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Third suspect arrested in Snyder senior's death

HASKELL — A third suspect was arrested this morning in connection with the May 5 shooting death of a Snyder High School senior.

Eighteen-year-old Lucius Lamont Thompson was taken into custody by Sweetwater police at Sweetwater High School about 10 a.m. on a warrant out of Haskell. Thompson was charged with deadly conduct in connection with the death of Snyder senior Marlowe Riggins.

Thompson is one of three people investigators believed fired weapons at the time Riggins was killed outside a Haskell residence shortly after 2 p.m. on Sunday, May 5.

Riggins, an 18-year-old who was to have graduated from high school later this month, was pronounced dead at the scene. No one else was injured in the exchange of gunfire.

Also in custody are Chris Collins, 18, of Haskell who is being held on probation violation, and a 16-year-old Haskell boy who was charged with delinquent conduct.

Investigators have identified the two Haskell suspects as individuals who fired toward the area where Riggins was shot. Thompson, who has been described as a good friend of Riggins, is being held because he apparently fired toward the two individuals from Haskell. According to investigators, Riggins had no weapon.

At the time of the shooting, the two Haskell suspects were in possession of a .22-caliber pistol and a .22-caliber rifle, investigators said. Thompson was in possession of a .25-caliber semi-automatic handgun. Haskell Police Chief Tom Bassett said he is waiting for laboratory reports to determine which weapon fired the bullet that struck Riggins.

"We don't really have a timeline. All we're waiting for is to hear from the lab. It may be today, tomorrow...we just don't know when. Our investigation has been to get the exact, absolute truth. Everyone involved in the shooting is in custody now," said Bassett.

The shooting took place outside a residence at 102 Ave. M, about a half-mile west from the center of town. Riggins was apparently in the yard of the residence when he was hit by a small caliber shell, which may have been shot from across the highway near the Headstream Mental Health Clinic. After being struck, Riggins ran to the rear of the house and died in the alley.

Bassett said the two groups of teen-agers involved had been in a disturbance the previous evening at a different location, and that shots had been fired at or from the house at 6 a.m. and noon on the day of the fatal shooting.

"At no time were we (law enforcement) contacted about any of this, Bassett said, refuting a claim from the resident of the house, Donna McCullough, that police did not respond to her phone calls before the shooting.

McCullough, who was at work at the time of the incident, said she

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THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A successful guy is one who can lay a foundation with the bricks thrown at him."

——Think Rain!——

Folks over at the chamber of commerce are taking seriously the idea that tourism brings bucks into a community.

By marketing the Scurry County Coliseum, the chamber has the second annual Senior Olympics coming later this month. Then in June, the big county music festival will be in Snyder.

Last week was designated Tourism Month in Texas. The Texas Department of Commerce claims tourism is the third largest industry in the state with visitors spending $24.5 billion and generating almost a half million jobs.

The Texas Commerce Department is interested in passing out facts about the Lone Star State. Much to their chagrin, people still like the tall tales of Texans the best.

For example there was the business tycoon who dashed down the hotel steps and flopped down in the back of the taxi.

"Where to?" the driver asked.

"Anywhere," said the Texas tycoon. "I got business everywhere."

It's more interesting to tell a story than merely relate statistics about how many miles of coastal water Texas has.

One story told to a Snowbird concerned a rancher in nearby Nolan County. It got so cold that winter that all the rattlesnakes froze — straight up and down.

The rancher said he picked them up and hammered them into the ground for fence posts, admitting it was a big mistake.

When spring arrived, those snakes thawed out and crawled away with 16 miles of barbed wire.

It is an interesting fact that the longest running domino game in the U.S. is at Buffalo Springs, a game played every weekday afternoon since 1930.

But visitors also need help with their vocabulary. For example:

--Clinics: a soft, disposable paper tissue. "Quick, "Ah'm gonna sneeze. Hand me a clinics."

--Plight: a shallow dish from which food is eaten. "My ah have another plight of banes, mam?"

--Ownie: Alone, solely without others. "Yew ain't the ownie one who can do that."

--Neck: at the propitious or vital moment. "Boy, yew jest got here in the neck of tom."

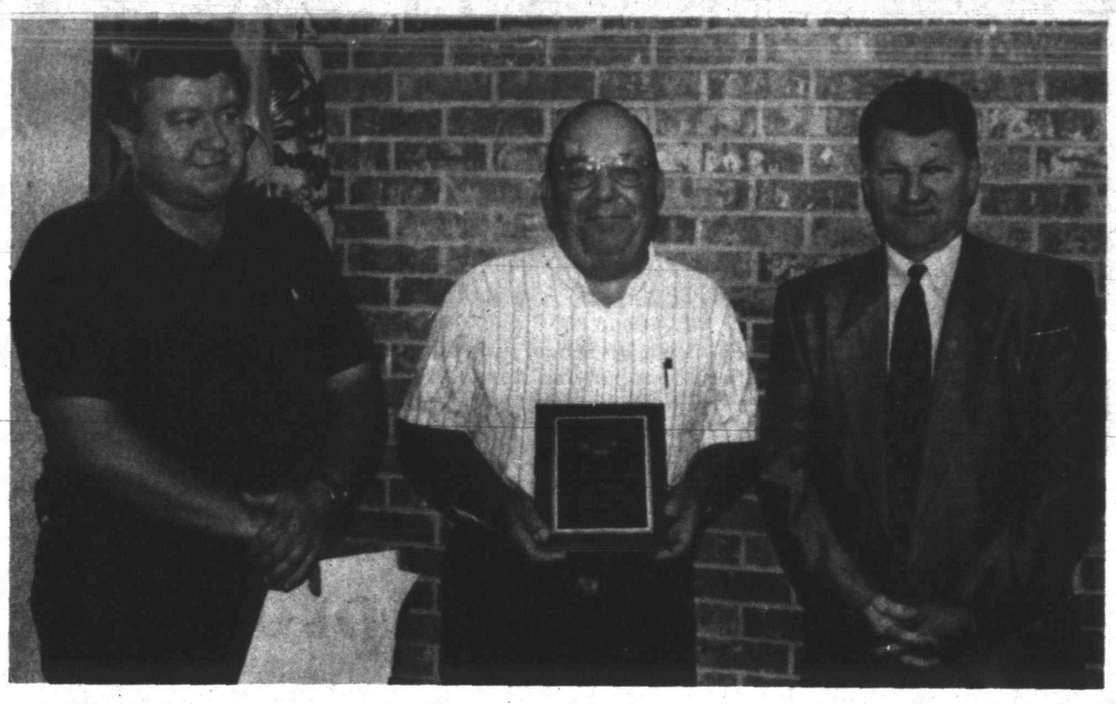
--Ball: to reach or be brought to the boiling point. "Ah thank we ought to ball hem in all."

--Speck: to believe to be the case. "Ah, speck ye don't agree with me."

--Lass: occurring or coming after all others. "He's the lass fella in the world ah wanted to see."

And if visitors want to see a real Texan, we can take 'em out to meet Billy Ray Browning at the Wagon Wheel Ranch.

--Ranch: either a place to raise livestock or a tool to fix things. "Hand me a three-quarter inch ranch."



TOP AWARD — A video produced during the Scurry United Way Campaign for 1995-1996 recently won a top award (see accompanying story.) From left are Mike Dennis and Tommy Williams, who helped produce the video, and Gayle Lomax who served as director of the campaign. Not pictured are Dr. Ed Barkowsky and Mayor David Holt who also contributed to the making of the video. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Local United Way receives key award for locally produced video

Scurry United Way Campaign for 1995-1996 has received top recognition from the Texas Association of United Ways for a locally produced video.

The video, showcasing each of the seven local agencies which benefit from UW funds, has received the top award in the Metro VII-XII section of the video category of the Communications Contest. The award was announced during the annual Texas Association of United Ways conference held last February in Wichita Falls.

Several persons contributed to the making of the video including Dr. Edward Barkowsky who wrote the script. Mike Dennis served as narrator and Mayor David Holt introduced it. Tommy Williams operated the camera. He and his wife, Mary, own and operate U Star Video.

Gayle Lomax was the director of the just-completed campaign. Treva Moore will head the 1996-1997 UW effort.

The purpose of the video was to provide a glimpse into each local agency which benefits from UW funds.

The video spotlighted some of the activities of the Boy and Girl Scouts. Snyder Day Care students were shown on the playground. Dee Wilson described the Noah Project and Mike Sanders talked about the OilPatch Foster Parents Association.

Information about the Red Cross was also included as it is also a recipient of UW funds.

Criteria for judging each video included message impact, materials appearance, originality and adaptability.

SHS academic awards presented

Departmental awards and recognition of top students were made during Snyder High School's annual awards ceremony, held Monday in Worsham Auditorium.

The ceremonies did not include naming of the salutatorian and valedictorian, which will take place when final grades are calculated on May 23.

English teacher Jo Ann Cotton and math instructor Darlene Stokes were Teacher of the Year recipients.

Individual student award winners included Mandy Baker, English; Lena Atkinson, future homemaking; Heather Ward, forensics; Jamie Garcia, art; Kathryn Robbins, business; David Kerr, science and computer science I; and Katie Thornton, drama.

Others were Lacey Parker, Tiger's Tale; Ross Sallee, Tiger's Lair; Tim Burrow and Lindsey Gordy, DECA; C.J. Chaney, physical education; Steven Ashley, health; and Sterling Cave, math.

Still others were Melanie Kidd, foreign language; Monica Roberson, agriculture; Anthony Martinez, social studies; LaTrisha Lee, computer science II; and Scott Squiers, industrial technology.

Kelly Hart, Paige Bell, Kayla Drain, Michelle Spencer, Kathryn Robbins, Heather Ward and Trisha McGrew were recognized as student council board members.

Quiz Team members recognized were David Kerr, LaTrisha Lee, Ammie Harrison and Mandy Baker.

Members of the SHS decathlon team recognized were Wendy Bond, Jason Crow, Christy Garner, Melanie Gibson and David Kerr.

Also recognized were students in the top 10 percent of their class, academically. They included:

Seniors: Courtney Anderson, Mandy Baker, Paige Bell, Jami Brown, Tim Burrow, Sterling Cave, Brooke Cozart, Patricia Cunnington, Lindsey Griffin, Scott Hall, Jennifer Hancock, Ammie Harrison, Kendra Helms, Ana Hernandez, Stephanie Hernandez, Jeff Hobbs, Melissa Humphreys, David Kerr, Chris Mackey, Jannica Northerns, Matt Parker, Mat Powell and Michelle Spencer.

Juniors: George Aguilar, Troy Allen, Clark Church, David Clarady, Laura Collins, Christina Garner, Erica Garvin, Melanie Gibson, Jessica Hodges, Shauna Huddleston, Keri Kemp, Sarah Knowles, LaTrisha Lee, Sarah Lilly, Shawn Purcell, Casity Reneau, Emily Rice, Cara Stansell, Joanie Wemken, Raechelle Wemken, Molly Wilson and Emily Zeck.

Sophomores: Emily Bavousett, Zack Briseno, Haley Brown, Christina Bullard, Mark Cave,

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FAA ordered to hire more inspectors

WASHINGTON (AP) — Under orders from President Clinton to ensure airline safety, the Federal Aviation Administration today announced plans to hire more inspectors quickly and make sure they are doing their job.

The FAA had been planning to hire 300 to 400 more safety inspectors this year. FAA Administrator David R. Hinson said the effort will be speeded up in the aftermath of Saturday's ValuJet crash in Florida's Everglades that killed 109 people.

Hinson testified before the Senate Transportation Committee that the moves are in response to Clinton's demand that the nation's airlines "continue to operate at the highest level of safety."

At the White House, press secretary Mike McCurry said, "We've got faith in America's air travel system. But we always recognize you need to check and double check ways in which you have to improve that system."

Hinson said the FAA, accused of laxity by some critics, is launching a thorough review of how inspectors are used and is adopting a new system to gather safety and performance data from the nation's airlines.

Hinson said Sandia National Laboratories is cooperating in development of the new data-gathering system.

Mary Fackler Schiavo, the Transportation Department's inspector general, said today her agency is investigating reports that FAA officials were pressured to certify low-fare airlines.

The Transportation Department and the FAA determine when an airline is safe to fly, she said on CBS-TV's "This Morning."

"But my job is going beyond that. It's finding problems.," she said. Asked about recent comments that she would not fly on ValuJet, she replied, "It's not part of my job to promote airlines or sell tickets on ValuJet."

Appearing on ABC-TV's "Nightline" on Monday, she questioned FAA assurances that the airline was safe. "You can pass the (safety) exam with a 'C' or you can pass the exam with an 'A,'" she said.

Hinson said, "I strongly take exception to her comments. When we say an airline is safe to fly, it is safe to fly. There is no gray area."

Schiavo has been critical of the FAA's inspections since she began her job as an internal watchdog 5½ years ago. "We questioned whether the inspections were accomplishing anything," because the FAA didn't "target and track problems in the system," she said on PBS.

"When somebody reports a problem with a plane or airline you would think FAA might have a program or system ... We found no use made of trend analysis." She said that was "one of the things of which we were very critical."

The FAA on Monday began a month-long safety checkup of ValuJet as Clinton directed Transportation Secretary Federico Pena to report on what steps are being taken to protect the public.

Pena promised to "get to the bottom" of Saturday's DC-9 . "That is our responsibility."

While the crash investigation proceeds, federal officials said they want to make sure that Valujet's aircraft are operating safely.

"We'll be watching their training. We'll be riding around with them. We'll be hands-on in the airplanes," Hinson said.

The 30-day inspection of ValuJet got under way with dozens of FAA experts checking on its maintenance workers.

ASK US

Q—Can municipal (city) judges in Texas perform marriages?

A—As part of their official duties, no. However, there are ordained ministers in Texas who are also city judges.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Monday, 96 degrees; low, 67; 7 a.m. reading Tuesday, 71; no precipitation; total for 1996, 2.13 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, slight chance of evening storms. Otherwise partly cloudy. Low near 70. S wind 15-25 mph, gusty. Chance of rain, less than 20%. Wednesday, mostly sunny. High 95-100. S to SW wind 15-25 mph, gusty.



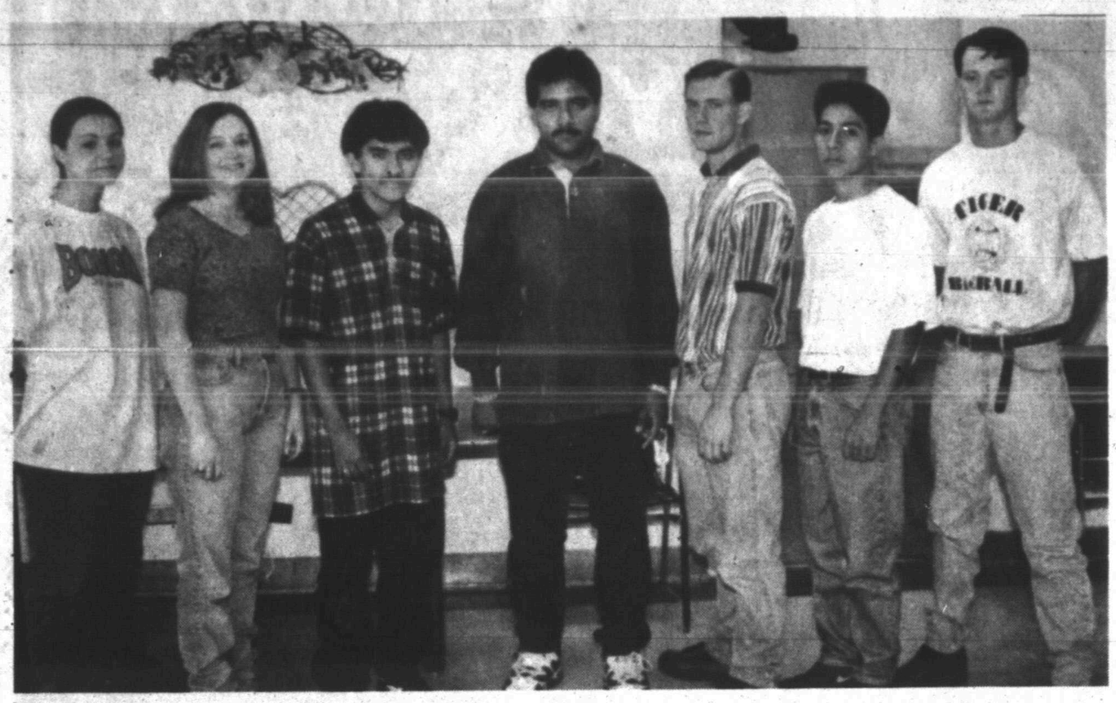
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Sunset: 8:32 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:47 a.m.
Of 134 days in 1996, the sun has shone 130 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Better is the poor who walks in his integrity Than one who is perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

Proverbs 19:1



IT AWARD WINNERS — These Snyder High School students won awards in industrial technology state competition held in Waco. (See accompanying story.) From left are, Lucinda Sergent, Alicia Jones, Jesus Esparza, Frank Esparza, Scott Squiers, Josh Coronado and Matthew Melton. Dane Crunk is not pictured. (SDN Staff Photo)

SHS IT awards named

Eight industrial technology students at Snyder High School won state awards May 3-5 in Waco.

Drafting awards were presented to Lucinda Sergent, second place and two third places; Alicia Jones, second; Jesus Esparza, first, second and third; and Frank Esparza, two firsts and one third.

Those receiving awards in woods were Scott Squires, first and best in division; Josh Coronado, first; Matthew Melton, first; Dane Crunk, first; and Frank Esparza, first.

Dewey Farley teaches drafting classes and Walter Wright is the woods instructor.

East Elementary

Summer games of 1996 to get underway Friday

East Elementary School students will get a chance to test their mettle Friday when the Summer Games of 1996 gets underway at 9 a.m.

Activities will range from running events like the 50-yard-dash and the 400-yard-relay to field events such as Frisbee and softball throws.

Teachers will also compete in a three-legged race.

Every student who participates will receive a ribbon and the overall champion will be awarded a trophy.

Christy Smith, physical education instructor and coordinator of the Summer Games, said more parent volunteers are needed to help with the various events.

Parents and interested parties are invited to attend the special elementary track meet.

Technical review outlines LHA management problems

LUBBOCK (AP) — The Lubbock Housing Authority may have mismanaged hundreds of thousands of federal dollars in what appears to be an agency run amok, a federal agency has found.

A technical review conducted at the housing authority from Feb. 26 to March 1 outlined management problems, primarily finance-related.

"The complete lack of internal controls affecting all areas of management, particularly the financial area, was apparent immediately," the review stated.

One of the most serious problems centered on payments totalling $451,967 during the past two years to a local cabinetmaking company without procuring a contract or going through a bid process.

That violated federal requirements, said Stephen Brewer, acting director of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development public housing office in Fort Worth.

"Obviously, something has gone wrong at the housing authority," Brewer said Monday, referring to results of the review.

Oscar Sharpe, executive director of the Lubbock Housing Authority, said the work was being done on a piecemeal basis and that he did not realize the overall scope of the cabinetmaking project.

He said that having work done without an actual contract should not have happened, but it didn't affect the project's outcome.

"It was just a mistake on the part of some of the administrators," Sharpe said. When asked if he knew other work was being done without contracts, he answered, "No, in most cases, no."

The report also stated that the housing authority's HOPE 1 housing program was charged for labor and installation of cabinets, windows and screens "which were not actually installed."

The report also accused the authority of numerous other cases of mismanagement, including gross overspending of approved budget amounts, hiring of a director who lacked proper training, overpaying employee travel expenses and ignoring federal bidding and contracting procedures.

An investigator with HUD's District Inspector General's Office in Fort Worth has been examining the housing authority for about two weeks and is expected to continue the investigation through this week.

Decrease noted

WASHINGTON (AP) — The number of welfare recipients has dropped by about 1.3 million people in the last three years, the Health and Human Services Department said Monday.

Forty-two states reported a decrease in the number of people receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children between January 1993 and January 1996, resulting in an overall decrease from 14.1 million to 12.8 million.

Reasons cited for the drop included an improved economy, stricter state welfare programs and changes in attitude among the poor about accepting welfare.

Treat fund established

A fund has been established at Snyder National Bank to help defray expenses incurred in the death of four-month-old Autumn Renee Treat, daughter of Henry and Melinda Treat.

All donations will be appreciated.

Cigarette likely caused frat fire

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. (AP) — A cigarette that ignited a pile of trash was the likely cause of a fraternity house blaze that killed five people on graduation day at the University of North Carolina, fire officials say.

The fire, which injured three other students, likely began early Sunday in the basement of the Phi Gamma Delta house and spread quickly with the help of open doors, Assistant Fire Marshal Larry Johnson said Monday.

The fraternity held a pre-commencement party Saturday night in the basement that went in to the wee hours.

Ron Binder, the university's director of Greek affairs, said he did not believe the party or drinking contributed to the fire.

"The issue here is the tragedy," he said.

FCC plans review of free time issues

WASHINGTON (AP) — Are proposals to provide free television time to presidential candidates in conflict with equal-access rules? The Federal Communications Commission is reviewing whether its regulations inhibit plans to enhance political debate.

At issue is whether the free-time proposals should be considered news programs, and therefore exempt from requirements under the federal Communications Act and FCC rules that grant equal time to all candidates.

If not, fringe candidates could demand equal access to the airwaves.

"There's a gray area in the law at the moment, so we believe it makes all the sense in the world to try and get some clarity on it," said Paul Taylor, the driving force behind the Free TV for Straight Talk Coalition.

The FCC, in response to a February request from Fox television, issued a public notice seeking comment on whether the network's free-time proposal should be exempt as "bona fide news programming."

It also began soliciting comments for a broader review after Taylor's group asked for guidance on how the networks' various free-time proposals would relate to federal rules. The hearing is scheduled for June.

As part of its review, the commission asked for input on whether "programming that broadcasters in good faith deem to be bona fide news should be exempt from the equal opportunities rules regardless of format."

"Also, commenters should address whether the commission's current interpretation of (the law) may limit the ways in which broadcasters may voluntarily provide free time for candidates to speak directly to voters."

In theory, the rules guarantee time to all candidates in a campaign if one is granted free time. Exemptions are made for newscasts, interview programs and debate coverage.

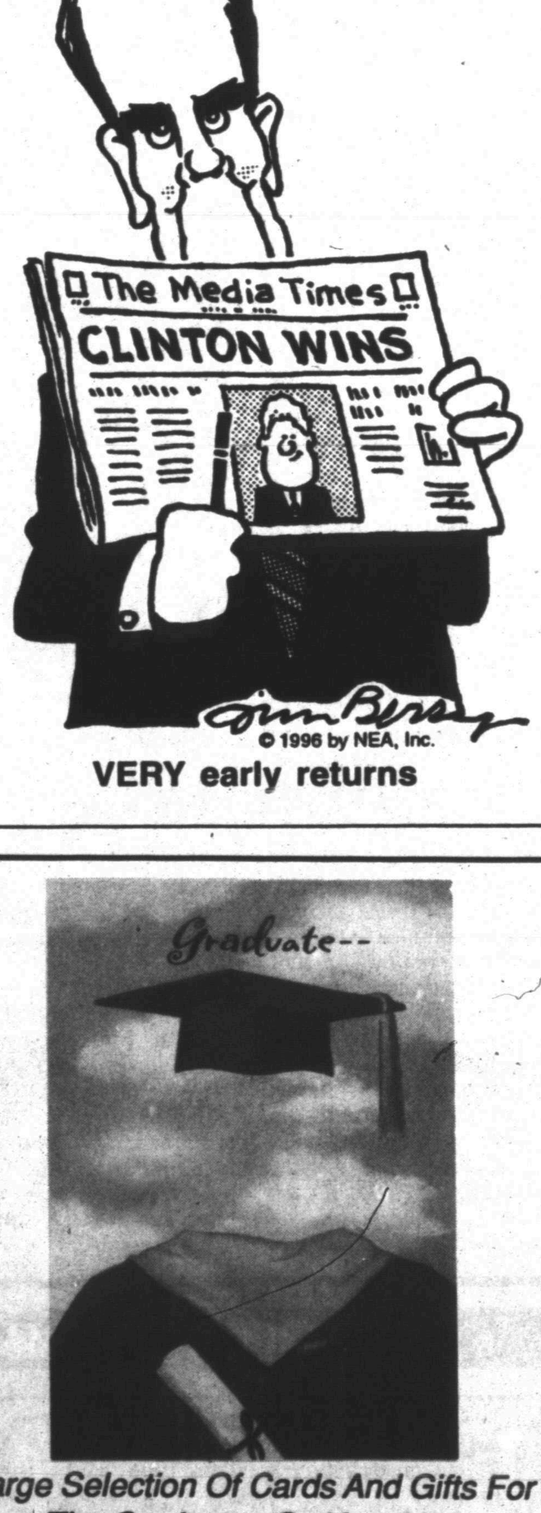
"But when that law was adopted, the Communications Act recognized that there ... is a difference between major candidates and fringe candidates, and that major candidates tend to be more newsworthy," Taylor said.

The issue comes up every four years during presidential debates. Strict criteria limit participation to major candidates.

Significant third-party candidates, such as Ross Perot, have been included, but every year several fringe candidates are excluded.

Some are concerned that minority voices could be shut out unless clear ground rules are set.

Berry's World



VERY early returns

Date Book

May 14, 1996

Today is the 135th day of 1996 and the 56th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1607, the Jamestown (Va.) colony was established; it was the first permanent English settlement in what is now the United States.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Thomas Gainsborough (1727-1788), painter; Robert Owen (1771-1858), manufacturer-philanthropist; Otto Klemperer (1885-1973), conductor; Bobby Darin (1936-1973), singer; George Lucas (1944-), director-producer, is 52; David Byrne (1952-), singer, is 44.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1904, the St. Louis Olympics opened; it was the first time the Olympic games had been held in the United States.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "All the world is queer save thee and me, and even thou art a little queer." — Robert Owen

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1923, a tornado killed 23 people in Texas as it tracked from southeast of Big Spring to northeast of Lorraine.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (May 10) and new moon (May 17).

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Test developed for Alzheimer's disease

WASHINGTON (AP) — Alzheimer's disease now can be precisely diagnosed only after death. But government scientists say an experimental test using blood and skin cells may one day detect the fatal brain disorder in its earliest stages.

Laboratory experiments with the test show that the skin and blood cells of Alzheimer's disease patients have fundamental differences that can be detected long before the disease symptoms appear, said Dr. Jay H. Robbins of the National Cancer Institute.

Robbins, senior author of a report in today's Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, said an early-stage test eventually could help researchers develop drugs for Alzheimer's, differentiate it from other diseases and help people at high risk of Alzheimer's to make important decisions.

But he said still more work is needed before the test will be ready for general use.

"This test could be useful in identifying the disease absolutely in patients who are diagnosed as probable Alzheimer's disease," said Robbins. "Many people who have blood relatives with the disease might want to know. The decision, for instance, could be important for family planning."

Early diagnosis of Alzheimer's could give a boost to researchers now struggling to develop drugs for the disorder, said Dr. Zaven Khachatuarian, director of the Alzheimer's Association Ronald and Nancy Reagan Research Institute.

Khachatuarian said that drugs ranging from hormones to anti-inflamatories to calcium channel blockers are being studied and all of these could be effectively tested only on people who are confirmed to have Alzheimer's.

"Our ability to detect the disease early will be very important in developing these therapies," he said.

Early detection will be even more important once drugs are developed, said Khachatuarian, because "Alzheimer's may start as early as 40 years before symptoms show up and this means that to slow down the progression of this disease, we need to be able to detect it and treat it early."

The Alzheimer's Association estimates that at least 4 million Americans, including former President Reagan, suffer from Alzheimer's. Its symptoms include a gradual loss of memory and eventual failure of all other body functions that are directed by the brain, resulting in death.

In an experiment to prove the accuracy of the test, Robbins and his colleagues analyzed unlabeled cells from 95 patients, some of whom had died of what had been shown in autopsies to have been Alzheimer's disease.

The researchers were able to correctly identify cells from 27 Alzheimer's patients, and to separate out cells from patients suffering from other brain disorders, such as Parkinson's disease and Huntington's disease. There were negative results from 28 of 31 normal cells from healthy donors.

Included in the specimens were cells from patients in rare families whose members have a 50 percent chance of developing Alzheimer's.

Robbins said the test, using unlabeled, frozen cells, correctly identified specimens from three Alzheimer family members who gave the cells years before they developed symptoms of the disease.

"If we want to (test Alzheimer's drugs), it is important to have tests that will identify people 10 to 15 years before they have symptoms," he said.

The test identifies specimens from Alzheimer's patients by detecting cells that have lost the ability to repair certain kinds of DNA damage. This inability is a characteristic of the brain cell degeneration found in Alzheimer's patients.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 05-14-96
♠ A J 4
♥ 7 6 4 3
♦ K 8 5
♣ A 10 2

West
♠ Q 10 7
♥ Q 8 5
♦ Q 6 4 2
♣ 9 7 3

East
♠ K 9 6 2
♥ ---
♦ A J 10 9 3
♣ Q 8 6 4

South
♠ 8 5 3
♥ A K J 10 9 2
♦ 7
♣ K J 5

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			Pass
1 ♥	Pass	3 NT	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	Pass	Pass	

Opening lead: ♠ Q

Another Dutch delight

There were many interesting deals in the Cap Volmac invitational pair event held last January in the Netherlands. This one featured some imaginative bidding and defense by Michael Rosenberg and Zia Mahmood.

North's response of three no-trump showed 3-4-3-3 distribution and asked his partner to choose between three no-trump and four hearts. Looking only at the North-South hands, you would like to be in three no-trump by North as it appears to have nine guaranteed tricks. Then you notice that West has all three missing hearts and the contract suddenly stands no chance. (Fred Gitelman and George Mittelman from Canada were the unlucky pair to reach three no-trump by North and lose points.)

Rosenberg made an imaginative double of four hearts, knowing that the trumps were breaking badly and that his honors were over cards in the dummy.

Zia found the creative lead of the spade queen (though the 10 would have made the defense easier). Declarer won with dummy's ace, drew two rounds of trumps and took three rounds of clubs, finessing successfully through East. Now came the diamond seven.

Note that if West plays low, so does the dummy and East is endplayed. A spade return establishes dummy's jack, a diamond play sets up dummy's king, and a club switch concedes a ruff-and-discard. But Zia was there, flashing the diamond queen onto the table. East was off the hook, having a safe diamond exit, and declarer had to lose four tricks: two spades, one heart and one diamond.

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Ask Anne & Nan

By Anne B. Adams and Nancy Nash-Cummings



Lifelike doll gives a dose of reality

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: I am a counselor in an inner-city school for a "Students At Risk" after-school program. A colleague recently mentioned to me that while driving to work she was listening to a talk show about teen-age pregnancy, and one of the callers remarked about an electronic infant doll that could be programmed to respond like an actual infant. This doll had been used successfully with teen-age girls in helping convince them that taking care of a baby is a lot more work than they bargained for. Do you know anything about this? It sounds like such a great idea. — **NAME WITHHELD ON REQUEST**

DEAR COUNSELOR: We've heard about it, investigated and also think it's a great idea. "Baby Think It Over" was developed by an engineer/rocket scientist who thought that if teen-agers experienced the harsher realities of parenthood, it might encourage celibacy or at least common sense on the contraception front.

This 6.5-pound, anatomically correct "newborn baby" (it is available in male or female, Caucasian, Afro-American or Hispanic) contains a microprocessor that controls the crying cycle. Feeding the "baby" demands that the "parent" insert a probe into the baby's back and hold it there for a programmed length of time up to 25 minutes (the programmed time is set by the instructor) at programmed intervals within a realistic random range of 2 to 4-1/2 hours for "feeding" 24 hours a day.

As this probe is attached to a tamper-proof, non-transferable hospital bracelet worn on the teen-ager's wrist, ONLY the assigned parent can quiet the crying infant. Indicators on a computer read-out on the infant's back will tell the instructor if the baby has been neglected or abused during the time the "mother" has had it in her care.

"Baby Think It Over" has been used with great success with teen-agers across the country: It provides a hands-on reality check that is just about unbeatable when combined with classroom instruction or group counselling. The doll is priced at $250; for more information, call 1-800-830-1416 or write to Baby Think It Over Inc., 4330 Golf Terrace, Eau Claire, WI 54701.

DEAR ANNE AND NAN: Where can I get darning cotton? Black and white are what I need. As an older person (75 in September!), I darn both my husband's socks and mine. When I take care of my son's household, I would also like to be able to darn his, hers and the children's socks. I've run out of what I have and can't find more — anywhere! — **MARY S. BAIN, Hermitage, Pa.**

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STUMPED: Virginia Wedig of Baton Rouge, La., has a new dishwasher that came with a packet of a rinsing agent to be used in addition to detergent. She's used up the packet and wonders if she should buy more (it's quite expensive) or if she really needs to use it at all.

We never have and our dishes look great — so I guess our question, along with Virginia's, is why bother? Readers, any opinions on this one?

Write to "Ask Anne & Nan" at P.O. Box 240, Hartland, VT 05048. Questions of general interest will appear in the column. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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Austin screenwriter says he had idea for 'Twister'

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — An Austin playwright and screenwriter contends that the blockbuster movie "Twister," released to theaters last week, was the uncredited result of a screenplay he wrote.

"Somewhere, I got left out of the process," William Hauptman is quoted as saying in Tuesday editions of the Wichita Falls Times Record News.

Hauptman, a Wichita Falls native who captured a 1985 Tony Award for "Big River," said he wrote the original screenplay about four years ago, when he was swept up by a big-time Hollywood film deal with Steven Spielberg.

Three years later, the deal was a disaster and he was left twisting in the wind, Hauptman said.

Spielberg's attorney, Marvin Levy, acknowledged Hauptman's association with "Twister" but insisted the author was merely sucked into the vortex of Hollywood deal-making, which often proves fatal to projects.

"(Hauptman's script) wasn't quite happening," Levy said. "Then (co-producer) Michael Crichton came along with a completed treatment, which everybody then responded to at that point. ... It was something. It was in development. It never got made, as a lot of projects are, you get projects in development.

"They both have to do with tornadoes. That was probably the sole link between the two projects," Levy said.

Hauptman said the screenplay was based on his 1992 novel, "The Storm Season," which was set in the fictional Texas town of Nortex, a city that bore a striking resemblance to Wichita Falls.

"I had already made a deal with Spielberg when the book was published," Hauptman said. "I wrote the screenplay for him, and I was involved, for a while, in the development process. I just got left behind somewhere."

The special-effects spectacular opened last weekend as the No. 1 film at the box office with an estimated gross of more than $41 million.

Screen credit for the film's original concept and script went to Crichton and his wife, Anne-Marie Martin.

Hauptman said he had considered suing Spielberg. "I've had a lawyer for about a year now," he said. Now, he says he probably won't follow through because such suits usually fail.

"I've thought about it, but not very seriously," Hauptman said.

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers; Trinity Methodist Church (south wing); noon; for more information, call 1-800-359-3131.

Plainview TFCED; 2 p.m.; for more information call Bonnie Foree; 573-6807.

Atheneum Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

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

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th (Deep Creek Boot Shop); 7:30 p.m. (Gene Bowlin).

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-3956, 573-2101,573-1141 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

Alturian Daughters Club; MAWC; 11:30 a.m.

Scurry County Penwomen; 1:30 p.m.

Cosmoroma Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

Al-Anon meeting (smoke free), noon to 1 p.m., brown bag. Park Club in Winston Park. For information call 573-4203 or 573-5525.

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

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

ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 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, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 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; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 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.

Narcotics Anonymous Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 5 p.m.

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

Sheik's long limousine curbed by California highway patrol

RIVERSIDE, Calif. (AP) — This extra-long limo can carry 36 passengers in high style — fax machines, Waterford crystal, microwave and all. It's so long it's built to bend in the middle to go around curves.

The California Highway Patrol has curbed the $1.8 million limousine built for an Arab sheik, because at 66½ feet it's 18 inches too long.

No problem, Ultra Custom Coach general manager Kraig Kavanagh said Monday.

He's doing some "cosmetic work" to make the 14,000-pound car street legal — no more than 65 feet.

"We've taken some of the plastic off the bumpers and we're tightening up the clearance a little bit," Kavanagh said.

The white Lincoln Town Car was built for Sheik Hamad Bin Hamdan Al-Nahayan of the United Arab Emirates. It's in two pieces with a hitch in the middle like a tractor-trailer.

Last week, CHP officers spotted it cruising through Carlsbad, ordered it to the curb and pulled out their tape measures.

The sheik uses the limousine when he visits the United States. The rest of the time he leases it out.

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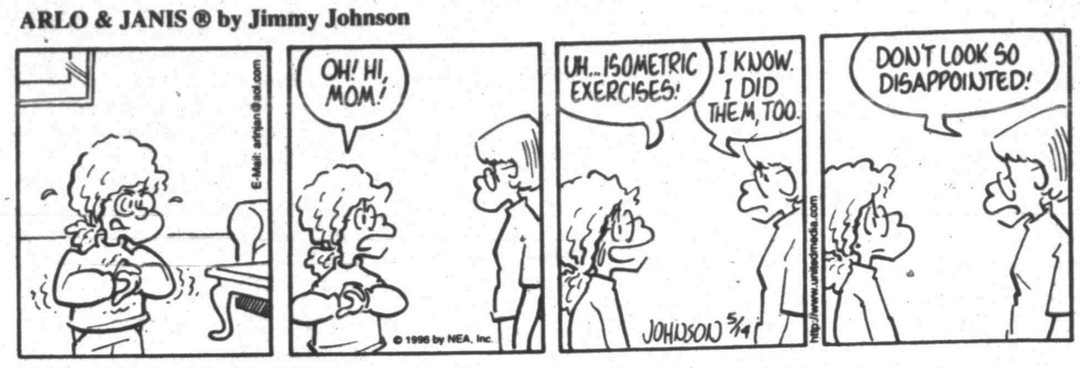
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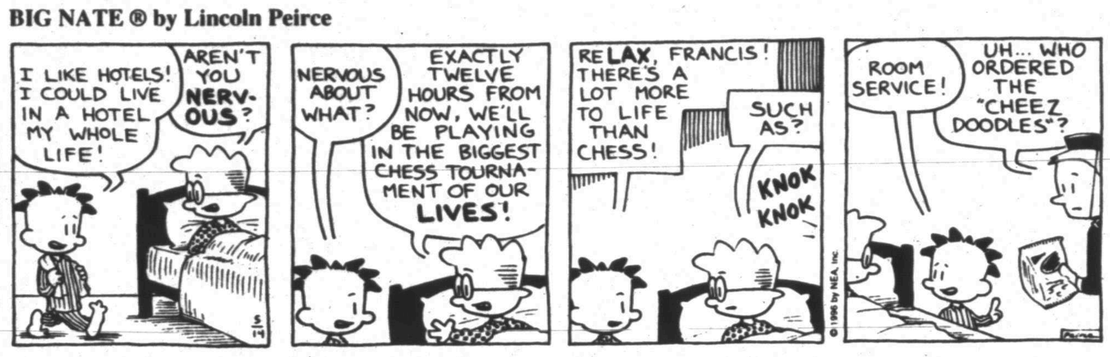
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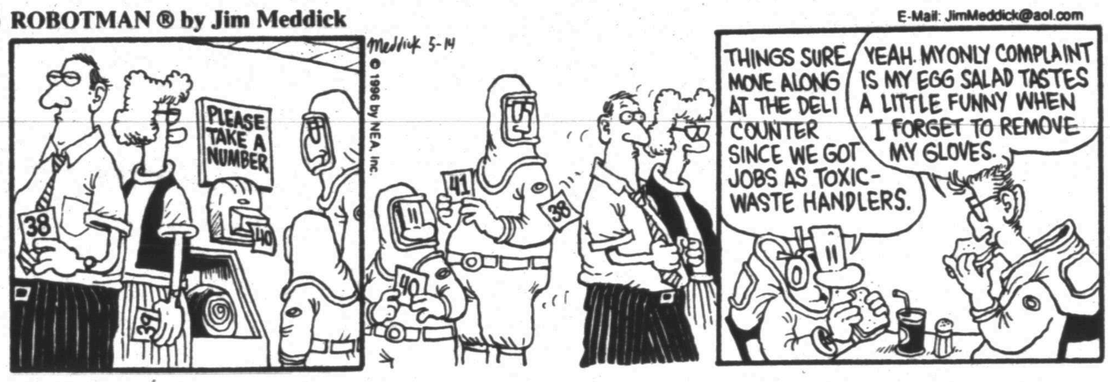


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15 Put on board
16 Ancient musical instrument
17 Openings
18 Angry
20 Comedian Kaye
22 Understanding
23 Actor Gulager
24 Speak
27 Certain sci-fi fan
31 Den
32 Praise
33 Dissenting vote
34 Nothing
35 Emerald Isle
36 Trademark
37 Female tavern owner
39 Peasant's shoe
40 Fish
41 Tilt
42 Custom
45 Emergency phone (2 wds.)
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56 Alphabet letters
57 Use an office machine
58 Group of two

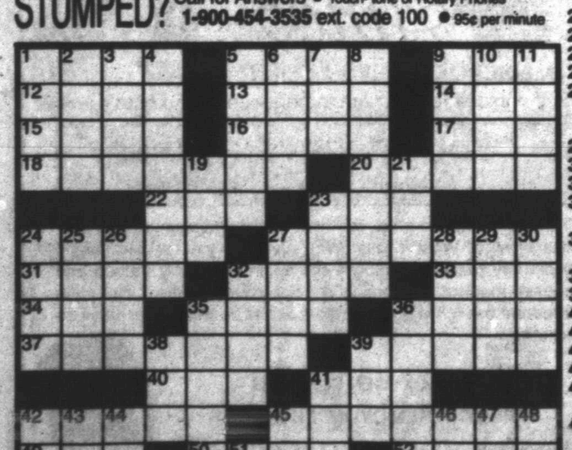
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10 Actor Bruce —
11 Diagnosing tool
19 Mal de —
21 Diving bird
23 Motley — (music group)
24 Arm bone
25 Follow
26 Mosaic piece
27 Biblical weed
28 Small rounded handle
29 Othello villain
30 Island
32 Existence
35 Of vivid images
36 Region in North Europe
38 Synthetic hair
39 Use a chair
41 Now!
42 W. Coast coll.
43 Rise
44 Weapons
45 Door fastening
46 Actress Judith —
47 Type of star
48 Novelist Bagnold
51 Ear (comb. form)

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	21	14	.600	—
Baltimore	20	17	.541	2
Toronto	17	19	.472	4½
Boston	12	23	.343	9
Detroit	12	27	.308	11

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	23	12	.657	—
Chicago	20	17	.541	4
Milwaukee	16	19	.457	7
Minnesota	16	19	.457	7
KansasCity	16	23	.410	9

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	25	13	.658	—
Seattle	20	17	.541	4½
California	19	18	.514	5½
Oakland	19	18	.514	5½

Sunday's Games
Toronto 8, Boston 7, 10 innings
Milwaukee 6, Baltimore 4
New York 9, Chicago 8
Detroit 5, Texas 3
Oakland 8, Minnesota 3
Seattle 8, Kansas City 5
Cleveland 4, California 1
Monday's Games
Milwaukee 6, Chicago 2
Texas 7, Kansas City 6
Baltimore 4, Oakland 3
Only games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
California (Finley 4-2) at Boston (Sele 1-3), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Gohr 2-4) at Cleveland (Nagy 5-1), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Hitchcock 3-1) at New York (Gooden 1-3), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Alvarez 2-3) at Milwaukee (Bones 2-5), 8:05 p.m.
Toronto (Hanson 3-5) at Minnesota (Robertson 0-5), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Gubicza 3-4) at Texas (Hill 4-3), 8:35 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 5-2) at Oakland (Reyes 3-5), 10:05 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
Baltimore (Haynes 1-4) at Oakland (Wojciechowski 4-0), 3:15 p.m.
California (Springer 0-0) at Boston (Gordon 2-2), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Lima 0-3) at Cleveland (Martinez 5-2), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Bosio 3-2) at New York (Key 1-4), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Tapani 3-2) at Milwaukee (McDonald 4-1), 8:05 p.m.
Toronto (Hentgen 4-2) at Minnesota (Rodriguez 2-4), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Haney 1-4) at Texas (Pavlik 5-0), 8:35 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Montreal	27	12	.692	—
Atlanta	24	14	.632	2½
Philadelphia	18	18	.500	7½
Florida	19	21	.475	8½
NewYork	15	21	.417	10½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	18	20	.474	—
Cincinnati	16	18	.471	—
Houston	18	21	.462	½
Pittsburgh	16	22	.421	2
St.Louis	16	22	.421	2

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanDiego	23	15	.605	—
SanFrancisco	20	17	.541	2½
LosAngeles	18	21	.462	5½
Colorado	15	21	.417	7

Sunday's Games
Chicago 3, New York 0
Philadelphia 6, Atlanta 0
San Francisco 7, Pittsburgh 2
Florida 7, Colorado 5
Montreal 7, Houston 6
San Diego 5, Cincinnati 0
St. Louis 6, Los Angeles 5
Monday's Games
Florida 5, St. Louis 2
Atlanta 9, Pittsburgh 3
Chicago 6, Houston 0
San Francisco 2, Philadelphia 1
Montreal 3, Los Angeles 2
San Diego 5, New York 2
Only games scheduled
Tuesday's Games
Houston (Kile 4-2) at Chicago (Navarro 2-4), 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Osborne 2-2) at Florida (Miller 1-0), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (O.Fernandez 3-1) at Philadelphia (Schilling 0-0), 7:35 p.m.
Colorado (Reynoso 2-3) at Cincinnati (Schourek 4-1), 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Wagner 4-3) at Atlanta (Smoltz 7-1), 7:40 p.m.
Montreal (Alvarez 1-1) at Los Angeles (Martinez 1-0), 10:05 p.m.
New York (Wilson 1-2) at San Diego (Ashby 4-2), 10:05 p.m.
Wednesday's Games
San Francisco (Leiter 2-4) at Philadelphia (Mulholland 3-3), 1:05 p.m.
Houston (Brocail 1-3) at Chicago (Castillo 1-4), 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Stottlemyre 2-2) at Florida (Rapp 2-3), 7:05 p.m.
Colorado (Freeman 3-3) at Cincinnati (Portugal 0-3), 7:35 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Neagle 4-1) at Atlanta (Avery 4-2), 7:40 p.m.
Montreal (Fassero 3-3) at Los Angeles (Candiotti 1-3), 10:35 p.m.
New York (Jones 3-1) at San Diego (Bergman 2-3), 10:35 p.m.

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

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National Basketball Association Playoffs
All Times EDT
CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS
(Best-of-7)
Saturday, May 4
Seattle 108, Houston 75
Sunday, May 5
Chicago 91, New York 84
Monday, May 6
Seattle 105, Houston 101
Tuesday, May 7
Utah 95, San Antonio 75
Chicago 91, New York 80
Wednesday, May 8
Orlando 117, Atlanta 105

Thursday, May 9
San Antonio 88, Utah 77
Friday, May 10
Orlando 120, Atlanta 94
Seattle 115, Houston 112
Saturday, May 11
New York 102, Chicago 99, OT
Utah 105, San Antonio 75
Sunday, May 12
Orlando 103, Atlanta 96
Seattle 114, Houston 107, OT, Seattle win series 4-0
Chicago 94, New York 91, Chicago lead series 3-1
Utah 101, San Antonio 86, Utah leads serie 3-1

Monday, May 13
Atlanta 104, Orlando 99, Orlando lead series 3-1
Tuesday, May 14
New York at Chicago, 8 p.m. (TNT)
Utah at San Antonio, 9 p.m. (TBS)
Wednesday, May 15
Atlanta at Orlando, 8 p.m. (TNT)
Thursday, May 16
Chicago at New York, TBA, if necessary
San Antonio at Utah, TBA, if necessary
Friday, May 17
Orlando at Atlanta, 8 p.m. (TNT), if necessary

Turner signs to play for Florida Atlantic

Western Texas College basketball player Katrina Turner has signed a letter of intent to play basketball next year for Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton, Fla.

The 6-2 sophomore from Crim High School in Atlanta, Ga. said the main reason she picked FAU was because "it is close to home."

"They have a good academic program and excellent physical therapy program," Turner added. She will be majoring in physical therapy.

WTC coach Brenda Nichols said, "Katrina will be an asset in anyone's program. She is very academic minded."



BASKETBALL SIGNING—Katrina Turner (left) recently signed a letter of intent to play basketball for Florida Atlantic University. Turner spent last year playing for coach Brenda Nichols and the Lady Westerners. (SDN Staff Photo)

LOCAL SPORTS BRIEFS

SCC Men's Pumpjack Tourney

The 1996 edition of the Snyder Country Club Men's Pumpjack Tournament will take place Saturday and Sunday. There will be a special practice round on Friday.

This year's tournament will be a two-man low ball format both days. Teams will be preflighted by the total handicap of the team with a maximum spread of seven shots.

Entry fee is $160 per team which includes a buffet dinner Saturday night. To enter, contact the Snyder Country Club pro shop at 573-7101.

Raggedy Ann & Andy

Snyder Country Club will be hosting the annual Raggedy Ann & Andy golf tournament May 31-June 2.

The couple's tournament will be team play. There will be a limit of 60 teams, pre-flighted. The format will be six-hole alternate shot, six-hole scramble and six-hole low ball.

For more information, contact Carolyn Greene at 573-5775.

Junior golf clinic

Snyder Country Club will be hosting a junior golf clinic June 5-7.

Instructors will be Snyder High School golf coach Matt Glenn, assistant golf pro Wade Hatter and golf pro Rick Mammolite.

Cost is $35 per student. To enroll, call the pro shop at 573-7101.

Mavericks postpone interview

DALLAS (AP) — Mavericks assistant coach Brad Davis, reportedly one of the finalists to succeed Dick Motta as head coach, will not meet with the club's new owners until Thursday.

Davis interviewed Monday with club president Norm Sonju and player personnel director Keith Grant. However, interviews scheduled for Monday with new owners Ross Perot Jr., David McDavid and Frank Zaccanelli were postponed.

Officials cited a scheduling conflict for Perot.

"I was anxious to meet with them," Davis said. "It's one of those things, a scheduling difficulty."

Former Phoenix Suns coach Paul Westphal was interviewed by club owners and officials on Saturday.

Rangers win 1-run come-from-behind game with Tigers

ARLINGTON (AP) — Johnny Oates was running a fever "and feeling absolutely terrible."

He felt much better after watching his Texas Rangers get a walk, two singles and Rusty Greer's two-out, two-run double in the eighth inning Monday night, producing a 7-6 victory he could hardly believe.

"It's nice to be able to feel a little better as a result of the game," the Rangers manager said.

"We snatched that one. We got behind and we were flat. It was one of those games where you ask yourself, 'Did we really win it?' because it didn't seem like we were with it today," Oates said.

"But Rusty Greer came through, and we did what we needed to do to get enough runs. We snatched one today."

Kansas City manager Bob Boone was poised to enjoy just that kind if feeling. After losing mound ace Kevin Appier in the first inning to Greer's line drive off Appier's right knee, the Royals stayed in the game with help from relievers Julio Valera, Jason Jacome and Tim Pugh.

So with a 6-4 lead, Boone turned in the eighth to his closer, Jeff Montgomery, who had converted seven of his nine previous save opportunities.

"We got where we wanted. We played a pretty solid game. We had a couple of mistakes, but we had it where we wanted," Boone said.

Montgomery struck out leadoff hitter Kevin Elster, but Mark McLemore singled and Ivan Rodriguez walked, putting the tying runs on base and bringing Will Clark to the plate.

Last SWC baseball tournament begins Wednesday at Tech

DALLAS (AP) — The last baseball tournament in Southwest Conference history begins Wednesday in Lubbock, with seven teams vying for the trophy for the first time.

The SWC's 19th postseason baseball tournament starts with fourth-seeded TCU (33-31, 11-13 SWC) battling fifth-seeded Baylor (31-25, 11-13).

Later that day, third-seeded Texas A&M (36-19, 12-12) tangles with sixth-seeded Rice (35-20, 9-15).

No. 2 seed Texas Tech (44-11, 15-9) plays seventh-seeded Houston (29-26, 9-15) on Wednesday night.

On Thursday night, top-seeded Texas (36-20, 17-7) plays the winner of the Baylor-TCU game.

All seven SWC teams are vying for the conference postseason trophy in the double-elimination tournament. In previous tournaments, only the top four SWC teams were chosen for the field by round-robin winning percentage.

The championship game will be played either Saturday or Sunday, depending upon the outcome of the loser's bracket.

Texas captured its 64th SWC title this spring, but host Texas Tech is the defending champion in the tourney.

Texas has captured 11 of the previous 18 SWC trophies and owns NCAA records with 68 total tournament appearances — 41 in NCAA Region meets and 27 in the NCAA World Series at Omaha, Neb.

Cubs shutout Astros, 6-0

CHICAGO (AP) — Give an assist to an assistant for the performance of Steve Trachsel.

Trachsel pitched a one-hitter against the Houston Astros on Monday night, and got offensive help from Sammy Sosa, who hit his third home run in as many games in the Chicago Cubs' 6-0 victory.

Trachsel (3-2) credits Rick Kranitz, pitching assistant, with his turnaround. "He knows me since I've been in the minor leagues," Trachsel said.

"Last year if I threw a fastball on the outside of the plate, it tailed back over toward the middle. This year it's not doing that. It's helping my curveball. It's helping my changeup. It's a new pitch for me and it's helping my split (finger) as well."

Tech and Texas to host NCAA baseball regionals

OVERLAND PARK, Kan. (AP) — The Southeastern Conference, for only the second time in tournament history, was awarded three of the eight regional sites announced Monday in the NCAA's Division I baseball tournament.

Florida will be host of the East Regional, Alabama the South I and Louisiana State the South II. The bids were handed out by the Division I baseball committee from 18 offers submitted by schools around the country. The SEC had a record six teams chosen for the 48-team tournament field last year.

The state of Florida, which has had as many as three schools selected as sites in past tournaments, has only one this year.

"I'd have to say the quality of bids are as good as we've had," said Ron Maestri, chairman of the selection committee. "It was very difficult trying to select a host. It's a tribute to the growth of college baseball."

Also picked to stage regionals were Clemson in the Atlantic Regional; Texas, Central I; Texas Tech, Central II; Stanford in the West Regional; and Wichita State in the Midwest. The Shockers (47-7) are ranked No. 1 in both the Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball polls.

The eight six-team regionals will stage double-elimination competition May 23-26, with the winners advancing to the 50th annual College World Series in Omaha. The 48-team field will be announced May 20.

Both Alabama and Texas Tech will be holding regionals for the first time. Stanford has not been a host since 1990.

"The No. 1 criteria is quality and availability of the facility," said Maestri, director of athletics at New Orleans. "No. 2 is revenue potential. Each one of these host sites had a minimum $50,000 guarantee bid, and they had to guarantee 75 percent of the bid.

"Also taken into consideration is attendance history, present attendance during this year, the potential attendance for a regional and past attendance for regionals, as well as geographic location."

Maestri said all eight winning bids easily exceeded the $50,000 minimum. He declined to specify the dollar amount of any bid.

USA women down Ukraine

ADELAIDE, Australia (AP) — Ruth Bolton scored 14 points and Sheryl Swoopes added 13 today as the United States beat Ukraine 62-51 to improve to 6-0 in the four-country pre-Olympic women's basketball tournament.

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Three people were arrested Monday and one person was taken into custody early this morning as local law enforcement agencies had a busy 24 hours. City officers are also investigating a burglary at Skinny's on Coliseum Drive that occurred early this morning.

An offense report for burglary was submitted at 3:25 this morning in reference to items taken from the store in the break-in. Store officials were taking inventory this morning to determine what was missing.

At 12:37 p.m. Monday, officers arrested a 21-year-old male in the 3700 block of College Avenue on an outstanding warrant for Class C assault and for failure to appear.

DPS troopers arrested a 39-year-old male at 6:04 p.m. on U.S. Highway 84 near the city landfill for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and driving while license suspended.

Deputies arrested a 17-year-old male at the sheriff's office at 8:20 p.m. on misdemeanor charges of burglary of a vehicle.

At 2:44 this morning, officers arrested a 28-year-old male on four outstanding city warrants, including two for expired motor vehicle registration and two for failure to appear.

At 11:28 a.m. Monday, Sue Bogard notified the sheriff's office that her husband had left to go to work in Hobbs, N.M. on Sunday night and had failed to show up for work on Monday. At 5:23 p.m., a missing persons report was submitted for 48-year-old Agustus "Dusty" Bogard, who was still missing as of noon today.

In other activity Monday, an offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted at 7:40 a.m. in reference to damage at WTP Energy on U.S. Highway 180.

Shirley Drum requested to speak to a deputy at 10:24 a.m. in reference to a burglary of a habitation. A suspect has been identified and the case referred to the district attorney's office in reference to a billfold taken which contained cash and credit cards. While investigating this incident, deputies closed two prior cases of theft from 3607 Irving. Three suspects has been identifed and the case will be forwarded to the county attorney's office.

Robert Lathem requested to speak to a deputy a 10:31 a.m. in reference to the theft of a refrigerator. An offense report for theft was submitted.

Tom McKinley requested to speak to an officer at 11:42 a.m. in reference to receiving a bad check. An offense report for theft by check was submitted.

Nikki Mueller notified officers at 3:02 p.m. that her wallet was stolen while she was at the Dollar General store. An offense report for Class C theft was submitted.

Donna Mills notified officers at 4:02 p.m. that a thermometer valued at $375 had been stolen from the OB ward at Cogdell Hospital. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

Officers were notified at 7:42 p.m. of criminal mischief to a vehicle at 2502 29th St. A juvenile was identified and later taken into custody before being released to his parents.

A report of criminal mischief was submitted at 10:24 p.m. in reference to someone driving off from the Minute Market and breaking the gas hose.

An offense report for criminal mischief was submitted at 5:29 this morning in refernce to a door being damaged at Grumpy's Cafe on North College Avenue.

Remarks kept short

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ray Charles likes to keep his remarks short and to the point.

"How sweet it is!" Charles said after receiving an honorary doctorate of music Sunday from Occidental College.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	92¼	91¼	91¼	— ½
AT&T Corp		62¼	62	62
AirTouch	31¾	31	31¼	+1
Albertsons	40¾	39¾	40¾	— ¼
Alldsignal	59⅝	58¼	59	+ ¼
Alltel	32¾	32¼	32¼	— ¼
AmStores	37	36¼	36⅞	+ ¼
Ameritech	59⅝	59	59⅛	+ ¼
Amoco	72¼	72⅛	72⅜	+ ¼
AndarkPtr	54	53¼	53½	— ¼
Armcolnc		5⅛	5¼	5¼
AtlRichfld	120⅛	119¼	119¾	+1
ATMOS Egy	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛	— ¼
Aviall	9¾	9½	9¾	— ¼
BakerHughes	32	31⅝	31¾	+ ⅜
BellAtl		65¾	65¼	65¼
BellSouth s		41¼	41¼	+ ¼
BethSteel		13⅜	13⅜	13⅜
BritPet	105⅛	105¼	105½	+1¼
BurlNoSFe		88¼	87¾	87¾
Caterpillar	65¼	64⅜	64¾	+ ¼
CenSoWst	28⅛	27⅞	28¼	+ ¼
Chevron	59⅛	58½	59	+ ¼
Chrysler		64¾	64¼	64½
Coastal	39¼	38¾	38⅝	— ¼
CocaColas	44	42¼	43⅜	+ ⅜
ColgatePalm	80¼	79⅝	80¼	+ ½
ComclMetals		29⅝	29⅝	29⅝
Cooperin	42¾	41¾	42	— ¼
CyprusAmax	27⅜	27	27½	+ ⅜
DallSemico	21½	21¼	21¼	+ ½
DeltaAirl	83¼	81⅞	81¼	—1¾
DigitalEq	56¼	55¼	56	+ ⅜
Dillard	40¼	38¾	38½	— ¼
DowChem	87⅛	86½	87⅜	— ½
DresserInd	30⅜	30	30½	+ ¼
DuPont	82	79¼	81½	+1¾
EastmanChem	67¼	66	67½	+1¼
EstKodak		77⅛	76⅞	76⅞
EljerInd	12	11⅜	11⅜	+ ½
Enserch	21¾	21¼	21⅜	+ ¼
Entergy	28¼	27⅞	28¼	+ ¼
Exxon	85⅞	84½	85¼	+ ¾
FstBksAm s	10	10	10	— ¼
Flowers s	14	13¾	14	+ ⅛
FordMotor	36¼	35⅞	36⅛	+ ⅜
GTE Cp	45⅞	45¼	45¼	+ ¼
GenDynam	64¼	64¼	64⅜	— ¼
GenElec	78⅛	78¼	78¾	+ ¼
GenMills		56¼	55¼	55¼
GenMotors	53¾	53	53¾	+1
GenMotors E		55¼	54¼	54¼
GaPacif	76¼	75¾	75¾	— ½
GlobalMar	12¼	12	12¼	+ ⅜
Goodrichs	36¼	36⅛	36¼	+ ¼
Goodyear s	51¼	51¼	51¾	+ ½
GtAtlPac		35¼	35⅛	35¼
Haliburtn	54¼	54	54¼	+ ¼
Hanson ADS	15⅜	15¼	15¼	— ½
HarteHanks s	24¼	24⅛	24⅛	— ¼
HoustonInd s	23⅜	23¼	23⅜	+ ½
IBM	108¾	107¾	107¾	+ ½
IntlPapers	41	40¾	40¾	+ ¼
JohnsnJns	93¼	92¼	93	+ ¾
K mart	10⅜	10¼	10¼	+ ¼
Kroger	41⅜	41¼	41¾	+ ⅜
Litton	48⅜	48¼	48¾	+ ½
LockhdMart	83¼	83	83½	+ ¼
Lowes Cos	34	33¼	33½	+ ⅜
Lubys	24¼	24¼	24¼	— ¼
LucentTech s	35¼	34¾	35¼	+ ⅜
MayDeptStrs	47¾	47¾	47¾	— ¼
Medtronics	56	55	55½	+ ¼
Mobil	115¾	114¾	115¾	+ ¾
Monsanto	155	152¼	154	+1¾
Motorola	63¾	63	63¼	+ ¼
Nationsbk	81¼	80¼	81	+ ½
Navistar	10¾	10⅜	10⅜	— ¼
NoramEngy	10⅜	10⅜	10⅜	— ⅛
Norwest	36¼	35¼	36	+ ¼
Nynex	49	48¼	48½	+ ¼
OryxEngy		17	16¾	17
PacTelesis	34	33¾	33¾	+ ⅛
Panenergy		33	32¼	32¾
Penney JC	51¼	50¾	50¾	—1
Pennzoil	44¼	43¾	44¼	+ ¼
PepBoys	34¼	34	34⅛	— ⅛
PepsiCo	67¼	66¾	67	+ ⅛
PepsiCo wi	33⅝	33⅜	33½	+ ¼
PhelpDodge	73¼	73	73⅝	— ⅜
PhilipPet	39½	39⅛	39½	+ ¼
Polaroid	45¾	45	45¼	— ⅜
Praxair	38¾	38	38½	+ ¼
ProctGamble	88	86¾	87½	+ ½
PubSNwMx		19¼	19	19
RoyalDutch	148¾	147¾	148¾	+1¼
SBC Comm		50¼	50¼	50¼
SaraLee		33¼	32¾	32¾
SearsRoebs	51¾	51¼	51½	+ ¼
SherwinW		45¾	45¾	45¾
SmthBchADS		50¾	50¼	50¾
SouthernCo	23¾	23¼	23¾	+ ¼
SwstAirlines	30	29¾	29¾	+ ¼
Sprint	43¼	42¾	43½	+ ⅜
SterlingChm		11¾	11¾	11¾
SunCo	31¾	31¾	31¾	— ¼
TNP Ent	24¼	24¼	24½	+ ¼
Tandy	58¼	57¾	58¼	
TempIInl		49½	48¾	49
Tenneco	56	55¾	55¾	— ¼
Texaco	82¼	82¼	82¾	+ ⅛
TexasInd	64¾	64	64½	+ ¼
TexasInsts	55¼	54¼	54¾	+ ¼
TexUtil	41¾	41¾	41¾	+ ⅛
Textron	85¼	85	85⅝	— ¼
Travelers	60¾	60¼	60¾	+ ⅛
TrinityInds		35¾	35¾	35¾
TritonEngy	52¾	52¾	52¾	+ ¼
Tyler	2⅝	2½	2⅝	— ⅛
US WestCm s	34⅜	33¾	34¼	+ ⅜
USWstMda s	18¾	18⅛	18⅜	— ⅛
USX Delhi		14¾	14¼	14¾
USX-Marathn	22	21¾	21¾	— ⅛
USX-USS	32¼	32	32¼	— ⅛
UnCarbde	45¾	44¾	45¾	— ⅛
UnPac	69⅜	68¾	69¼	+ ⅛
UnitedTech	110¾	109¾	109¾	— ⅛
Unocal	31¼	31½	31¾	+ ¼
WalMart	24⅜	24⅜	24¼	+ ⅛
WstnGasRs	15⅞	15¾	15¾	— ⅛
WestghEl	18⅜	18⅜	18¾	+ ⅛
WinnDixie s		34⅛	34¼	34¼
Woolworth	18⅞	18⅜	18¾	+ ⅛
XeroxCp	152	151¼	151¾	— ¼
ZenithE	14⅜	13¾	14	—1

FD responds to house fire

Snyder Volunteer Fire Department responded to the report of a house fire at 306 34th St. at 8:11 p.m. Monday.

The fire occurred in the kitchen area where a gas water heater had fallen through the floor. Damage was limited to the floor near the hot water heater with smoke damage to the remainder of the house. The house was occupied by Woody Newton.

Prior to the call, the department responded to a report of smoke in a house at 509 32nd St. The smoke odor was apparently coming from the residence on 34th Street.

The fire department assisted the Colorado City and Loraine fire departments at 9:16 p.m. in extinguishing a large grass fire in the northeast part of Mitchell County on CR 4197.

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Hermleigh

Stick Horse Rodeo planned

Hermleigh elementary students in grades kindergarten through third will help close out their school year on Wednesday, May 22, with a Stick Horse Rodeo slated to begin around 9:30 a.m. at the football field.

Events will include barrel racing, bareback riding and possibly a pig chase. For the Grand Entry, participants will carry the flag onto the football field, prior to the competition. A prayer and National Anthem will be included.

Also on the agenda will be roping and cowboy equipment demonstrations.

A square dance will follow the competitive events, and for lunch, students will be treated to a hot dog cookout.

School will dismiss at 1:30 p.m.

Students will ride stick horses featuring a paper head horse attached to PVC pipe.

Okinawan landowner allowed on U.S base

TOKYO (AP) — A grocery store owner was allowed on a U.S Navy base today to inspect a plot of land expropriated from his family decades ago, a symbolic victory for opponents of the American military on Okinawa.

Shoichi Chibana and about 30 friends and relatives marked the event with traditional Okinawan songs. They also offered prayers to Chibana's grandfather, who died defending the land during World War II.

"I'm finally able to hold my head up and go in through the front gates," Chibana told reporters before entering the Navy's Sobe communications center. "I'm very happy."

Hundreds of supporters rallied outside the base gates, many waving bright red banners or carrying picket signs, as Chibana went in.

The U.S. military has come under increasing scrutiny on Okinawa since three American servicemen raped a schoolgirl last September. The United States has said it will vacate the Sobe facility once a replacement has been completed on a nearby Marine base.

In the meantime, Japan's government has stressed that although its 20-year lease with Chibana expired March 31, the continued use of his land is necessary under the U.S.-Japan mutual security treaty.

To keep Chibana away from his land, the government has initiated complex legal proceedings to force the renewal of the lease, a process that could take months.

Okinawa — which is about one-tenth the size of the island of Hawaii — is host to a sprawling air base and nearly 30,000 troops, including the largest contingent of Marines outside the United States.

Though less than one percent of Japan's total area, Okinawa accounts for about 75 percent of all Japanese land reserved for U.S. military bases, which take up one-fifth of the island.

Because of the limited space on Okinawa, and the island's bitter history as a bloody World War II battlefield, tensions between the troops and Okinawans are endemic.

Since the rape, Okinawan Gov. Masahide Ota has made the withdrawal of all U.S. troops from Okinawa over the next 20 years a political priority.

Ota's stance has won little sympathy from officials in Tokyo, who strongly support the current military arrangement with Washington.

Even many of Ota's supporters are concerned that Okinawa's economy could be seriously hurt if the Americans were to leave. Okinawa is Japan's poorest prefecture (state).

Some 32,000 Okinawans own plots of land that have been expropriated, most of them soon after the war, for the bases. The Japanese government pays them rent, which is kept roughly in line with the value of similar property off base.

Most landowners seem satisfied with the arrangement, but roughly 3,000 are known to oppose the continued use of their land. Their leases are due to expire in another year.

Bear cub will be spared

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — A 7-year-old girl who was nipped by a baby black bear is taking a series of painful rabies shots so the pudgy cub won't be killed.

"I just didn't want that cute baby bear to die," Juliette Harris said Monday night.

Juliette, who lives near the Gila National Forest of southwestern New Mexico, spotted the cub shuffling through the woods May 5.

She was lugging the 8-pound cub home when it bit her hand. Her finger bled but didn't need stitches.

When state heath officials said the bear would have to be killed so it could be examined for rabies, Juliette made a deal: She would take seven rabies shots through a 5-inch needle if the bear was spared.

She's already had five and still has to undergo two more.

"Those needles hurt — but not that bad," Juliette said by phone from her home in Pinos Altos. "The first day I had to have one in my leg and one in my arm, which wasn't so good."

Her parents are paying for the shots, totaling more than $1,500.

Meanwhile, the female cub, whom Juliette has named "Stubby," was being cared for by Gila Wildlife Rescue of Silver City.

Juliette says she knows to stay away from bears but found the charming bundle of fur too much to resist.

"When I saw it there, I thought it was a puppy stuck under a fence," she said. "Then I pulled it's leg and oh, you should have seen how cute it was."

Molly the gorilla dies at age 28

ATLANTA (AP) — Molly the gorilla, who showed shopping-mall gorilla Ivan how to get along with his own kind, has died at Zoo Atlanta.

The 28-year-old, known for her bright red hair and tree-climbing skills, died Friday from an intestinal virus, senior veterinarian Dr. Rita McManamon said Monday.

Molly was the first gorilla Ivan laid eyes on after he spent 28 years isolated in a cage at a Tacoma, Wash., shopping mall. Ivan was brought to Atlanta in 1994.

On their first date, the day before Valentine's Day 1995, Zoo Atlanta officials placed Molly and Ivan in the same cage, separated by a mesh screen but close enough to touch. Molly flirted with Ivan, but was not impressed by the male silverback's strutting and grunting.

When a younger female gorilla was placed in the pen with Molly and Ivan last summer, Molly slapped him on the hand before the two females chased him in circles.

Visitors loved to watch Molly climb the trees, zoo spokeswoman Carol Flammer.

"It's not a typical gorilla thing," she said. "It's typical for young gorillas, but not gorillas in their 20s."

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is polycythemia vera studied?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 74-year-old male with polycythemia vera. My doctor orders phlebotomy periodically to keep me comfortable. Side effects are severe itching and shortness of breath. My spleen isn't enlarged, and I don't have tingling hands and feet. Do clinics want volunteers to study this condition? I'd definitely be interested.

DEAR READER: Polycythemia vera is a disorder of unknown causes, marked by an over-production of red blood cells. If untreated, this can make the blood too thick, leading to circulatory problems, overly rapid blood clotting and a host of other complications.

One of the most successful (and traditional) treatments for this disorder involves removing excess blood (phlebotomy) at regular intervals to maintain the normal viscosity. Also, physicians may use drugs, such as radioactive phosphorus, to inhibit the formation of new red blood cells.

Itching, shortness of breath (and an enlarged spleen) are hallmarks of the disease, not the therapy.

Several medical centers are performing studies on patients with polycythemia vera. Your doctor (or hematologist) can inquire about programs in or near your community.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: A friend's doctor told her never to take calcium except for one hour before or after meals, since calcium coats the stomach and will not allow other medicines to do their job. Is there any truth to this? I take calcium daily and wonder if I'm on the right track.

DEAR READER: Like any other mineral, calcium may bind with many drugs, limiting their absorption and efficiency. Therefore, calcium supplements should not be swallowed at the same time other medicines are taken.

However, I believe that your friend's doctor is being overly cautious in insisting that calcium be used only on an empty stomach. (Remember that several calcium-containing products, such as TUMS, will often relieve heartburn and indigestion caused by excess stomach acid when the stomach is empty.)

Nonetheless, patients (who take calcium to prevent osteoporosis and other bone disorders) should not swallow the supplement with any medicine, regardless of whether the stomach is full or empty.

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Five new sitcoms, three new dramas on NBC's fall slate

NEW YORK (AP) — Top-rated NBC hopes to cinch its lead next fall with such stars as Mel Harris and Brooke Shields, three weird new dramas, and even an ABC castoff.

Sitting pretty with most of its series, the network Monday announced 5½ hours of new programming to help propel its 1996-97 season, including five new half-hour sitcoms and a trio of new Saturday dramas.

Among the returning series, "Mad About You" and "Caroline in the City" move to Tuesday, "Wings" flies to Wednesday, and "3rd Rock from the Sun" and "Boston Common" head for Sunday.

Series not on NBC's fall lineup include "Brotherly Love," "Fresh Prince of Bel-Air," "Home Court," "Hope & Gloria," "JAG," "Malibu Shores," "Sisters" and the Wednesday edition of "Dateline NBC."

ABC, Fox and CBS will announce their fall schedules next week.

Among NBC's new comedies, "The Jeff Foxworthy Show" has been rescued from ABC for what will actually be its sophomore season. Comedian and country boy Foxworthy ("You Might Be a Redneck If ...") stars as a blue-collar Southerner transplanted to the Midwest.

"Men Behaving Badly" focuses on two "politically incorrect" young bachelors played by Rob Schneider ("Saturday Night Live") and Ron Eldard ("ER"). Justine Bateman ("Family Ties") plays Eldard's girlfriend, a strong-minded nurse.

"Mr. Rhodes" stars comic Tom Rhodes as a hip young writer beginning a new life as an English teacher at the no-nonsense private school he attended. Farrah Forke ("Wings") plays the guidance counselor who was once the girl of his teen-age fantasies.

"Something So Right" brings Mel Harris ("thirtysomething") back to series TV, teamed with Jere Burns ("Dear John") as New York newlyweds who bring some history, and three kids from their past marriages, into the union.

"Suddenly Susan" marks the series debut of Brooke Shields as — yes — Susan, an attractive senior editor at a busy publishing house, who suddenly becomes single again after a longtime relationship ends. She is assigned to work with an eccentric romance novelist played by Elizabeth Ashley ("Evening Shade").

Counter-programming CBS's wholesome family slate, NBC's Saturday response begins with "Dark Skies," a serialized thriller proposing that key historical events — assassinations, wars and technological innovations — are all part of an extraterrestrial invasion. Eric Close ("Sisters") and Megan Ward ("Party of Five") star as terrified young lovers on the run.

"The Pretender" stars Michael T. Weiss ("Days of Our Lives") as a super-genius whose brilliance allows him to master any profession he chooses, a skill he applies as a one-man vigilante force for justice.

Finally, "Profiler" pairs Robert Davi ("Die Hard") as an FBI agent with Ally Walker ("Moon Over Miami"), a forensic psychologist who has a unique ability to solve crimes, but who will assist the bureau with its toughest cases only if her anonymity can be guaranteed.

Here is the night-by-night lineup (all times Eastern):

Planting picks up

WASHINGTON (AP) — Corn growers caught up with planting last week, and the quality of the winter wheat crop picked up slightly, the Agriculture Department reported Monday.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, May 15, 1996

Rewards could be in store soon if you stay on your present course. In the year ahead, do not make unnecessary changes that could delay what is getting closer to fulfillment.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) This will be one of those days in which you could defeat yourself by making unnecessary changes in something that is running well. Taurus, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Make sure to state your zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) If you aren't totally attentive today, you might hear only what you want to hear when discussing a sensitive issue with an associate.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Proceed one step at a time today when developing your latest project. If you try to make major changes, you could mess up the assembly line.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) In order for a partnership arrangement to work successfully today, both parties must agree completely. Even a small amount of discord could lead to defeat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Try to be tolerant today if co- workers don't grasp ideas as quickly as you do. It won't hurt you to repeat the facts for the slow learners.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If you are short financially today, don't borrow money from friends to subsidize a folly. Your wallet may be a little light at pay-back time.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) When shopping today, if you're undecided about buying something for your house, walk away from it and come back later, especially if the need is not critical.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Your work habits might be erratic today and there's a chance you'll try to squeeze by with a lick and a promise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) An opportunity with profitable potential might slip through your fingers today if you have an easy-come, easy-go attitude.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Prospects who want to buy what you have to offer today might wiggle off the hook if you're not careful. Write up the order as soon as you get it approved.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Try to see things for what they are today and do not fall prey to your fears. Negative thinking is not constructive and will be self-defeating.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today, it will behoove you to steer clear of shops that offer unique or novel merchandise. The ambiance might compel you to buy gadgets which you do not need.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Husband's True Colors Reveal Him to Be a Cad

DEAR ABBY: I am very troubled. When I married my second husband, "Fred," he told me he was a virgin, and passed himself off as caring toward women. Then, after our marriage, he mentioned that he used to frequent strip joints. I was upset about it because I'm a feminist, and I feel that visiting strip joints is disrespectful to women.

Two days before I went into labor to deliver our son, Fred told me that out of the five women he had slept with, he ranked me about third. After all, I'm 10 years older than Fred, and I'll never be as physically attractive as a prostitute. Then he said that emotionally he was more attracted to his high school sweetheart.

Abby, this is my second marriage and my third child. My chances of finding romance again are getting slimmer and slimmer.

I'm not ugly; I'm tall, slender and fairly attractive. I can't understand why someone who claims to love me would tell me that I rank lower than a prostitute. I was crushed. It made me feel very undesirable.

I told Fred if he wanted a younger woman, I'd leave and take the baby so he could start over again. He said no, he wanted me.

I find it degrading to live with a man who has been with prostitutes. He could have given me a disease. Am I the only woman who finds men who frequent prostitutes revolting? I can't see myself spending the rest of my life with a man like Fred.

However, he's going to college at my insistence. He says he has changed, and he'll volunteer some time in a women's crisis center to make amends.

Abby, should I stay with Fred or write him off as a bad mistake?

DEVASTATED IN RENTON, WASH.

DEAR DEVASTATED: If Fred were sincere about making amends, he would offer to join you in marriage counseling instead of putting himself in a position to "help" troubled and vulnerable women in crisis.

Fear that your chances of finding another mate are slim is a poor reason for remaining in an abusive relationship. If I were you, I'd write Fred off as a bad mistake. And since he has told you that he has slept with prostitutes, I urge you to be tested for AIDS and other sexually transmitted diseases.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: My given name is William. My checks and credit cards are printed "William." My business cards identify me as William, and I introduce myself as William. My problem is, everybody wants to call me Bill, Billy, Willie or Will.

Today I received approximately 20 business phone calls, and at least 18 people, most of whom I've never met, immediately called me Bill. I find this presumptuous.

Abby, why do most people assume it is OK to address everyone named William as Bill? I notice that people named James are usually called Jim or Jimmy, and people named Robert are called Bob or Bobby.

Perhaps if you print this, it will let people know that they should use a person's name as he or she uses it.

CALL ME WILLIAM

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CONFIDENTIAL TO "APPROVES OF CORPORAL PUNISHMENT" IN DETROIT: In the words of Robert Orben, "Never raise your hand to your children — it leaves your midsection unprotected."

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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.)

New 900 number has been created

WASHINGTON (AP) — The State Department says Americans will be able to get passport questions answered promptly, starting in November, by calling a 900 number.

The department says it plans to install the nationwide number to replace the outdated technology currently in use, making it easier to deal with the mounting requests for passports.

The department said Monday it issued 5,263,989 passports in 1995, up from 4,895,151 in 1994, and anticipates that close to 5.6 million will be issued this year.

Unlike the current service which handles queries only eight hours a day, the new one will be available around the clock.

Climber took news of no rescue stoically

CHRISTCHURCH, New Zealand (AP) — Trapped by a blizzard near the summit of Mount Everest, mountain guide Rob Hall stoically accepted his fate when he learned by radio that rescuers would not be able to reach him.

He then called his pregnant wife on the other side of the world and told her "not to worry about him too much," reassuring her so she was able to get several hours of sleep even as his life ebbed.

Hall, a 36-year-old New Zealander, died Saturday night, after being trapped by howling winds, bitter cold and snow on the way down from the summit. He stayed behind with ailing American climber Doug Hansen, who also died, rather than attempt to descend to safety.

They were among eight climbers believed to have died because of the blizzard, one of the worst disasters since the world's highest mountain was first conquered in 1953.

Other members of Hall's expedition said today that Sherpa rescuers had clawed their way to within 650 feet of Hall before having to turn back Saturday, fearing for their lives in the ferocious storm. They left oxygen and a thermos on a ridge below Hall.

Hall's widow Jan Arnold told reporters today in Christchurch that his last message was "not to worry about him too much."

"He managed to impart some peacefulness to me, because I slept for six or seven hours," said Arnold, who is seven months pregnant with the couple's first child.

"Rob reported he was frostbitten, weak and tired but he was trying to use some of the little oxygen left to get down."

She let go of the last glimmer of hope her husband was alive on Sunday night.

"I thought he might take 10 hours to descend. But when I heard about three or four hours later that he was still up there and that he was too weak to climb down, my heart sank."

Another guide in Hall's expedition said in a message faxed to Christchurch from the Everest base camp today that Hall reacted philosophically to news that another rescue could not be attempted until Sunday.

"Mr. Hall was in radio contact with base camp, where he was able to describe his condition and talk to friends. He even spoke to his wife Jan Arnold, who had climbed Everest with Hall in 1993," Guy Cotter said.

"Rob took the news stoically that rescue wouldn't happen until the following day, stating he would wait," Cotter said in his message to Hall's Christchurch company, Adventure Consultants.

"After a call to his wife Jan he turned off his radio and was not heard from again. An airplane flight over the south summit revealed no sign of movement."

Hall would have known he would not survive another night, Cotter said.

Cotter said after conquering Everest on Friday, Hall and Hansen were the last to descend and were caught at nightfall above the south summit without oxygen, water, a tent or sleeping bags.

Hansen, 46, of Renton, Wash., died Friday night. Hall was forced to spend the night in the open at 28,707 feet.

On another section of the 29,028-foot-high peak, Seaborne B. Weathers of Dallas struggled down to about 20,000 feet and was plucked off Monday in the world's highest-ever helicopter rescue mission.

"I am OK, I'm better now," Weathers, 49, said as he arrived at the Katmandu airport, his face raw and blistered by windburn, his hands crippled by frostbite.

Yasuko Namba, 47, of Tokyo, was reported dead by another expedition member after becoming only the second Japanese woman ever to reach the top of Everest with her climb Friday.

Scott Fischer, 40, of Seattle and Andy Harris, 31, of New Zealand were presumed dead, as well as three climbers from India who began an ascent from the Chinese side of Everest.

Fischer was about 1,000 feet below Hansen and Hall when Nepalese sherpa guides found him and Makalu Gao, the leader of a Japanese expedition. Both were unconscious.

The sherpas could not carry both men out. They revived Gao and brought him down. They then bundled Fischer, gave him oxygen and clipped him to a rope, hoping that rescuers could reach him later.

"We're relatively unscathed physically but the emotional loss of our friend and leader, Scott, this has taken a huge toll on us all," said Sandy Hill Pittman, a New York socialite who was a member of the expedition.

"Our toes are a little black and blue, and some of us are having trouble seeing, but I don't think the damage will be permanent," she said via an Inernet hookup.

According to today's New York Post, Pittman said she lost the trail and stumbled onto two other members of her expedition. The three of them huddled to keep warm and sang songs until they were discovered by another climber who brought them oxygen.

Pittman is the estranged wife of MTV founder Bob Pittman.

Make-A-Wish directors okay boy's controversial bear hunt

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — A terminally ill Minnesota boy has been granted his wish of hunting a Kodiak bear in Alaska with his family, despite the protests of animal rights activists.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation's board of directors "resoundingly" decided Monday to proceed with granting the $4,000 hunting trip.

"We may suffer some retribution from those in the animal rights community, but we feel we have a commitment to this child, and we are going to stick by it," said Douglas Elmets, one of 25 directors of the non-profit, international foundation that grants the wishes of children with life-threatening illnesses.

Several urban chapters of the foundation, including those in Los Angeles and San Francisco, objected to the Minnesota chapter's decision and urged the boy's family to call off the hunt.

Animal rights groups put word of the hunting wish out on the Internet. Actor Pierce Brosnan offered the boy an alternative wish — a week's visit with him at the Idaho set where he is filming a James Bond movie.

But the 17-year-old Minnesota boy, who has a brain tumor, stuck with his dream of an Alaskan bear hunt.

A report published today in the Star Tribune of Minneapolis said the boy began his hunt two days before the vote.

Donald McMillan, former president of the Safari Club of Minnesota, which donated the bear hunt to Make-A-Wish, told the Star Tribune that the youth and his father have been hunting in Alaska since Saturday.

McMillan said his group was ready to step in and pay for the hunt if the foundation had backed down.

Elmets said several wishes for hunting have previously been granted by Make-A-Wish chapters, but this was the first to create controversy within the 13-year-old organization. Individual chapters determine which wishes should be granted, he said.

The foundation, based in Phoenix, Ariz., has granted more than 37,000 wishes.

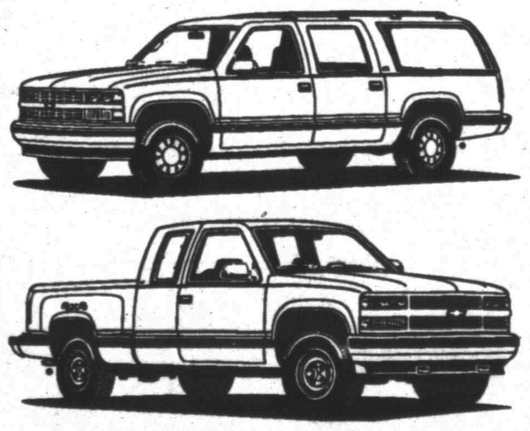
With July 29 almost upon us, don't forget to kiss your sweetheart. Why? That's the date that "Don Juan" opened in 1926, a film whose 127 kisses still holds the record for cinematic smooching (not counting lewd fare, of course).

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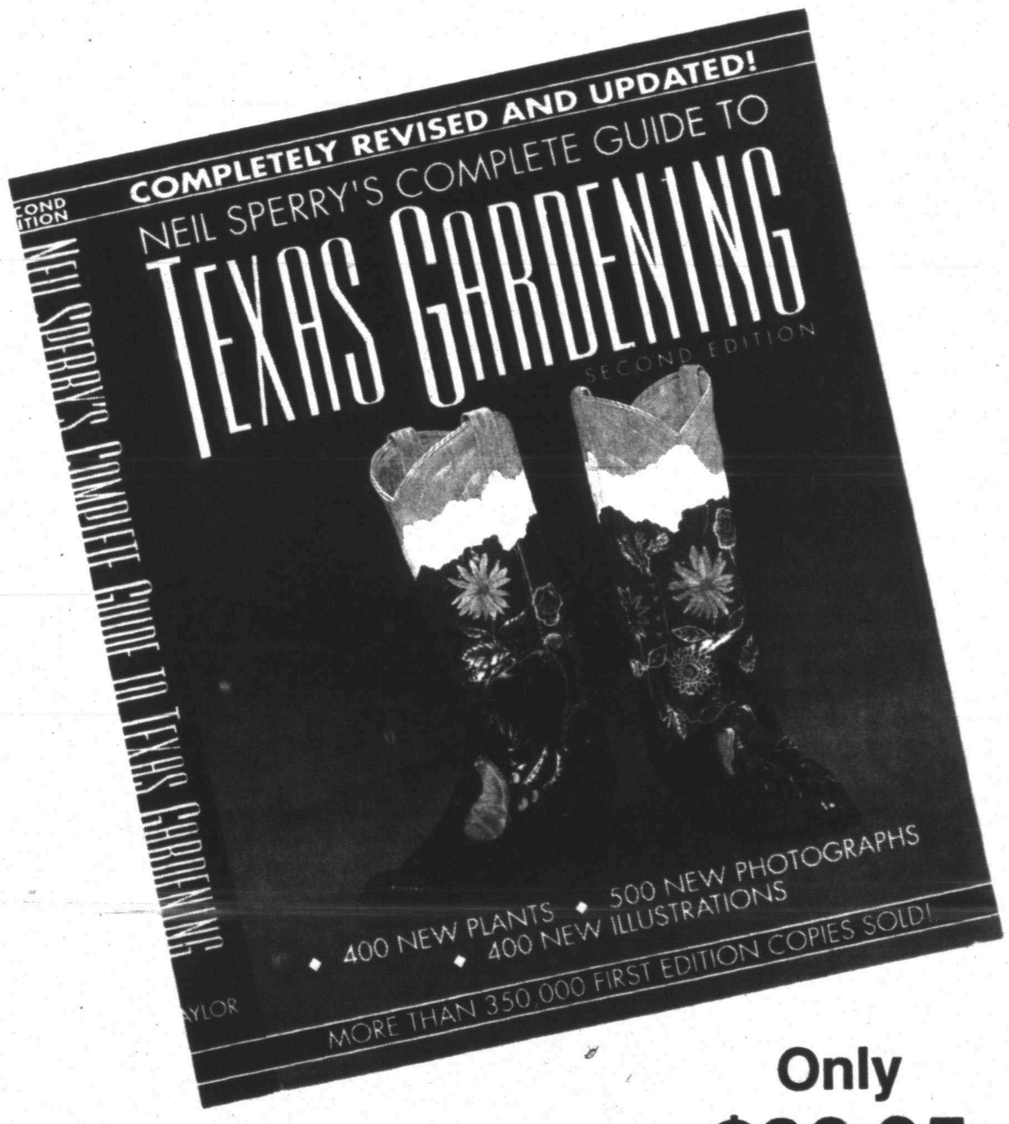


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'Good data' found on ValuJet recorder

MIAMI (AP) — A police diver stumbled upon the data recorder of ValuJet Flight 592 while searching for human remains in Everglades muck, a discovery that could yield clues to the cause of the crash that killed 109 people.

"He stepped on it," Robert Francis, vice chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board, said Monday night, calling the find "extraordinarily fortunate."

Navy sonar had failed to find either of the jet's recorders.

The 30-pound data recorder, buried in the muck under a few feet of murky water, was sent to NTSB headquarters in Washington for analysis, shipped in a water-filled cooler to ensure against drying that might damage it.

The recorder was bent but in good shape, Francis said. The box on the 27-year-old plane recorded fewer details than those on newer jets. Older recorders measure only 11 functions, such as speed and altitude.

In Washington today, the Federal Aviation Administration announced plans to accelerate hiring of inspectors and review how they do their jobs.

Also today, the search at the crash site was scheduled to resume. Rescue workers began assembling at a staging site eight miles from the scene just before 8 a.m. A few people stayed at the site overnight to guard the scene.

Francis said today's search would focus on finding the DC-9's other so-called black box, the cockpit voice recorder, as well as human remains and parts of the plane.

"We're optimistic that we'll be able to find the recorder. We can speculate on where we think it is," he said this morning. Both recorders are located in a plane's tail.

On Monday, teams of divers walked side by side, searching the swamp inch by inch and accompanied by a sharpshooter on the lookout for alligators and poisonous snakes.

The searchers filled bags with body parts, including fingers, hands, feet, but nothing larger than a knee, said Metro-Dade police Cmdr. Al Harper.

The divers have also been selectively collecting small pieces of the jet that could be considered "significant," Francis said, "and these may be a bundle of wiring, or a particular switch, or whatever it is."

Shooting

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called three times to alert police and sheriff's deputies of the problem, after her daughter had warned her something was going on at the house. She said the shooting could have been prevented if police had responded. They ignored her, she said, because she is a white woman married to a black man who is in prison on drug charges.

Bassett, however, denied McCullough's allegations. He said he got a call at 2 p.m. to contact McCullough at her job. She wasn't there, he said, and he was en route to her residence when a call about the shooting came over on his radio.

Bassett said that despite the racial mix, the shooting was not racially motivated.

"It's not racial, it's not gang related, it's not drug related. It was just something that didn't need to happen, but it did."

Bassett said a female driving the vehicle which carried the two Haskell suspects will probably not be charged in connection with the shooting. She was arrested on some traffic warrants and is being held for probation violation.

"She just gave a drive to the boys that were from here. It's undetermined whether she even knew what was going on or not," said the chief.

Awards

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Casey Doyle, Sean Duncan, Traci Eicke, Laura Gonzales, Todd Hall, Michael Hensley, Jenise Judah, Kevin Kerr, Melanie Kidd, Lila King, Eric Lang, Gabby Lucero, Starling Shields, Joseph Steakley, Carol Strayhorn, Glen Tampke, Windy Wood and Wade Yearwood.

Freshmen: Lina Alvarez, Tamra Anderson, Thomas Bishop, Allison Bowden, Jami Burrow, James Collins, Dane Crunk, Starla Davis, Brittany Drummond, Jonathan Durham, Teri Fickling, Keisha Gafford, Brett Gibson, Ashley Grimmett, Keila Helms, Mandy Hess, Jacob Hodges, Marci Irvine, Bradi Johnson, Reid Johnson, Vanessa Jones, Jeffrey Knowles, Catrina Lopez, Cory Mandrell, Nickolas Means, Andy Parker, Alicia Peoples, Victoria Vargas.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Thomas Boley, 212 33rd; Linda Compton, 487 Alamo Drive; Ricky Hopper, 2709 Round Top Road; Marciano Madrid, 2300 Ave. G; Pearl Reeder, Snyder Oaks; Ruby Stinson, 2608 32nd; Walter Darlin, 816 SCR253; Ray Herring, Fluvanna; Mark Mueller, 9025 Roadrunner Path; Fred Simpson, 2102 42nd.

DISMISSALS: Jordan Davis; Theressa Williams and baby; Thomas Boley, Linda Compton, Leticia Gutierrez, Ricky Hopper.

CENSUS: 56 (Med., Surg.-19, Long-term Care-37).

Wrecks injure three people

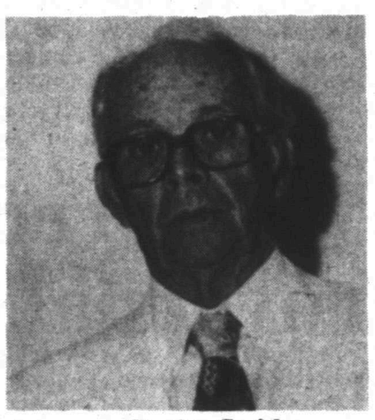
Four people were treated for minor injuries suffered in traffic accidents Monday.

Two subjects were treated and released at Cogdell Hospital early this morning following a one-vehicle accident at 11:58 p.m. Monday on U.S. Highway 84, some two miles west of Huffman Avenue. Two people were taken to the hospital by Snyder EMS where they were treated and released. Injured in the accident was Gabriel Castell, 314 25th St., and Michael Alonzo of 2511 Ave. C. They were taken by Snyder EMS to the hospital where they were treated and released.

A two-vehicle accident was reported at 11:10 a.m. Monday at North College and Highway 84 service road. Involved were a 1982 Chevrolet pickup driven by Miguel Martinez of Frederick, Okla., and a 1981 Buick driven by Vera Barbee of 501 N. Ave. T. Barbee, 80, was taken to Cogdell Hospital by Snyder EMS where she was omitted for observation. Her condition is listed as good. A passenger in the pickup, Juan Martinez, 22 of Vernon, was transported by private vehicle to Cogdell Hospital where he was released following treatment.

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Obituaries



Gordon Smith

Gordon Smith

1909-1996

Gordon Smith, a long-time Snyder resident, died at 9 p.m. Monday, May 13, in Mesa Springs Nursing Home in Abilene. He was 86.

Funeral service is set for 11:30 a.m. Wednesday in the 37th Street Church of Christ with Bill Looney officiating. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born June 3, 1909 in Blossom in Lamar County, Mr. Smith moved to Snyder in the 1920s, and was a retired farmer. He married Mariola "Sis" Logan on Sept. 10, 1934 in Snyder. She died in 1993.

Mr. Smith was a long-time member and former deacon of the 37th Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Janeene and Ed Kerley of Abilene; a sister, Nell Winters of Hermleigh; a brother, Russell Smith of Midland; a sister-in-law, Babe Miller of Snyder; a brother-in-law, Buck Logan of Snyder; three grandchildren, Dirk Kerley of Decatur, Ty Kerley of Abilene and Shona Kerley of Austin; two great-grandchildren, Casey Kerley and Dalton Kerley, both of Abilene.

Allie Overton

1916-1996

ABILENE — Allie Joyce Overton, a former Snyder business owner, died Sunday, May 12, at her home in Abilene. She was 79.

Graveside service was set for 11:30 a.m. today in Elmwood Memorial Park with the Rev. David Carson officiating.

Born in Seymour, Mrs. Overton and her husband, Frank, owned and operated Overton Grocery on the Lamesa Highway until 1971 when they moved to Abilene. He died in 1986. Mrs. Overton worked at Hendrick Medical Center until her retirement in 1981, and she was a member of the Fairmont United Methodist Church.

Survivors include a son, Joe Overton of Abilene; a brother, J.R. Howell of Riverton, Wyo.; two sisters, Etta Firman of Wichita Falls and Billie Suttle of Vernon; and two grandchildren.

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"Nappy" Braziel

1931-1996

Funeral service for Napoleon "Nappy" Braziel, 64, is set for 10 a.m. Wednesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel.

A brother, Carl Braziel of San Antonio, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Mr. Braziel, a resident of Snyder since 1950, died at 11:43 p.m. Saturday, May 11, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a sudden illness.

Mr. Braziel had worked at the Monsanto Gas Plant which later became the BPH plant. He had also worked at Fletcher's Downtown 66 for 34 years. Born in Taylor, he married Ophelia Brooks on July 7, 1952 in Snyder. She survives.

Survivors also include a daughter and son-in-law, Mamie and Arthur Eckford of Lockhart; a son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Frances Braziel of Snyder; three brothers, Robert "Cat" Braziel of Snyder, Bill Braziel of Florida and Carl Braziel of San Antonio; five sisters, Geneva Taley of Brownfield, Ida Mae Nelson of Odessa, Evelyn Wesley, Birdie B. Anderson and Mozelle King, all of Snyder; four grandchildren, Patrick Eckford of Arlington, Bridgett Braziel, Wayne Braziel and Ryan Braziel, all of Snyder; and one great-granddaughter, Justice Nicole Terrazas of Snyder.

The family will be at New Hope Baptist Church, 3305 Ave. L, following the service.



Autumn Treat

Autumn Treat

1995-1996

Graveside service was set for 4 p.m. today in Hillside Memorial Gardens for Autumn Renee Treat, infant daughter of Henry and Melinda Treat.

The Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, was to officiate, and Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

The 4½-month-old child died Monday, May 13, in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital following a sudden illness. She was born Dec. 29, 1995 in Colorado City.

Survivors also include a brother, Kanaan Treat of Snyder; her grandparents, Richard and Linda Clemmer of Snyder and Henry and Dorothy Treat of Snyder; her great-grandparents, Stella Goodwin of Rotan and Earl and Dollie Hammer of Longview.

What's Up?

Junior high band concert set

Snyder Junior High band will be in concert at 7:30 tonight at Worsham Auditorium. The SJHS choir will also be featured on some selections. There is no admission charge.

Horse club to convene

Scurry County 4H Horse Club will meet at 7 this evening in the East Elementary cafeteria.

Skate night scheduled

Snyder Noon Kiwanis will sponsor another Skate Night from 6-9 p.m. Saturday in Scurry County Coliseum. Admission is $2 for skaters and $1 for spectators. Children under 3 are free. Concessions will be available.

Bicycle Rodeo set Saturday

Snyder Police Department and Wal-Mart Pharmacy are sponsoring their second bicycle rodeo from 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday.

Police will instruct and demonstrate bicycle safety rules. A cone course will be set up on the south side of the garden center in the Wal-Mart parking lot. Register in the pharmacy to win a bicycle safety set, including helmet and knee and elbow pads.

DL office notes key dates

The local driver's license office will be closed May 24 and May 31. Citizens may also note that office hours on May 30 will be 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Senior parent donations

Parents of Snyder High School seniors are asked to send their donations to the all-night after graduation Senior Party to Rhonda May, P.O. Box 214, Hermleigh TX 79526.

SHS Pops Concert Thursday

Snyder High School choirs will present their annual Pops Concert at 8 p.m. Thursday at Worsham Auditorium. Admission is $3 each at the door.

"There should be something everyone will enjoy," said choir director Ronda Haire, noting the variety will include country and western, rhythm and blues, Broadway, rock, golden oldies, Beatles, Hispanic music and more. Performing will be the women's choir, the concert choir and the a capella choir.

Retirement reception set

A retirement reception for Bobbie and Wallace Combest will be held from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Monday, May 20, in the Snyder Junior High School library. The public is invited.

Army National Guard preview

High school and college students interested in learning more about the Texas Army National Guard are invited to a field day on Saturday from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. at Camp Barkley, near Buffalo Gap. Buses will leave Rose Park National Guard Armory, 2602 South Ninth Street in Abilene, at 9 a.m. for the camp. Live demostrations and displays will be featured and students can learn about education benefits through the guard. Lunch will be provided. To make reservations, call (915) 677-8274.

Barbed wire help needed

Scurry County Museum is looking for collectors of barbed wire who would be willing to lend their collections to the museum from June 18 through July 18.

The museum plans to display the barbed wire during the Western Swing Festival in June and into the following month.

Help is also needed in presenting the history of barbed wire and telling of its importance on the range. Anyone who has a collection or who can help is asked to call 573-6107.

Beef clinic planned

A multi-county beef producers clinic on managing during drought conditions will be held at 9 a.m. Wednesday in the Fluvanna Community Center.

Dr. Ted McCollum, beef cattle specialist from Amarillo, will assist with topics on nutrition, vaccines, vitamins, cull and keep, CRP grazing and market outlook.

Two continuing education units will be offered to producers with a current private applicator license.

Ezell-Key Grain Co. will provide an 11 a.m. hamburger lunch. The program will conclude before noon.

Stanfield school supplies

Orders for next year's Stanfield school supplies for Pre-K, kindergarten, first and second graders, must be turned in by Friday. Orders may be paid for at registration when the supplies arrive.

Hope For Life's Journey series

The Hope For Life's Journey series of video tapes is airing on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. "Can God Forgive Even Me?" will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Pick 3

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

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