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In Juvenile crime bill...

Daschle sees some hope for gun control measures

WASHINGTON (AP) — Despite a major defeat in the House last week, there's still some hope that House and Senate negotiators will include meaningful gun control measures in a juvenile crime bill, Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle says.

President Clinton continued to press the House to reverse its position and accept tougher controls on sales at gun shows. But Democrats were also looking beyond the vote to how the gun control issue could play for them in next year's election.

House Democrats last week led the effort to defeat the gun control portion of a juvenile crime package after Republicans pushed through a provision, written by Democratic Rep. John Dingell of Michigan and backed by the National Rifle Association, that Democrats charged would make gun-show background checks ineffective.

The Senate version includes the background check and other gun control measures, and could still be included in the final package, although Republicans control both the House and Senate negotiating teams.

"We still have some hope," Daschle, D-S.D., said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation." "We're going to fight as hard as we possibly can to ensure that they are included in a final bill."

But House Majority Whip Tom DeLay, R-Texas, a fierce opponent of gun control, said the House-passed measure, which responds to the spate of shootings in American schools by imposing tougher penalties for youth crimes and encouraging character-building in schools, was a "wonderful bill."

He said Democrats, in order to score political points, rejected the legislation even though it would have required gun manufacturers to include safety locks, banned some ammunition clips and made it unlawful for children under 18 to possess assault weapons.

DeLay, appearing on ABC's "This Week," said the 24 hours allowed for background checks in the House bill, instead of the three days in the Senate bill, was sufficient, particularly if the FBI agreed to stay open on weekends, when most gun shows are held.

"I did what I thought was right," said Dingell, the senior House Democrat who has long had close ties to the NRA. "If you really want to deal with the problem of kids I don't think it begins with harassing law-abiding citizens," he said on "Fox News Sunday."

Dingell said he thought it was a "distinct possibility" that the final House-Senate bill would have some gun control language.

Creek begins flowing again

Deep Creek was flowing this morning as a result of rainfall which fell over the weekend northwest of Snyder.

Shane and Julie Bearden recorded a half-inch of rain some 18 miles northwest of Snyder Saturday night, and .2 was in their gauge this morning.

Lakes in the Colorado River Municipal Water District also received rainfall over the weekend as Lake Thomas recorded .2", Lake Ivie received .18" and Lake Spence recorded an even one inch of rain.

A large portion of the southern South Plains and Permian Basin was in a flash flood watch until 4 a.m. today.

Over the weekend, the area around Andrews and Odessa received up to 3" of rain.

Rain Reports

Snyder	.5
West of City	.6
East of City	.2
Lake Thomas	.2
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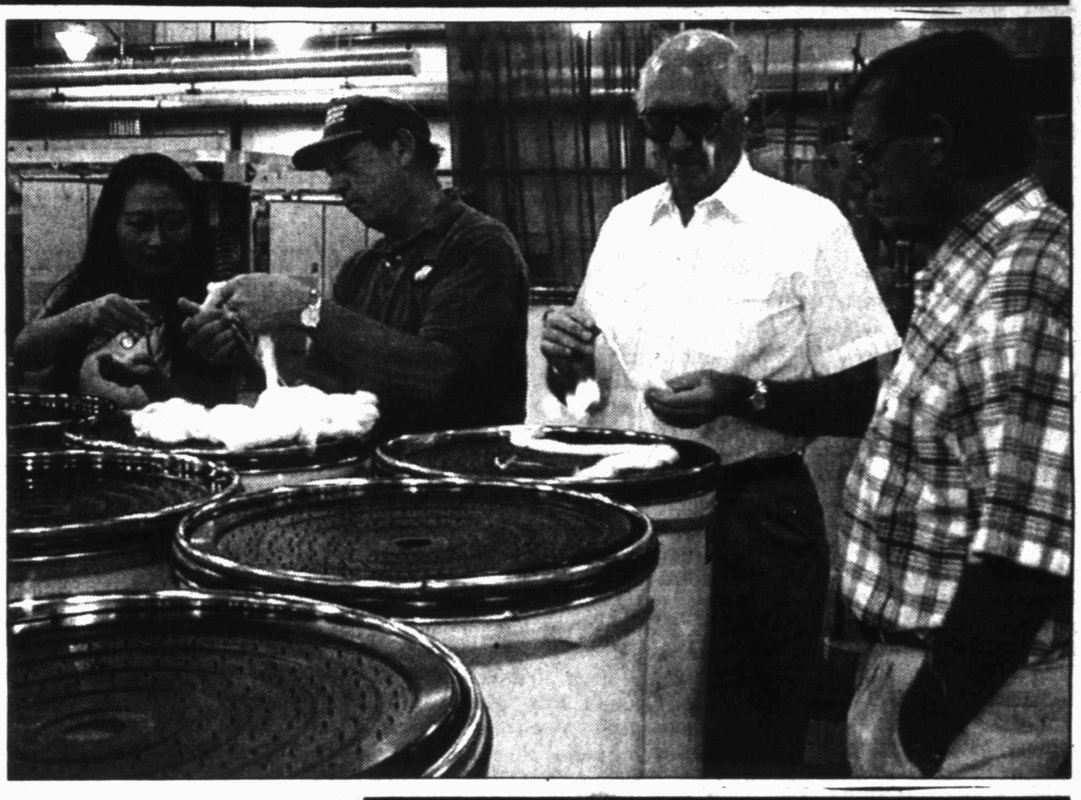

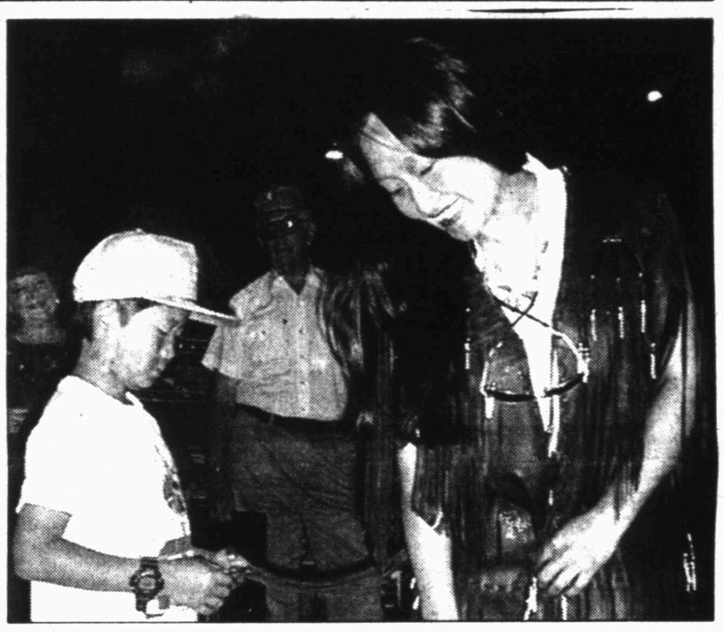

WEST COAST VISITORS — A group of visitors from California being hosted by the Texas, Mexico and Asian Corridor Association made a couple of stops in Snyder Saturday. The guests toured Lorber Industries (top photo) where Isaac Jones (second from left) explained mill operations. Pictured in top photo are Victoria Ying Jin, Jones, Urban Schreine, and Edwin Duncan. The group also made a stop at the Western Swing Festival where Jin, with the assistance of her son James Tian, tried on a deer skin garment. Chamber manager Donna Fowler and Schreine are pictured in the background of right photo. (SDN Staff Photos)

Festival termed success by organizers and fans

Despite not having a "big name" attraction such as Ray Price, the Legends of Western Swing Music Festival held last week was deemed a success by its organizers.

Dewey and Gloria Miers said, despite a slight drop in attendance, they are pleased with the festival.

"In my opinion, it was one of the best we've had," said Gloria Miers. "And I heard that comment from many of the fans who had attended most of the past 12 festivals."

"It was very satisfactory from our viewpoint," said Mrs. Miers.

Along with the Miers, Chuck Woods is also one of the organizers and he continues to praise the Snyder community and the chamber of commerce for their work at the festival.

"The entire chamber staff, and especially the coliseum employees and the Gold Coaters, could not have worked with us any better," said Woods.

"And I think we saw more Snyder citizens this year than in the past," said Woods.

Woods was quick to thank businesses who purchased ads in his program which also helps fund the festival.

Woods also said he received excellent comments from those at the festival on the quality of the bands this year.

"We'll be back in 2000 with an extravaganza," said Woods.

Dave Alexander ...festival favorite

Court agrees to electronic deposits at CMH

Scurry County commissioners voted this morning to allow Cogdell Memorial Hospital employees the option of having paychecks electronically deposited.

The vote was three to one with Precinct 3 Commissioner Howard Limmer opposing.

Limmer said he thought the court should wait until all county employees had the option of electronic deposits and "all go together."

There will be no additional bank charges for the hospital or its employees.

In other business, commissioners voted unanimously to appoint Amanda Herrera to the Child Welfare Board. She replaces Debbie Brunson who is moving from Snyder.

Two line-item transfers were also approved, including one for the county welfare department which moved $200 into office supplies and $1,500 into department supplies from child care expenses.

The other line-item transfer moved $450 from other equipment into equipment for the probation office.

One budget amendment was approved for Scurry County Airport which added $3,500 to repairs.

Judge Ricky Fritz presided and all commissioners were present to include Limmer, Roy Idom, Ralph Trevey and Chloanne Lindsey.

West Coast visitors impressed with Snyder, South Plains area

The Texas, Mexico and Asian Corridor Association hosted a group of visitors from California over the weekend.

Three of the guests were attorneys with Arter & Hadden. Edwin W. Duncan, Victoria Ying Jin and Urban Schreine are all attorneys with the Los Angeles-based law firm.

Paul McCann with Merchant Banking Venture Partners of Los Angeles was also with the group. McCann is with a prospective bonding company while the attorneys are contacts for prospective clients for the corridor area.

A reception dinner was held for the group Friday in Sweetwater. Afterwards, the guests attended the Ranch Round-up at the Nolan County Coliseum.

On Saturday, the group traveled to Snyder where they toured Lorber Industries and then visited the Legends of Western Swing Music Festival.

A brief meeting was held Saturday afternoon in the Nolan County Coliseum Annex in Sweetwater.

The guests were given the opportunity to comment on their visit and their thoughts on the corridor association.

"I hope we can contribute to the success of this ambitious, but very realistic project," Attorney Urban Schreine said.

Calling this part of West Texas a "charming location," Attorney Ed Duncan said he was impressed with the area.

"I am stunned with the beauty, sincerity and depth of the people in this area. West Texas has strength and character."

Representatives from three of the corridor's six counties then made brief comments on happenings in their communities.

Colorado City Mayor Jim Baum gave a brief history of Mitchell County and Dustin Matthis told the group about Jones County and the Texas Cowboy Reunion in Stamford.

Ken Becker also spoke briefly, telling the visitors that one of the best natural resources of West Texas is its people.

The Texas, Mexico & Asian Corridor Association is made up of representatives from six counties including Nolan, Scurry, Mitchell, Howard, Jones and Fisher.

The group is working toward making the six-county region a "distribution hub" for businesses transporting out of Mexico and from the West Coast port areas.

The association hopes the trade corridor will be used for locating freight and processing plants from which all types of products would be processed and shipped both to and from Asia and Mexico.

The group said if their plans come to fruition, it will mean many jobs and economic prosperity for the six-county group.

Jury selection gets underway

Attorneys were questioning potential jurors this morning to hear the trial of 39-year-old Felix Martinez Ramos who is charged with indecencey with a child under the age of 14.

Ramos, of 1804 19th St., has been out on bond since his indictment last fall on the offense which was alleged to have occurred on June 29, 1998.

Ramos is represented by Pete Greene while District Attorney Dana Cooley will present the state's case.

District Judge Ernie Armstrong is presiding.

KLA agrees to NATO decision

PRISTINA, Yugoslavia (AP) — Kosovo Albanian rebels signed a demilitarization pact with NATO today, allowing the peacekeeping force to tighten its control over the province and try to prevent a backlash of ethnic violence. Hours later, rebels handed over their maps of minefields.

The pact aims to neutralize the Kosovo Liberation Army as a military force. It was signed just after midnight, hours after the last of some 40,000 Serb forces left the Yugoslav province.

"There is a new epoch beginning for the people of Kosovo," said the KLA's political leader, Hashim Thaci, who signed the agreement in a tent at the field headquarters of British Lt. Gen. Mike Jackson, commander of allied forces in Kosovo.

Many in the rank and file seemed to be complying.

ASK US

Q.-How many directors represent Snyder on the CRMWD board?

A.-Four, not three as reported in the SDN. The director omitted was John Fagin, a former Snyder mayor, who has been a CRMWD director since 1984.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 89 degrees; low, 66; high Sunday, 87; low, 66; 7 a.m. Monday, 68; .05 precipitation; total for 1999, 12.96 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, storms likely. Mostly cloudy; low, lower to mid 60s. Rain chance: 60%. Tuesday, mostly cloudy; 30% chance of storms. High, upper 80s.

Chris Richards
Rain

Sunset: 8:51 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:40 a.m.
Of 171 days in 1999, the sun has shone 164 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Life can only disappoint you if you let it.

Mark Hopkins.

JUN 21 1999

Gov. Bush delivers eulogy at Bullock's burial

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush remembered former Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock as a man who "embodied the Texas of our myths and our hearts" at a Sunday funeral service packed with state leaders.

"His passing leaves a hole and a hurt, like we have lost our tie to an age of giants," Bush said at Austin's Central Christian Church.

In a humor-filled eulogy peppered with references to Bullock's reputation as a gruff yet efficient leader, Bush joked about a first meeting between the former lieutenant governor and St. Peter.

"Bob has him locked in his conference room, and he won't let him out until he is happy with the details of his plan for eternity," said Bush, who was one of the last to visit Bullock before his death Friday morning.

"Everybody has a favorite Bob Bullock story," Bush said. "The problem is, you can't tell most of them in polite company."

Some of those packing the intimate church just blocks from the Capitol were there, Bush said, "to make sure he was really dead."

The list of those in attendance bore witness to Bullock's long influence on Texas government. Former governors who paid tribute included Ann Richards, Dolph Briscoe, Preston Smith, Mark White and Bill Clements. Lady Bird Johnson, the former first lady, also attended, as did former Congressman Jake Pickle.

House Speaker Pete Laney noted that after Bullock retired at the end of the last session, he continued to follow the daily workings of the Legislature.

"Now at the end of another legislative session, as if he was finally satisfied that we could carry on without him, he left us," said Laney, who was a colleague of Bullock's for more than 30 years.

Bullock's career spanned more than four decades and began in 1956 when he won a Texas House seat from his hometown of Hillsboro while still a Baylor Law School student.

He went on to serve as an assistant attorney general, governor's aide, secretary of state and state comptroller before becoming lieutenant governor, the Senate's presiding officer.

After so many years in public service there isn't anything in Texas that doesn't have Bullock's imprint, Bush said.

"He was an innovator, who brought state government to the brink of the 21st century, yet did so with reverence for our past," said Bush.

"He controlled the gavel and the budget like few before him. Everybody who follows in his footsteps walks in his shadow."

Bush said while praising him as a legend that he would miss him as a friend, noting that Bullock — a "neon personality in a world of gray" — reached across political lines to help a "green governor."

"I found his heart much bigger than his flaws. ... And I learned I always wanted him on my side in a fight," he said.

Former House Speaker Byron Tunnell also stressed that it was Bullock's friendship that meant the most.

"It was as a friend that I knew him best. It is a friend that I will miss him most," said Tunnell, who joined the Legislature the same year as Bullock.

Despite his sometimes quick temper, Tunnell said, "Those who feared him knew him least."

Bullock, 69, died Friday at his Austin home after suffering from various health problems over the years, including having a pacemaker implanted in fall 1998 to treat an irregular heartbeat.

He also spent years trying to quit smoking and underwent treatment for alcoholism in 1981.

Most recently, Bullock was hospitalized for congestive heart failure.

"Bob battled to the end," said Bush.

Though Bullock sometimes joked about not having time to die, Bush said, we all make time for death. "And I know, after a life of fighting, he has found his peace," he said.

Bullock, whose casket was draped with a Texas flag, was buried at the Texas State Cemetery, near many of state's most prominent leaders, including former Congresswoman Barbara Jordan.

The flag was given to his wife, Jan.

Horror writer cracks jokes in hospital bed

LEWISTON, Maine (AP) — Stephen King was conscious, alert and even cracking jokes following an operation to treat his shattered leg and collapsed lung sustained after being struck by a van.

The prolific, best-selling horror author remained in serious but stable condition today at Central Maine Medical Center, hospital officials said. King faced additional surgery this afternoon on his leg and hip, with more surgery tentatively scheduled for later in the week.

"He's been alert and he's in pretty good spirits," Chuck Gill, the hospital's vice president, said earlier.

Hospital spokesman Laird Covey said King had been talking with his wife, Tabitha, adding, "I know that he has been cracking some jokes to the staff about his condition."

Officials said King was thrown 14 feet when he was hit Saturday by a Dodge Caravan in rural Lovell, where he owns a summer home. Lovell is about 115 miles southwest of Bangor.

King was walking south on the shoulder of the road at about 4:30 p.m. when a motorist approaching from behind lost control of his vehicle after his dog got loose inside the van, Oxford County Sheriff's deputy Matt Baker said.

The driver stopped immediately after striking King, according to witnesses.

"He was hurting, but he was able to communicate," said Baker, who responded to the accident. "He was talking to me. He gave me phone numbers of where to call his family."

"He was in a lot of pain," he said.

Gill said King suffered a collapsed lung and multiple fractures of the right leg and hip. He was also treated during surgery for a scalp laceration.

According to witnesses, the driver, Bryan Smith, 41, did not appear to be speeding, Matt Baker said. He said no charges will be filed against Smith.

King, who lives in Bangor, may have been on one of his daily long walks at his summer home when he was struck, Covey said.

King has written more than two dozen novels, including "The Shining," "Carrie" and "Pet Sematary." King's "The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon" was on several best seller lists this weekend.

The hospital has been deluged with calls wishing King well.

"We heard from the Times of London," Gill said. "We've had people wanting to know where to send flowers and cards. We've had calls from all over the world from both his fans and the media."

'Tarzan,' 'Austin Powers' dominate weekend movies

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Two swingers — one human, one cartoon — dominated the weekend box office as "Tarzan" opened at No. 1 with $34.1 million and the Austin Powers sequel scored $31.9 million.

The military thriller "The General's Daughter" with John Travolta was third with a better-than-expected $22.3 million, while "The Phantom Menace" had $17.8 million for fourth, crossing the $300 million mark and overtaking "The Lion King" as the No. 6 movie of all time.

Studio executives were impressed with the weekend numbers. They said it was the first time they could recall that three movies grossed more than $20 million on the same weekend. Receipts for the top films totaled $123 million, up 21 percent from the same weekend last year.

"This says that when people make good movies, no matter how many, there's room in the marketplace," said Disney distribution head Chuck Viane. "The marketplace will expand to meet as much demand as it needs to."

The box office was led by the animated "Tarzan," featuring the voices of Minnie Driver, Rosie O'Donnell and Tony Goldwyn, and songs by Phil Collins.

It was best opening weekend for a Disney animated film since "The Lion King," which debuted with $41 million in June 1994 on its way to a domestic gross of $313 million.

If the weekend estimates that were released Sunday hold up, "Tarzan's" debut also will have topped that of "A Bug's Life," with $33.3 million last November.

Close behind was "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me," returning Mike Myers as both the international man of mystery and Austin's bumbling nemesis Dr. Evil.

"Austin 2" dropped a steep 42 percent in the second week but still collected an impressive take of nearly $32 million to bring its total to $116.7 million. It crossed the $100 million mark on Saturday.

Proving the star power of Travolta, "The General's Daughter" — which had appeared doomed to be lost in the hype over "Tarzan," "Austin Powers" and "The Phantom Menace" — delivered a strong opening weekend, the best for a Travolta film since "Face/Off" in June 1997.

"Star Wars: Episode 1 — The Phantom Menace" remained strong, losing just 31 percent of its business in the fifth week, to bring its total to $327 million for sixth on the all-time list.

In the next few weeks, it will easily pass No. 5 "Forrest Gump" ($330 million) and No. 4 "Jurassic Park" ($357 million) as it seeks to challenge the original "Star Wars" ($461 million) for second all-time behind "Titanic" ($600 million).

Also at the box office, the romance "Notting Hill" with Julia Roberts finished fifth with $7 million, but "Instinct," Disney's other man-lives-with-gorillas movie, proved to be a disappointment, plunging 55 percent in its third week. The Anthony Hopkins-starring film finished sixth with $3.1 million.

"The Mummy" was seventh with $3 million, "The Matrix" eighth with $1.3 million, "Entrapment" ninth with $1.2 million and "Tea With Mussolini" 10th with $635,000.

Estimated grosses for Friday through Sunday at North American theaters, according to Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. Final figures are to be released today.

1. "Tarzan," $34.1 million.
2. "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me," $31.9 million.
3. "The General's Daughter," $22.3 million.
4. "Star Wars: Episode I — The Phantom Menace," $17.8 million.
5. "Notting Hill," $7 million.
6. "Instinct," $3.1 million
7. "The Mummy," $3 million.
8. "The Matrix," $1.3 million.
9. "Entrapment," $1.2 million.
10. "Tea With Mussolini," $635,000.

Will join concerts

BOSTON (AP) — Chrissie Hynde is looking forward to joining the female-dominated Lilith Fair concerts this summer. But to her, the concept is more about star power than girl power.

"It's show business, isn't it?" the leader of The Pretenders told the Sunday Boston Globe.

"Having all women is kind of a gimmick. It's entertainment. I don't know if it's supposed to be anything else, but for me, that's what it is."

Nutrition By Ed Blonz, PH.D.

Stick with 400 IU of vitamin E

By Ed Blonz, Ph.D.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: A friend and I were watching a TV program from our local hospital and some doctors were talking about vitamin E. They stated that it is now recommended to take 800 International Units instead of the 400 IU which had been prescribed in the past.

We were wondering what your opinion on this would be. We are senior citizens. I have had breast cancer for two years and I am on Tamoxifen. I take a multiple vitamin plus vitamin C and calcium (1500 milligrams). My friend, who takes about the same of everything, had a bout with lung cancer many years ago and is very health-conscious. So if the 800 International Units of E would benefit us, we would increase to that amount. Once again, thank you for your opinion. — C.C., Nashville, Tenn.

DEAR C.C.: One of the difficulties with experts making statements through the media or online is that they don't know anything about "you" and your particular health history. Advice is usually generic and is often based on findings that may have no relevance to your case. Such individuals should always qualify what they say, so that their recommendations are not taken out of context.

Concerning the 800 International Units of vitamin E, I don't know what the doctors' rationale was, but 100 to 400 IU of E would seem to be fine for most individuals. I am unaware of any particular research pointing to 800 IU as providing any extra measure of general protection. The risk one has with too much E is that its anticoagulant properties could increase the risk, however slight, of hemorrhagic stroke. Unless you have a blood-clotting disorder or are at risk for this condition, this is NOT a reason to stop taking E — but it gives one pause when thoughts go to upping the dosage for no discernible reason. Since both you and your friend are taking medication, I also recommend that each of you discuss the matter with your respective physicians.

DEAR DR. BLONZ: I enjoy your column very much, as it contains information that's hard to get elsewhere. Do you have an opinion on the value of oral chelation therapy? This is supposed to cleanse the blood of impurities — as intravenous chelation supposedly does — but without the invasive procedures. One formula contains the following elements: garlic concentrate 400 mg, MSM 200 mg, Turmeric rhizone 200 mg, Omega-III fatty acid concentrate 200 mg, soybean lecithin 200 mg, sodium alginate 200 mg and ginger root extract 100 mg, along with traces of calcium carbonate, microcrystalline cellulose, croscarmellose sodium, stearic acid, calcium silicate, magnesium stearate and harmaceutical glaze. Any comments would be appreciated. Thank you. — L.H., Berkeley, Calif.

DEAR L.H.: Thanks for your kind comments about my column.

As promising as it may sound, there is little to support chelation in general — and oral chelation especially. I have yet to see anything positive (with the exception of promises from its promoters). The scientific principles just aren't there. I wish I had something more positive to say.

DEAR DR. BLONZ.: What is your advice regarding spray vitamins vs. pills (i.e., more effectively absorbed, etc.)? I would appreciate your opinion. Thank you. — M.C., San Diego

DEAR M.C.: I don't favor spray vitamins in general, but there is a rationale for putting vitamin B-12 in spray form. Vitamin B-12 requires the presence of an intrinsic (internal) factor to be absorbed, and in some elderly individuals, B-12 absorption is less efficient. Scientists found that small amounts of B-12 are passively absorbed through the vascular membranes in the mouth and nose. This was great for those that have problems with B-12 absorption, but it's questionable whether the spray version is advantageous for others.

As to the question of whether other vitamins and the minerals are also useful in spray form, I have seen no evidence that these products make it into the body or offer any advantages. Since spray vitamins are more expensive, until we know they can do what they claim, I say: "Why bother?"

Send questions to: "On Nutrition," Ed Blonz, c/o Newspaper Enterprise Association, 200 Madison Ave., New York, NY 10016. For e-mail, address inquiries to: ed@blonz.com. Due to the volume of mail, personal replies cannot be provided.

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NUTRITION

ED BLONZ, PH.D.

Berry's World

"Actually, I'm a lobbyist. Do you have a $1,000-a-plate dinner?"

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Sharp Image Energy Inc. will drill the No. 5-D Northwest Ira, a 7,200-foot wildcat located 10 miles south of Snyder. Location is in Section 35, Kirkland and Fields survey.

Borden County

Phillips Petroleum will drill the No. 602-WS West Jo-Mill field unit, 11 miles southwest of Gail. The re-entry project is planned for a depth of 1,900 feet, and location is in Section 16, Block 33, T4N, T&P survey.

Howard County

Santa Fe Energy Inc. will drill the No. 1-11 Barber, an 8,000-foot wildcat located three miles south of Coahoma. Location is in Section 11, Block 31, T1S, T&P survey.

Santa Fe Energy will drill the No. 2702 Powell Ranch, an 8,000-foot wildcat located seven miles south of Coahoma. Drill site is in Section 27, Block 31, T1S, T&P survey.

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Refugees debate returning to Kosovo

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — The pull of the past, of roots and homeland, is pulling the Hasanraka family apart.

Some of them yearn to go back to their native Kosovo and rebuild their homes and livelihoods, now that Serbian troops are leaving and NATO peacekeeping forces take their place.

"Kosovo is the land where my mother breast-fed me," said Arzije Hasanraka, 39, who fled her burning house in the town of Urosevac along with her husband, son and daughter. "I have many relations there. We want to go back."

Other members of the Albanian family from Kosovo say they experienced too much bigotry, violence and loss at the Serbs' hands, and want to live and work without fear in the United States.

"The day we left, they burned our village," said Arzije Hasanraka's brother, Nuhi Hasanraka. "We don't have anything left."

Terry Walsh, director of Refugee Services of Lansing, said the differences of opinion within such families is typical.

"There are mixed emotions," Walsh said. "Some people want to go back. Some people want to go back with the assurance that it's safe." And still others want to stay in the United States.

The families of Arzije and Nuhi Hasanraka live side-by-side in two upstairs apartments of an older frame house near downtown Lansing. Their children ride donated bikes and play on the porch of the dark teal house, adjusting to life thousands of miles from home.

Fourteen members of the extended Hasanraka family arrived in Lansing 3½ weeks ago. Even then, Nuhi Hasanraka, 35, and his brother Gazmend, 31, knew they would like to keep their families in the United States.

"We are tired of the discrimination" from the Serbs in Kosovo, said Nuhi. "We think we have a better future here."

He is confident any job in the United States will be better than the work situation in Kosovo, where ethnic Albanians have not been allowed to work in state companies since 1981. Four times between 1987 and 1992, Hasanraka left his family in Kosovo and got work tiling kitchens and bathrooms in Switzerland to support them.

Even if his family eventually returns to Kosovo, he plans to keep them in Michigan for the short term to earn money while they wait for the province to be safe.

Meanwhile, Arzije Hasanraka's husband, Faik, yearns to return to his life as a Kosovo farmer. "(Even) if they burned the houses, they couldn't burn the land," said Faik, 61.

Since the Hasanrakas arrived, two other refugee families have come to Lansing. The refugee center is gearing up to accept about 80 more Kosovo refugees from camps in Macedonia — something that should help the Hasanrakas feel less isolated, Walsh said.

Walsh said he is urging all 25 of the Kosovo refugees who have arrived so far to prepare to stay for a while. He expects it will be some time before the province is ready for families such as the Hasanrakas to return, especially with tens of thousands of refugees already streaming in from refugee camps.

"Regardless of what has happened with the peace plans, we're still encouraging people to work, even if they want to go home," he said. "Until we hear differently, I will assume they do not have the option of going back because it's not safe."

So the Hasanrakas have applied for Social Security and Michigan identification cards, and are preparing to look for jobs. And they study a thin Albanian-English dictionary, learning to speak English.

Sabile Hasanraka, 71, misses her homeland and plans to return with her daughter's family — Arzije, Faik, and their son Faruk, 18, and daughter Ilire, 11 — when there is something to go back to.

Without NATO, she said, the "Serbian people would kill us all. We wouldn't be anywhere in Kosovo."

Community Calendar

MONDAY

Al-Anon, Snyder Park Club; noon.

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

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

Stargazers Family Community Education Club; 7 p.m.

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

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

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

TUESDAY

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

Just For Today NA, closed meeting; for information, call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

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

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

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

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For more information, call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

WEDNESDAY

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

MAWC Game Day and Luncheon; call for reservations by 5 p.m. Tuesday at 573-3427.

Just For Today NA, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-0949 or 573-8018; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.

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

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

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

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

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 06-21-99
♠ J 5 4 3
♥ ---
♦ ---
♣ A K Q J 10 9 8 5 4

West
♠ 10 8 6 2
♥ 10 4 3
♦ A 6 4 3 2
♣ 3

East
♠ 9
♥ Q 9 8 6
♦ K Q J 8 5
♣ 7 6 2

South
♠ A K Q 7
♥ A K J 7 5 2
♦ 10 9 7
♣ ---

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: North

South	West	North	East
		Pass!	Pass
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♠	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♣	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	5 ♠	Pass
6 ♠	Pass	7 ♣	All pass

Opening lead: ♦ A

The pass of the year?

By Phillip Alder

S.D. Bailey claimed, "(The British party political system) is merely a convenient device to enable the majority to have their way and the minority to have their say."

If you give a bridge hand to several players and ask them what they would bid, you will rarely get unanimity — but everyone will have their say. So, look at the North hand with its nine solid clubs. You are nonvulnerable against vulnerable opponents. What would you do as dealer?

The deal occurred during the Australian National Open Teams Championship last January.

There is no "right" opening bid for that North hand. It is more a matter of style. A plurality would open five clubs, but Paul Collins decided to pass! His partner, Heather Cusworth, opened two clubs, promising at least eight winners with a long suit somewhere. North's two-spade response showed three controls: an ace and a king, or three kings. The rest of the bidding was natural, though the raise to five spades looks strange to my eyes. Still, when South went on to six (how did she know they didn't have two fast diamond losers?), North decided his partner had good spades. So, he marched on with seven clubs. And somehow Cusworth worked out to pass! Maybe she is a member of the "if I don't understand my partner's bid, I pass" class.

The declarer-play wasn't testing. Note, though, that seven spades is unlucky to go down after a diamond lead, because of the 4-1 trump break.

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Foreign censors object to 'shag'

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Imagine hearing Austin Powers, the International Man of Mystery, as he purrs: "Shall we shiok now or shall we shiok later?"

Shiok? It's gotta be dirty, right?

Actually, it's Singaporean English for "treat nicely."

That's the tamer translation censors in that country wanted for the hipster's trademark term "shag," which is a British obscenity for sex.

Objections from foreign censors have complicated the international release of "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me," which is packed with graphic sex jokes, double-entendres and, of course, the S-H-A-G word.

Singapore officials wanted to change the title to "The Spy Who Shioked Me," even though "shagged" means "tired" in local lingo. Malaysian censors aren't happy either, said Rolf Mittweg, head of international marketing at New Line Cinema, which released the comedy.

Malaysian censors "decided we are not allowed to use the word 'shag,' and want to change the title to 'The Spy Who Dot-Dot-Dot Me,'" Mittweg said from his Los Angeles office.

Even after censoring, Malaysian officials say they expect to rate the sequel "18-SX," which grants access only to adults.

The filmmakers are trying to come up with various replacements for "shag" because state censors in Indonesia, Egypt and South Korea are also sharpening their scissors, Mittweg said.

"We don't want the movie to sound too vulgar, but also it can't be too soft," he said.

In Britain, where the term originated, The Sun tabloid reported Thursday that theater owners plan to remove the subtitle from marquees when the movie opens here in July and plan to just call it "Austin Powers II."

"It would be wrong to put something like that up in cinemas where children are coming in," Barry Jenkins, chief executive of the ABC Cinema chain, told The Sun tabloid newspaper in London.

American filmmakers and foreign censors have repeatedly clashed over the difference between funny and taboo in recent years as the international market for films expands into countries with strict obscenity regulations.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

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Visiting Grandparents Should Leave Their Pets at Home

DEAR ABBY: This is in response to "Confused in Richmond." I disagree with your reply. There should be no question as to which is more important, your family or your pets.

My wife and I retired from the Northwest to Nevada several years ago. We have children and grandkids still in the Northwest. We visit them at least once a year, and yes, we have a dog. We think the world of our dog, and she's our constant companion, but there is no way we would even consider taking her with us when we go to visit the kids. There is also no way we would ever allow anyone to share with us the cost of a motel just because we feel we should have our pet with us.

When we visit the kids, we hire a house sitter to watch the house as well as our dog. Perhaps the reason the dog in question is having "accidents" is because it is stressed from being away from familiar surroundings. It's possible that "Confused in Richmond's" parents don't realize they are doing more harm than good to their pets.

"Confused" should talk to her parents and tell them she loves to have them visit, but the pets are just too much of a problem. If her parents are like a lot of us grandparents, she'll find out that those visits with the kids and grandkids are far more important than our pets. If her parents continue to insist that the pets are more important, I feel sorry for them, and they are the losers.

HAPPY IN NEVADA

DEAR HAPPY: If "Confused's" parents were as considerate and reasonable as you, she wouldn't have needed to write to me. I suggested a motel that caters to pets as a possible solution because I was unsure whether her parents would consent to be apart from their pets. However, your comment that the animals might be having "accidents" because they were in unfamiliar surroundings is worth considering — and your suggestion of a pet sitter is a good one. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: "Confused in Richmond" wrote that her parents insist on bringing their cat and dog when they come to visit because they don't want to put their "babies" in a kennel.

I am a 78-year-old senior citizen and I supplement my income by pet sitting. I stay in the pet owners' home while they are gone. The demand is so great I often have to refer jobs to other senior citizens who also do this kind of work. It's a great job. The pets are happy to be in their own home. The owners are happy, the people they visit are happy and I am happy.

Those parents should check with their church, senior center and/or other pet owners to find a reliable sitter.

LOVES DOGS AND CATS

DEAR LOVES DOGS AND CATS: If you are happy, the owners are happy and the pets are happy — then I am happy for *all* of you, and I won't pick a bone with you.

However, some people are uneasy at the thought of a "stranger" staying in their house. For pet owners who suffer from separation anxiety, a motel that caters to pets is the ideal situation.

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CONFIDENTIAL TO MY READERS: If you have time to read only one book this year, make it "Front Row at the White House" by veteran White House correspondent Helen Thomas. Helen has known every president from Kennedy to Clinton. The publisher is Simon & Schuster; you are sure to find it on the shelf at your favorite bookstore.

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Debbie Matenopoulos writes book

NEW YORK (AP) — Debbie Matenopoulos, nudged from her slot on ABC's "The View," apparently learned enough from the experience to write an inspirational book.

The 24-year-old, who gabbed with the likes of Barbara Walters, Joy Behar, Star Jones and Meredith Vieira on the show, has been replaced with Channel One's Lisa Ling.

Matenopolous said her new inspirational book is about making a mistake, then getting back on her feet.

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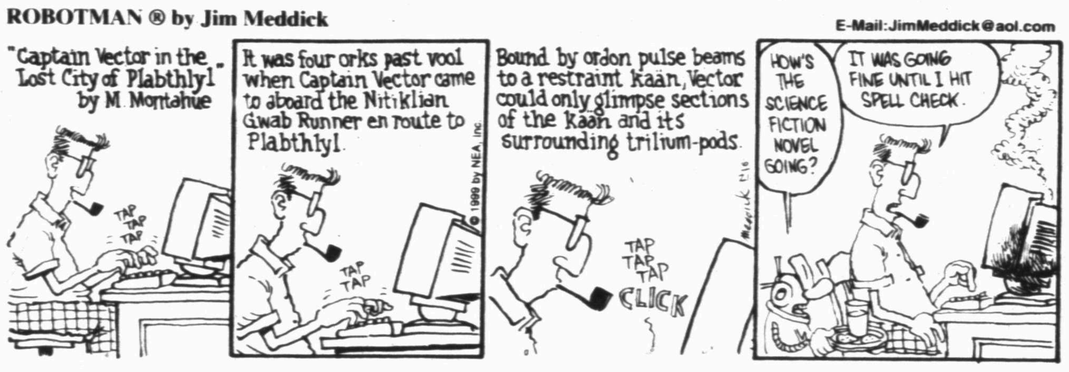

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NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Like fancy dresses
7 Carrier
13 Actor Bela —
14 Plausible
15 Exit
16 Rubbed out
17 Observe
18 — Guevara
20 "— Got a Secret"
21 Large knife
23 Downcast
24 River in Germany
25 Novelist Ferber
27 Concealed
29 Nahoor sheep
31 Comedian Sparks
32 Hawaiian instrument
33 Vapor
34 Chicken serving
37 President Gerald —
40 Debtors' letters
41 Tic- — -toe
43 — -do-well
45 Army officer: abbr.
46 Go swiftly
47 Gi's address
48 Army order (2 wds.)
51 Of a motive
54 Recluse
55 Refrain from noticing
56 Snuggle
57 Outbuilding

DOWN

1 Consecrate
2 Playwright O'Neill
3 Came to terms
4 Female deer
5 Kind of curve
6 Computer users' needs
7 Suffering wounds
8 Goddess of healing
9 Alias (abbr.)
10 Live
11 Football team
12 Actress Winona —
19 Expression of contempt
22 Comes afterward
24 Having a good chance (hyph.)
26 Entertainer Paul —
28 Unable to hear
30 Artistic person
34 Baby shoe
35 Measuring sticks
36 Siamese native
38 Explanation
39 Leave
40 Financier Carl —
42 — B. DeMille
44 Logrolling contest
49 Quantity (abbr.)
50 Part of RSVP
52 Vital statistic
53 Actress Merkel

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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A	N	I			D	I	T			S	T	E
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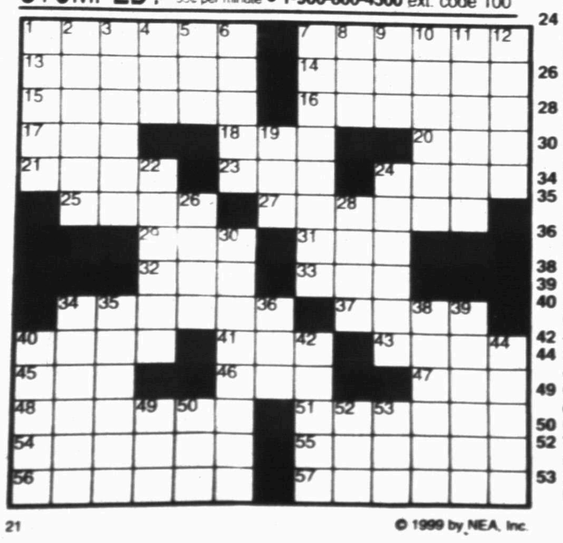

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"We ran out of wineglasses. You'll have to sit closer together."

KIT 'N' CARLYLE ® by Larry Wright

"BEANIE BABIES? I DIDN'T KNOW VEGETABLES EVEN HAD KIDS!"

SPORTS

Changes in store for New York

NEW YORK (AP) — Desperation. It is a word that aptly describes the New York Knicks' predicament in the NBA Finals.

So here comes a new plot twist, just in time for Game 3 tonight between the Knicks and San Antonio Spurs. Expect some new lineups from the Knicks, who are open to suggestions on how to slow down the sweepmobile currently being driven down Broadway by co-pilots Tim Duncan and David Robinson.

While Knicks coach Jeff Van Gundy hedged on his lineup intentions, Latrell Sprewell publicly lobbied for a change Sunday that would move him to point guard with Allan Houston at shooting guard. Van Gundy called Sprewell's suggestion a "viable option, but we won't start that way."

The Spurs lead New York 2-0 in the best-of-7 series, which is in need of rescuing on several fronts — quality of play, television ratings and possibly, duration. If the Spurs keep playing their calm, effective style and the Knicks' changes don't make any difference, the broom-waving fans in San Antonio won't get to watch another game in the Alamodome.

The teams are tentatively scheduled to play three games at Madison Square Garden this week. The Spurs only need to win two.

"We want to put serious pressure on them by winning the third game and kind of put the series out of reach," said Tim Duncan, averaging 29.0 points, 15.5 rebounds and three blocks in the first two games. "But to stay alive, for them, that's the game they need right there. Going down 3-0 would be a tough thing, next to impossible, to come back from."

NBA FINALS
All Times EDT
(Best-of-7)
Wednesday, June 16
San Antonio 89, New York 77
Friday, June 18
San Antonio 80, New York 67, San Antonio leads series 2-0
Monday, June 21
San Antonio at New York, 9 p.m.
Wednesday, June 23
San Antonio at New York, 9 p.m.
Friday, June 25
San Antonio at New York, 9 p.m., if necessary

LEARNING THE ROPES — Area youngsters improved their basketball skills recently at the WTC Super Shooters youth camp. A camp for junior high and high school players began today at the college. Participating in the youth camp were, front row from left, Austin Calley, Sydney Robertson and Jared Cave. On the middle row are Gena Dooley, LaCree Tippens, Jason Cave and Courtney Tyrrell. On the back row are Lady Dusters Mary Cavazos and Crystal Johnson, Blake Scott, Andria Nussey, Aryn Calley, Jessica Taylor, Teddi Crenwelge and WTC coach Valery Jackson. (SDN Staff Photo)

Stars cherish Stanley Cup win

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Stars' bandwagon rolled through downtown today as thousands of fans gathered for a parade in honor of the Stanley Cup champions.

Team captain Derian Hatcher hoisted the silver NHL championship cup overhead in triumph and forward Mike Modano chomped on a cigar while riding on a float in the parade, which started at City Hall and snaked through downtown toward a victory party at Reunion Arena.

Forward Dave Reid waved to fans while wearing a black cowboy hat while, on another float, team owner Tom Hicks sported new cowboy boots emblazoned with an image of the cup.

Fans along the route waved green flags and cheered their champions, who won the cup with a triple-overtime victory over Buffalo that ended in the wee hours Sunday.

For the better part of this spring, the Stars managed to capture the imagination of a city that usually reserves its excitement for Super Bowls.

Flags flew from automobiles, power plays were discussed at water coolers and more local media attention was given to Modano's bum wrist than to Deion Sanders' bad toe.

The Stanley Cup victory climaxed a spirited campaign and sparked celebrations that began in sports bars and spilled into downtown streets.

Hockey fever is running rampant.

About 200 fans were waiting for the Stars when they arrived at the airport at 6:45 a.m. Sunday, and 16,000 tickets for today's rally at Reunion Arena were quickly snapped up.

And the hysteria surrounding the first Stanley Cup's first trip to Texas hasn't been lost on the Stars themselves.

"We've come from the point where people didn't know what a goal was or any of the rules to everybody being crazy about the sport — it's gone 180 degrees," said Craig Ludwig, one of three former Minnesota North Stars still on the roster. "It's incredible."

Prior to this weekend, no professional team from the Dallas area had ever won a championship in a major sport other than football. The Dallas Cowboys have won five Super Bowls.

Baseball's Texas Rangers have been here since 1972, but have won just one playoff game. Basketball's Dallas Mavericks arrived in 1980 and haven't been in the playoffs since 1990.

The first title in the franchise's 32-year history came six years after previous owner Norm Green moved the team from Minneapolis because of small crowds.

When the club arrived in Texas, the Dallas fans certainly weren't the most knowledgeable in the league, but Hicks saw enough interest to buy the team in December 1995.

Hicks' deep pockets, in addition to the front-office savvy of general manager Bob Gainey and the steadiness of coach Ken Hitchcock, paved the way for the franchise's future success.

As the wins started to multiply, so did the fans. The Stars had the NHL's best regular-season record in each of the past two years, and seats at Reunion Arena gradually became some of the hottest tickets in town.

And now, with the Cup theirs and the celebration still at a fever pitch, fans say they are just starting to realize how much progress the game has made in Texas.

"It's been a real struggle to attain a championship and respectability for the fans," said Cliff Steward of Dallas.

Stewart sinks key putts to win Open

PINEHURST, N.C. (AP) — Payne Stewart's personal moment of redemption came in a light rain on the final domed green at Pinehurst No. 2. With it, came a moment that will become U.S. Open lore.

In one magical stroke of his putter, Stewart managed both to erase his failures of a year ago and do something no one had ever done in 98 previous Opens — win the championship with a long putt on the 72nd hole.

A day that began with tears for his late father on Father's Day ended with tears of joy as Stewart celebrated a second Open title he thought might never come.

"I got the job done, and that means a lot to me," Stewart said. "I had to prove something to myself. I had to get into position and I had to deal with it."

Any lingering disappointment from his loss in the final round last year at the Olympic Club was washed away as Stewart's 15-foot par putt went up the hill, broke slightly to the right, and dropped squarely in the center of the hole.

Phil Mickelson could only watch with a bemused look on his face as Stewart gleefully punched his fist into the air and picked up his caddie in a bear hug.

Moments later, the tears came, as the realization he had won a second Open at the age of 42 overwhelmed him.

"I will enjoy this one more," said Stewart, who won in 1991. "I won't try and change Payne Stewart this time. I don't have to prove anything to anybody anymore."

One of the most nerve-wracking of Opens ended up being perhaps its most dramatic. It had Stewart seeking redemption from an Open collapse and Mickelson playing his finest major while carrying a beeper on Father's Day in case his wife went into labor.

It had Tiger Woods making a charge with birdies on 14 and 16 before faltering from a greenside bunker on 17, and it had Vijay Singh hanging in patiently just in case something happened.

Most of all, it had Stewart making the putt that will define his career after making a career's worth of putts.

"Everything just bubbles inside of you," Stewart said, trying to describe his emotions as he lined up the putt. "And then all of a sudden it's in, and you did it."

Mickelson, calmly playing with Stewart in the last group, didn't make a bogey until the 16th hole. But, after lipping out a long birdie putt on 15, he didn't make another putt coming in.

Stewart made all three of his, including a 25-footer to save par on 16 and a 3-footer for birdie on 17 as the tournament came down to a putting contest on a rainy and misty day under the towering North Carolina Pines.

PINEHURST, N.C. (AP) — Final scores and earnings Sunday of the U.S. Open on the 7,175-yard, par-70 No. 2 course at the Pinehurst Resort and Country Club (a-amateur):

PayneStewart,$625,000	68-69-72-70—279
PhilMickelson,$370,000	67-70-73-70-280
TigerWoods,$196,792	68-71-72-70—281
VijaySingh,$196,792	69-70-73-69—281
SteveStricker,$130,655	70-73-69-73—285
TimHerron,$116,935	69-72-70-75—286
DavidDuval,$96,260	67-70-75-75—287
JeffMaggert,$96,260	71-69-74-73—287
HalSutton,$96,260	69-70-76-72—287
DarrenClarke,$78,863	73-70-74-71—288
BillyMayfair,$78,863	67-72-74-75—288
PaulGoydos,$67,347	67-74-74-74—289
DavisLoveIII,$67,347	70-73-74-72—289
PaulAzinger,$67,347	72-72-75-70—289
ColinMatgmrie,$58,215	72-72-74-72—290
JustinLeonard,$58,215	69-75-73-73—290
JohnHuston,$46,756	71-69-75-76—291
ScottVerplank,$46,756	72-73-72-74—291
DudleyHart,$46,756	73-73-76-69—291
JimPuryk,$46,756	69-73-77-72—291
JayHaas,$46,756	74-72-73-72—291
JesperParnevik,$46,756	71-71-76-73—291
MiguelJimenez,$33,505	73-70-72-77—292
D.A.Weibring,$33,505	69-74-74-75—292
TomScherrer,$33,505	72-72-74-74—292
NickPrice,$33,505	71-74-74-73—292
BrianWatts,$33,505	69-73-77-73—292

Texas offense struggles again; Red Sox pitcher fans 10 Rangers

BOSTON (AP) — Pedro Martinez got his 13th win and lowered his ERA to 2.10 — both best in the major leagues — to lead the Boston Red Sox over the Texas Rangers 5-2 Sunday.

Martinez (13-2) allowed one run and six hits in eight innings, walked none and struck out 10, increasing his total to 161, also tops in the majors. He reached double digits in strikeouts for the 10th time in 15 starts this season, the 45th in his career.

Martinez struck out at least one batter in every inning except the seventh. Tim Wakefield got the final two outs for his fifth save.

Trot Nixon's first career triple highlighted a three-run fourth as the Red Sox won for the fifth time in seven games following a 1-7 slide. Nixon went 3-for-4 with two RBIs, and Nomar Garciaparra added three singles.

Texas was held under four runs for the eighth consecutive game and has lost six of nine. Ryan Glynn (0-2) gave up three runs — two earned — and eight hits in five innings.

Rafael Palmeiro's sacrifice fly put Texas ahead in the fourth, but Boston took a 3-1 lead in the bottom half when Damon Buford reached on shortstop Royce Clayton's fielding error, Trot Nixon tripled, Jose Offerman singled and John Valentin had an RBI double.

Valentin and Nixon added run-coring singles in the eighth off Tim Crabtree. Palmeiro had an RBI double in the ninth, making him 2-for-3.

Sports Briefs

Ladies' Pumpjack golf tourney

The Ladies' Pumpjack Partnership will be held June 29 at Snyder Country Club. Breakfast will be served at 8 a.m. with play beginning at 9 o'clock.

Format will be two-person low ball gross and net, with all teams flighted by handicap. Cost is $85 per team. To register, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Snyder pitching camp

The Snyder pitching camp will be held for ages 8-up beginning Tuesday. Cost is $25 and sessions are by appointment only. To schedule a session, contact Roland Herrera at 573-1355.

WGA playday and couples play

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its Tuesday playday at 9 a.m. Format will be bingle, bangle, bungle.

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

Basketball camp

The Sam Tipton Basketball Camp for incoming 7th-9th grade girls will begin next Monday and run through July 1 at the SHS gym.

Instruction will run from 9 a.m. to noon. Cost per camper is $50, which includes a camp T-shirt. For more information, contact Coach Tipton at 573-6301 ext. 30 (work) or 573-4437 (home).

Snyder volleyball camp

The Snyder volleyball camp will be held July 12-15 for incoming 5th-9th graders at the SHS gym. Camp hours will be from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

Cost is $40 and all campers need to register by July 9, so T-shirts can be ordered.

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

July 4th basketball tourney

The Powerade Fourth of July 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament will be held July 2-4 at Towle Park. Cost is $40 per team.

Teams will be divided by age and ability. Divisions will be Little Dribblers (3rd-6th graders), Young Guns (6th-8th graders), Top Guns (9th-12th graders), NBA (very competitive) and Old Timers (recreational).

Each division will have male and female brackets, with co-ed teams entered in the male bracket.

Other contests in conjunction with the tourney will be half-court shot, free throws, 3-point shooting, slam dunks, and speed dribbling (little dribblers only).

All entries must be received by 9 p.m. on June 28. To register, contact Valery Jackson at 573-8511 ext. 286 or 573-1494.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	39	28	.582	-
Boston	39	29	.574	½
Toronto	33	37	.471	7½
Baltimore	31	37	.456	8½
TampaBay	28	40	.412	11½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	45	21	.682	-
Chicago	33	33	.500	12
Detroit	29	40	.420	17½
KansasCity	27	39	.409	18
Minnesota	25	42	.373	20½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	39	29	.574	-
Oakland	35	33	.515	4
Seattle	35	33	.515	4
Anaheim	30	38	.441	9

Saturday's Games
Boston 7, Texas 4
Cleveland 10, Seattle 6
Toronto 7, Kansas City 0
Oakland 13, Detroit 1
New York 6, Anaheim 2
Tampa Bay 4, Minnesota 3
Baltimore 11, Chicago 9, 11 innings
Sunday's Games
Toronto 2, Kansas City 1
Boston 5, Texas 2
Oakland 6, Detroit 5
Anaheim 4, New York 2
Baltimore 8, Chicago 4
Tampa Bay 6, Minnesota 5, 11 innings
Cleveland 13, Seattle 5
Monday's Games
Tampa Bay (Rupe 2-3) at Minnesota (Mays 0-2), 1:15 p.m.
Texas (Helling 6-6) at Boston (Rose 4-0), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Fussell 0-3) at Toronto (Hamilton 0-4), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 8-4) at Cleveland (Colon 6-3), 7:05 p.m.
Oakland (Heredia 3-5) at Detroit (Mlicki 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
Only games scheduled

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	42	27	.609	-
NewYork	38	31	.551	4
Philadelphia	35	32	.522	6
Montreal	26	39	.400	14
Florida	24	45	.348	18
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	41	26	.612	-
Cincinnati	34	31	.523	6
Pittsburgh	34	33	.507	7
Chicago	33	33	.500	7½
St.Louis	33	35	.485	8½
Milwaukee	30	38	.441	11½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	41	28	.594	-
SanFrancisco	40	30	.571	1½
Colorado	33	32	.508	6
LosAngeles	32	35	.478	8
SanDiego	28	38	.424	11½

Saturday's Games
St. Louis 7, New York 6
Los Angeles 8, Philadelphia 1
San Francisco 11, Chicago 5
Milwaukee 10, Cincinnati 1
Houston 5, Montreal 2
Colorado 10, Florida 2
Arizona 7, Atlanta 3
San Diego 5, Pittsburgh 4
Sunday's Games
Milwaukee 7, Cincinnati 4
Houston 11, Montreal 3
New York 9, St. Louis 6
Colorado 8, Florida 7
Los Angeles 3, Philadelphia 2
San Diego 6, Pittsburgh 3
San Francisco 7, Chicago 6
Atlanta 10, Arizona 4
Monday's Games
Houston (Bergman 4-3) at St. Louis (Bottenfield 10-3), 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Parris 4-1) at Arizona (Anderson 1-1), 10:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Nomo 4-1) at San Francisco (Gardner 1-5), 10:05 p.m.
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Cleveland	0	5	.000	4
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	4	0	1.000	-
Minnesota	2	1	.667	1½
LosAngeles	3	2	.600	1½
Sacramento	3	2	.600	1½
Utah	2	2	.500	2
Phoenix	1	2	.333	2½

Saturday's Games
Los Angeles 73, Charlotte 69
Orlando 73, Washington 68
Houston 69, Minnesota 55
Utah 85, Sacramento 75
Phoenix 76, Cleveland 67
Sunday's Game
New York 69, Detroit 62
Monday's Games
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To those indebted to, or holding claims against the Estate of STANLEY B. NOAH, deceased, Probate Case Number 5,514:

The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executrix of the Estate of STANLEY B. NOAH, Deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by Ricky Fritz, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 17th day of JUNE, 1999, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said Estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said Estate to present them to Francene Allen Noah, 2507 30th, Snyder, Texas 79549, within the time prescribed by law.

Executed this 17th day of June, 1999.

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Treating Raynaud's disorder

DEAR DR. GOTT: My doctor says that I have Raynaud's phenomenon. My fingers turn white and cold without warning. The situation is worse if I'm holding an iced drink or am exposed to winter weather. What can I do to prevent this? Will it affect my future health?

DEAR READER: Raynaud's phenomenon is periodic spasm of the small arteries leading to your fingers. The disorder often affects the toes as well. The typical pattern is as follows: First, the fingers blanch (because of spasm), then they turn blue (because of lack of oxygen), finally they become bright red (from reactive dilation of the arteries).

Raynaud's phenomenon is more common in smokers. The phenomenon is also associated with a host of diseases, including connective tissue disorders and scleroderma. Fortunately, the condition is usually harmless. Nonetheless, the spasm can be quite severe in some instances, leading to tissue damage.

Treatment includes warming the hands and using prescription drugs, such as nifedipine, if needed. Raynaud's will not affect your general health (unless it reflects an underlying disease) and may come and go. If you smoke, stop. Get further advice from your physician.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm trying desperately to follow a healthy lifestyle. I'm physically active, don't smoke, limit caffeine, avoid fat, drink one glass of red wine at dinner, and cut down on red meat. I still eat sweets. Is this a problem?

DEAR READER: Probably not. All of us need a little vice from time to time and, from the sound of it, you're coming up short. In moderation, sugar won't harm you if you're not diabetic or overweight. Although I'm impressed by your efforts to maintain a healthful lifestyle, remember that the stress of this commitment may come back to haunt you. Sometimes, people who covet immortality tend to follow restrictively unrealistic living patterns, with the result that life loses spontaneity, vibrancy and enjoyment. This can cause a type of numbing stress, stemming from the inability to live such a model existence. In short, excessive expectations can detract from life's enjoyment. I advise you to relax, kick back, let your hair down and have an occasional Snickers bar.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I manage a department of about 20 people, of which only three smoke. I truly believe that they would stop if they chose to join a program. What can I do to help them? In the meantime, how can I support the non-smokers?

DEAR READER: First, suggest to the smokers that they stop. Second, if they refuse, provide smoking areas for them, realizing that cigarette smoke may be both harmful and disconcerting to the other employees.

Third, pull rank. This drastic step, which includes a departmental policy against smoking, may encourage the three smokers to obtain help in quitting. For obvious reasons, you'll want to be as diplomatic as possible, so that you don't infringe on anyone's rights. Smokers can get riled up by such an edict; while they are aware that they are being inconsiderate of non-smokers, they may object to being told what to do. However, the position that I suggest may actually provide an incentive for the smokers to stop or cut back. In addition, smokers can often conquer their addiction by using gum and patches that contain nicotine.

In my experience, major problems arise not from smokers who consent to cooperate but by the militant cigarette addict who believes that the Freedom to Smoke was written into the Bill of Rights.

It seems to me that your goal, in this case, is to provide a healthful work area for your non-smoking majority — at the same time, set aside a smoking section for the others, while you fiddle around with a permanent solution.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I suffer from rosacea. My nose is beginning to look like that of W.C. Fields, the noted actor. My doctor has given me antibiotic pills that are not especially effective. Are there other treatments available?

DEAR READER: Rosacea, a common skin disease of unknown cause, is marked by skin infections (resembling acne) that appear most often on the central areas of the face, notably the nose. The disorder (unlike acne) begins in middle age or later and, over time, can lead to significant disfigurement, the most prominent of which is rhinophyma — bulbous enlargement of the nose.

Antibiotics have been the traditional therapy for rosacea. However, a new treatment was recently introduced. Called MetroLotion, this topical lotion contains metronidazole. When applied regularly to areas of infected skin, the lotion often improves the appearance of rosacea. I suspect that the extensive involvement of your nose probably precludes MetroLotion as single therapy; however, when used in conjunction with tetracycline pills, the combination might well benefit you.

Ask your doctor to comment.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 84 and had my prostate removed (because of cancer) three years ago. Initially, my PSA was less than one. For the past two years, it has steadily climbed to 56. My urologist has put me through every imaginable test, including ultrasound, biopsy and a bone scan. He has no clue as to why the PSA has risen. I feel fine. Is the PSA test unreliable?

DEAR READER: Not usually — and certainly not to the degree that yours has risen. Prostate Specific Antigen is produced by prostatic tissue, both benign and malignant. The rise from less than 1 (normal: 0 to 4) to 56 is an ominous sign in a man with a history of prostate cancer and prostate surgery. I don't understand why your urologist is confused. Until proven otherwise, the rising PSA must be assumed to be coming from malignant prostate tissue somewhere in your body.

Under the circumstances, were I your doctor, I'd order CT scans of your chest, abdomen and pelvis in an attempt to discover the location of the metastasis. Even if these tests turned out normal, I would strongly consider giving you hormonal therapy, such as Lupron.

Some doctor is going to write and chide me. Who do I think I am, a mere internal medicine specialist, trying to out-guess a urologist? But I stand firm. Your testing and treatment is not complete. If your urologist truly hasn't a clue about how to proceed, request a referral to a urology clinic at a teaching hospital. In this instance, a second opinion is not just a luxury, it's mandatory.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my new and completely updated Health Report "The Prostate Gland." 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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Hospital

ADMISSIONS: June 18: Maria Ortega, Donna Simpson; June 19: None; June 20: Joe Smith, Christine Hoyle and Rea Jordan.

DISMISSALS: June 18: Odyne Jones, Donna Simpson; June 19: Raymond Wood, Martin Zuniga; June 20: L.M. Hatcher and Maria Ortega.

CENSUS: 33 (Med., Surg.-8, Long-term Care-25).

The deepest ocean in the world is the Pacific Ocean.

It takes 11.5 days for a million seconds to pass, but 32 years for a billion seconds go by.

Liza Minelli, the daughter of Judy Garland, married Jack Haley Jr., the son of Jack Haley — who played the Tin Man in "The Wizard of Oz."

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Weekend arrests involve alcohol

Four felony arrests were made over the weekend with all of them being drug or alcohol related.

Richard Charles Clayton, 31, of 1925 Garden Lane was arrested at 1:22 a.m. Sunday in the 200 block of Old Lubbock Hwy. for felony driving while intoxicated.

A passenger in the vehicle, a 33-year-old female, was taken into custody for public intoxication.

Officers arrested 45-year-old Sanpio Linan Samora of 803 Court in Lamesa for felony driving while intoxicated. Also taken into custody was a 46-year-old female for public intoxication.

At 10:16 p.m. Sunday, officers took 27-year-old Donald Craig Baker of 2303 Cindy Lane in Big Spring into custody in the 1100 block of Avenue R for felony possession of cocaine, less than one gram, misdemeanor possession of marijuana, public intoxication and possession of drug paraphernalia.

Adam Sosa, 40, of 2405 30th Street was arrested by officers at 1:03 a.m. today in the 2500 block of Avenue B for felony driving while intoxicated.

Department of Public Safety troopers arrested a 58-year-old male at 11:41 p.m. Saturday at the corner of FM 1611 and U.S. Hwy. 84 for public intoxication.

A 52-year-old male was taken into custody at 4:26 p.m. Sunday in the 400 block of Hwy. 84 for no drivers license, no liability insurance and operating an unregistered motor vehicle.

A Nolan County warrant for theft sent an 18-year-old male to jail at 9:21 p.m. Sunday. He was arrested by DPS troopers in the 2700 block of Avenue O.

Officers took two subjects into custody at 12:48 a.m. today in the 2000 block of Avenue N. Arrested were a 32-year-old female for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and a 42-year-old female for public intoxication.

In other activity, an offense report for Class A assault was filed at 7:42 a.m. Saturday.

At 12:56 p.m. Sunday, an offense report for family violence was filed.

An officer was called to Pizza Inn at 11 p.m. Sunday in reference to a delivery driver being assaulted and his money taken. An offense report for aggravated robbery was submitted.

A man reported at 5:09 p.m. Saturday that gun shots were ricocheting off his house. Deputies responded and made contact with three subjects who stated they would apologize to the homeowner.

Officers worked a two-vehicle minor accident at 2:28 p.m. Saturday in the 500 block of 33rd Street. Involved were a 1987 Chevrolet Cavalier driven by Jessie McClain Asberry of 207 33rd and a 1991 Honda Accord parked and unoccupied, owned by Becky Rodriguez of 5920 CR 465.

Markets

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AirTouch	113¾ 112 112⅞+ 3-16
Albertsons	55⅞ 55⅛ 55⅜— 3-16
AlldSignal	68 7-16 67⅞ 68 7-16+15-16
Alltel	73 72 5-16 72⅝—13-16
AmOnline s	115 112 114½+ 2½
AmStores	34 165-256 34 7-16 34 9-16— ⅛
Ameritech	69⅝ 68 5-16 68 5-16—1 7-32
AndarkPtr	39 7-16 38 13-16 38 13-16—13-16
Armcolnc	6⅞ 6 13-16 6⅞+ 1-16
AtlRichfld	87⅛ 86⅜ 86 7-16— ⅞
ATMOS Egy	25 11-16 25½ 25 9-16— ⅛
Avialll	18⅜ 17 11-16 18 5-16+ ⅛
BP Amoco	111⅞ 111⅜ 111 13-16— 5-16
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Bank of Amer	73⅜ 71 11-16 71⅜— ⅜
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Nuclear arms program needs semi-independent agency

WASHINGTON (AP) — The head of a presidential panel on nuclear weapons security, backed by congressional Republicans, says security problems within the Department of Energy can't be fixed without creating a new semi-independent agency to oversee nuclear arms programs.

But Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, said he is successfully confronting the security lapses revealed in investigations of suspected Chinese spying at weapons laboratories, and that no new agency is needed.

"We are ready to have a beefed-up security entity within the Department of Energy that is stronger," Richardson said on "Fox News Sunday." "What I don't want is a new agency that is autonomous that does not report to me."

But former Sen. Warren Rudman, R-N.H., who chaired a panel of the president's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board that issued a highly critical report of the DOE's counterintelligence efforts last week, said the department has failed to carry out two key security measures that President Clinton ordered 16 months ago.

It has yet to fully implement polygraph tests for scientists at the labs and tighter security checks for foreign visitors, Rudman said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "The attitude of people within that department, in that bureaucracy, is astounding," he added.

The Washington Post reported today that the federal government has begun administering polygraphs on the first of 5,000 nuclear weapons scientists and other sensitive employees at DOE.

It could take four years to complete an initial round of examinations on the federal workers and private contractors working with highly classified nuclear secrets, said Edward J. Curran, head of Energy's counterintelligence office.

So far, only that office's staff has been given the tests, he said. Richardson told the Post some employees and civil liberties groups are likely to protest the polygraphs.

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Bush's 2000 campaign could parallel 1994 race

AUSTIN (AP) — For a preview of how George W. Bush might campaign for president, look at the way he first ran for governor.

"I've already seen this movie," says Chuck McDonald, the spokesman for Democrat Ann Richards' 1994 re-election campaign. "It worked then. There's no reason to believe it can't work now."

After announcing in November 1993 that he would challenge Richards, Bush quickly raised a huge amount of money, breezed through the GOP nomination with almost no primary opposition, joked about being the former president's son, then talked nonstop about four proposals.

As he starts his second presidential campaign trip this week, Bush again is raising large amounts of money, enjoys a wide poll lead over primary opponents, jokes about being the former president's son, and says he'll have his specific proposals in due time.

"There's been a lot written and said about how unprecedented this campaign is, but that's only because it's taking place on a national stage," McDonald said. "The similarities are striking."

Many pages from the Bush campaign look like reprints of his first battle plan:

— Fund raising.

In 1994, the nationally known Richards was a fund-raising powerhouse from New York to Hollywood. Undaunted — and equipped with a famous family name — Bush raised $16.4 million, ending 1994 with a $2.5 million surplus.

This year, Bush has been raising money only since March, but he collected $7.6 million in 28 days and could hit $20 million by June 30. He admits thinking about forgoing federal matching funds and spending limits.

— The nomination.

In 1994, the "real" GOP gubernatorial primary took place in a Houston office building. There, Bush met with oilman Rob Mosbacher, who'd been the party's candidate for lieutenant governor four years earlier.

When they emerged, Mosbacher bowed out of the governor's race. Millionaire Dallas businessman T. Boone Pickens gave the race a look, but also passed. The nomination became Bush's for the asking. He faced only an unfunded, 68-year-old demolition contractor in the primary election.

This year, Bush has soared to a whopping lead in opinion polls, with the latest Time-CNN survey putting him at 54 percent among Republicans and 40 points ahead of the No. 2, Elizabeth Dole. His first campaign trip got saturation media coverage. Other campaigns have hinted that Bush's fund-raising prowess is making it hard for them to collect cash.

"Not having to face a well-financed primary opponent launched the governor's career in politics," said Mark Sanders, a GOP consultant who worked for Mosbacher.

"If he'd had to spend millions of dollars and there had been a brutal Republican primary, he wouldn't have had the resources or the stamina he showed in that general election," Sanders said.

— Personal questions.

Brutal hardly describes the 1990 Democratic primary that nominated Richards. Rivals made an issue of her past, including alcoholism and her refusal to say whether she'd ever used drugs.

Online shopping increasing; sales tax not being collected

WASHINGTON (AP) — Consumers are flocking to the Internet, where shopping by computer is convenient and easy, the selection seemingly unlimited and the sales tax uncollected. New research shows online sales rising 300 percent a year and possibly topping $200 billion in 2000.

Keeping electronic commerce tax-free will help the economy grow faster, say many in business. But merchants large and small, on Main Street and in the mall, fear online shopping robs them of customers, while local governments worry about eroding the tax base needed for schools and public safety.

Everybody frets about losing business if high U.S. taxes are imposed on Internet purchases: Americans might buy from foreign companies while consumers in other countries might bypass U.S. products.

A 19-member commission created by Congress meets Monday in Williamsburg, Va., to begin sorting through tax options for Internet commerce. The goal is to have new laws in place before a federal moratorium on new taxes for e-commerce expires Oct. 21, 2001.

The panel's incoming chairman, Virginia Gov. Jim Gilmore, a Republican elected in 1997 on a tax-cutting platform, said in an interview he has no illusions about how difficult it will be to reach a consensus.

"I would not overestimate the conflict. It may not be resolvable," Gilmore said. "My goal is to run the commission in a way that allows all ideas to be aired out and to give a fair hearing. We will not cook up a policy and try to ram it down somebody's throat."

With the growth of e-commerce, the commission's work promises to have a lasting effect on Americans' shopping habits.

Austan Goolsbee, an economics professor at the University of Chicago, said most research indicates online sales next year could reach $200 billion to $1 trillion. His own study of 25,000 online buyers concluded that imposing a sales tax on remote commerce would cut spending by 30 percent.

"Internet sales are highly sensitive to local taxation," Goolsbee said.

In most states with a sales tax, people who buy things online or from out-of-state catalogue companies are supposed to calculate and send in the sales taxes, but it is rarely enforced. In 1992 the Supreme Court said Congress would have to change the law to require one state to collect and remit taxes for business done in another state.

Commission members include government officials and executives from telecommunications and Internet industry companies such as AT&T Corp., computer maker Gateway Inc., America Online and broker Charles Schwab & Co.

Democratic Gov. Gary Locke of Washington and Republican Gov. Michael Leavitt of Utah are among the political members.

Even before the commission's first meeting, the lobbying has been intense.

Organizations representing mayors and counties used a federal lawsuit to block the commission from meeting until Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., replaced Netscape chief James Barksdale with a local public official — tipping the membership's balance toward government.

Those same groups, joined by governors and other local officials, said in a recent letter to commission members that its tax priorities should include "equitable treatment for all Main Street sellers and preservation of the single most important resource for education in our nation."

"Our ability to raise, educate and train children ... will determine whether we can meet the needs of the nation's new information technology," their letter said.

In contrast, commission member Grover Norquist, president of Americans for Tax Reform, opposes any federal tax on the Internet and wants to make permanent the current tax moratorium.

"There's a real danger (politicians) will pick on electronic commerce," Norquist said. "Some politicians say, 'Oh, this is new. Let's tax it.'"

Most business groups fall somewhere in between, but many that are active on the Internet fear being targeted with taxes.

Frank Kelly, vice president in Schwab's Washington office, said the investment firm now does up to $4 billion in trades a day on line.

City said strained by child's disappearance

FORT WORTH (AP) — The disappearance of Opal Jennings has strained the people of Saginaw physically, emotionally and financially, but they have not stopped searching for the missing 6-year-old.

In the three months since the kindergartner disappeared, local police have spent 2,783 hours on the case, including 828 in overtime and 179 in compensatory time.

The city has spent $75,855 on the case and has set aside another $100,000 for the next fiscal year, the Fort Worth Star-Telegram reported.

Despite the city's efforts, her disappearance is as mysterious today as it was when she was grabbed from a lot adjacent to her home March 26.

But no one in City Hall has balked at giving the police department the money or extra officers, Chief Gene Springer said.

"The city manager and council members have been very helpful to us," Springer told the newspaper.

And the chief doesn't foresee the city giving up on Opal, whose name might have disappeared from headlines and evening newscasts but whose image still looks out from utility poles and businesses around Saginaw, a suburb north of Fort Worth near Alliance Airport.

The FBI, which has had up to 40 agents on the case, has pulled most of them off until better information turns up, FBI Special Agent Lori Bailey said.

Audrey Sanderford, who was caring for her granddaughter when she was abducted, continues her tireless efforts to keep Opal's face and name in the public. She is flying to New York for a Tuesday taping of a Sally Jessy Raphael show about missing children.

Saginaw Lt. Nancy Wright, who supervises the Opal investigation, and two detectives continue to devote all their time to the case, but are working much less overtime these days.

For a community with just 12,000 residents, 22 police officers and an annual budget of less than $4.5 million, more than $75,000 is a hefty chunk.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, June 22, 1999

There is a strong possibility the the year ahead could be a fruitful one, mainly because of your ability to knuckle under and utilize your talents and skills in productive ways.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Even if this turns out to be a profitable day for you, should your aspirations be unrealistic, there may be no pleasing you and put you in a bad mood. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Follow your instincts and weigh with a grain of salt everything said to you today. Someone with ulterior motives may attempt to convince you of something that sounds too good to be true.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Rewards will be derived in proportion to the effort expended today. If you depend only upon Lady Luck, you will yield nada, while the sweat of your brow will produce personal gains.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) It's okay to be both a doer and a talker, so long as the emphasis isn't on the latter. You'll fare far better today if you strive to be more productive and less vocal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Should you have to make a choice today between the distribution of your intangible or monetary resources, spend your time on your family. Relegate outside demands to second place.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) The dynamics of your personality will make people sit up and take notice today without you attempting to captivate them. If you really want to impress someone, underplay your role.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Keep your mind on your work today, because there is a chance that you may not capitalize on something materially that might develop for you. Stay focused.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You may score a few points with your cleverness today. When it comes down to the nitty-gritty relationship grading, however, you could flunk out if you don't think of others first.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Proceed cautiously in joint ventures today, especially where money is involved. Should assessments be levied on the team, make sure your counterpart forks out the same as you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Even if you're uncertain and do not trust your own judgment concerning an important interest, do not abdicate this privilege to an associate who is not as smart as you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Make the decision as to whether you want to be a dreamer or a doer today. Wishful thinking might do wonders for fantasizing, but will do little to derive real life rewards.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Small, controllable groups will serve you better today than will large, clamorous crowds, so avoid the latter and try to limit your meetings and social get-togethers.

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Datebook

June 21, 1999

Today is the 172nd day of 1999 and the first day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1879, Frank Woolworth opened his first store, in which each item cost no more than a dime, in Lancaster, Pa.

On this day in 1972, Hurricane Agnes struck the East Coast of the United States, killing 118 and leaving 200,000 people homeless.

On this day in 1977, Elvis Presley appeared for the last time on television. He died less than two months later.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Jean Paul Sartre (1905-1980), writer-philosopher; Jane Russell (1921-), actress, is 78; Maureen Stapleton (1925-), actress, is 74; Meredith Baxter (1947-), actress, is 52; Nils Lofgren (1951-), musician, is 48; Tom Chambers (1959-), basketball player, is 40.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1932, Max Schmeling lost the heavyweight boxing title to Jack Sharkey.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Man is not the sum of what he has already, but rather the sum of what he does not yet have, of what he could have." — Jean-Paul Sartre

TODAY'S MOON: Day after first quarter (June 20).

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February 22, 1996

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

World leaders pledge Balkan aid

COLOGNE, Germany (AP) — Ending a summit dominated by Kosovo, world leaders on Sunday pledged strong efforts to maintain peace and rebuild the war-torn region. At the suggestion of President Clinton, they said they'll meet again in the Balkans to review post-war reconstruction plans.

"I am leaving here with real confidence that we are going to succeed in achieving all of our objectives," Clinton said after the three-day summit ended.

In a concession to Russian President Boris Yeltsin, who attended only the last day of the meeting, the final summit communique had no specific ban on providing reconstruction aid to Moscow's ally Yugoslavia while President Slobodan Milosevic remains in power.

But British Prime Minister Tony Blair and several of the other leaders remained adamant that while the province of Kosovo is rebuilt, the rest of Yugoslavia will only receive humanitarian assistance as long as Milosevic is in charge of the two-state federation of Serbia and Montenegro.

"We cannot start giving money to a regime that has perpetrated brutality and barbarism and the Serbian people must understand that," Blair said.

There were different views among leaders, however, on what qualified for humanitarian assistance, with some suggesting that rebuilding bombed-out power plants and roads might qualify.

"Where do we make the division between humanitarian aid and development aid? That's what we have to work out," French President Jacques Chirac said.

Clinton cautioned that the United States and Europe — which will pay most of the rebuilding tab — face difficult times and massive costs for Kosovo, but he said the money will be well spent.

Supreme Court to rule on cable-smut fed law

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today agreed to decide whether a federal law intended to shield children from sex-oriented cable TV networks violates the free-speech rights of channels such as Playboy Television.

The justices said they will review a Clinton administration appeal aimed at reviving the law, which a federal judge in Delaware struck down. The judge said the law swept too broadly in trying to keep children from seeing adult programming on networks only partly scrambled for non-subscribers.

"This case involves channels that carry virtually 100 percent sexually explicit adult programming," the appeal said, adding that the invalidated law "imposes a very limited restriction on speech and is a very effective approach to the substantial evil it addresses."

In other action today, the court:

—Said police generally do not need a warrant to search a car they have reason to believe is carrying illegal drugs. The court ruled that a search warrant is not required even if police had plenty of time to get one after receiving a tip that a car would be carrying drugs.

—Refused to resurrect a ruling that shocked federal prosecutors last year by telling them it was unlawful to offer leniency in exchange for testimony. The justices, without comment, left intact a federal appeals court ruling that in January removed any cloud of constitutional doubt from

"The costliest peace is cheaper than the cheapest war," the president said Sunday night, speaking to the American diplomatic community in nearby Bonn.

Clinton's remarks reflected an upbeat end of this annual economic summit of the leaders of seven industrialized nations — the United States, Japan, Germany, Britain, France, Italy and Canada — and Russia.

North Korea postpones talks

BEIJING (AP) — North Korea postponed high-level government talks with rival South Korea today until Seoul delivers a promised shipment of fertilizer, a South Korean official said.

North Korea put off the talks, due to have started today in Beijing, until it receives the last of 100,000 tons of fertilizer that the South failed to deliver by a Sunday deadline, said Yang Young-shik, the South Korean vice unification minister.

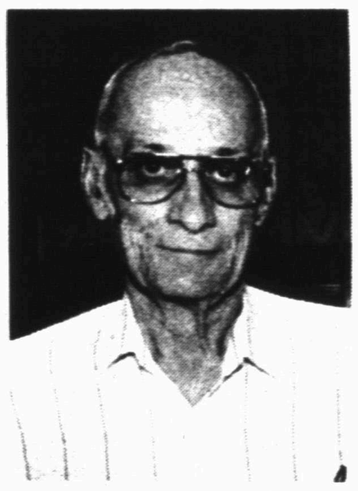
It was not clear when the talks — the highest-level meeting between the two Koreas in 14 months — would start.

The delay added more uncertainty after tensions last week from a skirmish between the two Koreas' navies in a disputed part of the Yellow Sea. A North Korean gunboat was sunk and around 30 northern sailors were thought killed in one of the worst clashes in years.

North Korea late Sunday threatened retaliation for what it claimed were incursions by the South into its territorial waters.

South Korean officials said the North asked for a five-hour delay in the start of talks in a Beijing hotel this morning, then later brought up the issue of the shipment.

Obituaries



Doug Vineyard

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1932-1999

Doug Vineyard, U.S. postmaster in Hermleigh for 39 years, died Saturday, June 19, in Midland Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mr. Vineyard, 66, is set for 10 a.m. Tuesday in the Hermleigh Church of Christ where he was a member and had served as an elder.

Born July 8, 1932 in Hermleigh, he married Dorothy Coan on Sept. 27, 1950 in Hermleigh. She died in 1997.

Mr. Vineyard retired from the U.S. Postal service in 1998. Before joining the postal service he had worked in the oilfields, in the laundry business and for Scurry County. He was also a veteran of the Korean War.

Mr. Vineyard was a member of the Hermleigh Booster Club and was a former member of the Hermleigh Lions Club.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and Mike Matherly of Midland; a son and daughter-in-law, Tommy and Sheila Vineyard of Edmond, Okla.; a sister, Nelda Kruger of Hermleigh; a brother, Don Vineyard; and four grandchildren, Kim Lewis, Brad Vineyard, Ashley Vineyard and Cody Rankin.

Helen Hardiman

1928-1999

Funeral service for Helen Louise Hardiman, 71, of Snyder is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church. The Rev. Robert Sweet, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mrs. Hardiman died Friday, June 18, in Snyder Healthcare Center.

Born April 8, 1928 in Buda, Mrs. Hardiman was a housekeeper and a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, Ricky Gomez of Snyder and Billy Hardiman; a sister, Clara Byrd of Austin; and a niece, Mae Farmer.

Ed Griffith

1909-1999

Willie Edgar (Ed) Griffith, a former resident of Snyder, died Saturday, June 19, in Colonial Manor Nursing Home in Tyler.

Funeral service for Mr. Griffith, 90, is set for 3:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Bear Williams will officiate, and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born Feb. 23, 1909 in Caldwell, he was married to Mabel Josephine Davis who died in 1969.

Mr. Griffith was a retired rancher and had lived in Snyder and Colorado City before moving to Tyler in 1994. He was a member of Snyder's First Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons, E.E. Griffith of Fort Worth and Roy K. Griffith of Tyler; a daughter, Wanda Rhodes of Argyle; nine grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and numerous nieces and nephews.

The family will receive friends at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home from 7 to 9 this evening.

Vance Williams

1964-1999

Vance Franklin Williams, 34, died Friday, June 18, in Key West, Fla.

His body was cremated.

Born Aug. 27, 1964 in Abilene, he graduated from Snyder High School in 1982 and attended Texas Tech University.

He married Sue Cummings in September, 1995 in Albany, N.Y. He was a truck driver, working out of New York.

Survivors include his wife, Sue Williams of Albany, N.Y.; his parents, Lanelle and Alex Cross of Snyder and Buddy and Carol Williams of Atlanta, Ga.; a sister, Nicole Kerr of Lubbock; and a nephew, Tyler Kerr of Lubbock.

Mozelle Boren

1915-1999

PADUCAH — Mozelle Boren, a native of Scurry County, died Saturday, June 19, in a Lubbock nursing home.

Graveside rite for Mrs. Boren, 83, was set for 2 p.m. today in the Garden of Memories Cemetery in Paducah. Dr. Tilden Armstrong, a retired Methodist minister, was to officiate. Arrangements were under the direction of Seigler Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 7, 1915 in Dermott, she was a graduate of Fluvanna High School and married A.C. Boren on March 20, 1937 in Lamesa.

She and her husband moved to Paducah in 1945. Mr. Boren died in 1982, and Mrs. Boren moved to Lubbock from Paducah in 1989.

She was a homemaker and a member of the Methodist Church. She was also a past Worthy Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include a son, Gerald Boren of Wichita Falls; a daughter, Judith Ann Boren of Lubbock; two brothers, LeRoy Brown of Snyder and J.R. Brown of Lubbock; a sister, Gertrude Kidwell of Midland; and three grandchildren.

Mona Pierce

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1913-1999

Mona Norflee Pierce, a longtime resident of Scurry County, died Sunday, June 20, in Scenic Mountain Hospital in Big Spring after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Pierce, 86, is set for 5:30 p.m. Tuesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate, and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

Born Jan. 26, 1913 in Alabama, she moved to the Polar Community in 1915 from Alabama. She married D.T. Pierce on Dec. 1, 1930 in Snyder, and he died in 1989.

A member of Calvary Baptist Church, she managed cafes in the area prior to her retirement.

She was also preceded in death by a son, Royce Dwain Pierce, in 1992.

Survivors include two daughters, Bobbie Stokes of Snyder and Barbara Sutton of Brownwood; three sisters, Naomi Peters of Pecos, Emma Jean Choate of Odessa and Faynell Hill of California; four brothers, Edwin Davis of California, Marion Davis of Abilene, and Calvin Davis and Edgar Davis, both of Odessa; four grandchildren, Danny Stokes and Debra Boechardt, both of Big Spring, David Sutton of Snyder and Russell Sutton of Lubbock; six great-grandchildren, Christin Curry, Brandi Fontana, Tori Flores, Kaci Stokes, Danielle Stokes and Matthew Stokes.

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AARP chapter meeting

The AARP chapter will meet at 5:30 p.m. today in the Senior Center for a pot luck dinner. Games will follow the meal. Attendees are urged to bring a serving spoon to add to the supplies.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 this evening are "What God Would Tell a King," followed by "What To Do When Your Family Falls Apart."

First Baptist VBS

All who have completed kindergarten through 6th grade are invited to Vacation Bible School from 9 a.m. until noon this week through Friday at First Baptist Church. Theme is "Mount Extreme, The Ultimate Good News Challenge." Call 573-2631 for more information.

Ira First Baptist VBS

Vacation Bible School at Ira First Baptist Church will be 6 to 9 p.m. daily through Friday for grades kindergarten through the sixth grade. For more information call 573-8419.

Vacation Bible School

Primera Iglesia Bautista is having Vacation Bible School from 5:30 to 8 p.m. through Friday for grades first through sixth.

Colonial Hill VBS

Vacation Bible School at Colonial Hill Baptist Church will be held from 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. daily through Friday. Theme will be Mt. Extreme with a camping atmosphere. VBS is for children four years of age through the sixth grade. At an open house at 6:30 Friday followed by The Young Continentals at 7 p.m.

Ribbon cutting

Snyder Gold Coaters will host a ribbon cutting at 10 a.m. Tuesday at College Ave. Jewelry and Pawn.

MAWC Game Day Luncheon set

Martha Ann Woman's Club Game Day and Luncheon will be held Wednesday with serving to begin at 11:30. Cost is $7.50 and games of choice will follow. Reservations are needed by 5 p.m. Tuesday by calling 573-3427.

Seniors swimnastics

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

Sealy reception

A retirement reception for Marge Sealy will be held from 2-4 p.m. Thursday in the Texas Department of Human Services at 3409 Snyder Shopping Center.

Taylor reception

A retirement reception to honor Lawton Taylor, director of maintenance and transportation for the Snyder ISD, will be held from 2:30 to 4 p.m. Thursday in the school administration board room.

Scurry Masonic Lodge

Scurry Masonic Lodge #706 will have its installation of officers at 7 p.m. Saturday. All Master Masons and their families are invited.

LVN registration at WTC

Students wishing to enroll in the September class for Licensed Vocational Nursing at Western Texas College need to contact the counseling office to arrange to take the pre-entrance exam. Tests will be given through July 27, and interviews will be scheduled through Aug. 9. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 313 or toll-free at 1-888-GO TO WTC (468-6982)

Adult education classes

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

July 4th celebration

Anyone interested in providing entertainment for the July 4th celebration should contact the chamber of commerce at 573-3558. Also food, activity and arts and crafts booths are still available.

Class of '69 reunion

The SHS Class of 1969 will hold its 30th reunion July 9-10 at Snyder Country Club. All teachers, former classmates and those from other classes are invited. For more information, call 573-8877 or 573-6454.

Pick 3

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

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(zero, two, three)

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket was worth an estimated $14 million.

The ticket was sold in Missouri City.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 50 were: 10-34-35-36-39-41.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $4 million.