday. For other details, call 573-8877 or 573-5425.

Support groups

Three different support groups meet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday at the First Baptist Church. The groups include divorce recovery, cancer support group, and grief support group. Child care is provided.

Medical fund established

A medical fund has been established at West Texas State Bank to assist Mary Batchelor, a cancer patient and owner of MB's Beauty Salon.

1989 class reunion

There is still time to RSVP for the class reunion to be held July 24. The public is invited and the charge is $7. For more information, call Christy Smith at 573-8392.

Glory Room

The Glory Room, a non-denominational Christian Library, formerly located at Stewart Insurance, is now housed at Trinity United Methodist Church at 5200 Trinity Blvd. Hours are from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday through Thursday and anytime during church activities. Everyone is welcome. Call 573-3988 for more information.

Seniors swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at Western Texas College.

Avenue D Baptist VBS

Children who have completed kindergarten though 6th grade are invited to Vacation Bible School at Avenue D Baptist Church from 6-9 p.m. July 12-16. Theme is "Mt. Extreme: The Ultimate Good News Challenge." Call 573-0971 for more information.

GED testing date

The GED Testing Center on the WTC campus will administer exams at 8:30 a.m. July 24. Any person not enrolled in high school, who has not graduated, who is at least 16 years of age and meets other requirements may be tested for a high school equivalency diploma. The battery of five GED tests costs $60 and takes 7 1/2 hours to complete. Tests need not be taken in one sitting. For pre-registration and additional testing dates, call 573-2973 or 573-8511, ext. 246.

LVN registration at WTC

Students wishing to enroll in the September class for Licensed Vocational Nursing at Western Texas College need to contact the counseling office to arrange to take the pre-entrance exam. Tests will be given through July 27, and interviews will be scheduled through Aug. 9. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 313.

Adult education classes

Adult Education will be held from 8 a.m. until noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the library at Western Texas College. Classes include English as a second language, GED preparation and those wanting to improve basic skills. No night classes are available.

Foster parent training

A training session, "Framework for Understanding Poverty," will be presented by the Oil Patch Foster Parent Association from 9:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. July 17. RSVP to Donna Zalman at 863-2275 or Donna Dickinson at 573-7817. Cost of the workbook is $15.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval by the American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ASC Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
3-6-2
(three, six, two)

Lotto Texas

by Associated Press

No tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 1, 2, 12, 13, 20, 45.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $17 million.