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Bombs fall on Iraq facilities

Action taken following Iraqi firing surface-to-air missles at U.S. and British airplanes

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. warplanes bombed three air defense communications facilities in southern Iraq today, a day after Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld said Washington would immediately respond to attacks on American and British warplanes.

Rumsfeld said the United States would retaliate in such circumstances involving the patrolling of no-fly zones regardless of whether the United Nations views the shootings as violations of U.N. resolutions.

U.S. warplanes struck at the Iraqi defense facilities after Iraqi air defenses fired surface-to-air missiles and anti-aircraft artillery at U.S. and British planes.

In a statement, U.S. Central Command said the three targeted facilities were unmanned and located between the cities of Al Kut and Basra. It provided no more precise description of the targets or locations. It said Iraqi air defense forces have fired on U.S. planes six out of seven days since Iraq accepted U.N. Security Council Resolution 1441, which demands that Iraq turn over to inspectors all information about weapons of mass destruction.

In his comments, Rumsfeld refused to elaborate on whether he meant retaliatory strikes on Iraqi anti-aircraft sites would continue or was hinting at a stronger response than has been used in the past.

"You can be absolutely certain we'll not allow our aircraft to continue to be shot at with impunity. We intend to respond," Rumsfeld told reporters returning to Washington with him Tuesday from a Western Hemisphere military summit in the Chilean capital.

He stayed in Washington Tuesday night before heading out to join President Bush at a NATO summit in Prague, Czech Republic.

In preparation for possible war in Iraq, the Bush administration has quietly contacted 50 countries, including Canada and Britain, to solicit contributions of troops and war materiel in the event Bush decides to use force, an administration official said today. The official spoke on condition of anonymity.

Rumsfeld and other officials have said they believe Iraq violates the latest U.N. Security Council resolution when it fires on the U.S. and British warplanes.

But U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said Tuesday he didn't think the full Security Council would agree that firing on no-fly-zone patrols was a violation of the latest resolution demanding that Saddam Hussein disarm.



A GOOD CITIZEN — Pete Lowrance was one of a number of Snyder citizens donating blood Tuesday at the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. He is assisted by United Blood Services representative Nancy Lopez. The drive continues until 5 p.m. today at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. (SDN Staff Photo)

Homeland Security...

New cabinet agency created by 90-9 vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate approved the largest government reorganization since World War II in hopes of preventing another Sept. 11-type attack. But the months-long effort may have been just a warmup for a bigger battle over how to get the new Homeland Security Department up and running.

"Setting up this new department will take time, but I know we will meet the challenge together," a jubilant President Bush said after the Senate, nearing adjournment of the 107th Congress, voted 90-9 on Tuesday to authorize the new Cabinet agency.

On a day that gave Bush a number of decisive legislative victories, the president hailed the bill as "landmark in its scope."

"The United States Senate voted overwhelmingly to better protect America and voted overwhelmingly to help people find work," Bush said at a news conference today in Prague, Czech Republic, referring to bills creating the new department and bolstering businesses with terrorism insurance.

Speaking with Senate Republican leaders from Air Force One as he flew to NATO meetings in Europe, the president said the Senate's work "ends a session which has seen two years worth of legislative work which has been very productive for the American people."

Eight Democrats and independent Sen. James Jeffords of Vermont voted "no" on the homeland security bill, which merges 22 diverse agencies with combined budgets of about $40 billion and which employ 170,000 workers. It will be the largest federal reorganization since the Defense Department was created in 1947.

DCOS meet is postponed

The Development Corporation of Snyder board of directors has cancelled a meeting scheduled for Thursday morning.

Items that were to be discussed Thursday will now be placed on next week's agenda.

The DCOS is assisting with negotiations with a Belgium-based firm, UCO Textiles, for the purchase of the Lorber facility at the industrial park.

UCO has submitted a bid for the facility and a ruling on bid is expected Monday in federal bankruptcy court in Lubbock.

Teenage suspect...

Sniper suspect's mother ordered to be deported

SEATTLE (AP) — The mother of a teenager accused of helping carry out a deadly string of sniper attacks has been ordered deported to Jamaica, according to a published report today.

Citing unnamed sources, The Seattle Times reported that a judge from the Executive Office for Immigration Review, part of the Justice Department, issued the order Tuesday in a closed hearing for Una James, 38, mother of John Lee Malvo.

She will remain in the United States pending a possible appeal, sources told The Times.

During her immigration hearing, The Times and Seattle Post-Intelligencer reported, James withdrew a petition for special protection as a battered spouse, a claim that provided her with more privacy — including the right to have the proceedings closed to the public.

James' lawyers from the Northwest Immigrant Rights Project would not comment, citing confidentiality rules.

Malvo, 17, and John Allen Muhammad, 41, are suspected in the shootings of 18 people in Maryland, Virginia, Washington, D.C., Alabama, Georgia and Louisiana. Their arrest at a rest stop in Maryland last month ended a three-week shooting spree in the Washington, D.C., area that left 10 people dead and three others seriously wounded. Both are charged with capital murder.

James is considered a likely material witness in the trials of both men.

She and Malvo moved from Jamaica to Antigua in 1998. Investigators believe it was there that Malvo met Muhammad, who had taken three of his children to live with him on Antigua after losing a custody battle with his second wife in Tacoma.

James initially told Border Patrol and immigration agents she and Malvo were smuggled into the United States aboard a cargo ship.

Reports following the arrest of Malvo and Muhammad, however, indicate she bought false identification papers from Muhammad and entered the country in late 2000 while her son remained in Antigua with Muhammad.

Malvo came to the United States two months later, bearing a passport that identified him as Muhammad's son, according to Antiguan officials.

He joined his mother in Fort Myers, Fla., but ran away in October 2001 to join Muhammad in Bellingham, where they lived at a homeless shelter as father and son.

In superintendent search...

Snyder trustees begin second-round interviews

Snyder ISD's board of trustees conducted its first of three follow-up interviews with the short list of superintendent hopefuls in an informal setting Tuesday evening.

Trustees, their spouses, the candidate and his wife met first for dinner at the Spanish Inn before the trustees went into their session with the candidate.

Board president Mark McCormick said the interview process continued until 9:42 p.m. All trustees were present.

On Thursday, the board will meet with a second candidate at 7 p.m. at the Snyder Country Club. At 7 p.m. Friday, the final candidate will be interviewed in the home of Bobby McCormick.

The board interviewed six applicants last week and cut the list to three for interviews this week.

A finalist will be named Dec. 5, with the final vote coming on the hiring Jan. 6.

State law requires a 21-day waiting period before a finalist is named and the board voting for the new superintendent.

THE SDN COLUMN

MY TURN

by Shirley A. Gorman



We weren't born with a laptop in our hand so working with computers does not come naturally. Those *Computers for Dummies* books are sometimes even too deep.

In grade school no one knew what a computer was. Our main concerns were keeping our No. 2 pencils and crayons sharpened and getting to the rest room in time.

The journalism department at West Texas State University in Canyon (our alma mater) was equipped with manual typewriters.

An old electric model that wasn't much better than a manual typewriter came with our first post-college newspaper job. When we moved to Snyder, we were introduced to a "real" computer for the first time. But compared to what we use today it was archaic.

When we first heard that the SDN would upgrade to a pagination system that would allow pages to be built within a computer rather than the old cut and past method, our first reaction was "Ahhhhhh!!!"

We didn't think we'd ever learn how to paginate, but we did. After the new system was installed, the thankless task of teaching us fell mainly to Wayne Burney, ad manager and head of technology, and his son, Josh.

They were sooo patient. No doubt Wayne probably wanted to throttle us more than a few times, but he restrained himself. Neither father or son ever called us an idiot (that we know of) and they never rolled their eyes when we did dumb things on a regular basis, asked dumb questions or repeated questions again and again. One or the other often had to bail us out of a jam. But once we finally figured out when to "send to back" and "bring to front," plus a host of other techniques, things got easier.

We didn't really appreciate Wayne's patience or restraint until weeks later when I asked one of the computer guys from Wichita, Kan., who helped set up the system a question.

This guy was a real computer genius (nerd) but he did not know how to teach much-lesser geniuses like myself. He sat down at the computer and with flying fingers raced through the procedure, then got up and walked away. Needless to say, we did not ask him any more questions.

For a good while, we made every mistake imaginable and even invented a few new ones. Perhaps the Mother of all Mistakes occurred one Saturday morning when the page we were just finishing disappeared never to be seen again.

Someone had to create another page and then we rebuilt the page from scratch. The original page is still lost somewhere in Cyber Twilight Zone.

Copy also had a mysterious way of moving from one side of the page to the other or somewhere else it wasn't supposed to be, and I didn't have a clue how it got there.

The first time we saw those dreaded words, "You have committed an illegal operation," on the computer screen, we were stunned. Had the Cyber Police been peering over our shoulder all this time, had we somehow broken the law? Were we about to be arrested?

It was about a year before we really became comfortable with the new system. But now we don't ever want to go back to the old cut-and-paste method.

Ain't technology grand?

ASK US

Q—Will Saturday's Texas Tech vs. Oklahoma game be televised?

A—TBS will televise the game at 6 p.m.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Linda Hughes...

...is a banking officer for American State Bank and has worked at the bank for 21 years. Husband, Wayne, works for Scurry County and the couple has two sons, Darren of Wichita Falls, and Michael of Louisville. Linda is a lifelong resident of Scurry County and lists her favorite hobby as buying shoes.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Motivation is what gets you started. Habit is what keeps you going.

—Jim Ryun

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

SJHS book fair

Snyder Junior High is hosting a book fair through Friday from 7:45 a.m. until 4 p.m. in the library.

East Elementary book fair

East Elementary is having a book fair this week. The fair today and Thursday is from 8 to 9 a.m. and 2:30 to 4 p.m. Friday hours are from 11 a.m. until 1:15 p.m.

Ira playoff shirts

The Ira booster club has extra playoff shirts available for sale. Call the school office at 573-2628.

Butch Elam benefit

The Ira community will sponsor a *Ms. Ira* pageant Thursday with proceeds to benefit Butch Elam who is undergoing cancer treatments. An enchilada dinner begins at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria. Tickets cost $10 a plate and $5 for children 12 and under. Entertainment begins at 7:30 p.m. The pageant will follow at 8 p.m.

FBC services televised

First Baptist Church services are televised on channel 2 at 3 p.m. each Thursday.

GED pre-registration, testing dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Thursday at the GED testing center, Western Texas College, building 7B. The math segment of the GED will begin at 8 a.m. Friday. For more information about the GED test, call Molly Kattes, 573-2919, or Emily Hataway, 573-8511, ext. 297, or 574-2112. It is recommended that candidates receive some preparation before attempting the test.

Workshop for parents

A workshop for parents and other early childhood educators will be held from 1-2:30 p.m. and 6-7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Region 14 Education Service Center. VaLynda Miller, early childhood education consultant, will be the presenter. Call Central Elementary at 573-8592 to register.

Dunn community meeting

There will be a Dunn community meeting at 4:30 p.m. Thursday at the community center.

ACS style show, dinner

The Scurry County Unit of the American Cancer Society will have a style show and dinner at 7 p.m. Saturday at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Tickets are $12.50 and may be purchased from the sponsors or at Stanfield Elementary. There will be no ticket sales at the door.

Junior high yearbook

The Snyder Junior High yearbook is on sale through Tuesday in room 110. Price is $16 with a deposit of $8 required when ordering. No extra copies will be available.

Community Services raffle

Scurry County Community Services is holding a raffle for a $75 gift certificate to United and $75 to Wal-Mart. Tickets are $1 and all proceeds will be used to buy Christmas gifts for children.

Choir poinsettia sale

Snyder High choir members are taking orders for poinsettias available in red, white or in jingle bell variety. Cost is $10 each upon delivery on Monday, Dec. 2. Call 573-6301 to place orders.

Washington, D.C. trip

Applications are due by the end of November for persons wishing to participate in next June's trip to Washington, D. C. and surrounding areas. For an application booklet or for further information, contact Charlotte Clifton at 573-2430, or Darlene Robbins at 573-0795.

Tiger's Lair on sale

Orders for the 2003 Tiger's Lair are being taken. Cost is $45 with options available at an addition fee. The price will increase to $50 after Dec. 1. Also deadline for senior dedications is Dec. 1. Dedications are $45 per photo and message. Call 574-6138 for information.

Ira Bulldog annuals on sale

The 2003 Bulldog annuals are on sale. Reserve your copy from now until Tuesday. Cost is $26 with your name on the cover or $22 without. The supply is limited, so reserve your copy as soon as possible. To order, contact Becky Hudgins at Ira School.

Canned food drive

Snyder Oaks Care Center is having a canned food drive for Gateway Family Services that ends Dec. 10. Bring your canned goods to the care center.

WTC adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at Western Texas College will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish speaking aides teach the classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

WTC pool, gym hours

The WTC pool and gym are now open Monday through Thursday. The gym is open from 6:30 a.m. to 9 p.m. The pool is available from 6:30 to 8 a.m., noon to 1 p.m. and 7 to 8:50 p.m. The gym closes at 4 p.m. on Friday and the pool is open only in the morning and at noon on Fridays. Memberships are $50 per semester or visits are $2. Contact Christy Cerecedes for information at 573-8511, ext. 290.

Sr. citizen swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Call the senior center at 573-4035 for more information.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Comptroller wants to close tax loophole

AUSTIN (AP) — Comptroller Carole Keeton Rylander on Tuesday said she favors changing Texas tax laws that allow some businesses to avoid paying state taxes.

She also told the Texas Association of Retailers that changes are needed to ensure catalog and Internet sales are taxed, which would mean about $392 million in additional annual revenue to Texas.

For the last $114 billion two-year budget, Texas collected $2 billion in franchise taxes, the main business tax.

One way businesses avoid paying the tax is by changing from one type of legal structure to another, such as from a corporation to a partnership. Under state law, partnerships are not subject to the franchise tax.

Such exemptions cost the state about $79 million in 2001. That is predicted to increase to at least $143 million this year and more than $250 million over the next two years, according to the comptroller's office.

Rylander wants the Legislature to make the exemptions illegal. She does not favor expanding the franchise tax to include businesses such as medical and law practices.

The practice is known as forming a Delaware sub because companies incorporate on paper there and in other states where taxes are lower and then organize into a virtually tax-free partnerships here.

"They are certainly not illegal but they are burning a hole in our tax system and they are forcing companies to rethink how they restructure themselves for the sole purpose of avoiding Texas taxes, and the net result is higher taxes on everyone else," Rylander said.

In Texas, Dell Computer Corp., SBC Communications and some large newspapers are organized this way and avoid Texas franchise taxes.

The businesses say they pay their fair share of taxes, including property taxes, and fear changing the state's tax system could discourage companies from doing business in Texas.

Rylander, the state's chief fiscal officer, said changing the tax law is especially important considering a budget shortfall of at least $5 billion.

"The Delaware sub issue involves some of the best-known companies in Texas. They're companies that make their homes here and we're delighted to have them. They use our schools and our roads and our resources, and we have an obligation to the other taxpayers in this state to see that they carry their fair share," she said.

Rylander said the Legislature also should push through a bill that would allow state government to tax Internet and catalog purchases someday.

The legislation would align Texas' sales tax system with a national standard being developed by several states, including Texas. State officials hope to persuade Congress to allow taxation of mail-order firms and Internet companies that sell to customers across state borders.

But first, participating states must make their tax laws uniform, commonly referred to as streamlining or simplification.

Texas could gain about $192 million from Internet sales and $200 million from catalog sales if all of this is done, Rylander said.

"The new and emerging technologies provide a high-speed line to a future of strong job and income growth. Texas should be a leader in this area and our state policies need to create the right climate for the growth of the new economy, but these policies should not and cannot hurt our brick and mortar stores," she said.

Today's chuckle

Turnabout fair play for mugger

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — A mugger found that turnabout is fair play.

After knocking down a woman in a supermarket parking lot and stealing her purse, he was chased down by a man who pushed him to the ground and snatched the purse back.



Martin Luik, 24, said he heard the woman's shouts for help, jumped on his bicycle and easily caught the fleeing robber.

The woman, Cheryl Kernan, 55, called Luik her hero.

"The attacker stole my purse, threw me on the ground. And then this young kid comes from nowhere with my purse," Kernan said. "I had everything in my life in that purse, all my ID, all my keys to my business and my home."

Luik, who moved to the United States four years ago, said he learned how to handle himself growing up on the streets of Moscow. He would not accept a reward, so Kernan invited him to her home for Thanksgiving dinner.

Fort Lauderdale police spokesman Mike Reed said thefts like the one Kernan experienced tend to become more common around holiday times.

"The criminals know where to look for their victims — the malls around Christmas time and large grocery stores around Thanksgiving," Reed said. "People need to be careful. Don't carry large amounts of cash."

The mugger was able to jump into a waiting car and get away.

Date Book

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2002

Today is the 324th day of 2002 and the 60th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1945, the Nuremburg Trials, which charged 24 high-ranking Nazi officials for atrocities committed during World War II, began in Germany. Ten of the men would eventually be hanged.

On this day in 1969, Seymour Hersh, the independent investigative journalist who originally broke the story of the My Lai massacre, filed a follow-up story. Also on this day, pictures of the murdered Vietnamese civilians were published in the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

On this day in 1975, a congressional report was issued that charged U.S. government officials with plotting the assassination of foreign leaders including Fidel Castro.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Edwin Hubble (1889-1953), astronomer; Alistair Cooke (1908-), writer and TV host, is 94; Gene Tierney (1920-1991), actress; Nadine Gordimer (1923-), writer, is 79; Robert F. Kennedy (1925-1968), U.S. politician; Dick Smothers (1939-), comedian, is 63.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1977, Walter Payton set an NFL record by rushing for 275 yards.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Art is on the side of the oppressed." — Nadine Gordimer

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 19) and last quarter (Nov. 27).

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Cruise cancelled to eradicate virus that infected hundreds

MIAMI (AP) — Holland America Line canceled the next voyage of its troubled cruise ship Amsterdam while the company works to rid the vessel of a contagious stomach virus that has infected hundreds of passengers and crew members.

The Amsterdam was scheduled to depart from Fort Lauderdale for a 10-day Caribbean cruise on Thursday, when the ship's current sailing concludes.

Passengers booked on the canceled voyage were being given the option of a refund or upgraded travel packages.

The current Caribbean trip began Nov. 11 and as of Tuesday, 74 passengers and crew aboard the Amsterdam had become sick from the Norwalk-like virus, said Rose Abello, a spokeswoman for Seattle-based Holland America. That brings the total over the last four sailings to 518.

The virus can cause diarrhea, stomach pain and vomiting for up to two days. It is spread through food and water and close contact with infected people or things they have touched.

During the Amsterdam's previous sailing, 181 passengers and crew became sick. The cruise line spent more than 10 hours scrubbing the ship with a chlorine-based solution before it departed on its current voyage.

Abello said the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention was being consulted as the company devises a plan for thoroughly cleaning the 780-foot vessel over 10 days.

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(Night) 2-1-4
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Family passes the buck for overdue library book

DEAR ABBY: My mother-in-law allowed my 7-year-old daughter to use her library card. Unbeknownst to me, my daughter picked out a book and brought it home. A few weeks later, Grandma received a late notice from the library. My daughter and I found the book and walked it over to Grandma's house and laid it on her dining room table where she would be sure to see it and return it.

Later that same day, my 20-year-old daughter, who was helping Grandma move some things, inadvertently picked up the book and put it in her car. The book hasn't been seen since.

Grandma now wants my 7-year-old to pay the library $13 for the lost book. I know we should have taken the book back to the library ourselves, but I don't think this is fair. Who do you think should pay for the book? Grandma, my oldest daughter or my younger daughter? — **WHY-O-WHY-O IN OHIO**

DEAR WHY-O: YOU should. And while you're at it, you should also get your young daughter her own library card and explain the rules to her. You'll be doing her a favor by giving her an early start in the right direction. Libraries are treasure troves for children.

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DEAR ABBY: My mother and I are arguing over what is proper attire for an evening wedding in December. My nephew is being married, and the wedding will be held at 5 p.m. I want to wear a dressy black suit with a couple of strands of pearls, but my mother is furious with me! She feels it would be inappropriate to go to a wedding dressed "like I'm attending a funeral."

I have tried to explain that these days black is always acceptable regardless of the occasion, as long as the dress is in good taste. However, my mother says she will never believe that until she sees it in print. Can you help? — **FASHION SAVVY IN TEXAS**

DEAR FASHION SAVVY: I'll try, but your mother is obviously a member of the "old school."

In recent decades, the old rules have relaxed to the point that black is now acceptable at weddings. In fact, some sophisticated brides opt for "black-and-white" weddings in which all attendants are requested to wear black.

Your dressy black suit for an evening wedding in December seems conservative, proper and tasteful to me.

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DEAR ABBY: I am 13, in the eighth grade, and have been reading your column faithfully for two years.

I have become good friends with a freshman boy I will call "Tad." We were in a play together last year. He now plays in the high school band. Here is where the problem lies: The rest of my friends in the band don't like Tad. When I ask them why, their exact words are, "He's a fag" and "He's just weird."

Yes, he is quite weird, which is the reason I am drawn to him. My friends think I am absolutely nuts! Recently I revealed to one of them that I have a slight crush on Tad. She looked at me as if I were some kind of disgusting beast. I know I should ignore their comments, but I have the feeling there is something more I should do. What do you think? — **ODD DUCK IN SOUTH TEXAS**

DEAR ODD DUCK: I think you have done enough already by defending Tad to your friends. Not every teen would be as brave or resolute and would knuckle under to peer pressure.Some of the most interesting and worthwhile people in the world are those who didn't fit into the mold when they were your age. Don't let anyone else choose your friends for you.

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Efficiency of new airport screeners praised

By The Associated Press

Awaiting a flight to Boston, Darlene Ruffin-Alexander had high praise for the new federal screeners at Hartsfield Atlanta International Airport.

She said the screeners "are a little more efficient and certainly more customer-friendly. They are more attentive and not as playful as they have been in the past."

The government met its Tuesday deadline to have more than 47,000 airport security workers in place at 424 airports nationwide. The Transportation Security Administration employees replace a private work force that was often criticized as inefficient, inattentive and poorly trained.

The screeners have been phased in at various airports for the last few months. Congress also set a year-end deadline to screen all checked passenger baggage for explosives.

Many travelers Tuesday said they felt safer with the new screeners in place, but some industry experts remain skeptical.

While he praised the goal of reducing waits at checkpoints to 10 minutes or less, Business Travel Coalition chairman Kevin Mitchell said the system needs to focus more on real threats.

"We have to get away from this fixation on tweezers and tie bars," he said.

Mitchell said his research shows business air travel declined 14 percent in 2001 compared with 2000 and will be down an additional 11 percent this year compared with 2001. He said airlines will need to improve a number of factors other than security to lure back business travelers.

"Taking a trip now is like going to get root canal," he said.

At McCarran International Airport in Las Vegas, Henrietta Oetken was traveling home to Arizona with her daughter, Melody Bean.

"It looks like they're taking care of things," Oetken, 78, said as a short line of passengers waited for their luggage to emerge from a truck-sized X-ray explosive detection screener.

Bean, a 38-year-old flight attendant, said passengers sometimes now point out stray bags. She said she feels safer with federal screeners in place.

"I think it's a lot better now, although they have slip-ups now and then," said Bean, who lives in Evans, Colo.

At Boston's Logan International Airport, Jeff Nutting of Dennisport, Mass., was headed to Thailand. He said he suspects there are still lapses in security. "If I were a terrorist, I think I could probably outsmart the system," he said.

Travelers noticed a quicker move through security points at Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport.

"It went easier today than it has in the past," said Kathleen Graichen. "The security check was smoother and faster, and I didn't have as many problems today as I have in the past."

At Philadelphia International Airport, Joe Aiello of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., said he has noticed a difference at security checkpoints recently.

"They're more professional, courteous," he said. "There are less bag checks — they can read the equipment better."

Rock star honored

LONDON (AP) — Brian May, rock star and former astronomy student, has received an honorary degree from the University of Hertfordshire.

May, 55, a founding member of the rock group Queen, was given an honorary science doctorate at the university's campus at Hertford, north of London.

He was an astronomy student at London's Imperial College and had been working on his doctorate when his rock career took off.

The honorary degree "completes a great circle in my life," May said Tuesday.

On the Net:

Queen Web site: http://queenfip.com/

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North	11-20-02
	♠ K Q 5 2	
	♥ Q 5	
	♦ 10 8 3	
	♣ A J 7 3	
West		**East**
♠ 3		♠ A
♥ J 10 8 4		♥ K 9 2
♦ A J 7 6		♦ Q 9 5 2
♣ K 10 9 4		♣ Q 8 6 5 2
	South	
	♠ J 10 9 8 7 6 4	
	♥ A 7 6 3	
	♦ K 4	
	♣ —	

Dealer: North
Vulnerable: East-West

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

Opening lead: ♥ J

Wednesday, Nov. 20, 2002

Could you walk on the sun?

By Phillip Alder

Lewis Mumford, a social philosopher, wrote, "However far modern science and technics have fallen short of their inherent possibilities, they have taught mankind at least one lesson: Nothing is impossible."

I can think of one or two things that are impossible, like our living with no one resenting another for being from a different race or religion.

Some bridge plays are "impossible." In this example, though, the winning defense isn't impossible to find. You are sitting West. Against four spades, you lead the heart jack and win the first trick. What would you do next? If partner's card would make a difference, give more than one answer.

Although South has only eight high-card points, once he hears about spade support opposite, the power of his hand increases dramatically. He is worth the jump to game.

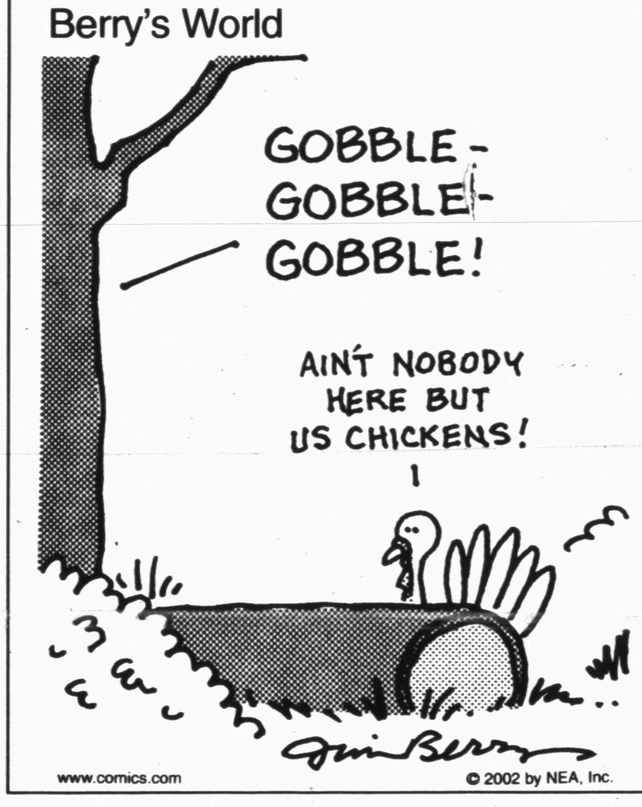
At trick one, East would probably play an encouraging heart nine. He has no great desire for a shift. But even if he did drop the heart two, what would you do? You might continue with another heart, but you are more likely to shift to the club 10, hoping that partner has the queen and a trick can be established there.

However, if you play a heart or club at trick two, declarer can discard a diamond from hand on dummy's club ace and lose just one spade, one heart and one diamond.

The only successful trick-two lead is a trump. Then, East can win with the ace and push a diamond through, giving your side the first four tricks. Not impossible — just unlikely.

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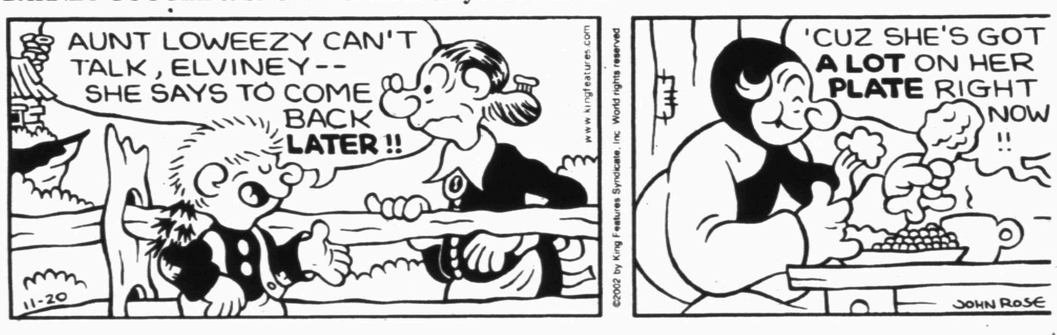
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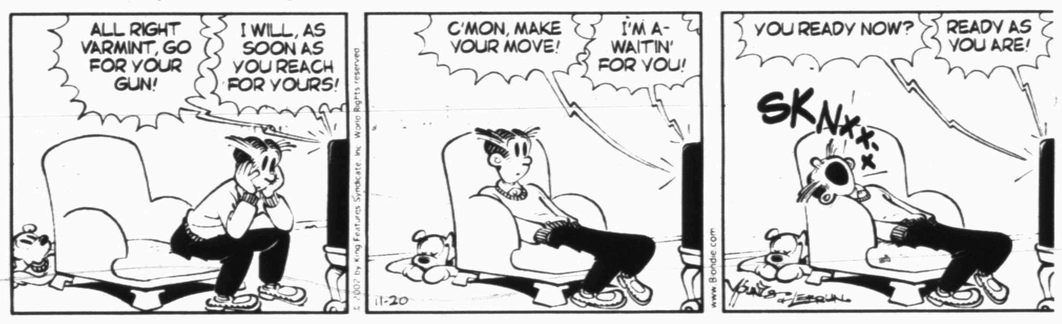
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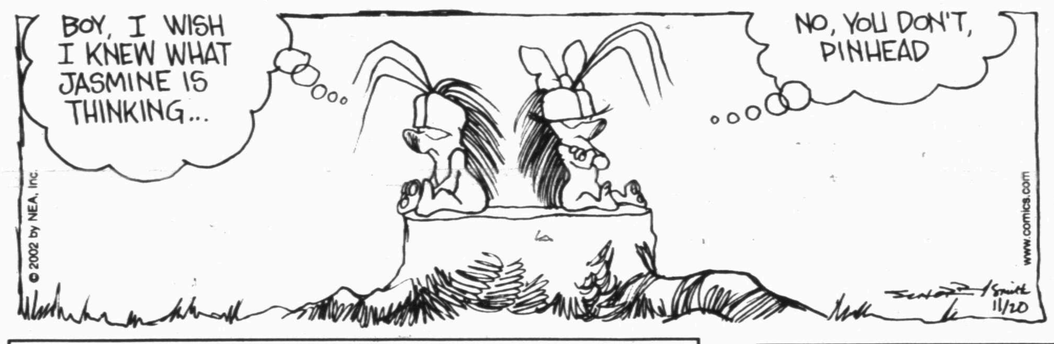
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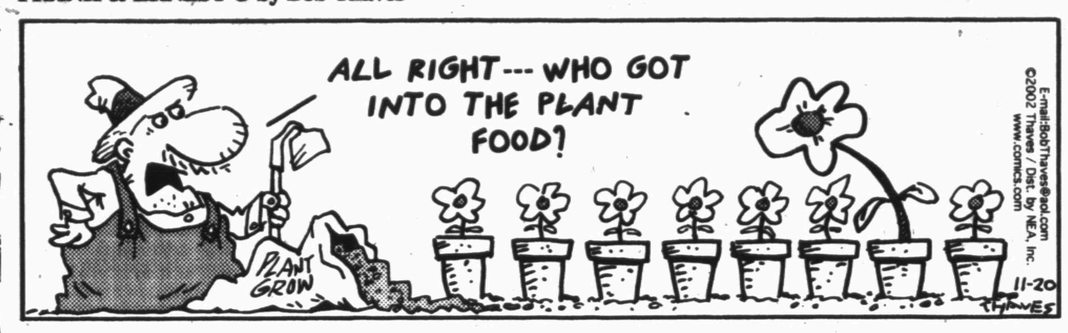
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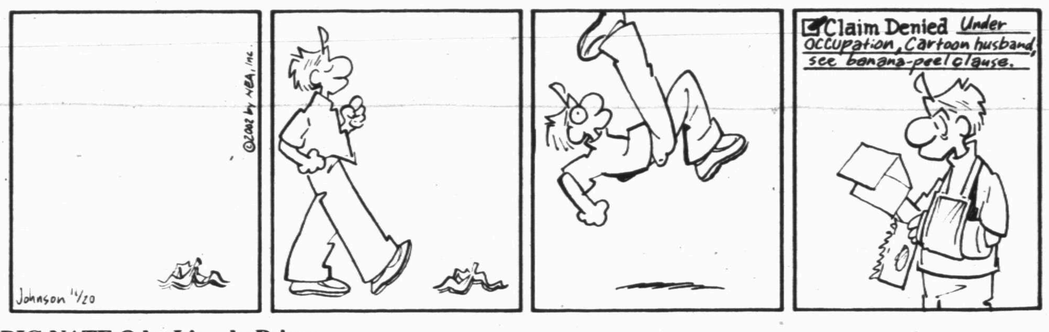
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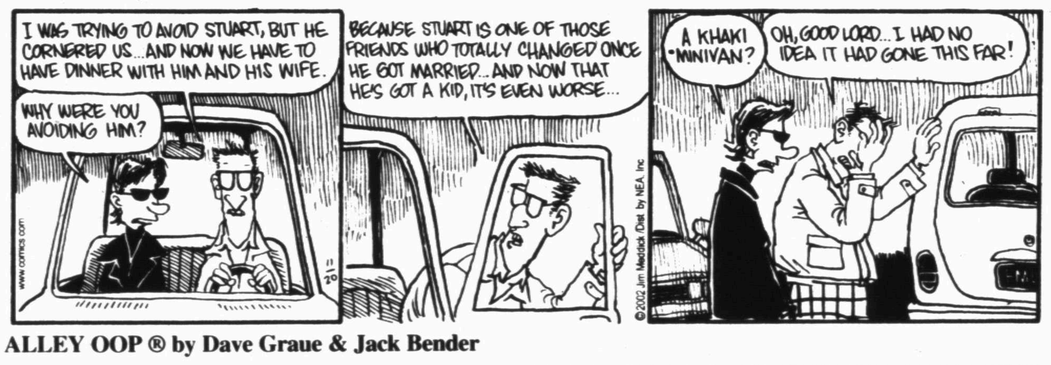
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ACROSS

1 Reach maturity
6 More sporting
11 Telescope lens
13 Froth
14 Actress — Reynolds
15 Coarse, as humor
16 Landscape or portrait
17 Boise's st.
18 John — Paseos
21 Pint fraction
23 Wrestler's pad
26 Corporate abbr.
27 Street salutation
28 Drill
29 Waterproofing
31 Rainbow goddess
32 Thick mud
33 Acrobat
36 Jai —
37 Clock numeral
38 Remick or Trevino
39 Attorney's honorary deg.
40 Ebbed
42 Conclusion
43 Toolshed item
44 Strong soap
46 Falling star
49 Trickery
53 Go to extremes
54 Vast desert
55 Papa
56 Shake awake

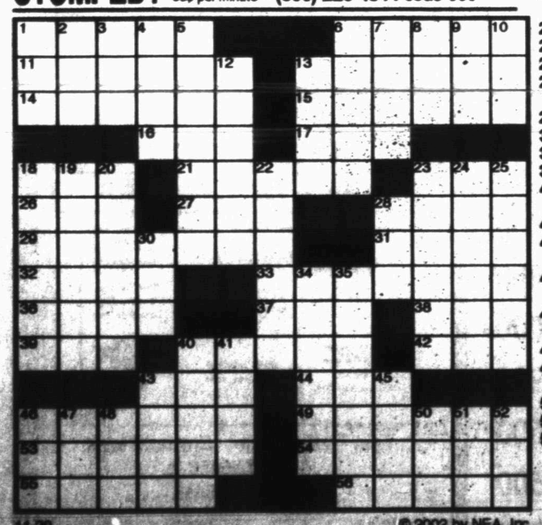
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1 Fishing gear
2 Floe or berg
3 Tavern
4 Island near Corsica
5 Kenya's capital
6 Show the way
7 Swedish pop group
8 Exec's degree
9 Annex
10 Sunburned
12 Homecoming
13 — -a-brac
18 Bleak
19 Former Speaker Tip —
20 Pharaoh's charm
22 Head, slangily
23 Team spirit
24 Up and about
25 Did an experiment
28 Coal storage
30 Oahu welcome
34 Harvests
35 Kind of exam
40 "Bananas" name
41 Flying prefix
43 Rustler's target
45 Mountain refrain
46 Trendy, sixties-style
47 A Gabor
48 Koppel of the news
50 — Claire, Wis.
51 Capone foe
52 Make lace

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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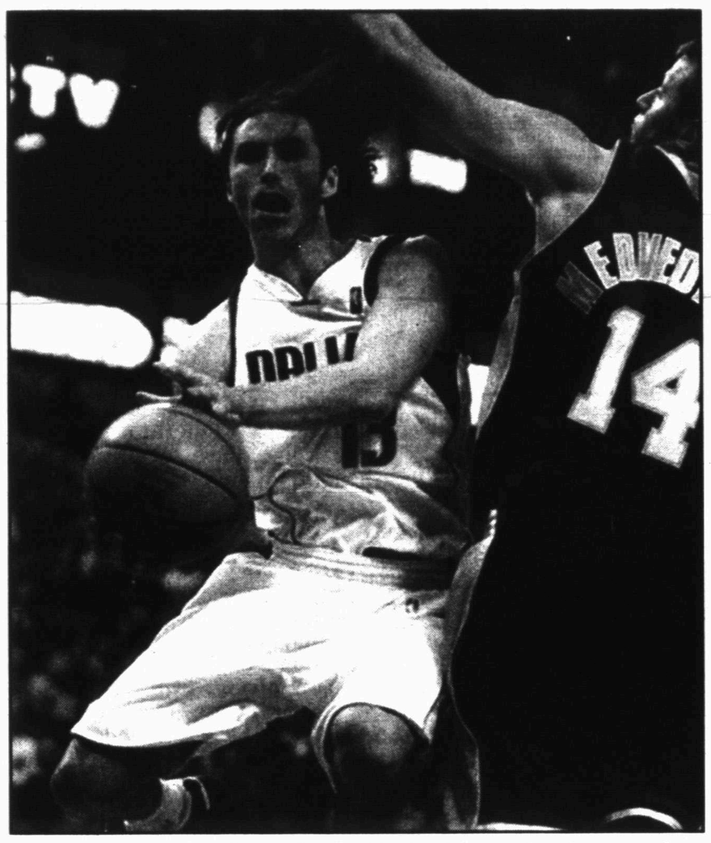
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SPORTS



AIR OF SUPREMACY —Steve Nash drives the lane against Laker Stanislav Medvedenko during Tuesday's game. The Mavs won, 98-72, and have captured 11 straight. (AP Photo)

Sixth-best start ever...

Mavs thump LA to start 11-0

DALLAS (AP) — Holding the Los Angeles Lakers to their worst shooting night ever is a pretty good testament to the Dallas Mavericks' improved defense.

But as much as the Mavs might want to celebrate that statistical achievement, or even their 98-72 victory over Los Angeles on Tuesday night, they know both come with a 7-foot-1, 335-pound asterisk.

"It would be totally different if Shaq had been in the game, no question," Dallas coach Don Nelson said. "We are not thinking too much of this win."

A win is a win, though, and it made the Mavericks 11-0, tying the sixth-best start in league history and matching the longest winning streak in the franchise's 23 seasons.

"That's a tough thing to do, not just for our organization but for any team in the league," said Michael Finley, who had 18 points and a career-best 15 rebounds.

Steve Nash had 17 of his 21 points in the first half, when Dallas led by as many as 15. The Mavs' lead peaked at 28 in the third quarter.

Dirk Nowitzki had 18 points and tied his season-high with 17 rebounds and Shawn Bradley had a season-best 16 points and 12 rebounds.

The Mavericks also ended about a decade's worth of frustration against a team that's beaten them 77 times, more than anyone else.

This was only the fifth time Dallas beat Los Angeles in 46 meetings since 1991 and it was the most lopsided of the Mavs' 19 wins in the series.

They did it by holding the Lakers to a 30.8 shooting percentage, the worst in team history and the best defensive effort Dallas has ever had. It's especially significant since the Mavericks have emphasized defense this season.

With owner Jerry Buss watching from the stands, Los Angeles came within a basket of matching their all-time lowest points total, set just six games before. The Lakers fell to 3-8, having lost two straight, six of seven and four in a row on the road.

"It's frustrating right now," said Kobe Bryant, who had 18 points on 7-of-21 shooting. "I heard the fans talking in the stands, but in the end we'll be there."

Bryant and coach Phil Jackson accused the team of not playing hard.

"I look around the locker room and I don't see fire in anybody's eyes," Bryant said. "Everybody is kind of dozing off a little bit. There's no intensity."

Jackson and Bryant were complimentary of the Mavericks, but also said things would've been different with O'Neal, who averages 31.4 points and 12.1 rebounds against Dallas.

O'Neal is expected to return Friday against Chicago.

Tiger tired of Augusta flap

MIYAZAKI, Japan (AP) — Tiger Woods is becoming annoyed by the calls for him to skip next year's Masters because of the all-male membership at Augusta National Golf Club.

"It's frustrating because I'm the only player they are asking," Woods said today, two days after a New York Times editorial urged him to skip the Masters as a gesture against sexism.

"They're asking me to give up an opportunity no one has ever had — winning the Masters three years in a row," said Woods, who was in Japan for this week's Dunlop Phoenix.

No one has boycotted the Masters before, he added.

Woods has repeatedly said he thinks women should be allowed to join the club, but that he is an honorary member and doesn't have voting rights on membership.

Woods also said today he is getting tired of having to repeatedly address the issue.

"A tournament without Mr. Woods would send a powerful message that discrimination isn't good for the golfing business," the New York Times editorial said.

Augusta National declined comment.

The Rev. Jesse Jackson, who says his Rainbow/PUSH Coalition will organize protests at the Masters if a woman is not a member by April, called the Times editorial "unfair and inconsistent" for singling out Woods.

"I don't remember them saying to Ben Hogan and Jack Nicklaus to boycott the Masters because blacks are not playing," Jackson said Tuesday.

Lee Elder became the first black to play the Masters in 1975.

Still, Jackson said he would encourage Woods to take a stronger stand.

"He's much too intelligent and too much a beneficiary of our struggles to be neutral," Jackson said. "His point of view does matter."

In interviews this month, Augusta National chairman Hootie Johnson was adamant that a woman would not be among the 300 members at Augusta by the start of the Masters in April.

Johnson's comments were the first on the subject since he criticized Martha Burk and the National Council of Women's Organizations for trying to coerce change at the golf course.

Slow start dooms Lady Bulldogs at Sterling City

The Ira varsity girls started too slowly to catch up with Sterling City, falling 56-47 Tuesday night.

The Lady Bulldogs fell behind 6-0 to start the game, before matching the Lady Eagles shot for shot in the final three quarters.

"The girls played really hard, but we can't quite get the ball in the basket," said Head Coach Brent Parr. "I can't complain about the execution. We are getting the ball where we want it, but our shooting percentage is down."

Ira's Celeigh Sterling led all scorers with 14 points, and Lindsey Wilson added 13 for the Lady Bulldogs, who shot well from everywhere but inside the paint.

Ira was five of 10 from behind the three-point arc, and made 20 of 27 free throws to stay within striking distance.

Stephanie Gotcher, Erica Rodriguez and Janell Thomas paced the Lady Eagles with 11 points each.

Despite dropping the third game of the year, Parr said he is seeing good things each game.

"Our guards are doing a good job," he said. "And we did a good job against the press against Sterling City."

The Lady Bulldogs will seek their first win of the season against Coahoma Saturday, with tip off at 1 o'clock.

The game was originally scheduled for Friday evening, but was pushed back because of the Ira football team's continuing success in the postseason.

Lady Tigers down Brownfield

The Snyder Lady Tigers went to Brownfield Tuesday night looking to improve their shooting.

Instead, they got another solid defensive effort to capture the victory, 43-33.

"Our defense kept us in the game," said Head Coach Mike Martin. "In the second half we did a better job offensively."

Snyder trailed, 17-15, after the first half, and tied it at 25 after three periods.

The Lady Tigers then ran away from the Lady Cubs in the fourth, outscoring Brownfield 18-8 in the last stanza.

Erin Burleson paced the lady cagers with 14 points, and Zipporah Peoples cleaned up the boards, hauling in eight rebounds to complement her six points.

Sirena Medrano added six points for Snyder, who will next face off against Lubbock Cooper Friday.

"We are a little nervous shooting the ball," Martin said. "But we did a good job pressing the ball in the second half (against Brownfield)."

The junior varsity squad also captured a victory in Brownfield Tuesday, taking the 37-24 victory behind 12 points from standout Briana Burk.

The team jumped out to a 25-14 halftime lead to gain an early cushion that Brownfield could not overcome.

Kayla Guerrero scored eight points and Staci Williamson pumped in seven.

The junior varsity and freshmen also will play host to Lubbock Cooper Friday.

The freshmen are scheduled for a 4:30 p.m. tip off, with the varsity to follow at 6:30. The JV club will tip off at 7:30.

Walker for Williams trade almost done deal

IRVING (AP) — Larry Walker could be following Mike Hampton out of Colorado.

The Rockies put together their second big trade within a week, agreeing Tuesday to a tentative deal that would send Walker to Arizona for Matt Williams and three other players.

Arizona also would deal first baseman Erubiel Durazo, outfielder David Dellucci and reliever Bret Prinz to Colorado for the 1997 National League MVP.

Walker and Williams, both five-time All-Stars, must waive no-trade clauses for the deal to be completed. Diamondbacks owner Jerry Colangelo said the teams were granted a 72-hour window Tuesday to finalize the swap.

"I met with Matt this morning. I'm going to speak with Larry tonight," Colangelo said Tuesday night after arriving at the baseball owners' meetings. "Colorado is going to meet with Matt tomorrow in Phoenix."

Arizona, which won the World Series in its fourth season in 2001, won the NL West again this year but was swept by St. Louis in the first round of the playoffs.

The Rockies finished fourth in the NL West this year at 73-89, 25 games behind the Diamondbacks. Colorado chairman Jerry McMorris said it was difficult to part with Walker, an outfielder who has won three National League batting titles.

"He's our most popular player," McMorris said. "I think our baseball people felt we had a lot of holes and this gives us four players for one. And Larry's 36 years old."

Walker has said he is likely to waive his no-trade clause. Colangelo said he didn't know if Williams, who lives in the Phoenix area, would waive his no-trade clause.

"We're very sensitive to Matt's desires," he said.

Diamondbacks general manager Joe Garagiola Jr. already has spoken with Walker's agent, Pat Rooney, according to Colangelo.

Sports Briefs

Jackson passes Robertson on assists list

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Utah guard Mark Jackson passed Oscar Robertson for third place on the NBA career assists list against the Phoenix Suns. Jackson had four assists to finish with 9,890, passing Robertson's 9,887. Teammate John Stockton is the all-time leader with 15,259.

Jazz retire Horacek's number

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — Jeff Hornacek did enough in 6½ seasons with the Utah Jazz for the team to bestow him with a rare honor, retiring his uniform No. 14.

Woman countersues Jordan

CHICAGO (AP) — The woman accused of extortion by Michael Jordan responded with her own lawsuit, saying he offered her $5 million to keep quiet about their relationship.

Robinson agrees to pilot Expos for another year

MONTREAL (AP) — Hall of Famer Frank Robinson has accepted a one-year contract to return as manager of the Montreal Expos.

The 67-year-old Robinson guided the Expos to a second-place finish in the NL East last season. The Expos were 83-79, a 15-victory improvement over 2001, and the team's best finish since 1996.

Men's League Basketball

The Snyder men's basketball league continued action Monday evening, and the Snyder National Bank squad has surged to a 7-0 record on the heels of its 76-53 win over Rotan.

Matt Fambro had 33 for Snyder National, and Jason Wishert led Rotan with 12.

American State Bank topped Big Country Autoland in overtime, 96-94, to keep Big Country winless on the season. Bryan Cave led all scorers with 53 points, and Big Country was led by Adrian Nino's 27.

West Texas State Bank was idle.

Snyder National Bank	7	0
American State Bank	5	2
West Texas State Bank	3	3
Rotan	1	5
Big Country Autoland	0	6

Snyder Bowling Leagues

Jack-n-Jill

Team	W	L
WTP Energy	92	44
Mama's Misfits	80.5	55.5
Snyder Iron & Metal	79	57
Timely Fianance	78.5	57.5
JB's	72.5	63.5
Quick Auto	68	68
Snyder Lanes	57.5	78.5
Roger's Backhoe	53	83
BCEC	50.5	85.5
Square Pants	49.5	86.5

High series: Mark Glasscock, scratch, 544; Dana Stone, scratch, 550; Butch Evans, handicap, 658; Dana Stone, handicap, 682.
High game: Lynn Smith, scratch, 210; Dana Stone, scratch, 199; Butch Evans, handicap, 242; Dana Stone, handicap, 243.

National Football League

All Times EST

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
East						
Miami	6	4	0	.600	236	187
Buffalo	5	5	0	.500	264	286
New England	5	5	0	.500	259	222
N.Y. Jets	5	5	0	.500	204	230
South						
Inianapolis	6	4	0	.600	215	183
Tennessee	6	4	0	.600	231	245
Jacksonville	5	5	0	.500	214	185
Houston	2	8	0	.200	138	255
North						
Pittsburgh	5	4	1	.550	249	225
Cleveland	5	5	0	.500	232	215
Baltimore	4	6	0	.400	184	215
Cincinnati	1	9	0	.100	160	279
West						
Denver	7	3	0	.700	248	213
San Diego	7	3	0	.700	230	208
Oakland	6	4	0	.600	287	218
Kansas City	5	5	0	.500	289	273
NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
East						
Philadelphia	7	3	0	.700	272	167
N.Y. Giants	6	4	0	.600	159	169
Washington	4	6	0	.400	179	236
Dallas	3	7	0	.300	118	175
South						
Tampa Bay	8	2	0	.800	226	119
New Orleans	7	3	0	.700	307	257
Atlanta	6	3	1	.650	245	187
Carolina	3	7	0	.300	145	174
North						
Green Bay	8	2	0	.800	288	209
Detroit	3	7	0	.300	186	291
Minnesota	3	7	0	.300	237	278
Chicago	2	8	0	.200	198	253
West						
San Francisco	7	3	0	.700	237	197
St. Louis	5	5	0	.500	215	212
Arizona	4	6	0	.400	170	223
Seattle	3	7	0	.300	181	217

Sunday, Nov. 24
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, 1 p.m.
Detroit at Chicago, 1 p.m.
St. Louis at Washington, 1 p.m.
San Diego at Miami, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at Carolina, 1 p.m.
Jacksonville at Dallas, 1 p.m.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, 1 p.m.
Minnesota at New England, 1 p.m.
Cleveland at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
Tennessee at Baltimore, 1 p.m.
Oakland at Arizona, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Seattle, 4:05 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Houston, 4:15 p.m.
Green Bay at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Indianapolis at Denver, 8:30 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 25
Philadelphia at San Francisco, 9 p.m.

National Basketball Association

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
New Jersey	8	3	.727	—
Philadelphia	7	4	.636	1
Boston	6	4	.600	1½
Orlando	7	5	.583	1½
Washington	6	5	.545	2
Miami	2	7	.222	5
New York	2	8	.200	5½
Central Division				
Indiana	8	1	.889	—
Detroit	8	3	.727	1
New Orleans	8	3	.727	1
Atlanta	6	4	.600	2½
Milwaukee	5	5	.500	3½
Toronto	4	6	.400	4½
Chicago	4	7	.364	5
Cleveland	2	10	.167	7½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Dallas	11	0	1.000	—
Houston	6	3	.667	4
San Antonio	7	4	.636	4
Minnesota	6	6	.500	5½
Utah	5	7	.417	6½
Denver	2	8	.200	8½
Memphis	0	11	.000	11
Pacific Division				
Seattle	8	3	.727	—
Sacramento	8	4	.667	½
Phoenix	5	4	.556	2
Portland	4	6	.400	3½
L.A. Clippers	4	7	.364	4
L.A. Lakers	3	8	.273	5
Golden State	3	9	.250	5½

Tuesday's Games
Miami 97, Milwaukee 93
Minnesota 110, Memphis 106, OT
Houston 97, Cleveland 80
Dallas 98, L.A. Lakers 72
New Orleans 99, Philadelphia 98
Utah 99, Phoenix 76
Orlando 101, Seattle 84
Sacramento 111, Chicago 98

Wednesday's Games
New Jersey at Boston, 7 p.m.
Indiana at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Miami at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Minnesota at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Utah at Denver, 9 p.m.
Philadelphia at Memphis, 9 p.m.
Orlando at Portland, 10 p.m.
Chicago at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Houston at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 10 p.m.

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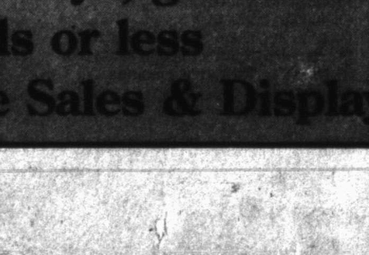
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Immigrants from El Salvador are stuck in Houston prison

HOUSTON (AP) — The government of El Salvador has turned its back on more than 230 of its citizens who remain held in a Houston prison.

U.S. officials have ordered the immigrants, some of whom have criminal convictions in the United States, sent home.

But the Salvadoran government has refused to take them back, citing backlogs in a reorientation program.

Since 1996, the United States has moved to deport any foreigner convicted of an aggravated felony. The immigrants are typically deported after serving full sentences in U.S. prisons.

San Salvador politicians have in the past resisted criminals being deported by the jet-load.

The detainees have been delayed by an average of 45 days, said Marcela Melero, a representative of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. She said most detainees will be back in El Salvador by Dec. 20.

But advocate groups claim some of the Salvadorans have been waiting in the facility for six months or more.

Federal officials thwarted a possible hunger strike by the prisoners on Monday by promising to send them home by Christmas.

Bad weather is partly responsible for the delays, grounding U.S. Marshal flights that normally return detainees.

But problems in El Salvador are also to blame.

Deportees must go through a reorientation program known as Bienvenidos a Casa, or Welcome Home. Organizers of the program say they cannot accept more than 60 deportees per week, said Luis Carranza, the Salvadoran consul general in Houston.

"Our program has an extremely limited budget," Luis Perdomo, a program coordinator in San Salvador. "We don't have the capacity" for more than about 60 or 100 immigrants per week.

The United States cannot deport foreigners without first obtaining travel documents from the consulate of the destination country. Because of the limits of the Bienvenidos program, the Salvadoran Consulate has reduced the number of travel documents it issues.

The program has drawn complaints from Latin American and Caribbean governments who now receive flights full of returning felons, many of them arriving home penniless and unskilled.

Though INS representatives would not say how many of the Salvadorans now detained in Houston are convicts, records from years past show nearly half of those deported from the United States were criminals.

Convicted cop killer executed in Texas

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Defiant to the end, a former federal drug informant who aspired to be a CIA agent was executed Tuesday for killing a Houston police officer 13 years ago.

"In killing me, the people responsible have blood on their hands because I am not guilty," Craig Ogan said in a deliberate and firm voice.

He described the details that preceded the officer's death and, as he has in the past, essentially blamed slain Officer James Boswell for the officer's death.

Ogan said Boswell was a "police officer who was out of control." Ogan complained that the courts ignored what he said was evidence of "police and prosecutorial perjury."

Without looking at relatives of the slain officer, who watched through a window a few feet away, he alleged that Boswell was angry and was still suffering from an on-the-job injury months before.

As he paused briefly trying to collect his thoughts, the lethal drugs kicked in and Ogan snorted and coughed. He was pronounced dead at 7:13 p.m. CST, eight minutes after the lethal dose began.

Prison spokesman Larry Fitzgerald said authorities told the inmate he'd get only about two minutes to give his final statement.

"He didn't do it," Fitzgerald said, explaining why the drugs started before it was apparent Ogan had finished talking.

Head-on crash kills sisters traveling in separate cars

SIX MILE, Ala. (AP) — Two sisters were killed when their vehicles collided head-on on a rural highway as they traveled to visit each other, authorities said.

Authorities said the women were driving Jeeps in opposite directions on Alabama 25 Sunday when one of the vehicles crossed the center line, colliding with the other.

Trooper Cpl. Stan Lemon said investigators were trying to determine which car was on the wrong side of the road and why.

Sheila Wentworth, 45, and her sister, Doris Jean Hall, 51, were killed, along with Hall's husband, Billy Joe Hall Jr., 45.

Two children — one riding in each vehicle — were injured: the Halls' granddaughter, 8-year-old Amber Jackson, and Wentworth's nephew, Frankie Whaley, 12. Amber was released from a hospital Monday. Frankie remained hospitalized in special care, said Sgt. Will Rogers.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Conservative management of knee pain

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm an orthopedic surgeon responding to your recent column in which you stated that a patient with significant knee pain should "hold off surgery until your discomfort reaches unbearable limits. An operation should be your last resort."

While this statement makes sense, the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgery no longer feels that patients should wait for unbearable discomfort before consenting to knee surgery. Continuing pain may, in fact, lead to extensive destruction of the joint that may interfere with optimal reconstruction or replacement of the joint. Therefore, patients should not wait an interminable period before surgery.

DEAR DOCTOR: Thank you for your comments. I am not an orthopedic surgeon; therefore, I would not presume to disagree with a specialist. However, in my experience, knee surgery and/or replacement is not consistently effective. I have at least eight patients whose symptoms were worsened by such procedures. Therefore, I tend to endorse a more conservative approach. Nonetheless, I am publishing your letter, because I value your opinion.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 88 and have suffered from osteoarthritis for the past few years. Now my doctor tells me that I have Paget's disease of the bone. Are these two conditions one in the same? Related?

DEAR READER: Osteoarthritis, the gradual wearing down of joint linings, is a treat that all seniors will experience, to one degree or another, as they age. This arthritis, like wrinkles and gray hair, comes with the territory. The pain and stiffness it produces can ordinarily be successfully controlled by anti-inflammatory medications, such as ibuprofen, Celebrex, Vioxx and others.

Paget's disease is a separate entity. The cause is unknown. The affliction is marked by increased bone metabolism in a spotty distribution: Calcium is lost from such areas, and new bone matrix quickly forms - too rapidly for calcium to enter the new bone and strengthen it. Thus, Paget's disease causes pain and brittle portions of bone that may easily fracture. Therapy with Fosamax and other prescription drugs is usually effective.

While your bone/joint abnormalities may limit your activity to some extent, both your disorders are treatable. Follow your physician's advice.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Understanding Osteoarthritis." Other readers who would like a copy should send a self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 16-year-old daughter is overweight and recently put herself on a strict low-calorie diet. Following this, she stopped menstruation, despite prescribed hormone therapy. Is this a concern?

DEAR READER: Women athletes and those on strict weight-reduction programs often experience menstrual irregularities. This is normal and, to my knowledge, need not be addressed. In my opinion, such a side effect can be ignored. Once your daughter achieves an appropriate weight and modifies her diet, the problem should disappear.

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Get Out of the Kitchen When Company's Coming: Cook Ahead

Gathering round the table for a special meal with family and friends can be a source of joy and feed both body and soul. Cooking late into the night before your meal, however, can greatly diminish the pleasures of the table. Cooking too far ahead can decrease the quality and safety of your food.

Here are some tips to put the focus back on family and friends rather than frenzied (and possibly unsafe) food preparation.

1. Begin by limiting the number of foods you serve to a few favorites, so you have less to prepare. For example, do you need two (or more) desserts? Remember: desserts spelled backwards is S-T-R-E-S-S-E-D.

2. Unless food will be frozen, it's safest to start preparing most perishable foods no more than a day before a meal. For example:

* Assemble a vegetable casserole a day in advance, refrigerate and then bake the day of your dinner. Plan 15 to 20 minutes additional heating time for the refrigerated cold casserole. Heat until it's hot and steamy throughout.

* Cut washed fruits and vegetables within a day of your meal for salads and relish trays. (Note: Wash fruits and vegetables under cool running tap water.) Store all CUT fruits and vegetables covered, such as in storage containers on one-time use plastic bags in the refrigerator. Store fresh-cut produce above raw meat, poultry and fish and below cooked items. Avoid leaving cut and/or peeled fruit and vegetables at room temperature for more than two hours. This includes the TOTAL of preparation time and serving time.

* Keep cut fruits, such as apples, pears, bananas and peaches, from turning brown by coating them with an acidic juice such as lemon, orange or pineapple juice. Or use a commercial anti-darkening preparation with fruits, such as Ever-Fresh (TM) or Fruit Fresh (R); FOLLOW THE MANUFACTURER'S DIRECTIONS FOR TIMING AND METHOD OF APPLICATION. Cover and refrigerate cut fruit until ready to serve. (Note: Bananas don't keep as long as the other fruits mentioned – cut close to serving time.)

* Non-perishable foods such as cakes and cookies can be prepared a few days in advance and still will taste good. Or, they can be frozen for longer storage.

3. Special tips for handling meat:

* As a general rule-of-thumb, purchase fresh raw meat, poultry or seafood no more than 1 to 2 days before your holiday meal. Freeze for longer storage. These foods taste freshest if cooked the day or your meal.

* If you have frozen your meat, poultry or seafood, plan time for safe thawing in your refrigerator. Allow approximately 24 hours for each 5 pounds of weight. For turkey, make sure you remove the bag containing the neck and giblets from the body cavities.

* To prevent cross-contamination, thaw or store a package of raw meat, poultry or seafood on a plate on a lower shelf of your refrigerator to prevent its juices from dripping on other foods.

* If you prepare meat, poultry or seafood the day before your meal, divide it into small portions. Then refrigerate in loosely covered shallow containers within 2 hours of cooking – limit depth of meat, etc. to about 2 inches. You can place loosely covered foods in the refrigerator while still warm; cover tightly when food is completely cooled. On the day of your meal, reheat thoroughly to a temperature of 165 degrees F until hot and steaming throughout.

4. Preparing pumpkin pie ahead of time:

* Pumpkin pie is especially popular around the holidays. A pumpkin pie is a form of custard and must be kept in the refrigerator at 40 degrees F or cooler. Foods which contain eggs, milk, and a high moisture content must be kept refrigerated, as bacteria love to grow in these foods. Avoid letting a pumpkin pie set at room temperature for more than TWO hours. That means it shouldn't sit out more than TWO hours total including after its baked and while waiting to be served.

* (NOTE: Some commercial pumpkin pies that are purchased at room temperature may later need to be refrigerated. Check the label on commercially baked pies for storage requirements. Don't buy pies stored at room temperature if label directions are unclear or missing.)

* If you'd like to get a head start on preparing your pumpkin pie, it's easiest and safest to freeze just your shaped and unbaked pie crust in a freezer- or oven-safe pie pan. Or, purchase an unbaked frozen pie crust already in a pie pan. Then, add the pumpkin filling, mixed according to directions, to the frozen crust just before baking. It takes just a few minutes to mix together the ingredients

* Unless the directions with your frozen pie crust recommend otherwise, place a baking sheet in your oven and pre-heat your oven to the baking temperature given in your pie recipe. Then place your pie on the hot baking sheet and bake your pie as usual the day of your meal. To save additional time, buy a pie filling with the spices already added, especially if you must buy extra spices just for your pie.

* Instead of making a baked pumpkin pie, consider making a form of pumpkin pie that can be frozen, such as the Pumpkin Ice Cream Pie recipe at the end of this article.

5. Save time by setting your table the day before your holiday meal. Also, set out all food preparation and service utensils. Or, assign children or others to set the table before you eat.

Pumpkin Ice Cream Pie

Note: Read "Cook's Tips" at the end BEFORE preparing this recipe

Makes 8 servings

1 can (15 to 16 oz.) pure pumpkin puree

¼ cup sugar

1½ to 2 teaspoons pumpkin pie spice, depending on how "spicy" a flavor you enjoy

1 quart (4 cups) vanilla ice cream or frozen yogurt, softened

1 package (9 oz.) 9-inch prepared graham cracker pie crust

Whipped topping, if desired

Directions:

1. Mix the pumpkin, sugar and spice until well blended.

2. Quickly mix pumpkin mixture with the softened ice cream.

3. Pour into crumb crust and freeze, uncovered, until firm – a couple of hours.

4. When pie is frozen, cover with plastic wrap and then cover with freezer-quality foil or place in a freezer bag and squeeze out the air.

5. Thaw pie slightly before serving. Top with whipped topping, if desired.

Cook's Tips:

1. Pumpkin is a good source of betacarotene, a nutrient that may help reduce the risk of developing certain types of cancer, and offers possible protection against heart disease.

2. If you don't have pumpkin pie spice, for EACH TEASPOON of pumpkin pie spice, you can substitute a combination of:

* ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
* ¼ teaspoon ground ginger
* 1/8 teaspoon ground nutmeg
* 1/8 teaspoon ground cloves

Note: If you're missing some of these spices, it might be simplest to buy just pumpkin pie spice. Additional uses of pumpkin pie spice are as a flavoring for sweet potatoes, acorn squash and French toast. Or, add it to baked products such as banana bread, zucchini bread and carrot cake – use about a ½ teaspoon per cup of batter.

3. Use nonfat ice cream or frozen yogurt and fat-free whipped topping for a lighter version.

4. The Good Housekeeping website advises "the best way to soften ice cream is to let it sit out at room temperature for about 15 minutes or in the refrigerator for 30." They also note that "low-fat ice creams and frozen yogurts melt faster than full-fat varieties." Avoid repeatedly softening and refreezing ice cream as it gets icy.

5. Be sure the package says it's a "9 oz." pie shell.

Diversified

By Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

The Dos and Don'ts of Poinsettia Care

DO place your plant in indirect sunlight for at least six hours per day. If direct sun can't be avoided, diffuse the light with a shade or sheer curtain.

DO provide room temperatures between 68-70 degrees F. Generally speaking, if you are comfortable, so is your poinsettia.

DO water your plant when the soil feels dry to the touch.

DO use a large, roomy shopping bag to protect your plant when transporting it.

DO fertilize your plant AFTER THE BLOOMING SEASON with a balanced, all purpose fertilizer.

DON'T place plants near cold drafts or excessive heat. Avoid placing plants near appliances, fireplaces or ventilating ducts.

DON'T expose plants to temperatures below 50 degrees F. Poinsettias are sensitive to cold, so avoid placing them outside during the winter months.

DON'T overwater your plant, or allow it to sit in standing water. Always remove a plant from any decorative container before watering, and allow the water to drain completely.

DON'T expose your plant to chilling winds when transporting it.

DON'T fertilize your plant when it is in bloom.

COLORADO RIVER MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

WEEKLY LAKE AND WATER DELIVERY REPORT

LAKE J. B. THOMAS (200,604 ACRE FEET AT ELEVATION 2258.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO 11/18/01	LAST WEEK 11/11/02	THIS WEEK 11/18/02
ELEVATION (FEET)	17.57	17.51	17.46
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	18,815	18,721	18,621
PERCENT FULL	9.38	9.33	9.28
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		0.00	0.00
IVIE TO LAKE THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0
SPENCE TO THOMAS (Gal.)		0	0

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT BIG SPRING/ODESSA INTAKE.

E.V. SPENCE RESERVOIR (517,262 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1898.00 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO 11/18/01	LAST WEEK 11/11/02	THIS WEEK 11/18/02
ELEVATION (FEET)	42.87	38.80	38.63
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	50,790	38,273	37,802
PERCENT FULL	9.82	7.40	7.31
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		0.20	0.00

*RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT SPENCE PUMP STATION.

O.H. IVIE RESERVOIR (554,340 ACRE-FEET AT ELEVATION 1551.50 FT.)

	ONE YEAR AGO 11/18/01	LAST WEEK 11/11/02	THIS WEEK 11/18/02
ELEVATION (FEET)	32.22	28.38	28.25
CONTENTS (ACRE-FEET)	261,326	219,954	218,632
PERCENT FULL	47.14	39.68	39.44
RAINFALL (INCHES) *		0.00	0.00

* RAINFALL MEASUREMENT AT DAM.

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BIG SPRING	3,997,143	4,013,286	4,605,000
ODESSA	11,923,571	12,385,571	14,033,000
SNYDER	1,710,286	1,612,000	1,805,000
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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Housing construction plunges in October

WASHINGTON (AP) — Housing construction lost momentum in October, plunging by 11.4 percent, the biggest drop since 1994.

Even with the sharp decline — which came after the level of housing construction shot up to a 16-year high in September — the number of housing units for which builders broke ground in October was still considered to be in the healthy zone.

Builders began work on 1.60 million housing units, at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, representing a 11.4 percent decline in October from the previous month, the Commerce Department reported today.

While October's housing activity level was weaker than analysts were expecting, economists predicted September's red-hot pace could not be sustained. Housing construction jumped by 11 percent in September to a rate of 1.81 million units, the highest level since December 1986.

The 11.4 percent drop in housing construction in October marked the biggest decline since January 1994. The 1.60 million rate of housing units under way was the lowest level since April.

"The good news is that the level of housing activity is still very strong, but the bad news is housing construction is probably maxed out in terms of how much it will contribute to economic growth," said Ken Mayland, president of ClearView Economics. "The housing construction market is in good shape, but September was probably the high-water mark," he added.

Wall Street shrugged off initial concerns that the October decline in housing construction might be signaling trouble for one of the economy's strongest sectors. After first declining, the Dow Jones industrial average was up 44 points in late morning trading at 8,518.6.

In today's report, construction of new single-family homes fell 7 percent in October to a rate of 1.35 million. Work on apartments, condominiums and other multifamily housing plummeted by 31.4 percent to a rate of 221,000 last month.

Palestinian teenager killed in West Bank

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli troops shot and killed a Palestinian teenager in a confrontation in a West Bank town today, a day after clashes there claimed five Palestinian lives.

In the nearby village of Ellar, a Palestinian was killed when a bomb he was preparing exploded prematurely, Palestinian security sources said. No one else was hurt.

Staff at Tulkarem's hospital said Amr Qudsi, 15, was fatally shot as he and other youngsters threw stones at Israeli army jeeps and tanks patrolling the town. The army said the boy was shot after he hurled a firebomb at troops.

The case was similar to one Tuesday evening, when another 15-year-old Palestinian was shot dead in Tulkarem after he climbed atop an Israeli armored vehicle. The army said he too threw a firebomb.

Tuesday's clashes erupted as army special forces stormed the home of Tarek Zaghal, an alleged leader of the militant Al Aqsa Martyrs Brigades militia, killing him as he tried to escape. The Al Aqsa group is linked to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's Fatah movement.

A night watchman at a nearby apartment building was shot dead at his post, apparently hit by a stray bullet, Palestinians said.

Smokeout...

High school plans booth on Thursday

Snyder High School's family and consumer science students will sponsor a booth Thursday in the foyer in conjunction with the Great American Smokeout, sponsored by the Scurry County chapter of the American Cancer Association.

Literature will be on display throughout the day and students will also hand out anti-smoking stickers.

Forms will also be available for the adoption of smokers who are trying to quit.

Teachers and FCCLA club sponsors are Carolyn Limmer and Carolyn Derouen.

Countdown resumes

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA's countdown clocks were ticking again today for the launch of space shuttle Endeavour as engineers raced to complete their evaluation of the ship's damaged robot arm.

The countdown to a Friday night liftoff could stop if NASA determines the robot arm needs to be repaired or removed. A decision on whether the 50-foot crane is seriously damaged was expected this evening.

Endeavour's arm was bruised last week when workers accidentally knocked a platform into it near the shoulder joint. They were inside the payload bay trying to find and fix an oxygen leak that forced NASA to call off a Nov. 11 launch for the space station construction mission.

The impact tore through the thermal blanket covering the arm and an outer honeycomb layer, leaving a 2-inch-square bruise on the actual carbon composite structure. NASA conducted ultrasound tests on the bruised area and asked the Canadian Space Agency, which supplied the arm, to recreate the damage on an arm replica in Toronto and gauge its strength. Those findings were to be presented to top shuttle managers later today.

NASA expressed confidence that the replacement of a pair of flex hoses had fixed the oxygen leak.

Endeavour is loaded with a 14-ton girder that is supposed to be installed on the international space station. A crane is needed for the attachment.

Officers arrest two people

Arrests

Deputies arrested Thomas Robert Davis, 59, of 3915 Muriel at 10:46 a.m. Tuesday for parole violations.

Officers responded to a disturbance near 22nd Street and Ave. O Tuesday night and arrested a 19-year-old man for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and resisting arrest.

Theft

A woman reported the theft of her Motorola cellular phone Tuesday, but police advised it was a civil matter.

Harassment

A woman contacted officers Tuesday to report her ex-boyfriend harassing her by phone and by computer and threatening to harm her on her birthday. Officers contacted the man and advised him of the complaint.

Close patrol

A man requested a close patrol in the 100 block of Ash Street Tuesday in reference to a subject in a white vehicle with tinted windows harassing him.

A woman in the 2100 block of Peyton reported someone making prank phone calls and banging on her door and windows Tuesday night. She requested a close patrol of her home.

Gas drive off

A clerk at Town and Country East reported a gas drive off worth $10 Tuesday morning.

Obituaries

Bobby Davidson

1943-2002

Robert C. "Bobby" Davidson, a longtime Snyder resident, died Tuesday, Nov. 19, in VA Medical Center in Amarillo after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mr. Davidson, 59, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Mike Henson, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and Dr. John Best will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born June 29, 1943 in Odessa, Mr. Davidson was a U.S. Air Force and Navy veteran and a self-employed painter.

Survivors include his wife, Sherry Clayton of Snyder; three daughters, Sabrina Davidson of Snyder, Tonia Hemphill of Magnolia and Franna Sturgill of Abilene; a son, Rusty Clayton of Amarillo; a sister, Carol Hamilton Davenport of Snyder; five grandchildren, Dakota, Colton and Sierra Clayton of Amarillo and Rebecca and Regina of Tomball; a great-granddaughter, Amy of Tomball; two nieces, Andrea Kight of San Angelo and Penny Mason of Post; and a nephew, Alan Hamilton of Bangs.

Family visitation will be held from 6:30-8 p.m. Thursday at the funeral home.

Doyle Rice

1922-2002

Doyle Morris Rice, 79, died Tuesday, Nov. 19, at his home in Big Spring.

Funeral service for Mr. Rice is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church in Coahoma with the Revs. James Puckett and Elwood Collum officiating. Burial will follow in the Westbrook Cemetery and arrangements are under the direction of Wright Colonial Funeral Home in Snyder.



Doyle Rice

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Born Nov. 25, 1922 in Coahoma, he married Mary Frances Vancleave on June 6, 1956 in Odessa. He was owner of Rice Vacuum Cleaner Co. in Big Spring from 1966-98.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Homer and Birdie Jane Rice; two sisters, Otelia Stevens and Gussie Meeks; and two brothers, Connelly Rice and Tom Rice.

Survivors include his wife, Mary Frances Rice of Big Spring; a daughter, Carla Savage of Ponca City, Okla.; four sons, Mike Rice of Kalispell, Mont., Doyle Rice of Snyder, Mary Rice of Big Spring and Billy Vickers; three sisters, June Carriker of Ellis, Nina West of Lamesa and Mavis West of Midland; two brothers, B.J. Rice of Midland and Floyd Rice of Westbrook; 14 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

Visitation will be at Nalley-Pickle-Welch Funeral Home in Big Spring until Friday.

Virginia Belew

1923-2002

Virginia Belew, longtime Fluvanna area resident, died this morning in Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Services for Mrs. Belew, 79, are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 22, 1923, she married Burl Belew on Jan. 31, 1946 in Texas. He died Jan. 6, 2000.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Joe and Nanette Belew of Fluvanna and Denny and Mary Belew of Tahoka; and four grandchildren.

Juanita Umberson

1917-2002

ABILENE — Juanita Umberson, a former Snyder resident, died Saturday, Nov. 16, in Kerrville.

Funeral service for Mrs. Umberson, 84, is set for 10:30 a.m. Thursday in the Hillcrest Church of Christ Chapel with Dr. Ed Enzor and Dr. Zane Travis officiating. Burial will follow in the Pioneer, Tex., cemetery under the direction of Abilene Funeral Home.

Born Nov. 20, 1917 in Sipe Springs, she was a graduate of Pioneer High School and graduated from Abilene Christian College in 1937.

While teaching music in McCamey, she married Sonne Umberson in 1940. He died last November.

They lived in Monahans, Odessa, Stanton, Snyder and then in Abilene for 38 years. In Snyder and Abilene, she practiced interior decorating.

Mrs. Umberson had moved to Kerrville due to failing health. In Abilene, she was a member of the Philharmonic Guild, Harmony Club, Abilene Women's Club and the Hillcrest Church of Christ.

She also was preceded in death by her parents, Isaac and Zola Plumlee; and two brothers, Auline and Ray Plumlee.

Survivors include two sisters, Leona Lackey of Portland, Ore., and Helen Wardroup of Ingram; and many nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the Healing Hands International or to the Pioneer Historical Society.

Joseph Goodlett

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CONROE — Joseph Oliver Goodlett, a native of Scurry County, died Monday, Nov. 18.

Funeral service for Mr. Goodlett, 89, is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in the Cashner Colonial Chapel with the Rev. Cindy Hinson officiating. Interment will follow in Conroe Memorial Park.

Born July 6, 1913 in Nashville, Ark., Mr. Goodlett was reared on a cotton farm in Dunn and was a U.S. Army Corp. veteran of World War II.

A resident of Conroe, Mr. Goodlett worked for Gaylord Construction Co. for 36 years, retiring in 1975.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Whitmore and Sena Goodlett; and two brothers, W.S. Goodlett and Rueben Goodlett.

Survivors include his wife, Velma Goodlett of Conroe; a son and daughter-in-law, Gary and Sharon Goodlett of Conroe; a daughter, Debbie Machala of Conroe; two brothers and sisters-in-law, Charles and Virgie Goodlett of Colorado City and Eunice and Wanda Goodlett of Dunn; a sister-in-law, Lenore Goodlett of Georgetown; four grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

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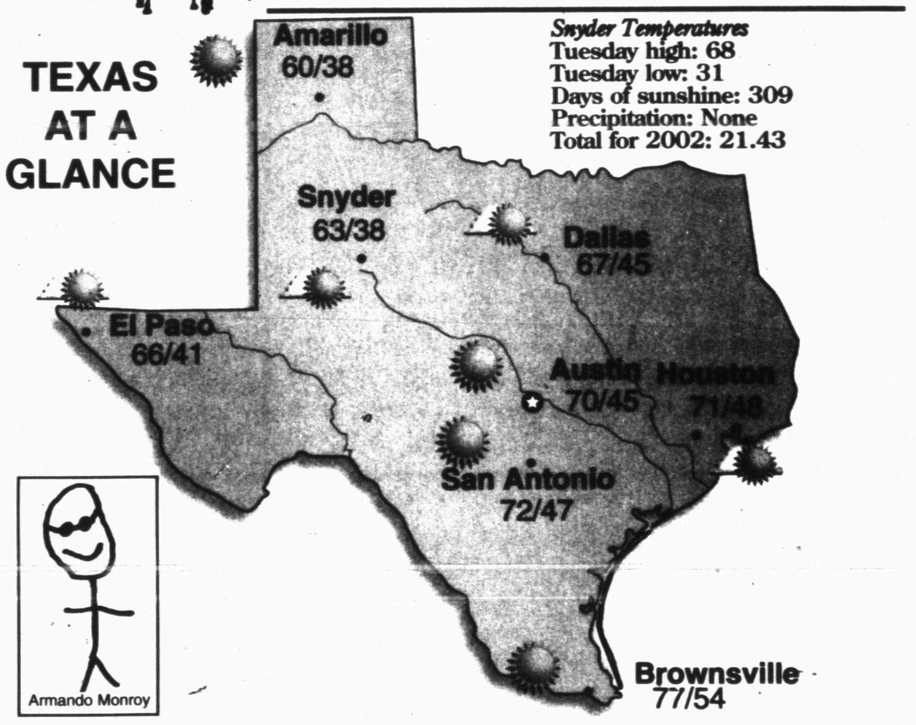
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Thu 11/21	Fri 11/22	Sat 11/23
63/38	62/36	65/34
Mostly sunny skies. High 63F. Winds NNW at 10 to 15 mph.	More sun than clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the mid 30s.	Partly cloudy. Highs in the mid 60s and lows in the mid 30s.
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Snyder Temperatures
Tuesday high: 68
Tuesday low: 31
Days of sunshine: 309
Precipitation: None
Total for 2002: 21.43

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Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	65	42	sunny	El Paso	66	41	mst sunny	Midland	64	41	sunny
Amarillo	60	38	sunny	Fort Stockton	67	44	sunny	Raymondville	76	50	sunny
Austin	70	45	sunny	Gainesville	66	39	mst sunny	Rosenberg	71	48	mst sunny
Beaumont	69	46	sunny	Greenville	66	40	mst sunny	San Antonio	72	47	sunny
Brownsville	77	54	sunny	Houston	71	48	mst sunny	San Marcos	71	45	sunny
Brownwood	68	42	sunny	Kingsville	75	50	sunny	Sulphur Springs	67	40	sunny
Corpus Christi	73	52	sunny	Livingston	69	42	sunny	Sweetwater	65	40	mst sunny
Corsicana	69	43	sunny	Longview	66	39	sunny	Tyler	68	43	sunny
Dallas	67	45	mst sunny	Lubbock	63	39	mst sunny	Weatherford	67	40	sunny
Del Rio	72	49	sunny	Lufkin	68	43	sunny	Wichita Falls	68	41	mst sunny

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	57	39	rain	Houston	71	48	mst sunny	Phoenix	86	58	mst sunny
Boston	52	49	cloudy	Los Angeles	80	56	pt sunny	San Francisco	68	51	pt sunny
Chicago	44	33	rain	Miami	81	66	t-storm	Seattle	57	45	cloudy
Dallas	67	45	mst sunny	Minneapolis	36	23	sn shower	St. Louis	49	33	rain
Denver	59	32	pt sunny	New York	54	49	cloudy	Washington, DC	53	45	rain

Moon Phases

Full	Last	New	First
Nov 20	Nov 27	Dec 4	Dec 11

UV Index

Thu 11/21	Fri 11/22	Sat 11/23
Low	Low	Low

The UV Index is measured on a 0-11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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Former leader of Dynegy may re-enter the energy industry

HOUSTON (AP) — Struggling Dynegy Inc.'s founder and former leader said Tuesday that he was proud of what the company achieved during his 17 years there, and that he might return to the energy industry.

"I do have some skills in that area and I've been talking to a lot of people," Chuck Watson said after being recognized for exemplary leadership in 2002 by Houston's American Leadership Forum.

"It's an area I feel strongly about, it's an area I know reasonably well and I feel like I can add value to companies. You might find me surface here before long," he said.

Watson, 52, has been largely silent about Dynegy's troubles since he stepped down May 28, one of many casualties of turmoil that spread through the industry since Enron Corp. failed last year. He led Dynegy's doomed attempt to buy Enron as it was collapsing.

Last month the company hired former Duke Energy executive Bruce Williamson as chief executive, who assured analysts Tuesday morning that bankruptcy is not on the company's horizon.

"We are not in a bankruptcy mode," he said.

Williamson reiterated previous commitments to pay down more than $7 billion in debt and focus on power plants, pipelines and its Illinois electric utility to survive the weak energy market that forced Dynegy to dump its marketing and trading business.

The company has sold about $1.9 billion in assets since announcing in June a plan to raise $2 billion to shore up finances and improve its image on Wall Street.

Dynegy's stock surged Tuesday, closing up 58 cents, or 75 percent, at $1.35. Shares had traded below a dollar since Oct. 15, prompting the New York Stock Exchange to tell Dynegy last week that its stock could be delisted.

"We realize we have more work to do," Dynegy spokesman John Sousa said. "We intend to focus our efforts on our capital restructuring plan and are hopeful, upon continued success, the markets will regain confidence in our company and our stock price will reflect this confidence."

Watson declined Tuesday to comment on problems that hit Dynegy since his departure, such as a $3 million settlement of Securities and Exchange Commission allegations of fraud involving a natural gas deal that improperly increased Dynegy's reported cash flow and cut taxes.

"I don't really get up every day thinking about all of that stuff," he said. "That part of my life is over and there's people who amply are able to handle that, so I'm off to different things."

But he said he was saddened by energy workers losing their jobs, including the more than 1,100 job cuts announced by Dynegy since June. "All you can do is certainly have compassion for those employees and wish them the best of luck," he said.

Leo De Leon, a spokesman for the American Leadership Forum, said Watson had been chosen as the 2002 honoree when he was still Dynegy's CEO.

Stanford partners with energy companies

NEW YORK (AP) — Exxon Mobil Corp., General Electric and other major energy companies will contribute at least $175 million to a 10-year global energy and climate research project at Stanford University.

Irving, Texas-based Exxon Mobil, the world's largest oil and gas company, will contribute $100 million to the project, which will allow Stanford scientists to investigate everything from hydrogen power to technologies aimed at reducing carbon dioxide emissions.

GE will give $50 million and Schlumberger Limited has committed to putting up $25 million. E.On AG, a German power company, said it intends to contribute $50 million.

Stanford will retain formal legal title to the technology and information developed under the Global Climate and Energy Project, as well as formal legal title to all patents sought, the university said today.

"This project gives us an opportunity to unleash the creativity of Stanford students and faculty on one of the grand challenges of the century," said Lynn Orr, who is stepping down as dean of Stanford's school of earth sciences to be director of the project.

Orr said "there are plenty of protections built into the agreement that ensure there's plenty of independence for our researchers."

The endowment for energy and climate research is equal to the total amount of money Stanford has received for corporate-sponsored research in the past 10 years, the university said.

The energy and climate project would not be the first link between Stanford and Exxon Mobil. In September, Exxon Mobil elected to its board Henry A. McKinnel, chairman of the Advisory Council at Stanford's graduate school of business. Michael Boskin, an economics professor at Stanford is also on Exxon Mobil's board.

Environmentalists were quick to criticize it as little more than a public relations campaign by the energy industry.

"It looks like an extremely cheap attempt by Exxon Mobil to buy a shield from criticism" regarding global warming and other environmental issues linked to the burning of fossil fuels, said Peter Altman, national coordinator of Campaign Exxon Mobil, a shareholder group trying to influence the company's positions on the environment.

At a recent industry conference, Exxon Mobil said total spending on oil and gas exploration and other projects would be roughly $100 billion over the next decade.

"It's very disappointing," Altman added. "It shows a very low level of commitment to solving this problem."

Wendy's shooter found guilty in massacre

NEW YORK (AP) — Family members of five Wendy's employees shot execution-style in a walk-in freezer sobbed and expressed relief after guilty verdicts were handed down against one of the men behind the massacre.

John Taylor, 38, lowered his head slightly as the jury found him guilty Tuesday of shooting two victims and commanding his mentally retarded accomplice to kill the others during the May 24, 2000, robbery in Queens. Arguments begin today on whether Taylor should be sentenced to death.

"I pray tonight for the first time in two and a half years I can rest," Joan Truman-Smith, whose daughter Anita Smith was killed, said after the verdict. "Tomorrow I'm going to go to my daughter's grave and tell her what happened."

Lawyers for both sides declined to comment until after the penalty phase.

Taylor's co-defendant, Craig Godineaux, 32, pleaded guilty in January 2001 to shooting five of the seven victims, three fatally. Since he is mentally retarded, he was not eligible for the death penalty under New York state law and is instead serving five life sentences.

Benjamin Nozario, who lost his brother Ramon Nozario, said he hopes the jury will impose the death penalty for Taylor.

"We've got one part. Now we have to wait and see," Nozario said.

Taylor's lawyers admitted their client had shot one of the victims, but argued that Godineaux shot everyone else of his own volition. Under the death penalty statute, that was enough to convict Taylor of one count of first-degree felony murder — a capital offense — since the shooting occurred during a robbery.

Instead, Taylor was convicted of five counts of felony murder and one count of first-degree murder, all capital offenses, as part of a 20-count indictment.

Jacquoine Johnson, 20, one of the survivors, testified that Godineaux bound and gagged everyone with duct tape, and Taylor ordered them into the walk-in freezer. There, Godineaux pulled plastic bags over their heads, and the massacre began.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, Nov. 21, 2002

There are indications that in the year ahead you could fare quite well in dealings you have with others commercially or in business. Any good association you establish will have mutual benefits.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Let the other guy make the overtures in your commercial or business affairs today. There's a chance that s/he will offer you far more than what you would have asked and you'll fare a lot better.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — When dealing with others today, especially on a one-on-one basis, you can open the way for better-than-average cooperation by treating others exactly the way you would like to be treated.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Have well-defined objectives in mind today and proceed optimistically toward achieving them. Conditions are working in your favor for furthering your ambitious interests.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Try using a positive attitude today on problems that you believe have no immediate solutions and watch in wonder what happens. The results will both surprise and amaze you.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Don't simply wish for things to happen, make them happen today. You can conclude to your satisfaction at least two matters that are significant to you if you'll merely try.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Teaming up with another for a joint purpose is likely to be luckier for you today than attempting to accomplish something alone. Having a strong ally can be extremely beneficial.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — By piecing together a number of tidbits picked up in chance conversations today, there's a possibility that, collectively, they could add up to make for some very valuable information. Be a good listener.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — A personal interest of yours has an excellent chance of being successful today. It'll be your enthusiasm combined with a positive attitude that will attract Lady Luck to your cause.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — The best way to gain momentum for your interests today is by showing others how they could benefit from it. With their support you can make great progress toward completion.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — This might be a good day to sneak in a little time for yourself. Doing something that is fun and refreshing can help alter your outlook, which, in turn, will spur successes in your more serious affairs.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today could be a lucky day for you, so it might behoove you to expand upon and develop your present financial goals. There are indications that good things can be made better.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — There is nothing wrong with viewing things on a grand scale today, because that which you conceptualize at this time will be both logical and promising. Think big, gain big.

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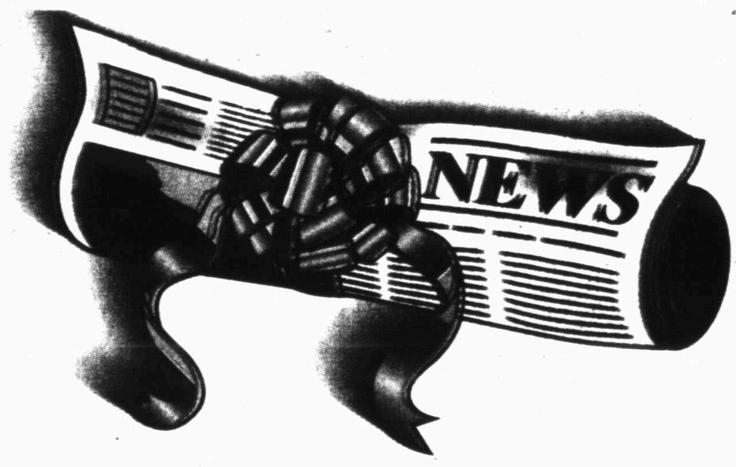
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