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THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Before putting off until tomorrow something you can do today, think about it closely. Maybe you can postpone it forever."

We just read that the start of the computer age began some 70 years ago. The first computer we recall required a large building to house it and data input used punched cards.

We didn't understand it in 1967, and we still don't. But we find the timeline interesting.

Early technological innovations, such as the transistor radio in 1948 and the electronic calculator in 1960, were building blocks for the modern computer. But it is only in the past 20 years and the advent of the Internet, that computer use has spread, well, like a virus.

—1930: The U.S. issued the first patent for a transistor, a device later used in all computers.

—1938: German inventor Konrad Zuse built the Z1, the first binary digital computer, in his parents' living room.

—1963: Douglas Englebart at Stanford Research Institute invented a pointing device – the mouse. It evolved from a basic block to an ergonomically correct device.

—1964: Two Dartmouth College professors invent the BASIC computer language, a simple series of commands that allow laymen to do their own programming.

—1967: IBM creates the floppy disk.

—1974: Engineer Ed Roberts invented the first mass-produced personal computer, the Altair 8800.

—1975: Known by the code name Stella (after an engineer's bicycle), the 2600 home video game system (Pong) is released by Atari. The system now includes Nintendo and PlayStation.

—1979: CompuServe begins a service to offer games and electronic-mail capabilities. It is seen as the precursor of the Internet Web page.

—1984: Apple releases the Macintosh costing $2,495 that included a keyboard and mouse and the first computer to us a 3.5-inch floppy disk.

—1990: Microsoft commemorates its 15th anniversary by becoming the first software company to post revenues in excess of $1 billion. Six years later, founder Bill Gates becomes the richest man in the U.S.

—1994: Mosaic Communications releases Netscape Navigator 1.0, the original WWW browser.

—1995: Walt Disney premiered *Toy Story*, the first computer-animated film. It won a Special Achievement Oscar.

—2001: Signaling the future, researchers at the Artificial Intelligence Lab at MIT are developing Cog, a robot capable of interacting with objects and people.

And nowhere was there a mention of Al Gore.

Local voters favor amendments

Only 724 Scurry County citizens cast ballots in Tuesday's constitutional amendment election, but local voters favored all 19 propositions.

This includes 546 who voted Tuesday, and 178 early ballots, according to County Clerk Joan Bunch.

"We had a light turnout with only six percent of our registered voters casting ballots," said Bunch, noting there are 10,861 registered voters.

In the last constitutional amendment election in 1999, however, only 322 votes were cast, said Bunch.

This compares with 663 who cast ballots in the 1997 amendment election.

Proposition 1(For 469, Against 144)

"Providing for clearing of land titles by the release of a state claim of its interest to the owners of certain land in Bastrop County."

Proposition 2 (For 336, Against 315)

"Authorizing the issuance of state general obligation bonds and notes to provide financial assistance to counties for roadway projects to serve border colonias."

Proposition 3 (For 332, Against 285)

"Authorizing the Legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation raw cocoa and green coffee that is held in Harris County."

Proposition 4 (For 443, Against 195)

"Providing for a four-year term of office for the fire fighters' pension commissioner."

Proposition 5 (For 452, Against 213)

"Authorizing municipalities to donate outdated or surplus fire-fighting equipment or supplies to underdeveloped countries."

Proposition 6 (For 456, Against 188)

"Requiring the governor to call a special session for the appointment of presidential electors under certain circumstances."

Proposition 7 (For 473, Against 182)

"Authorizing the Veterans' Land Board to issue up to $500 million in general obligation bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for veterans' housing assistance and to use assets in certain veterans' land and veterans' housing assistance funds to provide for veterans' cemeteries."

Proposition 8 (For 383, Against 265)

"Authorizing the issuance of up to $850 million in bonds payable from the general revenues of the state for construction and repair projects and for the purchase of needed equipment."

Proposition 9 (For 521, Against 143)

"Authorizing the filling of a vacancy in the Legislature without an election if a candidate is running unopposed in an election to fill the vacancy."

Proposition 10 (For 411, Against 235)

"Promote equal tax treatment for products produced, acquired, and distributed in the State of Texas by authorizing the Legislature to exempt from ad valorem taxation tangible personal property held at certain locations only temporarily for assembling, manufacturing, processing, or other commercial purposes."

Proposition 11 (For 352, Against 308)

"Allow current and retired public school teachers and retired public school administrators to receive compensation for serving on the governing bodies of school districts, cities, towns, or other local governmental districts, including water districts."

Proposition 12 (For 443, Against 207)

"Eliminate obsolete, archaic, redundant, and unnecessary provisions and to clarify, update, and harmonize certain provisions of the Texas Constitution."

Proposition 13 (For 528, Against 138)

"Authorizing the Legislature to authorize the board of trustees of an independent school district to donate certain surplus district property of historical signlficance in order to preserve the property."

Proposition 14 (For 388, Against 250)

"Authorize the Legislature to authorize taxing units other than school districts to exempt from ad valorem taxation travel trailers that are not held or used for the production of income."

Proposition 15 (For 395, Against 248)

"Creating the Texas Mobility Fund and authorizing grants and loans of money and issuance of obligations for financing the construction, reconstruction, acquisition, operation, and expansion of state highways, turnpikes, toll roads, toll bridges, and other mobility projects."

Proposition 16 (For 340, Against 285)

"Prescribing requirements for imposing a lien for work and material used in the construction, repair, or renovation of improvements on residential homestead property and including the conversion and refinance of a personal property lien secured by a manufactured home to a lien on real property as a debt on homestead property protected from a forced sale."

Proposition 17 (For 430, Against 210)

"Authorizing the Legislature to settle land title disputes between the state and a private party."

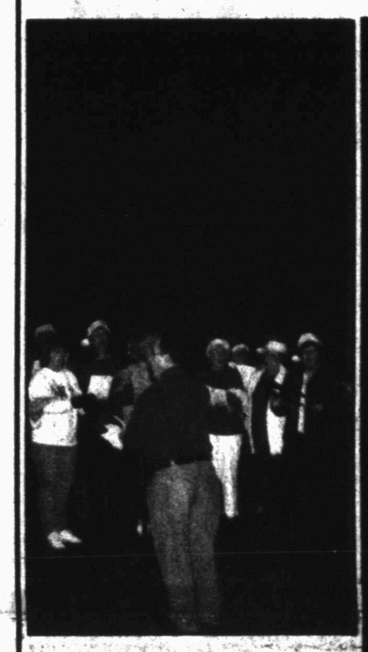
Proposition 18 (For 519, Against 121)

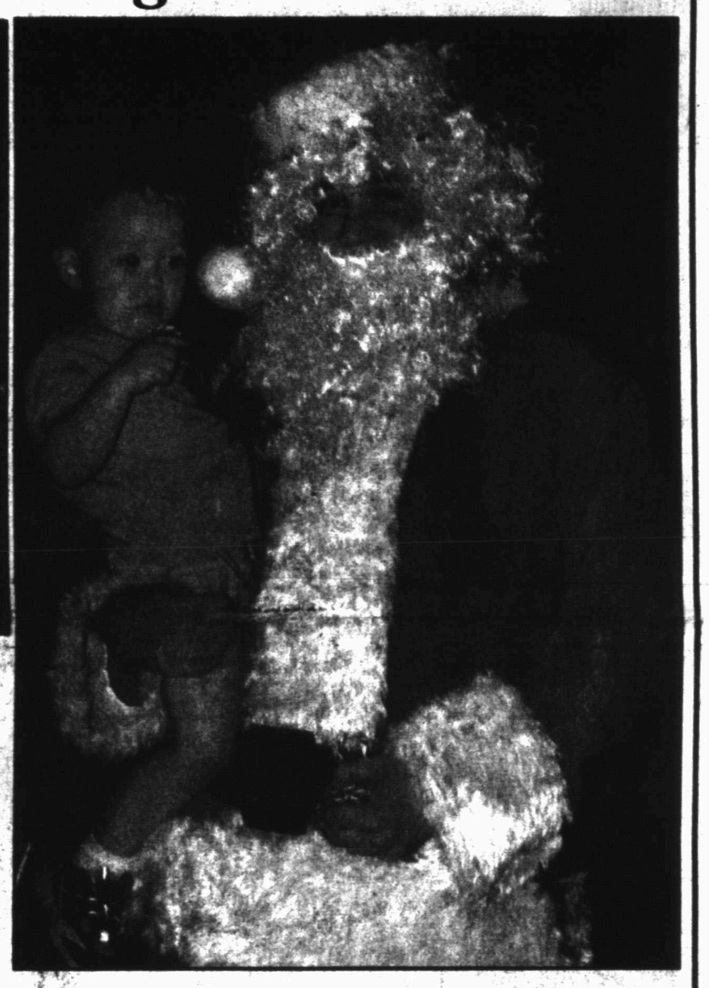
"Promote uniformity in the collection, deposit, reporting, and remitting of civil and criminal fees."

Proposition 19 (For 521, Against 150)

"Providing for the issuance of additional general obligation bonds by the Texas Water Development Board in an amount not to exceed $2 billion."

It's that time again...





SANTA'S COMING — Santa Claus was in town Tuesday night to bring in the holiday season at Western Texas College at the annual tree lighting ceremony. Choirs from Colonial Hill Baptist Church and Central Elementary performed. Shown with Santa is Braison Kuhl, two-year-old son of Chad and Michelle Kuhl. (SDN Staff Photos)

Senate election will have a runoff vote

From staff and wire reports

A Wichita Falls businessman and a Bowie attorney will square off in a runoff election next month that will give one party an edge in the state Senate.

The runoff comes after none of the six candidates captured a majority of votes in Tuesday's special election for the District 30 seat left vacant by Sen. Tom Haywood's death.

Haywood, a Republican from Wichita Falls, died in July after suffering a heart attack. His death left the Senate balanced with 15 Republicans and 15 Democrats.

Craig Estes of Wichita Falls garnered 47.2 percent of the votes on Tuesday. Estes, 48, is the chief executive officer of Estes Inc., a wholesale distributor of chemicals and fertilizer. This is the Republican's first bid for public office. He is endorsed by Pat Haywood, the late senator's widow.

Estes will face Bowie attorney Greg Underwood, a Democrat, who collected 23.2 percent of the votes. Underwood, 62, has served as city attorney for Gainesville and Cooke County and as a city councilman and mayor in Bowie. He lost to Haywood in 1998.

Scurry County voters favored Estes as he received 344 votes, or 48.53 percent, while Underwood tallied 125 votes, or 17.39 percent.

The other candidates were Wichita Falls attorney Rick Bunch, running as an independent, and three Republicans: the city attorney for Vernon and Chillicothe, Doug Jeffrey; former Sherman Mayor Harry Reynolds; and former Denton County Judge Kirk Wilson.

Locally, Wilson received 180 votes, while Reynolds received 34. Jeffrey had six votes and Bunch picked up three votes.

Crenwelge is chosen to head parks department

By Brian Brisendine
SDN Staff Writer

The Scurry County commissioners' court Tuesday hired Snyder native and county farmer Scott Crenwelge to head the newly-organized parks and recreation department after interviewing four candidates in a three-hour executive session.

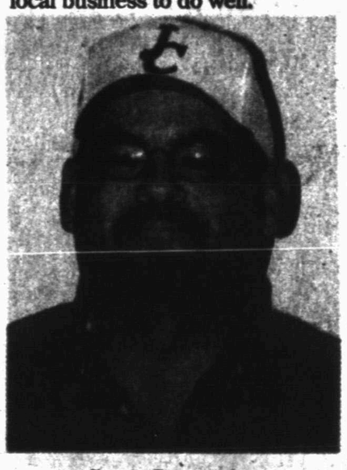
After reconvening in open session at 4 p.m. the court unanimously named Crenwelge, 40, with little discussion.

Crenwelge's interview was the third of four Tuesday and it lasted 35 minutes. Annual salary for the newly-created post is $30,000.

Precinct 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey made the motion to employ Crenwelge and Precinct 3 Commissioner Howard Limmer seconded the motion which passed 4-0.

Crenwelge said today he realizes the job is a big one with many challenges, but thinks it will be an opportunity to "help sell Snyder."

"Our economy is such right now that anything we can do to get some tourism in Snyder is just one more opportunity for local business to do well."



Scott Crenwelge

Crenwelge said he hasn't made definite plans, but has some ideas of what he would like to do with the county's facilities.

"We need to improve on what we have first," he said. "We have some really nice facilities in our county, but do to weather and time they have gone downhill. Those need to be restored before we even look at major improvements or new projects."

The new director also said the Scurry County Coliseum will play a big part in the equation.

"For a city this size to have a facility like that is just unheard of," he said. "We need to have as many things in there as we can and I think that boils down to marketing. If that building is empty, it's costing us money."

He also said he would like to see Snyder High basketball games returned to the coliseum.

Crenwelge said he doesn't know the fate of the employees at the coliseum, currently under management of the Snyder Chamber of Commerce.

"I don't know about that yet. I haven't discussed it with the commissioners yet," he said. "I would like to talk with all of those employees and also with the employees of the parks department before we do anything, though."

Precinct 2 commissioner Roy Idom said in October, whomever the county hires for the position

See Parks, Page 9

ASK US

Q—Will the Snyder Daily News forward letters to Santa again this year?

A—Yes, the newspaper will accept letters from Nov. 23 until Dec. 14.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 75 degrees; low, 50; 7 a.m. Wednesday; no precipitation; total for 2001, 15.97 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear, low lower 50s; S winds 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy, windy, turning cooler; high mid 60s falling to 50s by afternoon.



Demetri Gunderson
Cooler

Sunrise:
7:06 a.m.
Sunset:
5:51 p.m.
Of 310 days in 2001, the sun has shone 298 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

It's what you learn after you know it all that counts.
—John Wooden

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East Texas jail escapees hid out in sewer system in city

TYLER (AP) — East Texas jail escapees eluded law officers for two days by hiding out in a city sewer system, less than a mile from the sheriff's office.

Rocky Delphine Janes II and Patrick Randall Poston were recaptured early Tuesday outside a Grapeland home after a chase that had spanned two counties.

Authorities say they picked up the pair's trail after they left their Palestine sewer hideout, still in their jail coveralls, and began traveling along railroad tracks and later were accused of robbing a liquor store.

"They had been holed up in a storm sewer about three-quarters of a mile from the sheriff's office the whole time," Palestine Detective Sgt. Brian Wharton told the Tyler Morning Telegraph in today's editions. "They found the perfect place to hide."

Janes and Poston ducked into the underground sewer system shortly after sneaking out of Anderson County Jail during a Sunday afternoon shift change.

Janes, 21, was being held on charges of aggravated robbery and assault causing bodily injury out of Harris County. He had escaped earlier this year after briefly holding a jail guard hostage, but was recaptured a short time later.

Palestine police had jailed the 36-year-old Poston on charges of burglary of a building and evading arrest.

Both remained undetected while officers from six different agencies combed the area for hours. Fog and foot traffic hampered the efforts of tracking dogs, allowing Janes and Poston to remain hidden until late Monday evening.

"Once things calmed down, they left their hiding place and headed south," Wharton said. Off Loop 256, investigators said, Poston left his sleeping partner in search of food and reportedly broke into a store where he took some groceries and a handgun.

After the men's first meal since jailbreak, they walked down an abandoned railroad right-of-way toward an industrial area where they spotted a convenience store.

"They entered the store, brandishing a gun and demanding money," Wharton said. "Janes accosted a subject and got some money. Poston went to the freezer area."

A customer who entered the area was robbed of an undisclosed amount of cash, said law officers.

A male store clerk was forced to his vehicle and ordered to drive the men to safety, but the employee fled and the fugitives drove the man's vehicle on back roads into Grapeland, about 100 miles southeast of Dallas.

"The officer knew one of the suspects was from Grapeland and knew the area," said Grapeland Police Chief Steve Smart.

A foot chase ensued, with a Texas Department of Pubic Safety helicopter from the Department of Public Safety followed the men as they ran between houses in a desperate attempt to elude authorities. The fugitives were cornered at a house where they had taken a loaded handgun.

"They were pretty well cut up," Wharton said. "They had run through every briar patch they could find to throw off the dogs."

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, Nov. 8, 2001

Concentrate on improving and completing all endeavors you begin in the year ahead and you'll do better both at work and at home. It'll be worth it, even if it takes some perseverance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — A family member might be the source for your disappointment today. Just when you need him or her the most, this loved one could let you down. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it.

The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You know what happens when an immovable object meets an irresistible force, so keep your temper in check or you'll find yourself up against an equally feisty person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Consider your near future needs and it might help you put a lid on extravagant spending today. Even nickels and dimes can add up to a hefty sum.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Don't let anyone make a decision for you today that you should be making for yourself, no matter how good they've been at advising you previously. You, alone understand your needs.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Hiding a goof-up today could turn something insignificant into a more serious problem. All of us are imperfect mortals; so don't be afraid to own up to your mistake.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — How you conduct yourself around friends today can either enhance your reputation or make you look bad. Don't let any unexpected happening throw you off guard.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Neither you nor your mate should attempt to coerce the other into a commitment that wouldn't be palatable to either of you. Quiet resentment could turn into a sudden rage.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — If an unanticipated difficulty arises today that calls for your time and attention, your patience and temperament might not be up to dealing with it. Shelve it if possible.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Leave all gambling out of your financial affairs today, be they commercial or betting with friends. Things will not turn out the way you wager.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — If those with whom you have dealings today insist upon having their way, you're not likely to take too kindly to it. Tempers could flare on all counts.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Don't look for any bed of roses at work today, it's not going to happen. Instead you could encounter neglect, mistakes and dereliction of duty all around you. Take it in stride.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Banking too heavily on favors from friends today could lead to disappointment. Your beautiful bubble will burst when you realize they're not going to come through for you.

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VETERANS DAY ACTIVITIES FROM
AMERICAN LEGION POST 181

Breakfast served .....6:00 to 10.00 a.m.
Flag raising at American Legion Post 181 ..9:30 a.m.
Flag Retirement Service at
American Legion Post .....5:00 p.m.
Dinner served .....6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

•Poppies sold at IGA & United Saturday

•Auxiliary Members are asked to bring dessert for dinner

•Cooking done by American Legion, Ladies Auxiliary, and S.A.L. Members

No charge for meals, but donations will be accepted.

COME AND SUPPORT OUR NATION AND OUR VETERANS.

Texas Two Step

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Texas Two Step numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
12-25-28-31
Bonus number 6
Estimated jackpot: $200,000

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
13-19-21-24-36

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
6-9-0

Berry's World



Ira School Veterans Day Program

Ira ISD is planning a special Veterans' Day Memorial Program Friday.

Activities begin at 8:30 a.m. with displays provided by the Army reserve unit from Abilene.

At 9:30 a.m. a memorial service will be held at Ira Cemetery.

All veterans interred there will be recognized and honored for their "unselfish service to our country," Mike Duke, principal said.

Dyess Air Force Base in Abilene will provide a color guard and a fly over for the memorial service.

Immediately following the memorial service, everyone will be dismissed to the Roy H. Sallee Gymnasium for the rest of the Veterans' Day Program.

This year's program will be dedicated to the memory of Armed Forces veterans Sallee, J.E. Waller, and Jack Hodnett.

Jon Randles of Lubbock, renowned evangelist and motivational speaker, will be the guest speaker.

Veterans of Foreign Wars and local local citizens will provide displays. Several groups will entertain including Ira elementary students, Ira high school students, Ira combo band, Ira faculty, the Senior Center's Sunshine Choir and area citizens.

A luncheon to honor all veterans and guests will be held at Ira Community Center at noon. The school will also have an open house at this time.

Duke invites the public to attend. "Please come and join the faculty and students at Ira ISD as we honor our veterans."

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The following veterans are buried in Ira Cemetery. In order to secure the accuracy of this listing, anyone who has a family member or friend who is interred in the cemetery but is not listed, is asked to call Duke at 573-2628.

Allen, Woodrow R.
1913-1949
WWII Captain U.S. Army

Arnold, John David
July 29, 1938-March 20, 1993
SSG US Army Vietnam

Bailey, John Elic
1919-1999
CPL Marines Silver Star
Purple Heart

Bailey, Horton L.
1921-1979
U.S. Army SGT

Bihl, Charles Hiram
June 25, 1895-June 29, 1953
WWI Wagoner CO
G 5 Ammon Tn

Black, Woodrow Wilson
March 7, 1919-July 12, 1996
WWII Air Corps

Bryant, Ralph C.
Oct. 10, 1922-July 12, 1996
WWII MM2 US Coast Guard

Bryant, Robert O.
1914-1972
WWII SGT U.S. Army

Burney, William T.
Dec. 29, 1899-Sept. 15, 1972
WWII CPL Army Air Force

Carruthers, William
Jan. 15, 1912-May 7, 1963
TEC5 695 ENGR
Base Equip CO.

Clark, Marvin H.
1919-1945
WWII PFC 165 Inf. 27 Inf. Div.

Davenport, Clifton
1897-1954

Davis, Dee
Nov. 28, 1894-March 11, 1950
WWI Pvt. Co H 49th Infantry

Davis, Raymond E.
Jan. 28, 1924-Dec. 13, 1987
WWII U.S. Army

Dosier, H.V.
1924-1983

Duke, Melvin R.
1919-1974
WWII 1st SGT U.S. Army

Duke, Raymond W.
1917-1961
WWII BSM SVC CO
142 Infantry

Galloway, Mel. L.
World War II T. Sargent

Therman, Floyd
1918-1996

Floyd, Earnest W.
1920-1965
PVT

Garlington, Warner
1913-1989
PFC Air Corps 5

Grant, Charlie

Grant, Edgar E.
1891-1961
WWII PVT

Gravley Donald D.
Dec. 5, 1920-July 6-1991
WWII Vet II U.S. Army

Green, James

Haily, R.T.
Aug. 7, 1926-Dec. 18, 1955
Korea SFC, SVC CO
14 INF REGT

Hailey, Richard T.
April 6, 1836-Jan. 9, 1929
WWI CO C 16 TX CAV
Confed. St Army

Hall, Sterling M.
1916-1971
WWII

Hardee, Neal D.
Oct. 25, 1925-Oct. 30, 1945
WWII

Head, Willie P.
June 9, 1900-June 13, 1967
World War II PVT U.S. Army

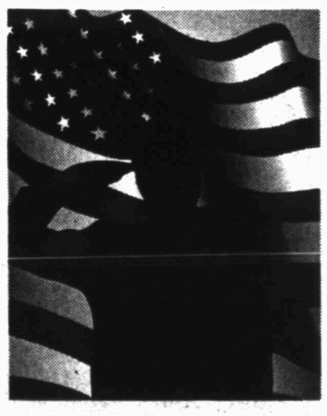
Holladay, Harold Lee
1925-2000

Holladay, Jack D.
1923-1980
WWII PFC U.S. Army

Howard, R.C.
Jan. 15, 1917-July 4, 1979
WWII Army
Army Air Corps Private

Kruse, H. Amil
Sept. 5, 1896-Sept. 9, 1979
WWII Pvt.

Kruse, Harold Gene
June 24, 1926-Feb. 14, 1994
WWII PFC US Army



Kruse, Jack Alvin
Aug. 28, 1924-April 16, 1983
WWII S2 U.S. Navy

Kruse, L.M.
Jan. 18, 1918-Jan. 9, 1973
WWII

Lloyd, George Hays
July 7, 1909-Jan. 15, 1962
WWII S1 USNR

Lloyd, Hershell N.
May 6, 1910-Nov. 2, 1998
SGT US Army WWII

Lock, Henry C.
1924-1975
WWII CPL Army Air Force

Matthews, Robert M.
1892-1954
WWI

Maupin, Ira E.
1930-1992
Korea

McGaha, Roaald Marion
1929-1984
PVT Army

Millhollon, Dillon
1910-1959
PVT

Minor, Ex
Nov. 29, 1884-March 16, 1971
WWI PFC U.S. Army

Mitchell, Bob

Mitchell, Robert Darrel
Aug. 12, 1917-Dec. 16, 1995
WWII S SGT U.S. Army

Nettles, Jewel Ward
June 12, 1917-March 12, 1999
World War II TEC5 U.S. Army

Noles, Robert H.
Dec. 9, 1933
Private
144 Infantry 36 Division WWI

Van Norman, Jessie V.
1894-1964
WWI

Preston, Max
1932-1992
CPL U.S. Army

von Roeder, Herman F.
1846-1926
Confederate State Army

Sheppard, Curtis S.
PVT BTRY 322

Shy, Ira Gene Jr.
1919-1980
PVT U.S. Army WWII

Smith, Alvin Emmett
Oct. 26, 1922-Feb. 16, 1955
WWII AMM3 USNR
DFC-AM

Sterling, Gus
Dec. 1, 1920-Feb. 15, 1999
WWII SSGT
U.S. Army Air Force

Sterling, James
1957 Medical TICL

Sterling, Robert
March 19, 1945-June 4, 1986
CPL U.S. Marine Corps
Vietnam

Sterling, Warren H.
1926-1985
Korea Sargent

Stokes, Travis H.
1933-1996
SGT U.S. Army

Taylor, Sterling A. Jr.
Oct. 7, 1926-Oct. 13, 1998
TEC 5 U.S. Army WWII

Taylor, Walter R.
1901-1979
WWI PFC

Thompson, Parker L.
April 30, 1916-Nov. 6, 1949
WWII PFC
16 Quartermaster SQ

Thompson, W.S.
1921-2000
WWII

Thompson, Temple L.
1889-1966 WWI

Tow, John Henry
Aug. 13, 1925-April 22, 1999
WWII U.S. Army

West, Orval M.
July 1, 1940
PVT 98 Balloon Co. Air Force

White, Barbra N.
1924-1993
TEC5 U.S. Army

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1-877-HERMANI
Fraternal Life
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Adults
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Whole Life
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Dear A

By Abigail Va

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DEAR ABBY: I this great gal, "Laure four years. She is ver We would see each once a month outside never went out as always with other co didn't see each other she got married, bu tained our friendship.

Two years ago, work and she, her h child moved away. W they moved back to ou talk to her on the every three months. talk, she says we will "soon" — but we never

I know Lauren is m am single, but I would ing lunch with her or walk once in a while question is, do you th and I are still friends? WORK FRIEND?

DEAR JUST FRIEND: I'm sure Lau like you any less, but face the fact that your cumstances and prio changed. She has a hu child who must come f of dwelling on the sta relationship, it is time and cultivate new friend

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DEAR ABBY: I ad ers about "pennies fro After reading the la thought about it all day myself: That could ne to me. I don't know heaven who cares ab except maybe my broth killed in a car crash wh out he's probably fo about me. I'm almost 3

Three days later, aft band and I were leavin rant and walking to looked down on the filth and spotted a penny. I la told him, "I found a p heaven!" I turned the to check the date. believe my eyes — th 1974! Abby, I have only sake that belonged deceased brother — a l class necklace with the "Senior 1974." No would have meant anyt

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Concorde passenger flights resume today

PARIS (AP) — More than 15 months after a Concorde crashed in a ball of flames, the world's only supersonic jetliner returned to the skies today — making a long-awaited commercial comeback during one of the worst slumps in aviation history.

Revamped to address safety concerns, an Air France Concorde with 92 passengers aboard took off from Charles de Gaulle airport near Paris at 10:47 a.m. for the three hour, 55 minute-flight to New York.

To show their confidence, French Transport Minister Jean-Claude Gayssot and Air France chairman Jean-Cyril Spinetta were aboard the passenger flight — the first since the July 25, 2000, crash that killed 113 people outside Paris.

"This is the greatest tribute we can pay to the 113 people who lost their lives, and to whom I dedicate this flight," Spinetta said before the takeoff.

About an hour later, a British Airways Concorde took off from London, with rock star Sting among the passengers on an invitation-only flight. British Airways commercial flights to New York resume Friday.

In a third Concorde flight today, British Prime Minister Tony Blair was taking a special charter to Washington to meet with President Bush.

Engineers say they have fixed the flaws that led to the crash — the first in the Concorde's 25-year history. There also was a nod to safety concerns following the Sept. 11 terror attacks: fine silver has been replaced with plastic cutlery.

Security was tight today as passengers checked in for the Paris-New York flight. Armed police patrolled the check-in area and fire trucks stood by on the runway.

The flight path had been changed to avoid the town of Gonesse, where the supersonic jet crashed just after takeoff more than 15 months ago.

Among the Concorde regulars lining up for the flight was perfume company founder Jean-Paul Guerlain, who said he'd flown the Concorde more than 200 times.

"I swore after the crash that I would fly again on the first flight," he said. "It's the most wonderful plane. I never lost confidence, and I have no fear."

Another passenger, Yvonne Rollim, 67, called the flight "a double tribute" — to the Concorde and to New York, following the World Trade Center attack.

"We're paying homage to those who died on Sept. 11," she said.

The new Concorde has been fitted with fuel-tank liners of bulletproof Kevlar, a flameproof reinforced undercarriage and extra-resistant radial tires.

The tires, designed by French firm Michelin, passed rigorous tests, including one that revved the wheel faster than 250 mph — the Concorde's speed at takeoff — and injected it with a titanium blade. The July 2000 crash has been widely blamed on a ruptured tire that sent debris flying into a fuel tank, though officials have not yet named a cause.

"We have never been able to make this tire blow up, under any circumstance," Pierre Desmarets, chief executive of Michelin Aircraft Tire Division, told Associated Press Television News.

But equally important to the engineering changes, aviation analysts say, is the symbolism of the Concorde reclaiming the skies.

"One of the icons of the civil aviation industry is returning," said Chris Yates, aviation safety editor at Jane's Transport in London. "It's the shot in the arm that the industry needs at this moment."

Despite a 30-percent drop in trans-Atlantic travel since the Sept. 11 terror attacks, the airlines say they are confident of filling the 100-seat planes. British Airways says it has already sold 7,000 seats.

Flying above turbulence at twice the speed of sound, the Concorde crosses the Atlantic in about half the flying time of conventional jets. A roundtrip Paris-New York ticket costs about $7,300, while a London-New York roundtrip is about $10,000.

Service is being scaled back — British Airways and Air France have each modified three Concordes, allowing for leeway to determine customer demand.

Investigators are expected to make their report on the cause of the crash public by early next year. Officials have theorized that as the plane raced down the runway, it hit a metal strip that ruptured a tire and sent debris hurtling toward a fuel tank, triggering a fire and a fuel leak. The metal strip is believed to have come from another jet.

Along with the safety improvements, the Concordes have a fresh look inside. British Airways invested $20 million to redecorate cabin interiors and Concorde lounges. On Air France, fresh lobster and petits fours will be served.

Sting, who has been taking the supersonic jet for two decades, said he was "still excited about going on Concorde after all these years.

"Flying at twice the speed of sound gives you a buzz," he said.

Medical marijuana debate continues

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A prosecutor has asked the Drug Enforcement Administration to rethink its campaign against medical marijuana providers after agents searched a resource center and seized pot plans and patients' records.

"I urge Administrator (Asa) Hutchinson to respect our city's approach to medical marijuana, which has reduced crime, saved money and contributed to public well-being," District Attorney Terence Hallinan said Monday. "Any move to close the dispensaries will result in sick people trying to get marijuana from street vendors, whose product may or may not be safe."

Federal agents searched the Los Angeles Cannabis Resource Center on Oct. 22 and seized computers, financial documents, 400 marijuana plants and medical records of some 3,000 current and former patients, said Scott Imler, a resident.

The DEA also seized thousands of records on Sept. 28 from the California Medical Research Center in El Dorado County in what was portrayed as an investigation into alleged marijuana distribution. The clinic owners deny selling marijuana or certificates to buy it.

The medical marijuana movement began in earnest in 1996, when California passed a statewide referendum intended to make it legal.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Man hopes former office friend can remain a friend

DEAR ABBY: I worked with this great gal, "Lauren," for about four years. She is very attractive. We would see each other about once a month outside of work. We never went out as a couple — always with other co-workers. We didn't see each other as often after she got married, but we maintained our friendship.

Two years ago, Lauren quit work and she, her husband and child moved away. Within a year, they moved back to our city. I now talk to her on the phone once every three months. Whenever we talk, she says we will get together "soon" — but we never do.

I know Lauren is married and I am single, but I would enjoy having lunch with her or going for a walk once in a while. Abby, my question is, do you think Lauren and I are still friends? — **JUST A WORK FRIEND?**

DEAR JUST A WORK FRIEND: I'm sure Lauren doesn't like you any less, but it's time to face the fact that your friend's circumstances and priorities have changed. She has a husband and child who must come first. Instead of dwelling on the status of this relationship, it is time to move on and cultivate new friends.

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DEAR ABBY: I adore the letters about "pennies from heaven." After reading the last one, I thought about it all day and said to myself: That could never happen to me. I don't know anyone in heaven who cares about me — except maybe my brother who was killed in a car crash when I was 13, but he's probably forgotten all about me. I'm almost 38 now.

Three days later, after my husband and I were leaving a restaurant and walking to our car, I looked down on the filthy sidewalk and spotted a penny. I laughed and told him, "I found a penny from heaven!" I turned the penny over to check the date. I couldn't believe my eyes — the date was 1974! Abby, I have only one keepsake that belonged to my deceased brother — a high school class necklace with the inscription: "Senior 1974." No other date would have meant anything to me, as I don't even know what year he was born.

When I got home, I showed my family the necklace I had kept hidden all these years. Even my husband was touched. What are the chances that the penny would have the same date, the only date I would associate with my brother?

I am not religious and never thought this could happen to me. I am still shocked. My mother is astounded. Now she knows her son is where she hoped he would be. I absolutely believe it is a "penny from heaven." — **LISA ANGILANO, BEREA, OHIO**

DEAR LISA: So do I. And since that penny had the power to reinforce your mother's faith and restore yours, I'd say that penny was heaven-sent — wouldn't you?

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DEAR ABBY: My parents recently retired and moved into a condo. While in the process of helping them move out of their house of 35 years, I was given some items. In one of the cartons, I discovered some steamy love letters written to my dad from another woman in 1981.

How should I handle this with my father? It was hurtful and embarrassing to find something like this after all this time. — **UNSURE SON IN UTAH**

DEAR UNSURE SON: Place the letters in a manila envelope or a sturdy box and seal it securely. Give it to your father privately and tell him the contents belong to him and were taken by mistake. Period. End of conversation.

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

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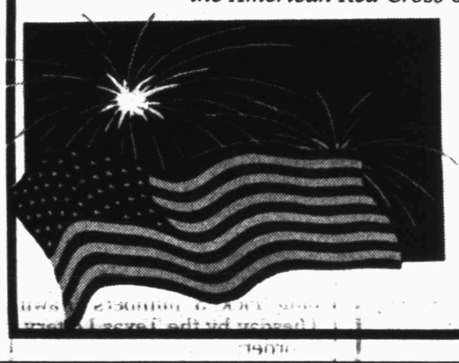
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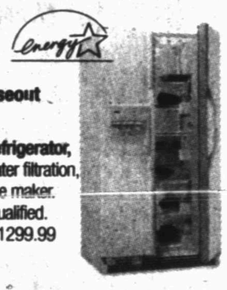
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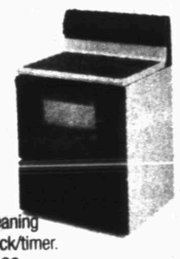
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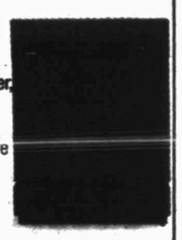
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1 Reprimand
6 Gregarious
12 Trace element in salt
14 Facilitate
15 Church official
16 Spice rack item
17 Flight dir.
18 Sleek plane (abbr.)
19 Make bacon
21 "Norma —"
23 Clear — — bell
26 Chart shape
27 Mil. officer
28 After
30 Graceful tree
31 Look closely
32 Clumsy person
33 Wax melodramatic
35 Kyoto sash
37 Debate side
38 Newscaster Jennings
39 Coffee maker
40 Brother's title
41 Md. neighbor
42 Map abbr.
43 Feminine ending
44 "Annabel —"
46 Wk. day
48 Make fun of
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55 Made reparation
56 Trickery
57 Condescends
58 Boulder

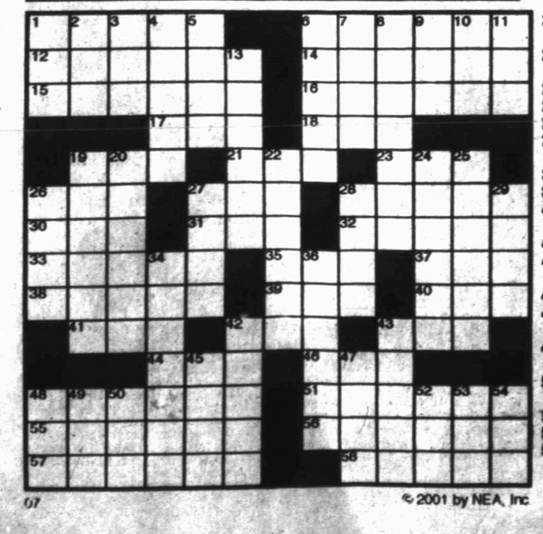
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1 Spanish hero El —
2 Garden tool
3 Spud st.
4 Risky
5 Outfielder Slaughter
6 Have vague impression
7 Disagreeable task
8 Bulrush
9 PC maker
10 Tavern fare
11 Limb
13 Vigor
19 Made into a movie
20 TV adjunct
22 Did not cook (2 wds.)
24 Puts out the candle
25 Oscar nominees
26 Steal a glance
27 Fortuneteller
28 Hide
29 "Rabbi Ben —"
34 Informing
36 Made coffee
42 Marsh grasses
43 Mandate
45 Adam and Eve's garden
47 Ballot marks
48 Informal parent
49 Jacques' vacation time
50 King, in France
52 Writer Tolstoy
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Answer to Previous Puzzle

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SPORTS

Mavericks gun down Charlotte

DALLAS(AP) — Dirk Nowitzki and Michael Finley gave the Dallas Mavericks' depleted lineup a lift.

Nowitzki, playing on a tender ankle, scored 34 points and Finley added 31, leading the Mavericks to a 110-92 victory over the Charlotte Hornets on Tuesday night.

"We're both capable of doing that every night," said Nowitzki, who missed Dallas' last two games because of a sprained left ankle. "We have enough guys on this team that can pick it up whenever we need it."

Nowitzki tested the ankle in warmups, had it heavily taped, then came through with 10 rebounds and his best offensive game of the season.

"I ran on it before the game and it felt fine, so I decided to give it a go and it felt fine the whole game," Nowitzki said.

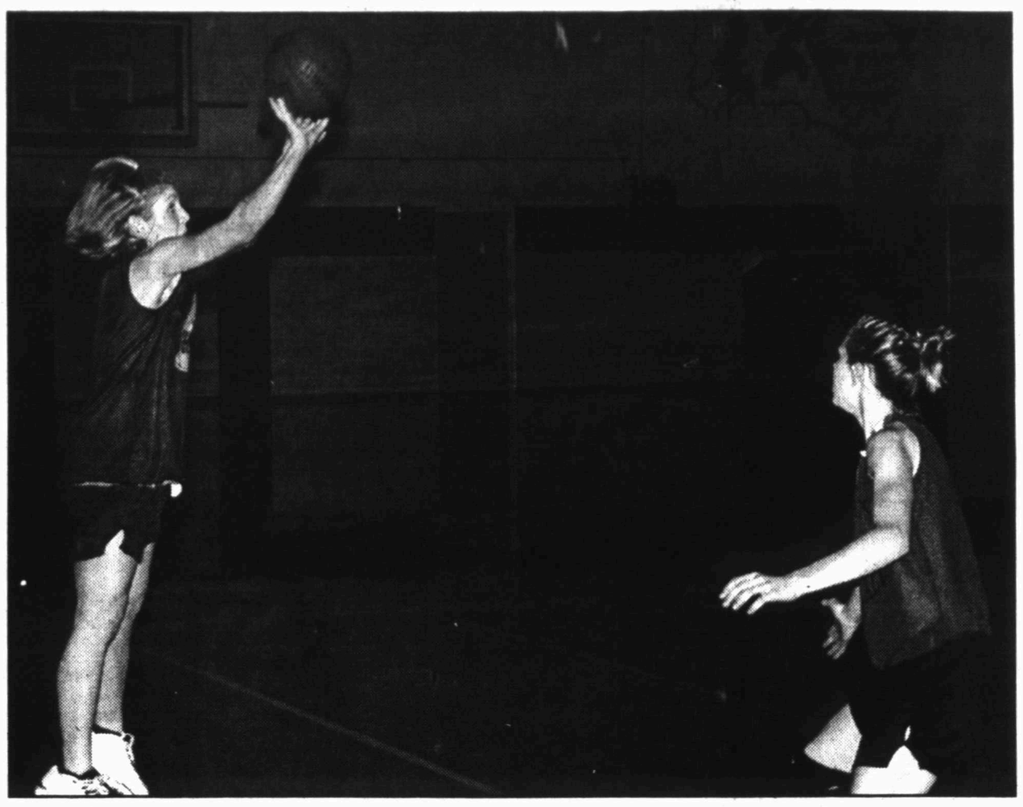
Steve Nash added 16 for the Mavericks, who are off to a 4-1 start.

Nowitzki was injured in Friday night's loss at Toronto and missed Sunday's victory at Memphis. The Mavericks were without key reserves Greg Buckner and Adrian Griffin, so Nowitzki started at center in coach Don Nelson's "small ball" lineup.

Buckner was out with a sprained right ankle and Griffin was at a local hospital with his wife, who gave birth earlier Tuesday night.

"The way we play, we have a lot of interchangable parts," said Dallas forward Danny Manning, who made his second start.

With a short bench, each of the Mavericks' top seven players logged at least 25 minutes.



SHOOTING FOR TWO — Snyder's Kelby Drum puts up a shot Tuesday night during the Lady Tigers' scrimmage with Ballinger at the SHS gym. The Snder girls host their final scrimmage Saturday against Kermit. (SDN Staff Photo)

Scrimmages benefit Snyder High cagers

For Snyder High School basketball teams, Tuesday night's scrimmages served their purpose.

Snyder learned its strengths and weaknesses in a pair of scrimmages against Ballinger and Abilene High.

The Lady Tigers won one quarter, dropped three and tied one against Ballinger at the SHS gym, while the SHS boys won four of six quarters at Abilene.

In the girls' session, the Lady Tigers shot 46 percent from the floor, but attempted only 35 shots in five quarters of play and turned the ball over 34 times against the pressing Lady Bearcats.

"We played pretty good in the first quarter," said SHS girls' coach Mike Martin. "I don't know if we got fatigued, or if Ballinger just started playing that much better, but we weren't as quick to the ball from then on out, and we didn't do as good a job blocking out.

"I wasn't too worried with our offensive execution in the half court, because we hadn't worked at all against a 1-3-1 zone. But we should have done a better job against their press. That's something we must get better at."

At Abilene, SHS boys' coach Bud Birks was pleased with his squad's overall effort.

"We got after it for the most part," Birks said. "We still have a long way to go, but we didn't do too bad for the first scrimmage. Our shooting will get better as the season goes along, and so will our execution."

Both Snyder squads continue preparation Saturday when they host scrimmages against Kermit and Lubbock Monterey.

The Tigers open the season Tuesday at home against San Angelo Central, while the Lady Tigers travel to Midland Lee.

Baseball owners vote to cut two teams

ROSEMONT, Ill. (AP) — Baseball owners decided to fold two teams before the start of next season but they don't want to start a labor war by locking out players when their labor agreement expires Wednesday night.

Owners voted 28-2 Tuesday in favor of eliminating two teams, with the Minnesota Twins and Montreal Expos opposing contraction, a person familiar with the meetings said on the condition he not be identified.

Montreal, Minnesota and the Florida Marlins recently have been mentioned as the likeliest candidates, while Oakland and Tampa Bay were discussed earlier this year.

"It makes no sense for major league baseball to be in markets that generate insufficient local revenues to justify the investment in the franchise," commissioner Bud Selig said after a 31/2-hour meeting. "The teams to be contracted have a long record of failing to generate enough revenues to operate a viable major league franchise."

Baseball's decision reverses nearly a half-century of expansion during which the major leagues grew from 16 teams in 1960 to 30 since 1998, when Arizona and Tampa Bay were added.

The amount of money that would be paid to the eliminated teams was not discussed.

This would be the first contraction by major league baseball since the National League shrank from 12 teams to eight following the 1899 season. No major league team has moved since the Washington Senators became the Texas Rangers in 1972.

The action by the owners came two days after the World Series culminated in Arizona's thrilling Game 7 victory over the New York Yankees, baseball's most-watched game in 10 years.

The players' association called the decision "most imprudent and unfortunate."

"Over this last season, and, especially, over the last several weeks, we have been reminded, vividly, of the special place baseball holds in America," union head Donald Fehr said. "This makes it all the more unfortunate that the clubs would choose this moment to dash the hopes of so many of its fans.

"And, of course, this is the worst manner in which to begin the process of negotiating a new collective bargaining agreement. We had hoped that we were in a new era, one that would see a much better relationship between players and owners. Today's announcement is a severe blow to such hopes."

In addition to not locking out players, owners said they wouldn't freeze player signings when the labor pact expires Wednesday. Two teams advocated an immediate lockout, the person familiar with the meeting said, but Selig told teams he would not support a stoppage.

Baseball has undergone eight work stoppages since 1972, including a 232-day strike that wiped out the 1994 World Series, and some owners are pressing for concessions from the players' association, which could trigger another stoppage.

The union could become an obstacle by fighting to protect the 80 major league roster spots on the two teams and the hundreds more in each minor league system.

Owners said they have the right to eliminate teams without the union but conceded they must negotiate the specifics of how to disperse the players on eliminated teams to the remaining 28 major league clubs. Selig declined to say if there was a chance teams wouldn't be eliminated before the new season starts.

"We have every intention of doing it," he said.

But Fehr said: "This decision has been made unilaterally, without any attempt to negotiate with the players, apparently without any serious consideration of other options, including relocation, and seemingly with little concern for the interests of the fans.

"We consider this action to be inconsistent with the law, our contract, and perhaps most important, the long-term welfare of the sport," he said.

Montreal, which joined the NL in 1969, is considered the front-runner to be cut. The Expos averaged just 7,648 fans per game at Olympic Stadium this year and have locally generated revenue of about $16 million — 8 percent of the Yankees' total of nearly $200 million. No progress has been made toward a new ballpark in Montreal and the team's owner, Jeffrey Loria, is a New York art dealer with few ties to Quebec.

Minnesota and Florida have failed to generate government support for new ballparks, and Twins owner Carl Pohlad has pushed Selig to eliminate his team in exchange for a large contraction payment, according to other owners, who spoke on condition they would not be identified.

Pohlad and Expos executive vice president David Samson attended the meeting but didn't make any substantive comments to reporters.

Rodriguez earns 10th Gold Glove

By The Associated Press

Texas Rangers catcher Ivan Rodriguez won his 10th straight Gold Glove award Tuesday, tying his idol Johnny Bench for the most by a catcher.

"I can see him winning 12, 13, maybe as many as 14," said Bench, the former Cincinnati star and Hall of Famer. "I don't see why he would stop. He wants to be behind the plate. He thrives on it."

The only thing that might stop Rodriguez's streak is a position change. Wear and tear behind the plate has led some good-hitting catchers, like Bench, to switch positions to extend their careers.

Rodriguez joined Atlanta right-hander Greg Maddux, and Cleveland second baseman Roberto Alomar as Gold Glove record-setters.

Maddux extended his NL record for pitchers by winning his 12th straight Gold Glove. He trails only Jim Kaat, who won the award 16 times.

Alomar passed former Chicago Cubs second baseman Ryne Sandberg with his 10th Gold Glove, the most for that position.

Men's Basketball League

Snyder Men's League

Team	W	L
YZ Systems	5	1
Big Country Autoland	5	1
American State Bank	4	2
Snyder National Bank	1	5
West Texas State Bank	0	6

Monday's results: Big Country Autoland 121, Snyder National Bank 88; American State Bank 139, West Texas State Bank 89; YZ Industries 125, West Texas State Bank 71.

National Basketball Association

By The Associated Press
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Miami	2	2	.500	1
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Orlando	2	3	.400	1½
New York	1	3	.250	2
Philadelphia	0	4	.000	3
Central Division	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Milwaukee	3	0	1.000	—
Detroit	3	1	.750	½
Indiana	3	2	.600	1
Charlotte	2	2	.500	1½
Toronto	2	2	.500	1½
Chicago	1	2	.333	2
Atlanta	1	3	.250	2½
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Portland	2	3	.400	2½
Seattle	2	3	.400	2½
L.A. Clippers	1	3	.250	3

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Sacramento 115, Cleveland 99
Indiana 87, Philadelphia 77
Miami 87, Seattle 85, OT
San Antonio 104, Orlando 89
Minnesota 104, New York 94
Houston 99, Denver 93
Dallas 110, Charlotte 92
Phoenix 113, Memphis 101
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Wednesday's Games
Washington at Boston, 7 p.m.
Golden State at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Cleveland at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Atlanta at Utah, 9 p.m.
Memphis at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
San Antonio at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Seattle at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
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By Phillip Alder



	North	11-07-01	
	♠ J 8 7 2		
	♥ K J 7 6 5		
	♦ A 7 3		
	♣ 8		
West		**East**	
♠ 5 3		♠ 10	
♥ ? 10 9 8		♥ ? 4	
♦ Q 6 4		♦ J 10 5 2	
♣ K 10 7 6		♣ A Q 9 5 4 3	
	South		
	♠ A K Q 9 6 4		
	♥ 3 2		
	♦ K 9 8		
	♣ J 2		

Dealer: East
Vulnerable: Both

South	West	North	East
			Pass
1 ♠	Pass	3 ♣	Dbl.
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♣ 6

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2001

The winning play, let me count away

By Phillip Alder

Nikki Giovanni, a U.S. poet, wrote:

Mistakes are a fact of life
It is the response to error that counts.

At the bridge table, though, counting greatly reduces error. The more counting you do — points, tricks, winners, losers — the better you will play. In this deal, you are in four spades. West leads the club six: eight, ace, two. East shifts to the diamond jack. You win with the king, draw trumps (East has one), ruff the club jack in the dummy, and exit with the ace and another diamond. Irritatingly, West wins with the queen and shifts to the heart 10. What would you do?

North's three-club response showed a limit raise — 10-12 support points — with four or more spades. (I think North was planning to bid four spades anyway, but wanted to limit his point-count first.) This allowed East to sneak in a length- and strength-showing double.

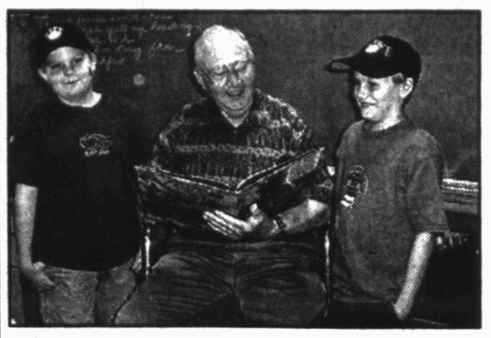
The deal occurred during a match between Israel and Italy at the 1999 World Junior Team Championship in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

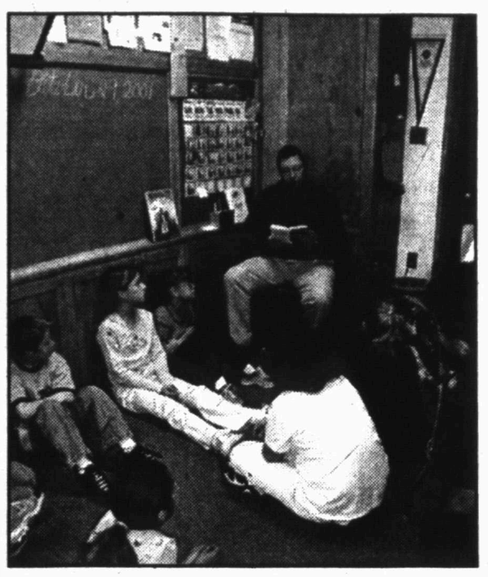
East's winning with the club ace denied the king. (When playing the highest card yet contributed to a trick, third hand puts up the bottom of equivalent cards.) If West had the king-queen of clubs, he would have led the king, not a low one. So, East was marked with the ace-queen of clubs. He also had the diamond jack. If he had the heart ace as well, he probably would have opened the bidding. So, the Italian declarer, Andrea Mallardi, called for dummy's heart king and made his contract.

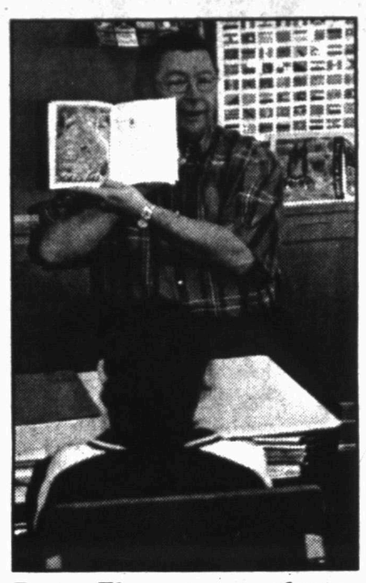
Which country won the gold medal? Italy.

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A good story is priceless.....







East Elementary

East Elementary adopt-a-school partners take turns reading to the students. Bill Dryden, owner of Stevenson Real Estate, (top left photo) recently read books to Janie Carroll's students. Eric Trammell and Jacob Johnson are pictured. Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, did double duty last week. In the photo at left, he read to Tammy Hoseman's class; and in the above photo he shared a book with Judy Brown's students.

SDN Photos By Shirley A. Gorman

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Sunburst not good for anyone

DEAR DR. GOTT: My friend believes that it's OK to be in the sun if you are a lifeguard. I say that sunlight can lead to skin cancer regardless of profession. Who's right?

DEAR READER: You are right, of course. Extended exposure to ultraviolet light carries with it an increased risk of skin cancer in anybody. To say that lifeguards are somehow immune to this consequence is as naive as maintaining that truck drivers can't have accidents, because they are professionals. The laws of nature don't bend to accommodate our choice of lifestyle. Most authorities caution against prolonged, regular exposure to sunlight and urge those whose jobs require such exposure to use appropriate protection, including sun-block products.

I suspect that your friend may be confusing two issues. Studies have shown that the highest risk of skin cancer occurs in light-skinned individuals who repeatedly suffer sunburn because, due to seasonal variation, they try repeatedly to tan. The prototype for this is the inhabitant of a northern climate who eagerly exposes himself or herself to the summer sun year after year.

In contrast, a person who maintains a constant tan appears to be somewhat protected against skin cancer, even though the risk is increased when compared to someone who avoids UV exposure altogether.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I awoke a month ago with a round red area in the skin of my upper arm. During the next few days, the area enlarged and I noticed a bright red circle in the center. The lesion did not burn or itch. When I saw my doctor, he was puzzled and told me to "keep an eye on it." What could this be?

DEAR READER: In any case where a dermatological diagnosis is in doubt, I believe that a referral to a dermatologist is in order. Also, I should remind you that I couldn't possibly diagnose a skin condition merely by description.

Having said this, I'm going to go out on a limb and suggest that you may have Lyme disease, a potentially serious infection transmitted by a tick bite. While I still think that you need to see a dermatologist, I urge you to have your physician order a blood test for Lyme disease. This might provide the answer to your question. More importantly, a positive test would enable the doctor to initiate antibiotic therapy before the infection worsens. Lyme disease, which is now known to occur world wide, is a common cause of an enlarging, round rash with a dark center — the so-called "bullseye" lesion. Don't delay in following up with your family doctor.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My doctor has advised me to have a second pneumonia shot, even though I had my original one only five years ago. I thought that the pneumonia injection was good for life. What is your opinion?

DEAR READER: When the pneumonia vaccine was first released, it was believed to grant life-long immunity against 23 of the most common causes of bacterial pneumonia. A few years later, experts acknowledged that this assessment was probably too optimistic. The current recommendation is that patients should receive booster shots every 10 years — or, if there are extenuating circumstances, every five years.

I suggest that you follow your doctor's advice; the booster is safe and should give you health benefits.

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State to test air quality and the levels of benzene in it

TEXAS CITY (AP) — State environmental experts will take air samples around the city and its heavy concentration of petrochemical plants this week to see if levels of benzene and other chemicals produced by the companies have been lowered.

An April report showed a chronic problem with benzene emissions at BP and Marathon Ashland Petroleum plants, which released benzene and other chemicals at more than three times the acceptable government limits over the last five years.

Benzene — a known carcinogen — has been linked to leukemia, according to the Galveston County Health District.

This week's sampling was scheduled after last week's meeting of city leaders, industry officials and the state's top environmental director.

Twenty-five staff members of the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission will take up to 40,000 samples at 50 to 75 sites surrounding industry fence lines.

Industry officials at the two plants being pinpointed have repeatedly said the chemical levels TNRCC has collected are only trace amounts.

BP and Marathon officials say the state's standards are drastically out of line with federal requirements, which the companies say they follow.

The TNRCC and the two plants are currently in negotiations to determine the extent of fines for air violations during the five-year period. Fines could be as high as half a million dollars.

City, industry, TNRCC and health district officials all say that there is no immediate health risk to residents.

Benzene is a known carcinogen that has been linked to leukemia, according to the Galveston County Health District. Exposure creates adverse health conditions only after a long period of time, said TNRCC spokesman Andy Saenz.

"A single exposure isn't going to be a problem," he told the Texas City Sun for today's editions. "If you are exposed to it for years, it builds up and that leads to cancer. It is a hard situation to characterize but it is after years that it becomes a problem."

Convicted child killers executed in two states

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP) — Saying she wanted to see a convicted murderer get what he deserved, a woman who was 6-years-old when she was raped and left for dead watched as her assailant became the first person executed in New Mexico in nearly 42 years.

Terry Clark, 45, was executed for raping and fatally shooting 9-year-old Dena Lynn Gore in 1986. He committed the crime while out on bail pending an appeal in the rape case of Donita Welch, who survived and is now 23.

Clark was executed by chemical injection Tuesday, about an hour before another convicted child killer in Georgia was put to death.

Before Clark's execution, a tearful Welch said she wanted to see Clark die and "make sure he got something taken away from him that he will never get back. He took it from me and Dena ... and now he'll never get it back."

Dena's bound, decomposed body was found in a shallow grave on the Squaw Canyon Ranch where Clark worked. She had been shot in the head three times.

The ranch foreman led investigators to his younger brother, Terry Clark, knowing of the prior rape case.

Clark never explained the Gore killing. He pleaded guilty and told a minister he'd raped the girl.

Before he was injected, Clark cryptically mumbled "15 minutes" — nothing more. Warden Tim LeMaster LeMaster said the reference came from the book, "Dead Man Walking" by Sister Helen Prejean. State Attorney General Patricia Madrid said she was told Clark believed 15 minutes was how long it would take him to reach heaven.

As the drugs were administered, Clark's cheeks puffed, he gasped, grimaced and closed his eyes, then relaxed, and witnesses heard an exhaling and a gurgle.

Clark, who decided in March to end his appeals, never turned his head toward the witnesses.

"He didn't even bother to look at us; he didn't have any last words for us or anything," Jeff Gore, the dead girl's father, told the El Paso Times.

The last execution in New Mexico was on Jan. 8, 1960, when David Nelson became the only person to die in the state's gas chamber.

3 women found dead in beauty salon

FLORENCE, Mont. (AP) — The bodies of three women were found with their throats slashed Tuesday at a beauty salon in this western Montana community, Ravalli County Sheriff Perry Johnson said.

A customer arriving at The Hair Gallery in Florence found one of the victims lying in a pool of blood and called authorities, who discovered two more victims in an adjacent utility room.

The woman found by the customer was identified as the owner of the salon. The other victims were a manicurist and a customer.

There was no immediate arrest, and Johnson did not provide information about a possible motive. Authorities said they were searching for a man seen in front of the salon by the woman who found the owner's body.

Murder trial nears

MESA, Ariz. (AP) — A prosecutor plans to seek the death penalty for a man accused of killing an Indian immigrant after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Frank Roque, 42, is accused of shooting Balbir Singh Sodhi as he stood outside his Mesa convenience store Sept. 15. Sodhi wore a turban and a beard as part of his Sikh faith.

Roque is quoted in police reports as saying "all Arabs had to be shot" and he wanted to "slit some Iranians' throats."

Maricopa County Attorney Richard Romley said he decided to seek the death penalty after conferring with Sodhi's family and the government of India, the East Valley Tribune reported.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEW YORK (AP) -

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	18.30	18.00	18.11	—.25
AOL TimeWrn	35.10	34.60	34.89	—.26
AT&T Corp s	16.30	16.00	16.17	+ .02
Albertsons	32.76	32.35	32.50	+ .29
Alltel	60.50	59.70	59.93	—.57
AmEl Pw	44.05	43.50	43.63	+ .18
AndarkPtr	56.40	55.10	55.22	—1.05
ATMOS Egy	21.45	21.25	21.45	+ .05
Aviall	4.69	4.63	4.67	+ .03
BP PLC	48.09	47.67	48.08	—.01
BakerHughes	34.75	33.65	34.35	+ .34
Bank of Amer	63.08	61.91	62.84	+ .73
BellSouth	38.95	38.20	38.46	—.34
vjBeth Steel	.38	.36	.36	—.02
BurlNoSFe	28.25	27.80	28.03	+ .03
Caterpillar	48.30	47.20	48.27	+ .48
ChevronTex	87.10	85.90	86.61	—.19
Citigroup	48.40	47.02	48.22	+ .67
CocaCola	49.85	49.31	49.79	—.06
ColgatePal	59.20	58.43	59.00	+ .14
ComclMetals	32.05	31.60	31.60	—.10
CooperIn	40.35	39.15	39.60	+ .35
DaimlrChry	36.15	35.72	35.86	—.23
DeltaAirl	24.34	23.92	24.22	+ .02
Dillards Inc	13.87	13.66	13.75	—.15
DowChem	35.99	35.20	35.97	+ .27
DuPont	43.47	42.75	43.26	+ .23
EastmanChem	37.33	36.96	37.24	+ .09
EstKodak	26.40	25.98	26.21	—.14
EDS Corp	68.95	67.45	68.95	+ .95
Entergy	38.02	37.44	37.48	—.59
ExxonMobil s	39.53	38.80	39.28	+ .04
FstBksAm	30.90	30.60	30.90	+ .44
FootLocker	15.15	15.01	15.14	+ .12
GenDynam	84.37	83.15	83.27	—1.11
GenElec	39.75	39.31	39.60	—.20
GenMills	50.75	49.97	50.65	+ .41
GenMotors	43.95	42.95	43.09	—.34
GaPacGP	28.59	28.25	28.54	+ .36
GlobalMar	15.50	15.00	15.36	+ .21
Goodrich	23.45	23.11	23.35	—.01
Goodyear s	19.04	18.75	18.76	—.27
GtAtlPac	19.25	18.52	18.96	+ .34
Halliburtn	22.25	21.68	21.85	+ .13
Hanson ADS	33.16	32.70	33.16	+ .61
HarteHanks	24.30	24.05	24.10	—.10
HomeDepot	42.95	42.01	42.72	+ .02
Honeywellntl	31.81	31.25	31.26	—.73
IBM	114.77	113.03	114.37	+ .32
IntlPaper	37.65	37.23	37.55	+ .21
JohnsonJn s	59.85	58.80	59.57	+ .57
K mart	6.86	6.60	6.82	—.02
KinderMorg	49.99	49.36	49.86	+ .21
Kroger Co	24.52	24.22	24.40	+ .30
LockheedM	48.00	47.35	47.74	—.11
Lowes Cos s	39.19	38.60	38.92	—.33
Lubys	6.57	6.30	6.56	+ .23
LucentTech	7.44	7.22	7.37	
MayDeptStr	34.89	34.58	34.58	—.66
Medtronic	40.10	39.71	39.92	+ .21
Motorola	17.36	17.00	17.23	—.27
NCR Corp	38.70	37.80	38.57	+ .63
Navistar	35.55	35.09	35.55	—.10
Penney JC	24.00	23.66	23.72	+ .05
PepBoys	12.66	12.39	12.46	—.13
PepsiCo	48.93	48.58	48.67	—.07
Pharmacia	40.94	40.60	40.60	—.28
PhelpDodge	27.49	27.30	27.45	—.04
PhilipPet	54.62	54.00	54.20	—.64
PilgrmPrd B	12.50	12.45	12.49	
Praxair	48.90	48.15	48.52	—.53
ProctGamb	77.90	77.37	77.60	—.40
PubS NwMx	25.90	25.52	25.70	—.04
RadioShack	27.60	26.72	27.55	+ .55
ReliantEngy	28.37	27.87	28.28	+ .26
RoyalDut	50.30	49.69	50.28	—.17
SBC Comm	38.30	37.85	37.90	—.39
SaraLee	23.35	22.76	23.25	+ .24
Scripps EW	65.00	64.90	64.90	+ .40
SearsRoeb	44.80	43.63	43.75	—1.00
SherwinW	25.93	25.60	25.68	—.33
SouthernCo s	24.33	24.02	24.17	—.11
SwstAirl s	17.60	17.05	17.54	+ .32
SprintFON	21.04	20.85	20.94	—.16
SprintPCS	24.64	24.25	24.55	+ .15
Sunoco Inc	37.93	37.02	37.06	—.57
TXU Corp	48.88	48.40	48.47	—.33
TmpleInland	53.99	53.10	53.93	+ .32
Texlnd	30.35	30.15	30.28	+ .13
TexasInst	31.77	30.75	31.58	+ .09
Textron	36.00	35.55	35.78	
TriconGlbR	51.58	50.50	50.76	—1.64
TrinityInds	26.65	26.28	26.41	—.30
TylerTech	3.45	3.35	3.40	
USX-Marathn	28.95	28.60	28.77	—.18
USX-USS	14.14	13.98	14.06	—.14
UnionPacif	53.75	53.21	53.40	—.12
UnitedTech	56.70	55.94	56.16	—.50
Unocal	31.80	31.25	31.32	—.38
VerizonComm	50.95	50.00	50.48	+ .03
WalMart	54.99	54.22	54.25	—.69
WellsFargo	43.00	41.80	42.75	+ .61
WstnGasRs	32.15	31.75	31.98	+ .33
WinnDixie	11.30	11.10	11.15	+ .04
Xerox Cp				

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First clinical test of criminalized ecstasy OK'd

WASHINGTON (AP) — For the first time since the drug ecstasy was made illegal, the government will allow researchers to test the drug as a treatment of post-traumatic stress disorder.

Approval came Tuesday from the Food and Drug Administration and marks a shift for the agency, which has virtually banned the drug from researchers for more than a decade.

The trial has not been approved by a review board at the Medical University of South Carolina, the proposed site for the research.

If the university accepts the plan, the test will be supervised by the husband and wife team of Dr. Michael Mithoefer, a psychiatrist, and Annie Mithoefer, a psychiatric nurse in Charleston.

Michael Mithoefer said research should not be impeded because ecstasy is a hot commodity among some teen-agers.

"It's ironic that when these drugs become illegal, the legitimate research goes to zero, and the illegal and recreational use goes way up," Mithoefer said. "It seems foolish to me to have a situation where millions are using the drug in an uncontrolled way and yet physicians who want to do careful research are not allowed."

The FDA would not comment on the test.

If the study proceeds, 12 people will be given ecstasy, also known as MDMA, as they go through therapy for post-traumatic stress disorder. Eight people will be given a placebo. Each person also will undergo 16 hours of therapy without drugs.

Post-traumatic stress disorder, a mental problem for millions of Americans, is caused by fixation with an emotionally charged event.

Victims often experience bad dreams and have trouble with relationships — essentially having become stuck in the moment of crisis.

In the 1970s, MDMA was used by many psychiatrists to treat the disorder. Some psychiatrists believe the drug can allow victims to have a cathartic moment, releasing their emotional stress over an incident.

Treatment using MDMA stopped as the federal government began to crack down on the drug for its recreational use.

The study is being financed by the Multidisciplinary Association for Psychedelic Studies, a group that advocates use of psychedelic drugs for therapy.

Rick Doblin, the group's founder and director, said researchers have fought for years to overcome propaganda about the drug.

"The way things work in the drug war is, if a drug is criminalized, it is bad or evil," Doblin said. "There is an effort to produce science to mislead people about the drug. This is a big step away from that for the FDA."

The plans for the test are producing strong skepticism from those fighting the drug war.

"I know of no evidence in the scientific literature that demonstrates the efficacy of ecstasy for any clinical indication," said Alan Leshner, director of the government's National Institute on Drug Abuse, in an interview with The Wall Street Journal.

Head Start in Snyder opens 2 new classrooms

Scurry County Head Start, an educational pre-school program for three and four-year-old children, has added two new classrooms.

One opened in October and the other will open this month, bringing total enrollment to 85 students.

Head Start is housed in the same building with Early Head Start and Snyder Child Day Care Center. Roann Clay is director of Head Start. Esther Cabrera is the parent involvement/transition coordinator and Amy Hall is the education coordinator.

Nine teachers work in five classrooms. Three of the 12 staff members have completed their associate degree in Early Childhood Education. The others are presently enrolled in college classes to obtain their degree.

Head Start is a free program that puts emphasis on preparing children for public school and involving the parents in the educational process. Children with developmental delays or who are physically challenged may be eligible, regardless of income.

Other children qualify based on the total family income. Head Start hours are 8 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. Monday through Friday and it is a year-around program. Additional child-care is provided for parents who work before and after Head Start hours. Transportation is available for families who cannot provide their own.

Registration for classes will continue through November. For more information, call 573-7403. Visitors are always welcome.



NEW CLASSROOM TEACHERS — Jennifer Morin, Cindy Johnston and Rachel Bass (from left) are the teachers for two new classrooms in the Scurry County Head Start Program. (Contributed Photo)



HEAD START PERSONNEL — Scurry County Head Start teachers include from left, front row, Roann Clay, Freda Wesley, Esther Cabrera, Tammy Tyrrell; back row, Aimee Row, Amy Hall, Tracey Zamora, Karri Brunson, Donna Green and Victoria Guynes. (Contributed Photo)

Date Book

Wednesday, Nov. 7, 2001

Today is the 311th day of 2001 and the 47th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1859, in New York City, the first free newspaper reading room was opened to the public. The room was at the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art.

On this day in 1881, the Naval Advisory Board submitted a report recommending that U.S. Navy ships be constructed of steel rather than iron.

On this day in 1974, guitarist Ted Nugent won the National Squirrel Shooting Archery Contest.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Marie Curie (1867-1934), chemist; Leon Trotsky (1879-1940), Russian revolutionary; Konrad Lorenz (1903-1989), animal behaviorist; Albert Camus (1913-1960), philosopher-novelist-playwright; Billy Graham (1918-), evangelist, is 83; Joan Sutherland (1926-), singer, is 75; Jim Kaat (1938-), baseball player-broadcaster, is 63; Joni Mitchell (1943-), singer-songwriter, is 58.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1962, the consecutive-games-played streak of goalie Glen Hall of the Chicago Black Hawks ended when he injured his back during a game with the Boston Bruins.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The displacement of a little sand can occasionally change the course of deep rivers." — Manuel Prada

TODAY'S MOON: Day before last quarter (Nov. 8).

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Campaign targets terrorists' money

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration orchestrated raids on U.S. businesses today in a global crackdown on Osama bin Laden's financial network. Overseas, Swiss police arrested two Arab financiers and Liechtenstein authorities seized documents from a company linked to the terrorist.

Warrants were executed in Washington, Boston, Minneapolis, Seattle and Columbus, Ohio, as part of President Bush's campaign to dry up terrorist money supplies, according to officials who spoke on condition of anonymity. It was one of the first uses of the Treasury Department's new Green Quest terrorist tracking efforts.

The United States also asked allies to freeze assets that aid bin Laden and his al-Qaida organization in at least nine countries. Some of them acted even before Bush announced the crackdown.

In all, the names of 62 entities and people were added to a list of suspected terrorist associates targeted by Bush in an executive order signed last month. The earlier list included 88 groups or people whose assets had been frozen.

Bush planned to announce the new cases at the Treasury Department later today.

Before his appearance, federal authorities in Columbus, Ohio, sealed off a money-transfer and check-cashing business on the administration target list. Barakaat Enterprise shares a small strip mall with a pizza shop and beauty salon, with private homes across the street.

A notice taped on the front window of the business said: "All property contained in this building is blocked pursuant to an executive order of the president on Sept. 23 of this year under the authority of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act."

Israelis withdrawing from Ramallah

RAMALLAH, West Bank (AP) — Israeli troops withdrew early today from Ramallah, the seat of Palestinian government and commerce, as Israel's largest military operation in the West Bank in years was drawing to an end. Elsewhere, two Palestinians were killed by Israeli fire.

Israeli tanks, jeeps and armored personnel carriers rolled from the northern neighborhoods of Ramallah toward the Israeli settlement of Beit El, as Palestinian security forces moved in.

"Tel Aviv, that way, and stay out," read a sign with an arrow, held up by several Palestinian residents watching the nighttime pullout.

In a statement, Israeli Defense Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer said his forces would maintain their cordon around the town. He said Israel would hold Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority responsible for preventing attacks against Israelis.

In the West Bank town of Yatta, Israeli undercover forces opened fire on three Palestinians, killing 50-year-old Issa Debabseh, a suspect in the killing of a Jewish settler several years ago, Palestinian security officials said. Israeli officials had no immediate comment.

In Gaza, a Palestinian was killed and five were wounded by Israeli fire near the Jewish settlement of Neve Dekalim, Palestinian security officials said. The army said it returned fire after three mortar shells were shot at the settlement.

The violence came a day after five Palestinians and an Israeli soldier were killed in two confrontations in the West Bank.

Israeli forces had moved into parts of six Palestinian towns after the Oct. 17 assassination of Tourism Minister Rehavam Zeevi. Militants from the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine claimed responsibility, revenge for Israel's killing of PFLP leader Mustafa Zibri.

With the completion of the Israeli pullback from Ramallah, only areas of the Palestinian towns of Tulkarem and Jenin remained under Israeli control.

Taliban has more supporters in south part of Afghanistan

WASHINGTON (AP) — American efforts to encourage an anti-Taliban revolt in southern Afghanistan have gotten off to a rough start, with one opposition figure captured and executed and another plucked from the area by U.S. forces.

The difficulties contrast with efforts in the north, where the opposition northern alliance said it seized a district from Taliban forces today and was closing in on the key northern city of Mazar-e-Sharif. The northern alliance said it captured several areas south of the city on Tuesday.

But the Oct. 26 killing of Abdul Haq and last weekend's extraction of Hamid Karzai illustrate the difficulties of the American effort in the south, where most Afghans are of the Taliban's Pashtun ethnic group. Most of the U.S. special forces teams on the ground in Afghanistan are working with rebels in the north.

Meanwhile, the Pentagon attempted today to squelch speculation that Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld might sideline the commander of the campaign, Gen. Tommy Franks.

"General Franks is not going anywhere," said Pentagon spokeswoman Victoria Clarke.

Parks manager hired by commissioners

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must be a jack of all trades and Crenwelge said that title fits him.

"When you're in the agriculture business like I am you have to be a jack of all trades. That's a lot of what the interview consisted of was the court asking 'What can you do?'" he said. "The magnitude of the project at hand is definitely pretty big, but I look forward to the challenges of the position."

Crenwelge, a graduate of Snyder High School, earned a degree in horticulture and landscape design, development and management from Tarleton State University.

"I have extensive experience with irrigation systems and agriculture and I have a degree designed for parks management," he said. "Another qualification I have is my desire to stay in Snyder and to help improve Snyder."

Crenwelge also said the new position would be his first priority.

"Our farming operation will definitely change," he said. "I'll still be involved, but not like I am now. My first priority will be this job."

Crenwelge said whatever happens in the parks department won't be seen overnight.

"This is going to have to be a community effort," he said. "I'd like to see the civic groups get involved and the schools and anybody I can get to help."

Crenwelge and his wife, Lana, have three children. Daughters Teddi, 13, and Katy, 12, attend Snyder Junior High and a son, Jake, 9, is a fourth grader at East Elementary. The family attend First Baptist Church.

His parents are Ted and Jane Crenwelge, also of Snyder.

Snyder officers answer three harassment calls

•Harassment

Snyder police responded to several calls related to harassment Tuesday.

At 8:30 a.m., a woman requested an officer contact some juveniles in reference her children being harassed on the school bus. She told the officers the juveniles were a high school student and a junior high student and that they were using obscene language towards her children while riding the bus from West Elementary to their residence.

The information was forwarded to juvenile officers.

At noon Tuesday a man requested that officers attempt to locate a gray Toyota Celica in reference to the subject in the car harassing his son while he rides his bike to West Elementary. He advised he has seen the car at the high school and all officers were advised.

A woman requested an officer at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday about being harassed by unknown persons. Officers responded and told her to get descriptions of the subjects so they could be contacted and advised of the complaint.

•Arrest

A 25-year-old woman was taken into custody at 8:10 a.m. Tuesday on warrants or driving without a license and no insurance.

•Assault

A man requested a deputy at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in reference to his son being assaulted at the Hermleigh School. A deputy was dispatched and advised an offense report for Class C assault and physical contact would be submitted.

•Theft

Rolanda Glover requested an officer at her residence just after noon Tuesday in reference to property stolen. An officer responded and advised a report would be filed.

Olga Medrano requested an officer at her apartment on Ave. U in reference to the theft of property. An officer was dispatched and an offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

Obituaries

Annie Edwards

1900-2001

Annie Edwards, 100, died Monday, Nov. 5, at her home in Snyder.

Graveside service for Mrs. Edwards is set for 2 p.m. Friday at Love Chapel Cemetery near Hughes Springs, Tex. The Rev. George Hancock will officiate. Local arrangements were by Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 25, 1900 in Hughes Springs, she was married to Andy Edwards who died Jan. 17, 1989. She also was preceded in death by a daughter who died Nov. 3; and by three brothers and a sister.

Mrs. Edwards, a homemaker, had lived in Snyder the past 12 years, moving from Hughes Springs.

Survivors include six daughters, Vallie Newsome of Snyder, Jane Spikes of Clovis, Myra Hatten of Casa Grande, Ark., Faye Ola Johnson of Fort Worth and Mattie Holloman and Florence Royal, both of Hughes Springs; and a son, Andy Edwards Jr.

Coleman Smith

1917-2001

LAKEWAY — A memorial service for Capt. Coleman H. Smith, USN Ret., will be held Sunday at Peace Memorial Park in Lakeway, Tex.

Capt. Smith, the son of Judge and Mrs. Fritz R. Smith Sr., was born in Snyder on Oct. 31, 1917 and died in Austin on Sept. 12.

Capt. Smith, 84, served in the U.S. Navy from 1941 to 1972, serving in both the Atlantic and Pacific Fleets. During the World War II, he was assigned to an escort for the first convoy to sail in the western Atlantic and commanded a destroyer escort in the last westbound convoy to sail from Portsmouth, England.

With the exception of his first few months in the Navy, all of his sea duty was as commanding officer or chief of staff of units afloat. His shore duty assignments included serving on the Joint Staff in London; with the Office of the Secretary of the Navy in Washington, D.C.; Chief of Staff for Naval Operations U.S. Naval Forces in Europe; and director of War Gaming Department at the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, R.I.

Survivors include his wife of 60 years, Mary M. Smith; several nieces and nephews.

Memorial contributions to veteran relief organizations, programs for research for blindness, animal welfare charities, or local historical societies are suggested.

Ray Byrum

1927-2001

Ray Byrum of Snyder died Tuesday, Nov. 6, in an Albuquerque veterans hospital following a brief illness.

Services for Mr. Byrum, 73, are pending at Wright Colonial Funeral Home.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Linda Byrum, on Nov. 9, 2000.

Survivors include two sons, Gary Byrum of Corpus Christi and Tony Byrum of Baton Rouge, La.; a daughter, Rene Byrum of Snyder; and two grandsons.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Ira booster club

Ira's booster club will meet at 8:15 this evening in the cafeteria.

Parenting discussion group

A parenting discussion group is scheduled to meet at 1:30 p.m. on Thursdays starting this week at Gateway Family Services. Call 573-1822 to sign up or for more information.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meets at 6:30 the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

Drama booster club

The SHS drama booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at Texas Savings Bank.

Technology booster club

Technology Student Association booster club meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Thursday in the shop classroom. Call 573-7446 for more information.

Bring a veteran to school day

"Bring a veteran to school day" will be observed on Friday at West Elementary. The short program will begin at 9 a.m. in the auditorium. Call Paula Hatfield at 573-2451, or Bettsey Robertson at 573-5061 for more information.

Veterans to be honored

Veterans are invited to the last Snyder Football game Friday at 7:30 p.m. to be recognized. Veterans are also invited to the Veterans' Assembly at 10 a.m. Monday at the high school. Please be there by 9:45 a.m.

GED testing

GED testing will be held Friday as well as Nov. 16 and Nov. 30 at Western Texas College. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 574-2112 or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

Turkey shoot

The Canyon Gun Club turkey shoot will be from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Saturday at the range northeast of Snyder. Call 573-5786, 573-8747 or 573-2366 for more information.

Country and gospel music

The Scurry County Senior Center will have country and gospel music beginning at 6 p.m. Saturday. For more information, call 573-3996.

Lord's Acre

First United Methodist Church will have it annual Lord's Acre on Sunday at Scurry County Coliseum. Booths open at 11 a.m. and the barbecue meal will be served from 11:30 a.m. until 1 p.m. Tickets are $7 for adults and $3 for children 6-12. The live auction will be at 12:30 p.m. For more information call 573-5416.

Veterans Day

Veterans Day will be observed at 10:45 a.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church. The public is invited to a special worship service honoring those who served our country.

SHS basketball booster club

The SHS boys' basketball booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Monday in the SHS principal's office.

Hermleigh booster club

The Hermleigh booster club meets at 7:30 p.m. each Monday in the school cafeteria.

Trash pick up

Scurry County Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts and Cub Scouts will be picking up trash along their adopt-a-highway from 10 a.m. until noon on Saturday, Nov. 17. The group will meet in the WTC parking lot.

Community Thanksgiving service

A community-wide Thanksgiving Service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 18, at the First United Methodist Church.

Red Cross volunteers needed

Red Cross volunteers are need for Snyder and Scurry County. Please contact Sherry Faulkenbery at 573-1974 after 5 p.m.

Ira playoff T-shirt

Ira football playoff t-shirt orders are being taken by any booster club member or by calling the school at 573-2628. Short-sleeve shirts are $12, long-sleeve are $15.50 and sweatshirts are $17.50.

NE Elementary fundraiser

Northeast Elementary is selling lapel and hat flag pins for $2 each. Call 573-2643 or stop by the school.

Noon prayer service

The First Presbyterian Church hosts a prayer service from noon until 12:30 p.m. each weekday. Everyone is invited.

Senior yearbook dedications

Senior dedications for the Tiger's Lair yearbook are due Dec. 1. Cost is $45 for message and color photo. Orders are still being taken for the yearbook. Cost is $45 for which a deposit of $20 is required. Balance is due Feb. 1. If additional options are purchased, the deposit is $30. For information call 573-6301, ext. 35.

Korean War display

The Scurry County Museum is compiling a list of Scurry County men and women who served in the armed forces during the Korean War, 1950-1953. The museum is also asking local residents to loan Korean memorabilia for a display in the museum from Nov. 13-21. Call 573-6107 or 573-8511, ext. 210 or 339 for more information.

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Scurry County Country

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By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

Home Water Treatment Units: Fast Facts Part II

In Part I of our series, we discussed the need for water testing to determine the need for a home water treatment unit. After you have discovered a problem, the next step is to select a unit specifically designed to treat it. No single unit will solve all water problems. This section describes some common types of water treatment units and explains how they work.

•PHYSICAL FILTERS: These simple units are designed to remove particles from the water, such as grit, sediment, dirt and rust. They often are made of fabric, fiber, ceramic or other screening material.

Some filters can remove even small organisms like cysts and bacteria and small particles like asbestos fibers. The filters are inadequate for the micro biologically unsafe water because they cannot remove all disease-causing organisms.

•ACTIVATED CARBON FILERS: These filters may improve the smell, taste and appearance of your drinking water by removing some organic chemical contaminants. They cannot remove most inorganic chemicals — like salts or metals — but may reduce some, like chlorine. Do not use these filters exclusively on water that contains harmful organisms.

To remove lead from your drinking water, get a specially prepared activated carbon filter. Ask the salesperson for written assurance of its effective against lead.

Carbon filters may become saturated with the chemical impurities they remove. This is especially true with activated carbon filters. Also, municipal drinking water usually carries harmless levels of bacteria even though it has been disinfected. These bacteria can collect and multiply on an activated carbon filter. Therefore, you should change the filter cartridge according to the manufacturer's instructions.

Before purchasing an activated carbon filter, ask if the filter can be replaced. If so, find out how often it should be replaced, how to tell when it needs to be replaced; where you can buy replacement and how much they cost. Activated carbon filters are available in several forms: Granular, powdered, powder-coated paper and pressed carbon block.

Carbon filters, registered as bacteriostatic by the EPA, have the pesticide silver in the filter. Under the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide and Rodenticide Act, the filters must be registered with the EPA. This does not mean that the EPA recommends, approves, or endorses the product. Studies on the effectiveness of bacteriostatic filters have shown unpromising results as to their ability to control bacterial growth. Further, a bacteriostatic carbon filter is not adequate to treat water that is micro biologically unsafe, such as fecal-contaminated water.

•REVERSE OSMOSIS (RO): With these units, water passes through a membrane and is collected in a storage tank. RO units remove substantial amounts of most inorganic chemicals, such as salts, metals (including lead), asbestos, minerals, nitrates and some organic chemicals. RO units alone are not recommended for use on micro biologically unsafe water.

RO units have several disadvantages. They typically waste about 75 percent of the tap water put into them. For one gallon of RO filtered water, it may take four gallons or more of tap water. Also, the tap on the storage tank flows more slowly than the tap on your regular faucet.

The membranes on RO units are subject to decay and failure and must be replaced periodically. Follow the manufacturer's recommendations about proper maintenance and use.

•DISTILLATION UNITS: These units, which are available in many different shapes and sizes, vaporize water and then condense it. This process removes most dissolved solids, such as salts, metals, mineral, asbestos fibers, particles and some organic chemicals. Distillation units, however, may not remove all chemical pollutants, and some bacteria may pass through in some instances. Although distillation may be an effective water treatment, the water heating will add to your energy use.

•ULTRAVIOLET (UV) DISINFECTION: These units may destroy bacteria and inactivate viruses without leaving a taste or odor in the water. UV units cannot remove most chemical pollutants. The EPA questions whether UV is effective against spores and cysts. As with all water treatment units, UV disinfection units must be properly maintained. Dissolved and suspended solids from the water may build up on the unit, blocking the ultraviolet light from reaching the running water. To ensure that the water is adequately exposed to the light, UV units must be cleaned periodically.

Next week, part III in the series will take into consideration the other factors to evaluate before choosing your water treatment unit. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the Scurry County Extension Office at 915-573-5423.

Are nitrates harmful?

Should I care if Nitrates are in my groundwater?

Nitrates are salts or esters of nitric acid. Decaying organic matter, sewage and fertilizers produce nitrates in the soil, which can leak into groundwater. High nitrate levels in drinking water can cause Blue Baby Disease (Methemoglobinemia) in humans and animals. Methemoglobinenmia affects young children, pregnant women and people in poor health. Some studies indicate that long-term exposure to high nitrate levels can cause cancer.

Health standards set a maximum limit of 10 milligrams per liter (mg/L) nitrates as nitrogen, however, the safe level for human consumption is not known. This is the maximum level of nitrates that the EPA has determined an individual can safely ingest daily over his or her lifetime.

Nitrates also encourage the growth of algae and other organisms which my produce undesirable tastes and odors in your water.

Irrigation wells should be tested for nitrates just as household water wells. The nitrate content of the irrigation water should be credited for crop growth in the nutrient management plan.

To determine the amount of nitrogen in your irrigation water, a test for nitrates should be conducted. The result from this test is express in mg/L nitrate-nitrogen. Multiply the mg/l or appreciation of water. To find out the number of pounds of nitrogen applied for each inch of irrigation water, multiply mg/L (or ppm) of nitrate-nitrogen time 0.225.

On Nov. 13, 14, and 15, the Scurry County Agricultural Extension Office will conduct water well screenings. In this screening process, your water well sample will be screened for bacteria and nitrate concentration. This screening will be conducted in cooperation with the Scurry Soil and Water Conservation District and Big Country Resource Conservation and Development Area, Inc. More information will become available on this screening in future news articles.

Markets

Colorado City

The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 696 head of cattle for the Saturday, Nov. 3, sale. Compared to last week: Feeder steers and heifers were steady to $1 higher. Slaughter cows were steady to $1 higher. Bulls were $2 lower. Bred cows were $25/hd lower, pairs steady. Trade was active and demand good.

Feeder steers:
300-400: 108-111
400-500: 95-100
500-600: 89.50-94
600-700: 74-76

Feeder heifers:
200-300: 105-115
300-400: 92-98
400-500: 84-87.50
500-600: 78-86
600-700: 68-71

Replacement cows:
Bred cows (5-7 months): 500-560
Bred cows (3-7 months): 375-510

Cow/Calf Pairs
Bred cows: 690-830
Aged cows: 520-640

Slaughter cows:
Breakers: 1000-1250 Lbs. 32.50-36
Boners: 1000-1200 Lbs. 34-40
Lean: 900-1200: 33.75-37
800-1000 Lbs.: 31-36
Under 750: 22.50-32.50

Slaughter bulls:
Yield Grade 1-2: 1300-2100 Lbs.: 44.25-50
Low Dressing 1000-1300: 40-43.25
Low dressing: 1000-1300: 38.41

Lubbock

The Lubbock Stockyards, Inc. had a run of 813 head of cattle for the Thursday, Nov. 1, sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and calves were $1 to $2 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows
(High dressing — cutters — utilities: 31-38
Canner and low cutters: 25-31
Slaughter bulls: 38-55
Feeder steers — choice:
300-400: 100-126
400-500: 85-105
500-600: 82-92
600-700: 78-84
700-800: 75-83.50
Feeder heifers:
300-400: 90-105
400-500: 85-95
500-600: 75-84
600-700: 72-80
700-800: 65-74
Feeder Bulls — good and choice:
500-600: 83-93
700-800: 62-75
Cow and calf pairs:
Good: 650-800
Grade: 500-600
Springers: 300-675
Baby calves: 125-175
Doodlers: 150-230

Conservation groups in NW sue power marketing firm

PORTLAND, Ore. (AP) — Conservation groups filed a federal lawsuit claiming a power marketing agency failed to balance salmon protection with power production during a severe drought last summer.

The suit, filed Monday with the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco, said the Bonneville Power Administration used a power emergency it declared last April to bypass federal requirements for salmon recovery.

The agency is required by law to treat salmon protection with the same level of importance as hydroelectric power production.

The suit accuses the agency of using the emergency declaration to reduce the amount of water that it spilled past hydroelectric dams. That move hurt salmon populations, according to groups that filed the suit. They said juvenile salmon migration this year has been the worst on record.

"They had choices to make and then ended up making things worse than they had to be," said Bill Arthur, spokesman for the Sierra Club's Seattle chapter, one of four groups filing the suit.

Bonneville officials said they had not read the lawsuit but they defended their policies.

"This was the worst drought in a long time in the Northwest," said Bonneville spokesman Ed Mosey.

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