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Experiment indicates Scandinavians pretty honest

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — Scandinavians proved themselves the upstanding citizens of Western Europe, according to a wallet-dropping experiment that put continental honesty to the test.

Reader's Digest planted 10 wallets in each of 20 cities, then kept track of how many were returned to the own whose name, address and phone number were inside.

The answer — all of them, in Oslo, Norway, and Odense, Denmark.

Or, almost none of them, in the eastern German city of Weimar and the prosperous Swiss city of Lausanne. Only two wallets were returned in each of those cities.

Swedes were not quite as honest as their neighbors in Scandinavia, returning seven of the 10 wallets dropped in Stockholm.

In all, passers-by returned 116 of the 200 wallets, or 58 percent, the U.S.-based magazine said in its July edition. Last year, 67 percent of wallets were returned in a similar experiment in the United States.

Besides the identification, each billfold contained family snapshots and the equivalent of $50. The people conducting the experiment left the wallets on streets, in shops and in other public places, then watched the reactions of the passers-by who found them.

The magazine said poor people, the young and immigrants were at least as likely to return the wallets as weathy, older people.

"The people who looked like they needed the money the most were often the least likely to keep the wallets, while the more affluent-appearing were less honest," the magazine said.

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Boll weevil levy struck down by Plainview judge

From local, wire stories

It is not yet clear how a judge's ruling in Plainview will impact cotton growers in the Rolling Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, officials said this morning.

Last Friday, District Judge Marvin Marshall granted summary judgment for 10 South Plains farmers who have challenged the constitutionality of assessments levied by the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation program.

"We haven't received an official ruling from the judge in the case, therefore, it's too early to say," commented Katy Bohuslav, Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation public information director. "We're not going to read anything into it."

The purpose of the program is to eliminate the boll weevil through a coordinated effort, over a large area. The pest costs cotton producers about $300 million annually across the United States and is said to be responsible for 40 to 70 percent of all insecticide used on cotton.

In an effort to eradicate the weevil, the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation, Inc. was established in 1993 by the Texas Legislature. Nine eradication zones were formed, including the 19-county Rolling Plains Zone, which includes Scurry County.

Earlier this month, Snyder was formally selected as a site for a district office. Foundation officials claim that will result in as many as 50 jobs and a direct benefit of more than $6 million to the county over a three- to four-year period.

"We're still definitely moving ahead with everything in Snyder and throughout the Rolling Plains Zone," Bohuslav said today.

Farmers in the Rolling Plains Zone and the High Plains Zone, a 30-county area around Lubbock, both voted overwhelmingly to establish the foundation's program, which is funded by farmers through a per-acre fee.

However, some farmers in northern counties of the High Plains Zone, where the weevil threat is more remote, balked at the eradication program.

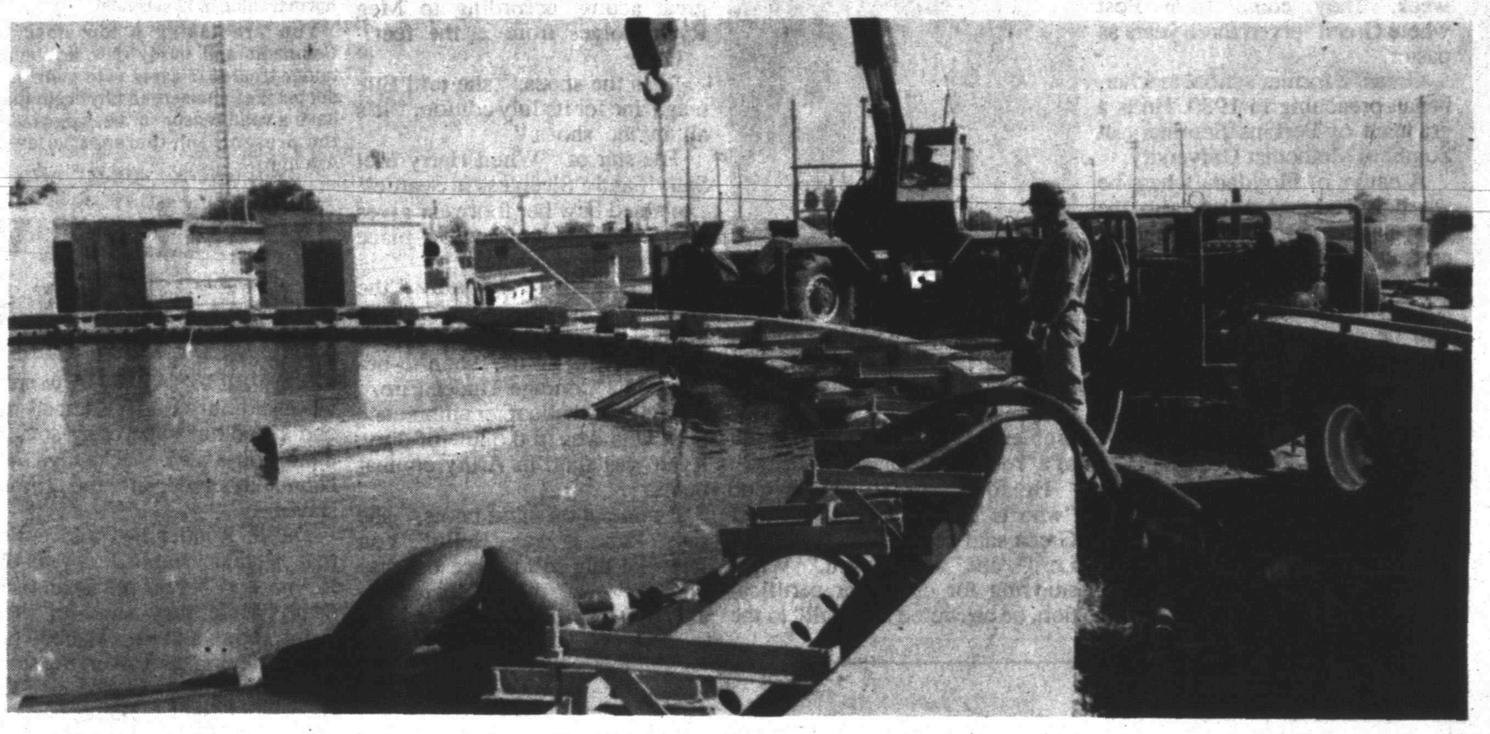
Farmers in Hale County, one of the top cotton-producing counties in Texas, complained they were paying more than their share because payments were assessed according to how many acres a farmer cultivated and how much cotton he produced.

The farmers also challenge the eradication program's legality because the assessment is not refundable. They claim that any assessment on farmers must be refundable.

The challenge is one of two which have been coordinated by cotton producers in the zone. The High Plains Weevil Recall Organization is presently attempting to collect thousands of signatures from farmers in an effort to force a recall vote.

That tactic was accomplished by farmers in the Lower Rio

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SCRUBBING THE TUB — City water treatment plant superintendent Darrell Callahan observes the cleaning of a holding basin at the plant. The normal twice-yearly chore is being done more frequently because of the silt being picked up from Lake Thomas due to the low water level. (SDN Staff Photo)

At treatment plant...

Low lake level prompts extra cleanup

By Wade Warren
Staff Writer

Snyder's water treatment facility is getting a good cleaning this week due to the build up of silt in a holding basin.

"The water is pumped into the plant from Lake Thomas and the first time it receives any kind of treatment is in the holding basins," said Darrell Callahan, the city's water treatment plant supervisor.

This initial treatment process is designed to remove the impurities from the lake water, said Callahan.

"We define impurities as anything that is pumped with the water from the lake," said Callahan.

"Mud, silt — anything that can be pumped through a pipeline can end up in the bottom of a holding tank," said Callahan.

The impurities must be removed from the water so the production of acceptable water can continue. These impurities accumulate at the bottom of the holding tanks and must be removed by the use of a hydraulic pump.

Normally, the holding tanks are cleaned twice a year but the low water level at Lake J.B. Thomas has made the cleaning more common.

"We are seeing a lot more impurities in the water we pump in because of the water level at the lake," said Callahan.

The silt is pumped into water transport trucks that hauls the mixture of silt and water to the disposal site at the sewage treatment plant.

Presently, the Colorado River Municipal Water District is supplementing the city's water supply by using four wells that are tied into the city's water lines.

The district has seven wells within the city that could produce up to 1.4 million gallons of water daily if necessary.

When all seven wells are put on the system, it is estimated that they will be supplying one-third of the city's daily water supply.

The CRMWD also has contingency plans to pump water from the district's two other lakes — Lake Ivie and Lake Spence — into Lake Thomas if the wells cannot provide enough water.

CRMWD officials have said previously that this alternative would be "an expensive alternative."

Rod Lewis, operational manager for the CRMWD, said today that the exact costs to the member cities — Snyder, Midland and Odessa — have not been determined."

The average daily useage for the city of Snyder and the other communities it provides water is 3.5 million gallons of water per day.

The city sells water to Rotan, Union, Fluvanna, Ira, Dunn Round Top Acres and the Price Daniel Unit.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Filling out your tax return on a postcard may sound appealing — unless you find yourself licking a $1,000 stamp."

Think More Rain!

We just read that Waco is considered the Dr. Pepper consumption capital of the world.

Waco, home of the Baylor Bears, claims to have set another record in consumption of the Texas-made soft drink.

The city claims that residents in Waco sip down an average of 249 of the 12-ounce cans every year. That's nearly one every day of the week. Physical activity — like dancing — makes one thirsty.

But if you are looking for Dr. Pepper Hall of Fame folks, Snyder has a guy that should have his picture there.

Stacey Browning, an employee of McCormick Marketing, is the No. 1 Dr. Pepper fan in Scurry County. He's been known to consume a case in a single work day.

When Dr. Pepper conducts its awards ceremony this summer, we suggest that the company recognize a hard-working guy who has single-handedly driven their stock up several points in the past few years.

Think More Rain!

Most of us Texans believe people ought to speak and listen only in Texanese. It reminds us of a story about two workers at a construction site where a car with diplomatic plates pulled up.

"Parlezvous Francais" the driver asked.

The two workers just stared at him.

"Hablan uestedes Espanol?" the driver tried.

They stared some more.

"Sprechen sie Deutsch?" he asked.

There was no reponse, just continued stares.

"Parlate Italiano?"

Again, nothing.

Finally the driver threw up his hands in disgust and drove off.

One Texan turned to the other and said, "Maybe we should learn a foreign language.

"What for?" his co-worker asked, "That guy knew four of 'em and a fat lot of good it did him."

Health bill's prospects puny

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional leaders heated up the rhetoric today even as talks continued on resolving an impediment blocking a bill to let workers carry health insurance from one job to another.

Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott likened the negotiations to "slicing very thin slices of salami." He said he still hopes it can be worked out this week but warned that if it isn't, the bill's prospects will dim.

The obstacle is the parameters of a "demonstration" project testing Republican-backed medical savings accounts, tax-free accounts that would be used to pay for routine medical bills for people who also buy catastrophic health insurance.

Critics of the accounts, including the Clinton administration, fear they would siphon off healthy, affluent people from regular health insurance, increasing coverage costs for the ill and the poor.

The temporary "demonstration" project idea is a compromise between House Republicans, who wanted the accounts available immediately to everyone, and the White House.

The issue now is how to design it to include enough people to make the experiment legitimate and ensure, as Clinton wants, "that it's not so expansive that it would just distort the other programs that are already in place," Lott, R-Miss., said Tuesday.

Today, he blamed White House aides for the impasse.

House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt, D-Mo., said the problem is that the Republican Party, "because of their ideology and their extremism ..., insists on larding this bill up with medical savings accounts, which no one understands and no one wants"

"I've never had a constituent come up to me and say, 'Gee, I wish I could get a medical savings account,'" Gephardt told reporters.

County delegates set for convention

Scurry Countians will be among those attending the Texas Republican Party Convention, which begins Thursday in San Antonio.

There are 11 delegates to the convention, including county party chairman Drew Bullard. Others are Tom Galyean, Gene Dulaney, Mary Dulaney, Jeanne Bullard, Ricky Fritz, Dana Cooley, Howard Limmer, Ernie Armstrong, Pat Floyd and Gay Idom.

Alternates are Robbie Floyd, Sara Fritz, Barbara McCormick, Betsy Armstrong, Belinda Merritt, David Harrell, Douglas Price, Patsy Williams, Ron Shaw, Carl Dillaha and Charlotte Smith.

The convention runs through Saturday.

ASK US

Q—Is it legal for a person to sell burritos (or other prepared food) door to door?

A—Only if the food is prepared in an inspected and permitted establishment and they can maintain the proper temperature in transport until it is sold.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 99 degrees; low, 69; 7 a.m. reading Wednesday, 75; no precipitation; total for 1996, 4.89 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear. Low, mid 70s. SE wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny. High around 104. S wind 10-20 mph.



Sunny

Sirena Medrano

Sunset: 8:51 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:40 a.m.
Of 170 days in 1996, the sun has shone 166 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The lazy man will not plow because of winter; He will beg during harvest and have nothing.

Proverbs 20:4

New pastor assumes duties at Trinity United Methodist

By Shirley A. Gorman
News Editor

Changing churches can be difficult, but Rev. Robert "Bob" Green, new pastor at Trinity United Methodist Church, was sure he would like Snyder before he ever moved here.

Upon learning of his new appointment, Green said several people told him, "You will like Snyder."

Here since Wednesday of last week, Green said "I am looking forward to liking Snyder" which he said "is the most spiritual community I have seen."

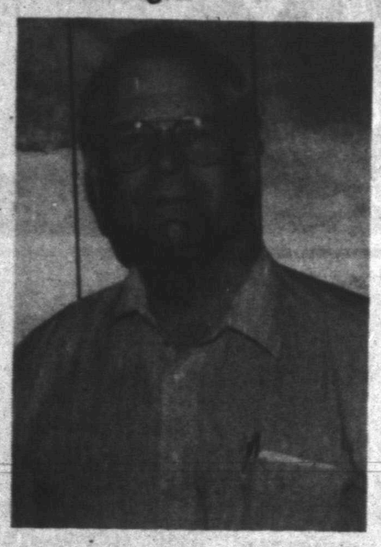
He and his wife Barbara will move into the parsonage this week. They come from Post where Green served three years as pastor.

Green, a former school teacher, began preaching in 1980. He is a graduate of Perkins Seminary at Southern Methodist University.

A native of Floydada where he was born and reared on a farm, the new pastor earned his teaching credentials at West Texas State University (now West Texas A&M University). At the time, he said he sought teacher certification because he wasn't really sure what he wanted to do after he graduated.

Green "loved practice teaching," so much he taught woodworking at Stinnett High School for the next 14 years.

However, after the education field began changing during the 1970s he became both frustrated and discouraged.



Rev. Robert "Bob" Green

As a teacher, he said he did not feel free to become involved in the lives of his students or their families. He then viewed the problems of youth to be the result of a "rebellion against authority."

He found his answer in God "who is the ultimate authority." Green said he came to "know the Lord" and was "saved." While studying for counselor certification, he answered the "call" to the ministry instead.

That was 16 years ago. Green, who said he needs to be involved with peoples' lives, enjoys his job very much.

Previous churches he pastored were in Abilene, Lake View and Dalhart.

The Greens have two grown children, Jim Bob Green of Dallas and Shari Green who just graduated from Baylor University.

In his spare time, the new pastor likes woodworking, snow skiing and canoeing.

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Shoes make acting great

NEW YORK (AP) — Truly great acting, according to Meg Ryan, comes from ... the feet? Close.

"It's the shoes," she told Elle magazine for its July edition. "It's all in the shoes."

The star of "When Harry Met Sally" and "Sleepless in Seattle" explained how her footwear gives her — well, a jumping-off place for creating characters.

In those films, she wore "the ultimate sensible flats and white loafers — real virgin shoes." But for her role in the soon-to-be-released "Courage Under Fire," as a military helicopter ambulance pilot who dies in the line of duty, Ryan was shod in Army combat boots.

"You put on those boots," she says, "and it was 'Hello!' You feel like this solid force because you've got these incredibly attached-to-the-ground shoes on.

Dr. Gott
By Peter Gott, M.D.



Is Coumadin dosage appropriate?

DEAR DR. GOTT: What are the negative long-term effects of using 2-1/2 mg of Coumadin daily? I'm on this blood thinner because of a cardiac condition, and my last two readings have been at 14. My doctor says this clotting level is too low to be of any benefit, yet another doctor says I should keep at this level. Help!

DEAR READER: Coumadin is a prescription anti-coagulant that is used to prevent inappropriate blood clots that may lead to stroke, heart attack and so forth.

As a general rule, doctors adjust the dose of Coumadin so that blood clotting is about 50 percent slower than normal (about 18 to 20 seconds, as opposed to a normal value of 12 seconds).

You are taking a low dose of Coumadin and, in my view, are being under-treated. I agree with your first doctor. Yet, the second physician may have a valid reason for keeping you at the present, sub-therapeutic level. Ask him.

If you don't get a straight answer, request a referral to a third physician, who should be able to resolve the issue.

Coumadin is a dangerous drug when it affects coagulation too much, uncontrolled bleeding can result. On the other hand, I don't see much purpose to be gained by using an ineffective amount.

Patients taking Coumadin must have periodic blood tests, at intervals that depend on the physician's judgment, to address the effect of the drug and to adjust the dosage.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My wife suffers from chronic respiratory problems. She has asthma, bronchitis and emphysema, as well as numerous allergies. Two relatives that we visit regularly live in mobile homes, and it is my understanding that formaldehyde was used in the construction of these dwellings. Is this still being done, and is this a possibility for her repeated attacks?

DEAR READER: Formaldehyde foam was, in the past, used as insulating material both in trailers and in non-mobile homes. Unfortunately, formaldehyde vapor often aggravated pulmonary disorders, especially asthma.

Therefore, to my knowledge, it is no longer utilized in the building trade. However, older dwellings may still contain the compound, which can trigger respiratory difficulties in susceptible individuals.

If your wife experiences labored breathing when visiting in mobile homes, she should make other arrangements to spend time with her relatives.

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

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Mother who blamed intruder charged with 2 sons' deaths

ROWLETT (AP) — A woman who said an intruder stabbed her and killed her two young sons in their home two weeks ago has been charged in the boys' slayings.

Darlie Routier had told police that a man stabbed 6-year-old Devon and 5-year-old Damon to death while they slept in their living room, and then stabbed her before fleeing. However, the story didn't match evidence at the suburban Dallas home, police said.

"The crime scene tells the story," police Chief Randall Posey said. "Problem is that story isn't the story that she's telling."

Mrs. Routier, 26, was arrested Tuesday night and was being held on $500,000 bail on murder charges for the June 6 slayings in this suburb about 20 miles east of Dallas.

Blood evidence showed Mrs. Routier was stabbed in the kitchen rather than in the living room, as she told police, Dallas TV station KXAS reported Tuesday. The blood showed one set of footprints — Mrs. Routier's — in the house, the station said, quoting anonymous sources.

Investigators also found a knife in a kitchen drawer with metal fragments on it that matched a cut window screen that Mrs. Routier said the attacker used to break into her home.

Mrs. Routier told police that she and the boys were sleeping in front of the television in the family's first-floor living room when a man she described as white, wearing dark clothes and a baseball cap, came through the window and killed her sons.

Police would not comment on broadcast reports that the family had been in financial trouble and had taken out life insurance policies on the sons.

Mrs. Routier's mother, Darlie Kee, said the couple had two $5,000 policies on the boys. "That's all," she said, "barely enough to bury the babies."

Mrs. Routier spent two days in the hospital recovering from several stab wounds, mostly in the neck and upper torso — wounds police now say were self-inflicted.

"He went to two defenseless children first and then he went to me," Mrs. Routier told The Dallas Morning News earlier this month. "I don't know why God spared me."

Mrs. Routier's husband, Darin, was sleeping upstairs with the couple's 8-month-old son at the time. He is not a suspect, police said.

The male attacker "never existed," police Sgt. Dean Poos said.

In a similar case that got national attention, Susan Smith of South Carolina was convicted last year of murdering her two sons, 3-year-old Michael and 14-month-old Alex. Before confessing to rolling her car into a lake with the boys inside in October 1994, she claimed that a carjacker had abducted her children.

Date Book

June 19, 1996

Today is the 171st day of 1996 and the 92nd day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1848, the first women's rights convention opened at Seneca Falls, N.Y.

On this day in 1953, Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were executed for passing atomic secrets to the Soviet Union.

On this day in 1978, the cartoon strip Garfield appeared for the first time.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Blaise Pascal (1623-1662), philosopher-mathematician-physicist; Guy Lombardo (1902-1977), bandleader; Lou Gehrig (1903-1941), baseball great; Abe Fortas (1919-1982), U.S. Supreme Court justice; Salman Rushdie (1947-), writer, is 49; Paula Abdul (1962-), singer-dancer, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1946, the first heavyweight boxing championship was shown on television; Joe Louis successfully defended his title by knocking out Billy Conn in the eighth round.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Justice without strength is helpless, strength without justice is tyrannical.... Unable to make what is just strong, we have made what is strong just." — Blaise Pascal

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1969, more than an inch and a half of rain fell in about 40 minutes near Castleford, Idaho, causing destructive flash flooding.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (June 15) and first quarter (June 24).

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Cleopatra was a Macedonian, not an Egyptian.

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Bullock: lottery can give property tax relief

AUSTIN (AP) — Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock, one of the state's most powerful leaders, says the Texas Lottery is such a winner that it could pay for a two-year school property tax freeze for homeowners.

Bullock proposed using a combination of administrative savings and additional lottery profits to provide $527 million more for schools while holding the line on tax rates.

"Let me tell you something, a half a billion dollars is nothing to sneeze at when it comes to our public schools," Bullock said Tuesday.

"There will always be doubting Thomases. There will be many people in Texas, and probably legislators and other state officials who do not agree with doing this. But dang it, somebody's got to start moving."

While state law allows 10 percent of lottery sales revenue to run the lottery games, Bullock said the agency only spends about 7 percent on operating costs.

The extra money there will leave a surplus of $176.5 million in administrative funds at the end of the current two-year budget cycle on Aug. 31, 1997, he said. In addition, profits should rise $103 million more in 1998-99, and another $247.5 million in administrative savings could be found in those years.

"It just makes darn good business sense," Bullock said of his proposal.

Bullock said the extra money could go for many uses — computer equipment, school buildings, or his favorite, a teacher pay raise.

"There's no more important priority for the Legislature than to use this money for education and, hopefully, a substantial teacher pay increase," he said.

The Democratic lieutenant governor, who presides over the Texas Senate, said he expects other state government agencies to be scrapping for the money.

"If that half billion dollars, in my opinion, is not used for education ... it will be used for everything under the sun. We will have everyone in here hollering and saying, 'I want a piece of the action.' I'll find out here a jillion reasons from bureaucrats why not to do it," he said.

"I am a lot more committed to the schoolchildren of Texas than I am to highways. Hopefully we can have both. But schools come first."

Bullock said he would limit a property tax freeze to homeowners. Including business property tax relief would limit the freeze to a single year, and school districts already have granted millions in property tax abatements to businesses, he said.

"The highest-rising local school taxes today are on homeowners, where the little kids sleep," Bullock said.

Republican Gov. George W. Bush has made school property tax relief one of his top priorities for the 1997 Legislature.

Last week, a committee appointed by Bush to study the issue traveled to El Paso for the first of more than a dozen public hearings statewide to be held on the issue. That committee is planning to report back to Bush and the Legislature by late September.

Elton Bomer, chairman of the tax study committee, said he welcomed Bullock's idea. "Every dime in the state budget that goes to public schools is a dime well spent and a step forward in relieving the burden on local property taxpayers."

Bullock said his proposal was separate from Bush's efforts, adding that Bush's committee is looking for a way to permanently replace school property taxes with another levy.

Bush said he supported the idea of increasing state spending to relieve pressure on property taxes.

"The lion's share of new money coming into the state, no matter what the source, should go to our schools because our children's education is our No. 1 priority," Bush said.

Davis convicted in Klaas girl's death

SAN JOSE, Calif. (AP) — Richard Allen Davis thrust both middle fingers at courtroom cameras moments after being convicted of murdering 12-year-old Polly Klaas in a verdict that makes him eligible for a death sentence.

Outside the courthouse, Polly's grandfather Joe Klaas gave his own gesture: a thumbs up for victory.

Davis' show of defiance may play a role in the next stage of the trial — the penalty phase to determine whether Davis should be sentenced to death or spend the rest of his life in prison without parole.

"If the jurors saw that it's going to be awfully hard for them to not have that in their mind," prosecutor Greg Jacobs said.

If defense lawyers try to portray Davis as remorseful when the penalty phase begins July 1, that would open the door for prosecutors to introduce video or witness accounts of Davis turning, winking, puckering his lips in a kiss and gesturing obscenely, Jacobs said.

"He was showing us what he is, just a contemptible little punk who's been flipping off society from day one," said Marc Klaas, Polly's father.

"There's no popping of champagne corks ... but he got what he deserved," he said.

Defense lawyer Barry Collins declined comment on the gesture.

After five days of deliberations, the jury on Tuesday convicted Davis on all counts, including all four of the special circumstances that make him eligible for capital punishment. Any one of the special circumstances — robbery, kidnapping, burglary and an attempted lewd act — would have been enough for a possible death sentence.

After the verdict, President Clinton called Polly's father.

"This doesn't make up for the past but our thoughts are with you," Clinton told him. "You have withstood a lot and the country owes you a debt of gratitude."

Davis, 42, strangled Polly with a piece of cloth after abducting her at knifepoint from her Petaluma bedroom as she played with two other girls during a slumber party on Oct. 1, 1993.

Two months later, after being picked up on parole violations, he confessed when he learned that police had discovered his palm print in Polly's bedroom. Davis, who said he killed the girl to try to avoid going back to prison, led investigators to the body.

Davis' lawyers conceded from the beginning that he killed Polly, but denied that he intended to sexually assault her. The defense maintained the killing was the result of a burglary gone awry and said there was no evidence Davis tried to molest Polly.

Prosecutors said the body was too decomposed to yield evidence of sexual molestation, but said the attack fit a pattern Davis established in earlier assaults on women.

Davis did not take the stand, but jurors saw his videotaped confession in which he claimed to have been high the night of the kidnapping, found himself driving around with Polly in the front seat and then killed her.

The arrest of Davis, who had spent most of his life behind bars and was paroled just three months before the murder, fueled the drive for California's "three-strikes" law mandating long sentences for repeat offenders.

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; Country Club; noon.

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

Hermleigh Community Center Family Night; 6:30 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 573-8929; 8 p.m., open meeting (last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting, pot luck at 7 p.m.).

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

SATURDAY

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

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349; 10 a.m.

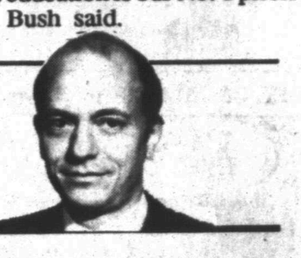
ABCL Open Pairs Duplicate Bridge; Snyder Country Club; 1:30 p.m.

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

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

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 06-19-96
♠ 3 2
♥ K 3 2
♦ K Q J 10 9 8
♣ 3 2

West
♠ K 7 6
♥ Q 10 9 8 7
♦ 4
♣ K J 7 6

East
♠ J 10 9 8
♥ 6 5 4
♦ A 3 2
♣ 10 9 8

South
♠ A Q 5 4
♥ A J
♦ 7 6 5
♣ A Q 5 4

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	3NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 10

Under the water

By Phillip Alder

Monday morning saw my introduction to scuba diving. It was strange, breathing through my mouth. Also, for someone who can only do the breast stroke, kicking up and down with my feet got me nowhere rapidly. But by the end I was keen to do more. However, I had to wait until Wednesday, my last full day in Australia, when I went scuba diving at the Great Barrier Reef with Matthew Byrne, who runs Adventure Connection Australia. It was wonderful, swimming among so many colorful fish, including several stingrays. In the amazing array of coral we even saw two enormous clams, one blue and one purple. It is thoroughly recommended, but be prepared for a dry mouth.

After a quick lunch, it was back to the Cairns Bridge Club for a class called Watch Those Spots.

Sitting South, you get to three no-trump with alacrity. West leads the heart 10. How do you continue?

North is right to respond three no-trump, not three diamonds. With limited high-card strength and without a singleton or void, shooting for the no-trump game is better than aiming toward an 11-trick contract.

There appear to be 10 easy tricks: one spade, three hearts (given the lead), five diamonds and one club. But if the defender with the diamond ace can hold it up until the third round, you will need a dummy entry. The only candidate is the heart king. And if you accept the Greek gift, winning the first trick with the heart jack, that candidate will not win any election.

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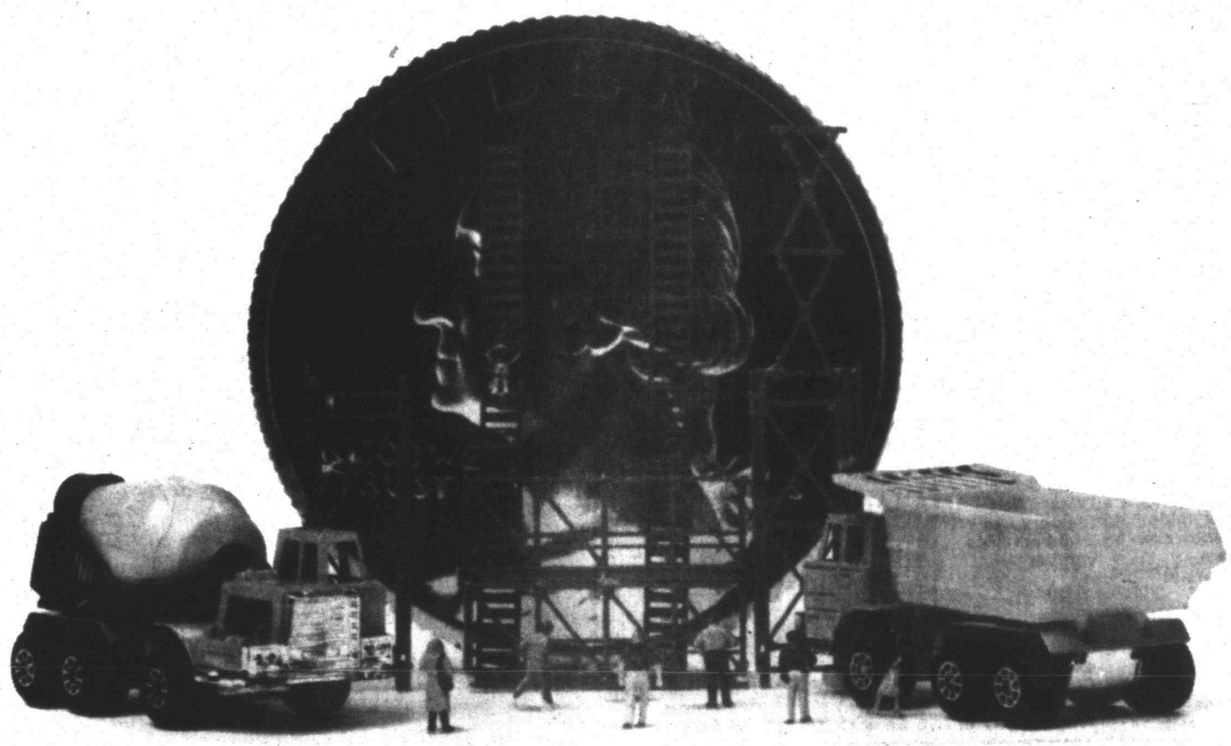
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ACROSS

1 Desert in Asia
5 Yaks
9 Have
12 Adjective ending
13 Norse deity
14 ... man — — mouse?
15 Name for a Dalmatian?
16 Of aircraft
17 Type of code
18 Ethereal being
20 Vinegar holder
22 Wide shoe size
23 Chicken
24 Mined matter
27 Map abbr.
29 Woodland deity
33 35th president
35 South Seas sailboat
36 Appraise
37 Famous raft
40 Smart —
42 Poetic preposition
43 Males
44 Beer barrel
46 Impair
48 Sew loosely
50 Indo-European
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60 Coup d' —
61 Edgar Allan —
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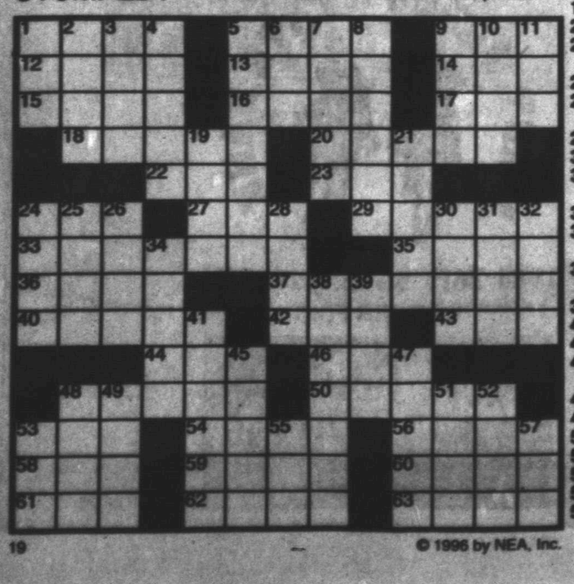
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2 Fumbler's exclamation
3 Channel marker
4 Tropical basket fiber
5 Proceed (2 wds.)
6 Lemony drink
7 Type of wood
8 Makes sleep noises
9 Seep
10 Legal document
11 Short sleep
19 Soccer star
21 Not suitable
24 Gumbo vegetable
25 True
26 Grafted, in heraldry
28 Playful child
30 Spruce
31 Symbol of bondage
32 Precipitation
34 Head supports
38 Conductor Eugene —
39 Approach
41 Type of sugar
45 Magic spirit
47 Actress Winona —
48 Verve
49 Skillful
51 Car
52 Ark builder
53 Alley —
55 Everyone
57 Sault — Marie

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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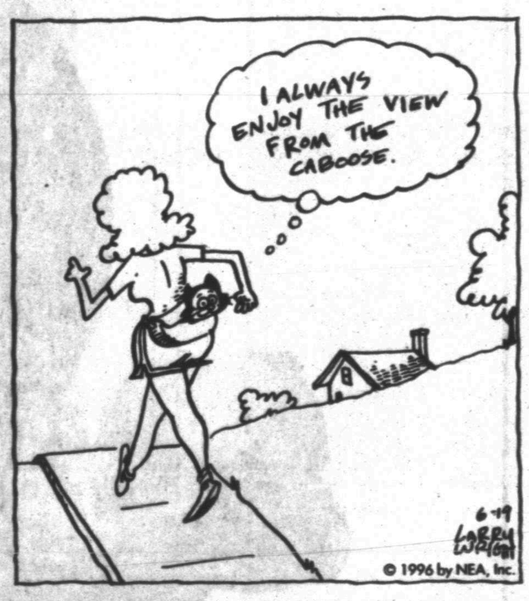
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SPORTS

Portley excited about new coaching opportunity

By Brent Taylor
Sports Editor

Western Texas College Lady Western coach Anthony Portley will have his work cut out for him as he takes over the ladies basketball program, but he is ready for it.

"This is one of, if not the toughest conference in the nation for ladies basketball," said Portley. "Everybody is tough and I like that. From a coaching standpoint, it allows me to better my skills and coach against competitive coaches day in and day out."

A 1989 graduate of Abilene Christian University, Portley began his coaching career at Big Spring High School before being named head basketball coach for the women at Ranger Junior College.

From Ranger he went to Canyon as an assistant at West Texas A&M and then to Quincy University in Quincy, Ill.

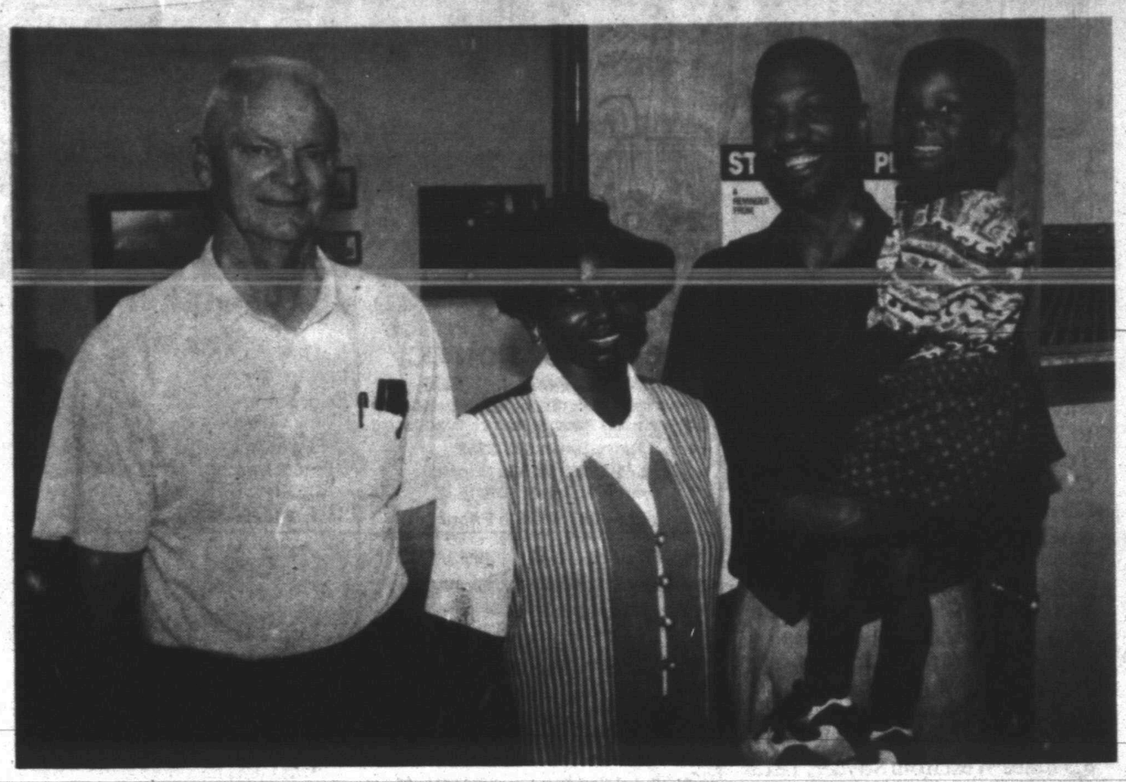
Portley gives credit to former ACU coach Mike Martin for his basketball coaching philosophy. "I played four years for Coach Martin and we had a lot of success," said the soft spoken coach.

Basketball is a way of life for the Portley family. Vicki, Anthony's wife, played for Odessa College. The couple has a three-year-old son, Deshon.

The new coach has eight players committed to the Lady Westerners for the coming season with three spots still to fill. "I will spend the next couple of days getting in touch with the players and starting to build a relationship with them. The open spots I will see who I can come up with. Hopefully there will be some Division I talent still available that has just completed grade requirements that I can talk to."

"I'm anxious to start watching films from last year so I can start to get a better idea of the talent WTC has."

Portley told the WTC board he wants to get with the new Snyder High School girl's basketball coach, Rick Archer, and plan a basketball camp at WTC in August.



LADY WESTERNER COACH—Western Texas College officialy hired Anthony Portley, holding son Deshon, Monday. The basketball coach is coming to Snyder from Quincy College where he served as an assistant. Also shown is his wife, Vicki, and WTC athletic director Milton Ham. (SDN Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

Lone Star too much for Braves in title game

The run for the Snyder Little League Braves came to an end last night in the District V championship game as Abilene Lone Star took an 11-1 win.

The Braves were the winners of the county tournament while Lone Star won the Abilene city tournament.

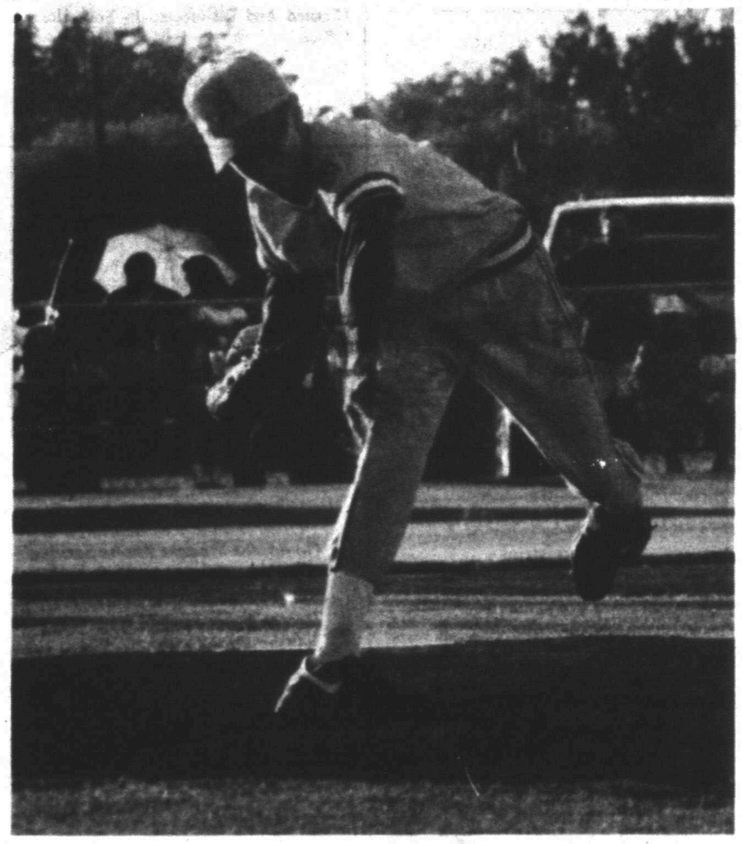
Braves coach George Page said, "We did not have one of our better games. Lone Star had some big kids that hurt us at the plate."

Page went on to add, "I would like to thank the Little League organization, family and fans for their support this year."

Even thought the Braves were defeated, the local Little League action is not finished for the year. Thursday, the championship of the Farm League post-season tournament will be played at 6 p.m. at Logan Field. The Giants will be taking on the Cubs.

Immediately following the game, the 10-year-old all-stars will be announced followed by the 11 & 12 year olds. The older all-stars will be the team playing for the Little League World Series later on this summer.

The 11 & 12 year olds will open play July 1 in the Area 4 tournament in Rotan against Rotan. The 10 year olds will play Albany on the Lone Star Field in Abilene on the same day.



SOUTHPAW—The Snyder Little League Braves lost out to Abilene Lone Star Tuesday, 11-1, in the championship game of District V. The Braves won the county tournament while Lone Star took the Abilene city tournament. Left-handed pitcher Brandon McGuire pitched for the Braves last night. (SDN Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

By The Associated Press
American League Standings
All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	39	28	.582	—
Baltimore	36	30	.545	2½
Boston	29	39	.426	10½
Toronto	29	40	.420	11
Detroit	18	52	.257	22½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	44	24	.647	—
Chicago	41	27	.603	3
Milwaukee	34	34	.500	10
Minnesota	33	35	.485	11
KansasCity	30	41	.423	15½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	42	27	.609	—
Seattle	36	31	.537	5
California	36	33	.522	6
Oakland	32	38	.457	10½

Tuesday's Games
Toronto 11, Seattle 3
New York 2, Minnesota 0
Oakland 8, Detroit 5
Texas 7, Baltimore 0
Milwaukee 9, Kansas City 1
Cleveland 9, Boston 7
California 5, Chicago 4

Wednesday's Games
Minnesota (Robertson 2-8) at New York (Gooden 6-4), 1:05 p.m.
Oakland (Wasdin 3-1) at Detroit (Gohr 4-8), 1:15 p.m.
Kansas City (Gubicza 4-10) at Milwaukee (Bones 5-8), 2:05 p.m.
Chicago (Alvarez 8-3) at California (Grimsley 4-5), 4:05 p.m.
Boston (Gordon 5-2) at Cleveland (Hershiser 6-4), 7:35 p.m.
Texas (Witt 6-5 and Gross 7-4) at Baltimore (Mussina 9-3 and Krivda 2-2), 4:05 p.m., 2
Toronto (Hanson 6-9) at Seattle (Hariktala), 10:35 p.m.

National League Standings

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	43	26	.623	—
Montreal	40	29	.580	3
Florida	33	37	.471	10½
NewYork	30	38	.441	12½
Philadelphia	29	39	.426	13½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	36	36	.500	—
St.Louis	34	34	.500	—
Chicago	33	37	.471	2
Pittsburgh	32	37	.464	2½
Cincinnati	27	36	.429	4½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
LosAngeles	38	33	.535	—
SanDiego	37	34	.521	1
SanFrancisco	35	33	.515	1½
Colorado	35	33	.515	1½

Tuesday's Games
Los Angeles 9, Chicago 6, 1st game
Chicago 7, Los Angeles 4, 2nd game
San Francisco 9, Florida 8, 15 innings
New York at Pittsburgh, ppd., rain
Atlanta 5, San Diego 3
St. Louis 3, Philadelphia 2
Cincinnati 6, Houston 4, 10 innings
Montreal 12, Colorado 8

Wednesday's Games
San Diego (Tewksbury 5-4) at Atlanta (Smoltz 13-1), 1:10 p.m.
Philadelphia (Schilling 2-1) at St. Louis (Andy Benes 3-8), 1:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (Astacio 3-5) at Chicago (Trachsel 5-4), 2:20 p.m.
Cincinnati (Portugal 1-5) at Houston (Hampton 5-3), 2:35 p.m.
Montreal (Martinez 6-3) at Colorado (Thompson 3-6), 3:05 p.m.
New York (Isringhausen 3-8 and Person 1-1) at Pittsburgh (Smith 4-3 and Ruebel 1-0), 5:05 p.m., 2

Ranger hit 5 homers in shutout win, 7-0

BALTIMORE (AP) — Darren Oliver started the season as the Texas Rangers' fifth starter. These days, he's looking more like the ace of the staff.

Oliver pitched seven shutout innings and the Rangers hit five home runs Tuesday night in a 7-0 rout of the Baltimore Orioles. Oliver was well on his way to his second complete game and shutout until a rainshower delayed the game for more than two hours.

Oliver, who allowed only five singles, is 3-0 with a 1.41 ERA in his last five starts. His overall ERA of 3.51 is lowest among American League left-handers.

Not bad for a guy who missed the last three months of the 1995 season because of a torn rotator cuff.

"It just takes a while to get going," he said. "I hadn't thrown much — last year I missed half the season."

Oliver (6-2) allowed only one runner past second base and did not give up more than one hit in any inning. He walked two and struck out four.

"I just tried to go five or six innings and keep it close," he said. "I just wanted to keep it simple and throw strikes."

That's precisely what happened — Oliver threw 91 pitches, 58 of them strikes.

"We looked for Darren to throw well once, twice ... It seems like now he's getting pretty good at it," Texas manager Johnny Oates said.

Oliver didn't return after the rain delay, but Dennis Cook finished off the shutout — the first against Baltimore this season.

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Johnson vs. Reynolds in 400; Olympic champion feels left out

ATLANTA (AP) — Quick, who is defending Olympic champion in the men's 400 meters?

No, it's not Michael Johnson, who hasn't lost a 400 final since 1989, a streak that stands at 52 straight victories. Try again.

No, it's not Butch Reynolds, who holds the world record of 43.29 seconds, set a few days before he captured a silver medal at the 1988 Olympics.

Give up? Quincy Watts won the 400 gold at Barcelona, but the star power of the Johnson-vs.-Reynolds showdown has relegated him to a supporting role at the U.S. track and field trials.

"Include me as the sentimental favorite, at least," Watts pleaded before tonight's 400 final, in which he was a definite underdog to Johnson and Reynolds. "At least put me in there somewhere. That's all I ask for. I've done too much for this sport."

Watts, though, continues to be regarded as a fluke champion, because he didn't have to run against either Johnson or Reynolds four years ago.

Reynolds still was contesting a drug suspension when the trials were held in New Orleans. He went to court and won the right to run the 400, but all the legal wrangling hampered his performance; he finished fifth and failed to qualify for the team.

Now he's back, seeking to wipe out memories of 1992 and continuing the effort to clear his name of what he considers an injustice.

Johnson is seeking his own redemption. He skipped the 400 to concentrate on the 200 at the Barcelona Games, but was undermined in that race by food poisoning after being an overwhelming favorite.

At the trials, Johnson has cruised through the first three rounds, hardly breaking a sweat. He even spent a few minutes after each race jogging in the bowels of the stadium, as if he didn't get enough of a workout from the competition.

"The finals are what I'm really looking forward to," said Johnson, expected to qualify for the Olympics in the 200, as well. "These other races are just something I have to do."

The 400 field is so strong that the Americans could sweep the event at the Olympics — no matter which three make the team. Also in the final will be 1994 NCAA champ Derek Mills and the two fastest men in the semifinals, Alvin Harrison (44.43) and LaMont Smith (44.51).

Maybe that's why Johnson was reluctant to focus solely on Reynolds.

"It's not going to be a race out there between just me and Butch," he said. "There's going to be seven other guys out there. I don't care who they are. I'm just out there to run my race."

Watts compared himself to the Houston Rockets, who won their second straight NBA title in 1995 even though they were one of the lowest-seeded teams entering the playoffs.

"I've won two gold medals. I've got the Olympic record," he said. "I deserve some credit, too."

The final of the men's long jump, with Carl Lewis seeking to become the first American male track and field athlete on five Olympic teams, also will be contested tonight. Other finals include men's hammer throw and 800 meters, as well as the women's 400 and discus.

Lewis, who already has failed to qualify in the 100 and is vague about competing against Johnson in the 200, struggled in the long jump qualifying Monday, managing just sixth place with a best leap of 26 feet, 4¼ inches.

But Lewis, who has won the long jump in the last three Olympics, said he considered the qualifying round nothing more than a good workout and pointed out he also struggled in the qualifying at the 1988 trials.

XXVI COUNTDOWN TO ATLANTA

I Olympiad 1896, Athens

One June 23, 1894, French educator Baron Pierre de Coubertin, speaking at the Sorbonne in Paris to a gathering of international sports leaders from nine nations, including the United States and Russia, proposed that the ancient Olympic Games be revived on an international scale. The idea was enthusiastically received and the modern Olympics, as we know them, were born.

The first Olympiad (an interval of four years between celebrations) was conducted two years later in Athens. An estimated 245 athletes, all men, from 14 nations competed in the ancient Panathenaic stadium before large and enthusiastic crowds, April 6-15, 1896.

Americans won nine of 12 track and field events, but Greece won the most medals with 47. U.S. ended the first Olympics with 19 medals (11 gold, six silver and two bronze).

American winners included Tom Burke in the 100 and 400 meters, and Tom Curtis in the 110-meter high hurdles. Burke ran 12.0 in the 100 and 54.2 in the 400.

Field event winners were Ellery Clark in the high jump at 5-11¼ and in the long jump at 20-10. William Hoyt cleared 10-10 in pole vault and James Connolly went 44-11¾ in the triple jump.

Bob Garrett won gold in both the shot put (36-9¾) and discus (95-7½). Garrett was the leading medal winner for the U.S. with two golds and one silver.

Other contested events included cycling, fencing, gymnastics, shooting, tennis, weightlifting and Greco-Roman wrestling.

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Jury cannot agree so man receives life

EVERETT, Wash. (AP) — A man who gunned down his pregnant, mail-order bride and two of her friends at a Seattle courthouse will spend the rest of his life in prison because his jury could not agree on the death penalty.

The jurors who convicted Timothy Craig Blackwell said Tuesday they could not reach the required unanimous decision to execute Blackwell for the three killings.

Sentencing of Blackwell, 48, is scheduled for Monday. Aggravated first-degree murder carries a mandatory minimum of life without possibility of parole.

Blackwell was convicted last month of killing Philippine-native Susana Remerata Blackwell, 25, and two of her friends — Phoebe Dizon, 46, and Veronica Laureta Johnson, 42 — who were also from the Philippines.

The three were shot March 2, 1995, while sitting on a hallway bench in the King County Courthouse awaiting final arguments in the Blackwells' divorce case.

Blackwell also was found guilty of first-degree manslaughter for killing his wife's near-term fetus. He had learned the day before the shooting that she was eight-months' pregnant by another man.

The Blackwells met through a matchmaking service and were married in 1993 in the Philippines.

Blackwell grew up in a troubled, dirt-poor home without a father in Glendive, Mont. He went to the Philippines in 1993 to marry, and returned about a year later with his wife.

Tuesday relatively quiet for Snyder peace officers

Tuesday was a relatively quiet day for area peace officers, but they did make two arrests and handle reports of criminal mischief and theft.

Officers arrested a 33-year-old man in the 1200 block of 25th Street at 7:11 p.m. on outstanding city warrants.

At 8:26 p.m., officers arrested a 22-year-old male in the 3600 block of College Avenue for possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to wear a seat belt.

In other activity, Tim Decker requested a deputy at the Snyder Country Club at 9:25 a.m. in reference to someone damaging the number 6 green. The flag stick was broken and was apparently used to poke holes in the green, said a spokesman at the county club's pro shop.

At 3:11 p.m., Sara Shlezinger requested to speak to an officer in reference to an undetermined amount of money being taken from the Snyder One-Stop. An offense report for Class A theft was submitted. Class A thefts include totals ranging from $500 to $1,500.

Andy Poe requested to speak to an officer at 4:21 p.m. in reference to some money being missing from Lawrence IGA #100. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted in reference to less than $50 taken.

A caller notified deputies at 4:53 p.m. that a male was exposing himself to passing motorists on County Road 134, west of the Camp Springs Cemetery. A 17-year-old male has been identified as the suspect and the case has been forwarded to the county attorney.

Bob Lewis requested to speak to an officer at 5:05 p.m. in reference to a hit-and-run accident at the American Legion. Involved were a parked, unoccupied 1988 GMC pickup owned by Lewis of 1203 26th St. and a vehicle which left the scene.

At 11:56 p.m., a report was made in reference to an officer finding a bicycle at Central Elementary.

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Chrysler	68⅛	68⅛	68⅛	+ ⅛
Chryslerwi	34⅜	34⅜	34⅜	+ ⅛
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CocaColas	46⅞	46⅛	46⅜	+ ⅜
ColgatePalm	81⅛	80⅜	81⅛	+ ⅛
ComclMetals	31⅜	31⅜	31⅜	+ ⅛
CooperIn	44⅛	43⅛	43⅛	— ⅛
CyprusAmax	25⅛	24⅞	25⅛	+ ⅛
DallSemicn	19⅛	19	19	— ⅛
DeltaAirl	84	83⅛	83⅛	— ⅜
DigitalEq	44⅛	44	44⅛	+ ⅛
Dillard	38⅛	38	38⅛	— ⅛
DowChetn	80⅜	80⅛	80⅜	+ ⅜
DresserInd	28⅛	27⅞	28⅛	+ ⅛
DuPont	78⅛	78	78⅛	+ ⅜
EastmanChem	64⅛	63⅜	63⅜	— ⅜
EstKodak	79	78⅛	78⅛	+ ⅜
EDS Corp		53⅜	53⅜	53⅜
EljerInd	11⅛	11⅛	11⅛	+ ⅛
Enserch		21⅛	21⅛	21⅛
Entergy	26⅜	26⅛	26⅜	— ⅛
Exxon	85	84⅛	84⅜	+ ⅜
Flowers s	18	17⅛	17⅜	— ⅛
FordMotor	35⅛	34⅛	34⅛	+ ⅜
GTE Cp	42⅛	42⅜	42⅛	+ ⅛
GenDynam	62⅛	61⅛	62⅛	+ ⅜
GenElec	85⅛	85⅛	85⅛	+ ⅛
GenMills	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛	+ ⅛
GenMotors	55⅜	54⅛	55⅜	+ ⅛
GaPacif	75⅛	74⅜	75⅛	+1⅛
GlobalMar	14½	14⅛	14½	— ⅛
Goodrichs	37⅛	37⅛	37⅜	— ⅛
Goodyear s		48	47½	47⅞
GtAtlPac	34⅛	33⅛	33⅜	— ⅛
Haliburta	50⅜	49⅞	50⅛	+ ⅛
Hanson ADS	14⅜	14⅛	14⅛	+1-64
HarteHanks s	26⅜	26⅛	26⅛	— ⅛
HoustonInd s	22⅜	22⅛	22⅜	— ⅛
IBM	102⅜	101⅛	102⅛	+1
IntlPapers	40	39⅝	39⅝	— ⅛
JohnsnJn s	48⅛	47⅞	48	+ ⅛
K mart	13⅜	13⅜	13⅜	— ⅛
Kroger	38⅝	38⅛	38⅛	+ ⅛
Litton	43⅛	43⅛	43⅛	+ ⅛
LockhdMart	83⅛	82⅛	82⅜	-1
Lowes Cos	37⅛	36⅛	36⅛	+1⅛
Lubys	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛	— ⅛
LucentTech n	35⅛	35⅛	35⅜	+ ⅛
MayDeptStrs		45	44⅛	44⅛
Medtronics	56⅛	55⅛	56⅛	— ⅛
Mobil	113⅛	112⅞	113⅛	+ ⅛
Monsanto s	33⅛	33	33⅛	— ⅛
Motorola	62⅛	62	62⅛	+ ⅛
Nationsbk	82	81⅛	82	— ⅛
Navistar	9⅝	9⅜	9⅝	+ ⅛
NoramEngy	10⅛	10	10⅛	+ ⅛
Norwest	35	34⅛	34⅛	+ ⅛
Nynex	45⅜	45⅛	45⅜	— ⅛
OryxEngy	15⅜	14⅛	15⅛	+ ⅛
PacTelesis	33⅜	32⅛	33⅛	+ ⅛
PanEnergy		32	31⅝	32
Penney JC	52⅛	52⅛	52⅛	— ⅛
Pennzoil	45⅞	44⅞	45⅛	+ ⅛
PepBoys	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛	—3-32
PepsiCo s	34⅜	33⅞	34⅛	+ ⅛
PhelpDodge	66⅛	65⅛	65⅞	+1
PhilipPet	40	39⅝	39⅞	+ ⅛
PilgrmPrd	8	7⅞	8	+ ⅛
Polaroid	46⅛	45⅛	46	— ⅛
Praxair	41⅛	40⅝	41⅛	+ ⅛
ProctGamble	88⅛	87⅛	88⅛	+ ⅛
PubSNwMx		18⅛	18⅛	18⅛
RoyalDutch		152⅛	152⅛	152⅛
SBC Comm	48⅛	48⅛	48⅛	— ⅛
SaraLee	32⅛	32⅛	32⅛	+ ⅛
SearsRoebs	50⅛	49⅝	50	— ⅛
SherwinW	44⅛	44⅛	44⅛	+ ⅛
SmthBchADS	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛	— ⅛
SouthernCo	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛	+ ⅛
SwstAirlines		28⅛	28⅛	28⅛
Sprint		40⅛	40	40⅛
SterlingChm		11⅛	11⅛	11⅛
SunCo	29	28⅝	28⅞	+ ⅛
TNP Ent	26	25⅞	26	+ ⅛
Tandy	49⅛	48⅛	48⅝	— ⅛
TempleInl	48⅝	48	48⅛	+ ⅜
Tenneco	54⅛	54⅛	54⅛	+ ⅛
Texaco	85⅛	84⅛	85	+ ⅜
TexasInd	66	65⅜	66	+ ⅛
TexasInsts		52⅛	52	52⅛
TexUtil	40	39⅛	39⅝	— ⅛
Textron	81⅛	81⅛	81⅛	+ ⅛
Travelers s		44	43⅜	43⅜
TrinityInds	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛	— ⅛
TritonEngy	47⅛	46⅞	47⅛	+ ⅛
Tyler	2⅛	2⅛	2⅛	+ ⅛
US WestCm s	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛	+ ⅛
USWstMda n		17⅞	17⅞	17⅞
USX Delhi		12⅛	12	12
USX-Marathn	20⅛	19⅞	20⅛	— ⅛
USX-USS		29⅛	29⅛	29⅛
UnCarbde	43⅜	43	43⅛	+ ⅛
UnPac	69⅛	68⅛	69	— ⅛
UnitedTech	110⅛	109⅛	110⅛	+ ⅛
Unocal	31⅛	30⅛	31	— ⅛
WalMart	25⅛	24⅛	25⅛	— ⅛
WstnGasRs	16⅛	16	16⅛	+ ⅛
WestghEl	18⅜	18⅜	18⅛	+ ⅛
WinnDixie s		34⅛	34⅛	34⅛
Woolworth	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛	— ⅛
XeroxCp s	53⅛	52⅝	52⅛	+ ⅜
ZenithE	12⅛	12	12⅜	— ⅛

Births

Patrick and Susan Birkenfeld announce the birth of their daughter, Brittany Nicole. She was born June 12 and weighed six pounds, 12 ounces.

Grandparents are Carol and Mildred Birkenfeld of Nazareth, Joe and Mildred Sentell of Snyder and Floyd and Ruth Gallaway of Abernathy.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Rea Jordan, 2600 Park; Misty Lamb, Colorado City; Nina Lara, 1200 19th; Lester Liggett, 9390 W Hwy 180; Lewis Treadway, 308 34th.

DISMISSALS: Misty Lamb, Diana Martinez, Dean Robertson, Lewis Treadway.

CENSUS: 48 (Med., Surg.-14, Long-term Care-34).

Top safety chief ousted; inspections tightened

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Federal Aviation Administration, a bureaucracy that grew up supervising traditional airlines, is scrambling to catch up with a new world of "virtual airlines" that spring up, paint their names on airplanes and hire contractors to do most of the work.

Moving to patch holes uncovered in the wake of the ValuJet Airlines investigation, the agency ousted its top safety official Tuesday and announced a series of moves to tighten inspection of airlines.

It acted just a day after Atlanta-based ValuJet halted operations at the FAA's request because of alleged maintenance and airworthiness problems.

"What ValuJet has shown is that the agency is structurally not prepared to deal with the new, updated airline that is growing very quickly and contracts most of its work out," Transportation Secretary Federico Pena said in an interview.

The changes announced Tuesday will "make sure in future the FAA is prepared to respond," he said.

Calling the FAA's inspection of ValuJet a collection of lessons learned, FAA Administrator David Hinson announced changes to take effect immediately.

These include requirements that:

— Airlines prove that contractors they hire are capable of handling the work.

— Maintenance programs conform to regulations.

— All contractors are listed for the agency and new ones approved before being used.

— New oversight requirements be established for inspectors.

Hinson also announced the retirement, effective June 30, of Anthony Broderick, associate administrator for certification and regulation.

As the man in charge of approving new airlines and airplanes for use, and overseeing their ongoing inspections, Broderick had become one of the most powerful men in aviation.

"The events of the past weeks mandate that you make major, visible changes to improve the public confidence in the safety of our air transportation system," Broderick wrote in his letter of resignation. "My leaving will provide you with the maximum amount of flexibility to make those changes."

When asked, Pena said there had been no consideration of replacing Hinson also.

And although there has been White House and congressional pressure on the agency to allay public concerns over airline safety, Pena insisted the White House had no involvement in Broderick's departure.

President Clinton's only concern, Pena said, was for the department "to take whatever additional measures were needed to assure the highest level of safety in our country."

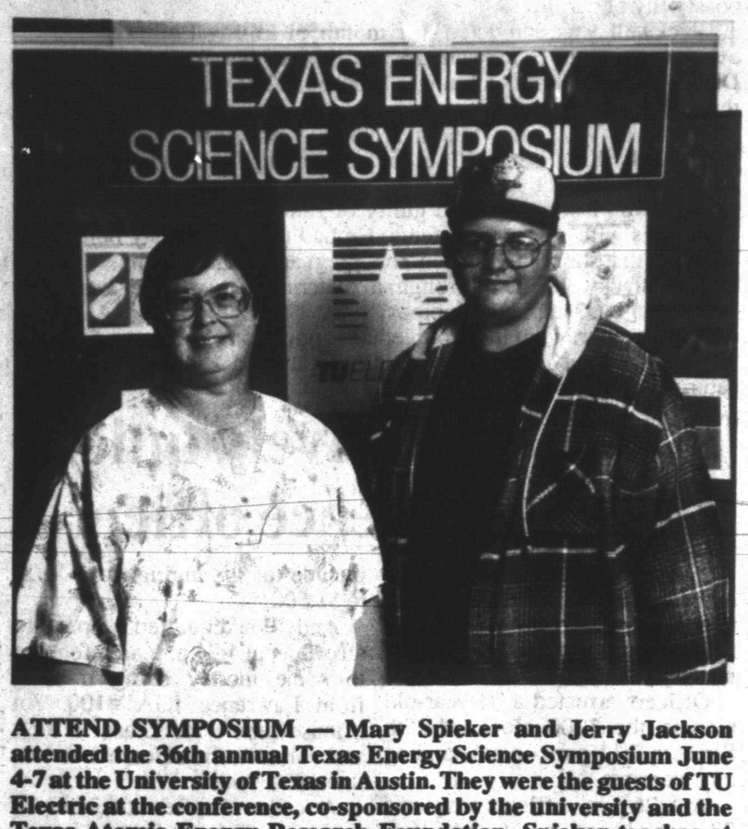
Pena said ValuJet's combination of rapid growth and contracting out most maintenance and training jobs made it an unusual airline. Some others contract out work, but none has grown so rapidly, posing inspection problems.

"They probably need to restructure to make sure they can keep pace with the ValuJets of the world," commented Michael Goldfarb, former FAA chief counsel and now a consultant.

But, he added: "Tony Broderick's not the problem."

The Air Transport Association, which represents major U.S. airlines, said in a statement that it would work with Pena and Hinson "to help them achieve their objectives for the FAA."

ValuJet halted service at midnight Monday at the request of the FAA after inspectors uncovered problems in supervising contractors who do maintenance. While the carrier's May 11 crash in Florida that killed 110 people had focused added attention on the airline, the FAA already had begun looking into its operations in February.



ATTEND SYMPOSIUM — Mary Spieker and Jerry Jackson attended the 36th annual Texas Energy Science Symposium June 4-7 at the University of Texas in Austin. They were the guests of TU Electric at the conference, co-sponsored by the university and the Texas Atomic Energy Research Foundation. Spieker teaches at Hermleigh High School and Jackson is a student there. (Contributed Photo)

Man executed in rape/murder of two-year-old Arizona girl

FLORENCE, Ariz. (AP) — A man who fired his lawyers and refused legal appeals was executed by injection early Wednesday for raping and murdering a 2-year-old girl in 1986.

Daren Lee Bolton, 29, was caught four years after the murder through a new computerized fingerprinting system.

Bolton was sentenced to death in 1993 in the murder of Zosha Lee Pickett. He fired his lawyers after losing a mandatory appeal with the state Supreme Court and then acted as his own lawyer, refusing to appeal his sentence.

Bolton maintained his innocence but said he would rather be executed than spend the rest of his life in prison.

Zosha was kidnapped from her Tucson home in June 1986. She was raped, stabbed and left to die in an abandoned taxi a few blocks away.

Bolton wasn't linked to Zosha's death until four years later.

Illinois police, who had Bolton's prints on file from previous assault convictions in Champaign, Ill., were training on a new computerized fingerprinting system when they matched his prints to those found on Zosha's bedroom window and in the taxi.

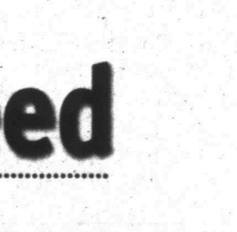
Bolton was also charged with murder, sexual assault and kidnapping in the October 1982 death of 7-year-old Cathy Fritz, who was abducted while walking home from a neighbor's house in Tucson. His trial in that case had been set for September.

DNA evidence from a pubic hair linked Bolton to Cathy's death in 1994.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, June 20, 1996

You will enhance your leadership skills in the year ahead. People will follow your lead both at work and in your social life. Plan some fun activities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your ability to promote your ideas will put you a few steps ahead of the crowd today. Use your judgment instead of trying to seek approval from others. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Try to be as generous with your resources today as a recent benefactor was with his. Spend money on things which you both can enjoy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Even though your assignment might be tough, you'll do things with a flourish and you will impress everyone today. You will own the center stage.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You will be more effective today if you pull the strings from the background rather than from a visible position. Let others think that your ideas are theirs.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) This will be an especially good cycle for realizing your hopes and expectations, so make the most of it. Do not let negative people influence your thinking.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Focus your attention on your most difficult objective today. You will have the ability to achieve your goals, regardless of impediments.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If associates do not agree with you today, do not attempt to impose your ideas on them. Make your presentation bold, but do not apply pressure.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Rely on the judgment of a loyal associate today. If you lack essential knowledge in a commercial involvement, he or she can fill in the blanks.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Fairness and tact will be your two greatest assets today. Others will treat you fairly as soon as they see that you're not trying to trick them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Trends will continue to look favorable for you in terms of your career. Keep performing to the best of your ability because your efforts will be acknowledged.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) A friend may be on a tight budget today. Do not embarrass this individual by encouraging him or her to spend money frivolously.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A current situation probably will not improve with time, so try to resolve it today. This will be a good day to act.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Closed Captions Are Handy For Many With Perfect Hearing

DEAR ABBY: I have just read the article from Mr. and Mrs. Ellington Mills, of Hot Springs, Ark.,regarding the background music on TV programs that causes the dialogue to be drowned out.

I'm also perturbed by this same annoyance, but have found a solution. May I suggest that they run, not walk, to their TV store and purchase a new television set? I was not aware that approximately three years ago, manufacturers were required to put closed captioning on TV sets to assist the hearing impaired. Not only does this help the hearing impaired, but it also helps the viewer who does not have a hearing problem keep up with the dialogue. It's fabulous! It also helps when the phone rings and the TV must be put on mute, because the closed captioning is still on screen.

While I'm on my soapbox, may I please praise the producers of TV programs and advertisers who use closed captioning. I have made a point to purchase items that are advertised that way.

My wish is that the older films have closed captioning added. It would be appreciated by the millions who use the service.

WANDA A. FOSTER,
FORT SMITH, ARK.

DEAR WANDA FOSTER: I'm sure many readers will appreciate your helpful suggestion. As of July 1, 1993, all television sets 13 inches or larger made or sold in the United States have closed-caption decoders built inside — a tremendous boon to the more than 20 million people in the United States who suffer from some degree of hearing loss.

But closed captioning can also serve a wider population than the hearing impaired. It's an excellent teaching tool for recent immigrants who are struggling to learn English. The National Captioning Institute claims that a large percentage of caption decoders (which were sold separately before 1993) were purchased by Hispanic and Asian Americans who find it easier to understand new idioms and expressions when they can read and hear them at the same time. It can also be a valuable teaching tool when used regularly in homes where there are children who are reading at or below fourth-grade levels.

Anyone who is interested in learning more about closed caption technology should contact the National Captioning Institute Inc., 1900 Gallows Road, Vienna, Va. 22182. NCI has two toll-free numbers: 1-800-533-9673 for hearing people, and 1-800-950-0958 for deaf and speech-impaired people.

I wouldn't be doing my job, however, if I didn't point out that anyone who's experiencing difficulty hearing their favorite TV programs (or the dialogue in movie theaters) should schedule an appointment with his or her physician for a hearing examination. Special earphones are available for use in homes, theaters and concert halls that clarify sound and greatly reduce this annoying problem.

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DEAR ABBY: In response to the letter you printed from a secretary who said she frequently sees "20's," "50's," "80's," etc. written in error, it's not necessarily a mistake. Although such expressions are not possessive or contractions, as she correctly stated, some publications — most prominently The New York Times — have adopted the apostrophe as a matter of style.

Some publications choose to spell out the words. The Asbury Park Press, which has published your column for decades, follows the guidelines in "The Associated Press Stylebook," which call for an apostrophe at the beginning of the numerals, as you said '96 necessitates. We write '20s, '50s, '80s and '96.

WALLY PATRICK,
COPY EDITOR, THE ASBURY
PARK PRESS, NEPTUNE, N.J.

DEAR WALLY: I received an avalanche of critical letters for my statement concerning apostrophes. Thank you for restoring my self-confidence.

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Landscape Maintenance Practices Save Water

Proper maintenance is a key principle in reducing irrigation requirements in the landscape. Maintenance practices, such as mulching, mowing and ferilizing greatly impact the water efficiency of any landscape, as well as the landscape's ability to survive a drought.

Research at Texas A&M University has shown that unmulched soil may lose twice as much water to evaporation as mulched soil. Mulch is a layer of material covering the soil surface around plants. Mulches can be organic materials, such as shredded bark, compost and wood chips; or inorganic materials, such as lava rock, limestone and woven plastic.

Use a mulch wherever possible. A good mulch preserves soil moisture, prevents soil compaction, keeps soil temperature more moderate and reduces weed populations. In case weeds do get a start, they are much easier to pull if a mulch has been used.

Organic mulches will decompose and sometimes wash away, so make checks regularly and replacements when necessary.

In addition to mulching, other maintenance practices help save water in the landscape. Mowing turfgrass at the proper height helps conserve moisture. For example, the optimum height to mow St. Augustine grass for water is three inches. The typical mowing height is 2-2½ inches. However, the taller height promotes a deeper, more water efficient root system. Taller grass acts like a living mulch, shading the ground, thus reducing moisture evaporation from the soil. Also, grass that is allowed to grow taller grows slower; therefore, needing less water and mowing.

Another maintenance practice that adds to the efficient use of water by plants is proper fertilization. Applying fertilizer to the lawn at the proper time and in the proper amount can save time, effort and money through reduced mowing and watering. Fertilizers can also be a major source of pollution of streams and groundwater if excessive amounts are applied.

Fertilize the lawn once in spring and again in fall to produce a beautiful turf without excess growth which demands frequent watering. Use a slow-release form of nitrogen in spring and a quick release form in fall. Apply only 1 pound of actual nitrogen fertilizer per 1,000 square feet of lawn at one time. By using this fertilizer schedule, no other fertilizer is needed for most shrubs and trees in the lawn area.

Other cultural practices that add to the efficient use of water by plants are periodic checks of the irrigation system, properly-timed insect and disease control and elimination of water-demanding weeds.

Published in 1543, the book in which the astronomer Copernicus argued that the planets revolve around the sun was a financial disaster.



Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

WHEN SEAT BELTS ARE NOT WORN, TRAGEDY CAN BE THE RESULT

Last month, in a small community in rural Texas, three young people lost their lives in a pickup truck crash. The 16-year-old driver was transporting two younger siblings to school. The driver lost control of the vehicle and ran off the road and struck a tree. All three of the occupants were fatally injured in the crash.

The Texas Department of Public Safety Trooper that investigated the crash stated that none of the occupants were wearing their safety belts. The tragedy is that the crash was likely a survivable crash had the occupants been wearing safety belts.

The question then is "How can people be convinced to wear their safety belts in the rural communities of Texas?" The Texas Agricultural Extension Service has conducted observational sampling studies during the last several years to get a reading on the usage rates. A study conducted during 1992 showed only 41 percent of rural residents buckle up. A similar study conducted during 1994 showed 46 percent usage rate. These usage rates are quite low compared to the more populated areas of our state. Another study is being conducted during 1996. Preliminary data shows similarly low usage rates.

We have a seat belt law in Texas. This law coupled with education and enforcement can achieve high use rates and significantly reduce fatalities, injuries and associated costs. However, the responsibility ultimately lies with the individual to buckle up. I encourage parents to help children develop the habit of buckling up by setting an example and requiring that children buckle up on every trip in any type of motor vehicle. Please do what you can to prevent the next traffic crash report being on the death or severe injury of one of your family members.



The Emu Report

By Shirley Pate, Pate Emu Farm

According to Dr. Bradley, the most obvious problem with the eggs that are removed after the first candling will be the true infertile egg. The blastodisk will appear as a small, irregular, white spot at the top of the yolk.

"If you have a high number of infertilities, it can indicate one of several things to you," suggested Dr. Bradley. "It may be that your male is not reproductively active, or, he may be active but is not completing copulation. If he is successfully mating the female, but you still have a high level of infertility it could be that the ejaculate that he is depositing into the oviduct has an insufficient number of spermatozoa to fertilize the number of ova the hen is laying. On the other hand, the problem could be in the female."

Dr. Bradley says that the second type of egg that you can pull out after the first candling is called the Positive Development, or PD. This is a true fertile egg. When this fertile egg was placed in the incubator, cells started dividing but the only genetic embryonic membranes or those membranes that surround the embryo.

"What you will see when you break out this egg is a yolk covered with white tissue," explained Dr. Bradley. "There will be no blood, and no embryo. Although this is a fertile egg, it will appear as clear when candled. If you see a high number of these it could mean a problem with your egg storage. It could be that you have highly inbred stock, or there is a problem with the semen that the male is depositing."

The third type of problem that you will see is termed as the Blastoderm Without Embryo, or BWE. According to Dr. Bradley, the production of the extra embryonic membranes has taken place, there are formations of the blood eyelets, or the precursors to the vascular system, but there is no embryo.

"When you look at this at break out, you will see the yolk covered with white tissue and then the little spots of the blood eyelets," explained Dr. Bradley. "A high number of these can be suggestive of a prolonged storage period. You may be holding your eggs too long before getting them into the incubator, or you may be handling them roughly during the storage period."

The final type of egg that you may pull will be the true early dead embryos. According to Dr. Bradley, these will give their age based on their most advanced physical feature. Dr. Bradley says that an elevation of problems in your incubator environment such as the possibility of a disease problem in your breeder stock.

"To get the most information out of break out, you need to do the candling and to break out within the first two suggested weeks of incubation," Dr. Bradley advised. "This is going to allow you to pull out your true infertile eggs and all of the eggs that have developed early on. If you allow these eggs to stay in the incubator until you pull off your hatch and then break them open, you can lose a lot of information. As any egg ages, the albumen or white, starts to break down and the membrane surrounding the yolk breaks down as well. Trying to obtain information from these eggs will be like trying to obtain information from eggnog."

Dr. Bradley added that if there is any type of contaminant in the egg, you are putting it in a great place to develop. The microorganism will multiply rapidly in the warm environment and the egg may eventually leak or explode in the incubator.

For further, information call Pate Emu Farm, 573-5340.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 724 head of cattle af the Saturday, June 15, sale. Feeder steers and heifers were $1 to $3 higher. Packer cows were steady.

Stocker and feeder steers: 200 to 300, 55 to 66; 300 to 400, 52 to 64; 400 to 500, 50 to 65; 500 to 600 50 to 61; 600 to 750, 48 to 58.
Stocker and feeder heifers: 200 to 300, 48 to 58; 300 to 400, 48 to 53; 400 to 500, 46 to 56; 500 to 600, 44 to 53.50; 600 to 750, 46 to 52.50.
Pairs: 325 to 510.
Packer cows: 24 to 38.
Packer bulls: 35 to 46.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market at Sweetwater had a run of 756 head of cattle for the Wednesday, June 12, sale. Stocker calves were 2 cwt higher with feeders steady. Packer cows and bulls were steady with pairs and bred cows higher.

STEERS
300-400: 58-65
400-500: 55-62
500-600: 52-60
600-700: 51-60

HEIFERS
300-400: 42-55
400-500: 44-53
500-600: 45-54
600-700: 47-54

BRED COWS
Good: 300-385
Older and Plainer: 200-300

PAIRS
Good: 485-580
Older Plainer: 300-450

PACKER COWS
Good: 26-34
Low Yielding: 20-26

PACKER BULLS
Good: 35-38
Low Yielding: 30-35

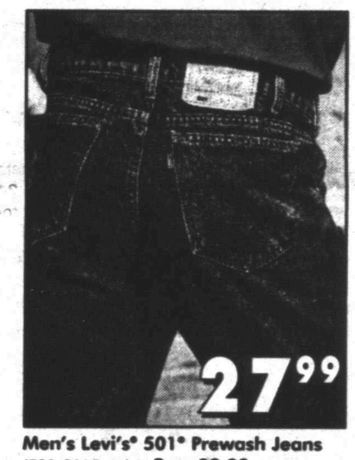
Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 800 head of cattle for the Thursday, June 13, sale. Cows were $3 to $4 better. Yearlings and Calves were $2 to $4 better. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 28 to 37; Canner and low cutters 22 to 27.50; Slaughter bulls 35 to 42.
Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 55 to 62.50; 400 to 500, 55 to 62; 500 to 600, 52.50 to 61; 600 to 700, 53.50 to 60; 700 to 800, 53.50 to 58.50.
Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 45 to 52; 400 to 500, 48 to 52; 500 to 600, 47 to 52; 600 to 700, 48 to 52; 700 to 800, 45 to 51.
Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 44 to 51; 700 to 800, 44 to 51.
Cow and calf pairs: good 300 to 475 grade 225 to 300
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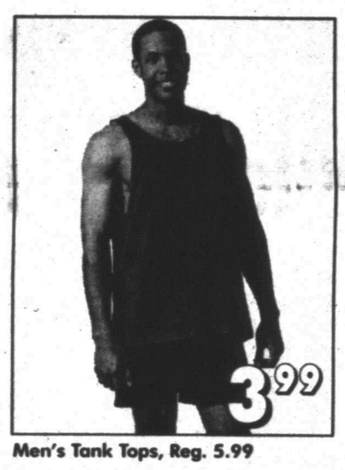
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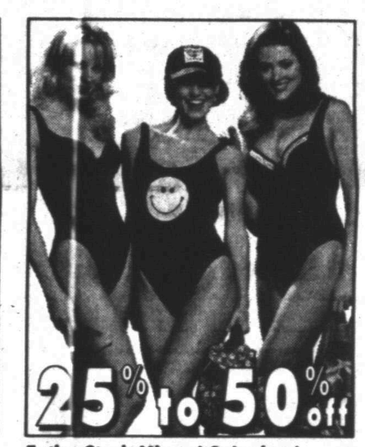
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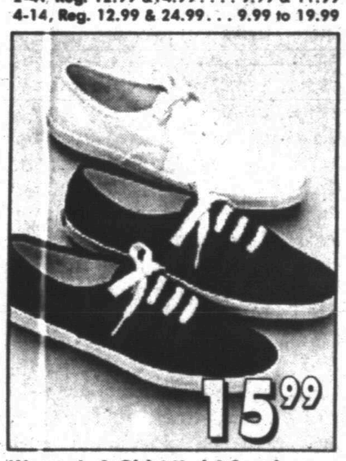
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Six die in helicopter crash, 28 injured

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) — Two Army helicopters that collided during a mock rescue, killing six and injuring 28, were flying side by side when one suddenly veered into the other, a videotape showed.

"It was not a case of them hovering too close," said Maj. Joe Howell, a post spokesman who witnessed the crash and reviewed a spectator's videotape of Tuesday's accident.

The main rotor blades of the two UH-60 Blackhawk helicopters hit each other, Howell said.

Nine soldiers remained in critical condition this morning, including four who were evacuated to Vanderbilt University Hospital in nearby Nashville, Tenn., the Army said. The other five were in the intensive care unit at Blanchfield Army Hospital at the post.

One of the pilots survived and was interviewed by investigators, Howell said.

The spinning wreckage fell about 100 feet, just missing the location of a staged accident where soldiers lay on the ground feigning injuries. A third helicopter taking part in the exercise managed to fly off safely.

It was the military's second fatal helicopter collision in just over a month, and the second at Fort Campbell this year.

The dead and injured soldiers were from the elite 101st Airborne Division based at Fort Campbell, which straddles the Kentucky-Tennessee line. The soldiers were preparing to slide down ropes when the crash occurred.

Howell said the unit had performed the same drill without any problems earlier this week.

The UH-60 choppers, used for attack missions or medical evacuations, can carry a crew of three or four and about 11 passengers. The Army did not know if any of the soldiers who had been portraying injured troops on the ground were among the dead or injured.

A group of about 22 area business people and officials were watching the mock medical evacuation from bleachers about 100 yards away. Soldiers were to descend from the helicopters by rope to a plywood mockup of a downed helicopter to treat soldiers pretending to be injured, and then airlift them away.

Two civilians, Peggy Poole and Mark Clare, both from Clarksville, Tenn., suffered minor injuries when they were hit by flying debris. Both were treated at the fort's hospital and released.

"There were people running everywhere," Poole said. "It was such chaos out there."

Investigators say church fire accidental

BERLIN, Md. (AP) — An electrical problem sparked a fire that heavily damaged a black church on Maryland's Eastern Shore early this morning, state authorities said.

Arson and federal investigators were called to the scene of the blaze at St. John's United Methodist Church in a rural black community near Berlin, but state Fire Marshal Rocco J. Gabriele said, "it's quite evident it's accidental."

"Our preliminary investigation indicates it started in the kitchen. It appears it started in an electrical socket that they've been having problems with over the past couple of days," Gabriele said.

Gabriele said the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, which has been investigating a series of fires at predominantly black churches in the South, would still investigate the Berlin fire.

The fire was reported about 2:45 a.m. and put out in about 30 minutes.

The blaze damaged the church's white clapboard main sanctuary and destroyed an annex, leaving only cinder block walls, said Bennett Bozman, a firefighter with the Berlin Volunteer Fire Department. The church was empty at the time and no injuries were reported.

"It was a beautiful place to worship," said Keith Purnell, 25, who has been a member of the church all of his life. "All the members knew one another."

The fire cames a day after an attempted arson at a white church in the same Mississippi community where nearly simultaneous blazes destroyed two black churches only a few miles apart.

Federal agencies are investigating dozens of suspicious fires that have struck black churches across the South and Southeast in the last 18 months. Investigators also are looking into a series of fires at mostly white churches.

President Clinton was to meet with Southern governors at the White House today to outline steps to fight the epidemic.

In response to the fires, the U.S. House of Representatives unanimously passed legislation Tuesday that would broaden federal authority to prosecute crimes against religious property.

In Kossuth, Miss., about 190 miles northeast of Jackson, a liquid-filled plastic jug was found burned into the lawn of an all-white church Tuesday, a day after two black churches nearby were gutted by suspected arsons.

Sheriff Jimmy Taylor said investigators also found evidence of an attempted break-in at the Kossuth Church of Christ, and were calling it a "failed attempt at arson."

Federal agents joined the investigation of the fires that destroyed the two black churches in Kossuth on Monday night, and community leaders pledged to rebuild them. Officials said $25,000 was raised in 12 hours.

Police say suspect confesses to crimes by 'Zodiac' killer

NEW YORK (AP) — Police may finally have cracked the case of the "Zodiac" killer who terrorized New York six years ago, coldly selecting victims by astrological sign and sending taunting letters to the press.

A man who shot his sister and held police at bay for 3½ hours Tuesday has confessed to the Zodiac shootings and is linked to them by fingerprints, said police sources who spoke on condition of anonymity.

Heriberto Seda, 26, was arrested after tense negotiations and dozens of exchanges of gunfire with police from his apartment, where he hoarded three bucketfuls of homemade guns and pipe bombs, police said.

In 1990, the Zodiac killer shot four people with different astrological signs, killing one of them. He wrote several notes to the New York Post taunting police for not catching him and vowed to kill one person born under each of the 12 signs.

One of the fingerprints linked to Seda comes from a letter to the Post, said one of the sources, a ranking police official. The other comes from the scene of the fourth Zodiac shooting, of a homeless man in Central Park, police said.

In August 1994, someone calling himself the Zodiac sent another letter to the Post describing five additional attacks that occurred in 1992. Police said at the time it was not clear whether the author was the same Zodiac, a copycat shooter or a hoaxer.

The first three Zodiac shootings took place near Seda's Brooklyn neighborhood, where he allegedly opened fire inside his apartment Tuesday, shooting his 17-year-old sister, Gladys Reyes, in the back. Reyes was hospitalized in stable condition.

An emergency crew called in to help the teen-ager was stuck inside the building for a time after police arrived. Seda opened fire on police from the window.

At least 12 officers pinned down by the gunman were treated for scrapes and bruises, and a cab driver was injured when a piece of concrete knocked from the building by a ricocheting bullet struck him.

Minutes after the shooting began, the run-down, graffiti-filled neighborhood was turned into an armed camp. An armored police vehicle was called in and residents were warned to remain inside as bullets flew between police and the gunman.

When Seda surrendered, the officers lowered a bucket from the roof and ordered him to hand over any weapons besides the shotgun he had brandished. He filled it three times, turning in 13 homemade guns. Police found three homemade pipe bombs in his apartment.

Detective Sgt. Joseph Herbert, who served on the Zodiac task force and also negotiated with Seda on Tuesday, linked Seda to the Zodiac shootings.

Herbert said Seda tipped him off by scribbling a cryptic symbol at the bottom of a statement he wrote as he surrendered Tuesday: an inverted cross crowned by three sevens. The symbol was similar to one that appeared on the taunting letters.

"I nearly feel off my chair," the sergeant said this morning in a telephone interview.

FBI launches investigation into background files issue

WASHINGTON (AP) — As the FBI launches an investigation into White House requests for hundreds of background files, the administration today named a former Army counterintelligence specialist to oversee the handling of such sensitive documents.

Republicans are already crying foul over the FBI investigation, questioning whether the probe ordered by Attorney General Janet Reno will be truly independent. The GOP pushed ahead with its own congressional investigation of the mishandling of personnel documents by White House officials.

When Whitewater special prosecutor Kenneth Starr stepped out of the files case late Tuesday, Reno ordered the FBI back in. And this morning, White House counsel Jack Quinn announced that internal security matters would be tightened and placed under veteran civil servant, Charles Easley.

Quinn said Easley, who came to the White House 10 years ago during the Reagan administration, "will from this point on perform security operations not only for this entire complex, but for the White House office itself."

Easley retired from the Army after 20 years that included 12 as a counterintelligence special agent and eight as a security advisor with the Pentagon's Joint Chiefs of Staff.

Quinn said the new, consolidated security office "will require that the person whose file is sought give consent in writing before we can even ask that information of the FBI."

The move leaves uncertain the status of Craig Livingstone, the security chief at the center of the furor over the FBI files. Livingstone is on paid leave of absence.

"His status in that office is pending," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said of Livingstone.

Quinn, appearing on ABC-TV, also charged that today's hearing before the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee is politically motivated. He put the blame on the committee chairman, Rep. William Clinger, R-Pa.

"There's been an absolute unwillingness on the part of Congressman Clinger and his staff" to work out a compromise "and they have made clear time and again that they're more interested in confrontation and political point-making than an accommodation," Quinn said.

Clinger denied he is conducting a political witch hunt and told NBC-TV that his committee has been "trying since July of 1993 to get to the bottom of this. This White House has just kind of stiffed us."

Testifying today before Clinger's committee, former White House counsel Boyden Gray stressed the sensitivity of FBI background investigations. "Many reports contain rumors, gossip and embarrassing details of events long passed," he said.

"Often times, the information in a background report, such as reports of an extramarital affair ... if revealed would prove terribly embarrassing to the individual involved."

Gray said the Bush administration considered it essential that the process not be abused.

Starr, the independent counsel who called at least one figure in the affair before his grand jury in Washington, said he does not have jurisdiction to pursue the matter.

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Grande Valley, who opted out of their program after staggering crop losses last year.

In making his decision, Judge Marshall wrote on Friday, "I think the result I reach in this case is mandated by the law. The result has nothing to do with whether I think the boll weevil program is good or bad."

What's Up?

Historical group to meet

Scurry County Historical Commission will meet at 5:15 p.m. Thursday in the Dermott School to discuss the open house planned during the July 4th celebration.

Order of the Eastern Star

The Order of the Eastern Star will install new officers at the Masonic Hall at 8 p.m. Thursday. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call 573-3425.

Senior Center hosts sale

The Senior Center will hold a garage sale beginning at 1 p.m. Friday and 8:30 a.m. Saturday. Items include clothes, shoes, jewelry, knick-knacks and odds and ends.

Annual rummage sale

St. Elizabeth Catholic Church will have its annual rummage sale Friday and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the parish hall. Furniture, clothing and household items will be sold. Homemade sausage will also be sold for $2.75 per pound.

Ira cheerleaders raising funds

Ira cheerleaders is offering chances for a $100 prize. For more information or tickets, call cheerleader sponsor Tracy Dickerhoff at 573-0258.

Tiger blankets arrive

Reorders on Tiger blankets are available at Rudy's, Bar-H-Bar, Thompson's, Initial Ideas, Pat Dennis Studio and Shields Insurance, or call Traci Eicke at 573-1400 or 573-9036. All high school teacher discounts have been discontinued.

School for school personnel

Snyder ISD is offering summer computer technology training for Snyder school personnel. Six hours of technology will be given for each session. Classes are: CD-ROM/Multimedia, June 24-25; PageMaker, June 26-27; and Windows '95, July 10-11. Times for all sessions are 1-4 p.m.

SHS Class of 1986

Snyder High School Class of 1986 will hold its reunion on Aug. 17. Current addresses are needed. Call Amy Wilson Hodges at 573-1944.

Band banquet photos

Photos from the Snyder High School band banquet are available at Wadleigh Studio.

Hearts on Fire youth rally

The Hearts on Fire youth rally has been scheduled for July 12-13 in Scurry County Coliseum. A variety of speakers and music will be offered.

Anyone interested in making a donation to help with the rally may do so by writing P.O. Box 111, Gail, TX. 79738. For more information, call 806 756-4319 or 573-7794.

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:

6-16-36-2-8

(six, sixteen, thirty-six, two, eight)

Pick 3

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

5-3-0

(five, three, zero)

Sierra Club claims partial victory in 'endangered' suit

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — The Sierra Club is claiming partial victory after a federal hearing in Midland on the environmental group's lawsuit to protect endangered species.

Senior U.S. District Judge Lucius D. Bunton III denied the Sierra Club's request to block U.S. Department of Agriculture farm subsidies to the area.

But the judge indicted he is inclined to grant a request for the USDA to consult with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on alternatives to current water conservation programs.

Bunton's formal ruling is expected within the next week.

"We got a little bit," Stuart Henry, an attorney for the Sierra Club, was quoted as saying in Wednesday's San Antonio Express-News.

The Sierra Club filed the lawsuit in May 1995 requesting the judge take action on the grounds that current conservation programs do not encourage efficient use of the Edwards Aquifer.

The underground aquifer is San Antonio's sole source of water and supplies Comal and San Marcos springs, where five endangered animal and plant species live.

Russell Johnson, who represents the San Antonio Water System and was monitoring the judge's action, said he the inability to interrupt USDA payments is significant.

"They have lost their short-term hammer. But requiring the consultation process between the federal agencies could have as significant impact as a legislative order limiting (aquifer) pumping," Johnson said.

The lawsuit claims taxpayer-funded crop subsidies are "economically wasteful and ecologically damaging" to Comal and San Marcos springs and to the five-county region that relies on the Edwards.

Drought conditions have reduced the flows of the two springs to near record lows, prompting federal officials to gather samples of the endangered species to preserve them.

The judge indicated he will require the federal agencies to develop a comprehensive plan for preserving the endangered species by Nov. 1.