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DaimlerChrysler biggest industrial merger ever

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A measured response is something done right after the person decides how to respond."

If you think those Snyder guys who work up at Salt Creek are isolated — they are. Despite being some 35 miles from town, they can keep in touch.

Steve Mackey got some E-mail from California. The sender was Robert Pinkston who used to toil for Mobil in Snyder. Steve thought some of the info is sufficiently worthwhile for the SDN column.

--Smart is in the eye of the beholder. AT&T fired its president after nine months, saying he lacked "intellectual leadership."

The dumped CEO got a $26 million severance package. The guy may be unemployed, but he looks plenty bright — and rich — from here.

--And What was Plan B? An Illinois man pretending to have a gun kidnapped a motorist and forced him to drive to a pair of automated teller machines. The kidnapper then proceeded to withdraw money from his own bank account.

--A student in Belle, W. Va. was suspended for three days for giving a classmate a cough drop. The school principal reiterated the school's zero-tolerance policy, not to be confused with the zero common-sense policy.

--Everything worked just like planned, except for the getaway.

A bandit walked into a convenience store in Kansas and asked for all the money in the cash drawer. Uphappy with the size of his take, the robber tied up the store clerk and worked the counter himself. He had been at it for three hours when police arrived.

--One excuse is as good as another:

In Medford, Ore., a 27-year-old jobless man with an MBA blamed his education for the murder of three people. He told police there were too many business grads out there. "If I had chosen another field, all this may not have happened."

--Yep, that's what you said:

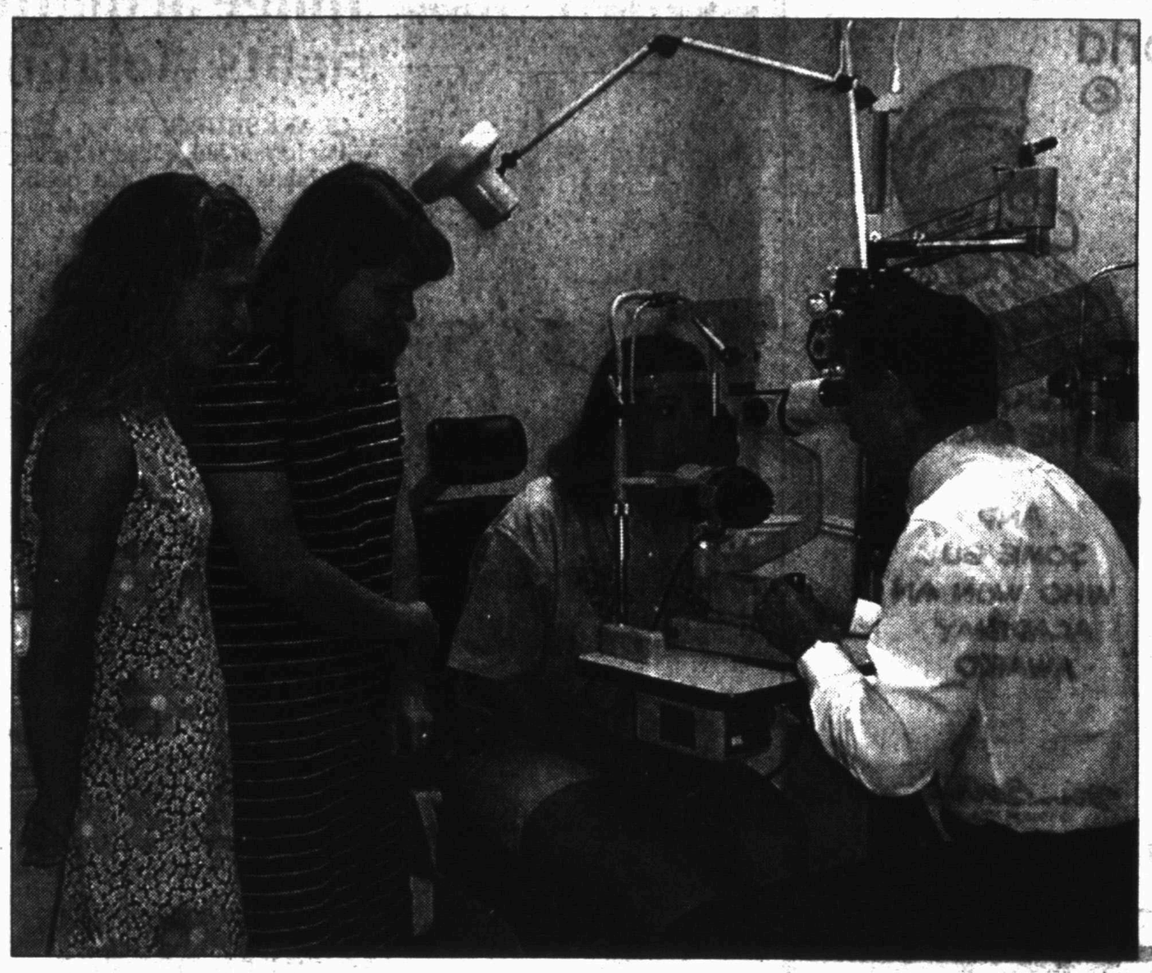
Police in LA had good luck with a robbery suspect who just couldn't control himself during a lineup. When detectives asked each man in the lineup to repeat the words, "Give me all your money or I'll shoot," the suspect shouted, "That's not what I said."

--Communications, communications — that's what counts.

A man spoke frantically into the telephone that his wife is pregnant and contractions were only two minutes apart.

The medical person on the line wanted to know if this is her first child.

"No, you idiot," the man shouted. "This is her husband."



ROTARY SHADOWING PROGRAM — Tamra Anderson and Holly Goebel, Snyder High School juniors, observed Dana Stone's eye examination by Dr. Bryan Cave today as participants of the Rotary Shadowing Program. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Shadowing project exposes students to job environment

More than 40 Snyder High School juniors and seniors weren't in class this morning but they won't get in trouble for playing hooky.

They were getting their education in a different environment for half a day, "shadowing" local business and community leaders on the job.

Sponsored by the Rotary Club, the one-day program gave students an opportunity to learn more about job fields they might be interested in — vocations such as banking, ministry, even school administration.

School officials weren't sure at first how much interest their would be, but found out quickly that students were excited about the project.

"We had so many students who wanted to participate that we couldn't take them all and we had to draw names," said Charlene Light, Snyder High counselor.

"We probably had a hundred students sign up and were only able to accommodate a few more than 40 so we literally put their names in a hat and drew them out."

Students "shadowed" local business persons from 9 until 11:45 this morning, then were treated to lunch at the Rotary Club meeting.

It was a natural for the Rotary Club to sponsor the event, since its president is Snyder ISD superintendent Gayle Lomax.

"We hope to get this started to be an every other year thing. We want to hold this on the years when don't have career fair at the high school," said Lomax. "This is a program that is going on across the nation and has been very well received by students and business."

Businesses and entities participating include First American Bank of Texas SSB, City of Snyder, Dr. Jay Kidd, TU Electric, Cogdell Hospital, Advantage Capital, First Baptist Church, Scurry County Museum, Dr. Bryan Cave, Snyder Health Mart Drug, Snyder Police Department and Snyder ISD.

Kids' College returns at WTC

Registration planned from 2 to 7 p.m. next Thursday

Registration for Kids' College at Western Texas College will be held in a little more than a week.

Mark Bland, community services director for the college, said his office is already getting pre-enrollment forms back which were handed out at the elementary schools last Friday.

Last year, Kids' College served 250 young students. He anticipates more this year.

Registration is set for 2 to 7 p.m. next Thursday at the Christian Student Center on campus.

Kids' College is a summer enrichment program for students who will be completing the first through sixth grades this spring. This year, a Pre-K program has been added for ages 3 to Pre-K.

Classes will run from June 15 through June 25 and are offered in art, communications, computer skills, crafts, math and science, personal development, performing arts and sports.

Course titles include "Ooey Gooey Science," "Home Alone," "Dog-on Good," "Magic," "Wild & Crazy Kids," "Cartooning," "Surfing the Internet," "Christmas in June," "T-Shirt Painting" and more.

There are classes on babysitting, reading, reptiles, card collecting, cooking, ballet and tap dancing, country and western dancing, archery, golf and origami.

Together, there are almost 50 classes, most of which run for one hour a day.

Fees, which are paid to the teacher of each course, are $25 per class. Some courses require lab fees or fees for supplies.

Bond issue wrapup pending

Snyder ISD's board of trustees will meet at 5 p.m. Friday to put the final touches on a proposed bond election and consider adopting a resolution ordering the election.

The board has had numerous meetings over the last four months getting input from architects and citizens.

While no formal votes have been held by the board, it appears that Central Elementary will be closed as two concepts have emerged to update the district's aging facilities.

One concept involves adding on to East and West elementaries, and using either Stanfield or Northeast Elementary for special education, pre-kindergarten and kindergarten.

Under this concept, West is being considered for grades four through six, and East for grades 1 through 3.

Central and one other elementary school would be closed in this concept.

The other concept involves building pods, or wings at all the elementary schools except Central.

Costs of the projects range from $20 million to just over $23 million.

Cost estimates also include major renovation work at the high school, junior high and the school's agriculture farm.

Merchants to meet today

Snyder Beautification Committee and city merchants meet at 6 o'clock today to consider launching a project to spruce up the city square.

To help prompt interest, the committee plans to recognize a merchant and business of the month.

If the program is successful, the committee may expand it to other areas of the city.

The project will be separate from the Most Improved Yard and Business of the Month, which are sponsored by the Beautification Committee, but conducted by the Snyder Garden Club.

Recently appointed to work on the project were committee members Glenna Bane, Mary Beth Vestal, LaVerne Hood and Gertrude League.

Tonight's meeting will be held at City Hall.

Move will reshape automaking industry

DETROIT (AP) — Chrysler Corp. is being acquired by Germany's Daimler-Benz for more than $40 billion in stock in a deal that will reshape the automaking industry and give both companies a bigger stake in the global market.

The new company, DaimlerChrysler, combines a German luxury car maker with the No. 3 U.S. automaker which once used a "Buy American" slogan and is now known for Jeeps, minivans and light trucks.

The agreement was formally announced today and the deal would rank as the biggest industrial merger ever.

Consumers probably won't notice a difference as the companies vowed to keep their brands and dealerships separate. They also promised no layoffs and said employee numbers likely will grow.

At a joint news conference in London this morning, chairmen of both companies said the deal increases their potential for growth.

"Together we believe the potential is literally unlimited," Chrysler Chairman Robert J. Eaton said.

Eaton predicted that the merger is just the beginning as the auto industry continues to become more global. "We are leading a new trend we believe will change the future, the face of the industry," he said.

No plant closures will result from the merger, Daimler-Benz Chairman Juergen E. Schrempp said.

"On the contrary, we estimate with the combined strength we will grow, we will add volume and we will be creating jobs on both sides of the Atlantic," he said.

The merger, Schrempp said, creates "the world's leading automotive company for the 21st century ... one that will set the pace in the automotive world in the next millenium."

DaimlerChrysler will be jointly led by Eaton and Schrempp. The new company will have two headquarters — in Auburn Hills, Mich., and Stuttgart, Germany — and will employ 422,000 people worldwide.

Eaton said at the news conference he expects to leave after three years. "Unless we are not successful, I have no doubt that at that point, Juergen Shrempp will be the chairman and CEO," he said.

The merger will give Chrysler greater access to the European market.

And since two of every three vehicles that Chrysler makes is a light truck, the German company may very well participate in the popular pickup and minivan segments that haven't made as much sense for a luxury brand.

Eaton said the companies complement each other perfectly, and will "maintain the current brands and their distinct identities."

The companies said DaimlerChrysler will save $1.9 billion in 1999 by sharing parts and components and joining its purchasing, research and development arms. That savings could grow to $3 billion within three to five years, they said.

Directors of both companies have approved the deal, which is expected to be completed by the end of this year if approved by shareholders, the Daimler-Benz supervisory board and government regulators.

The antitrust issues in the merger will be reviewed by the U.S. government, either by the Justice Department's antitrust division or the Federal Trade Commission, Justice spokesman Bert Brandenburg said in Washington today.

The transaction sets an exchange ratio of 0.547 Daimler-Benz shares for each Chrysler share, leaving Daimler-Benz shareholders in control of 57 percent of the new company and Chrysler shareholders with the rest.

Daimler's share price jumped $7.62 to $116.19 at late morning in New York, meaning Chrysler shareholders will get about $63.55 a share in stock for each of their shares.

ASK US

Q—How much would it cost to give a raise to all Western Texas College employees?

A—That depends on the amount salaries are increased, of course, but a one percent raise for all employees would amount to about $30,000.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 93 degrees; low, 59; 7 a.m. Thursday, 63; no precipitation; total for 1998, 5 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, fair. Low, upper 50s. Light wind. Friday, partly cloudy; 20% chance of afternoon storms. High, lower 90s. SE wind 10-20 mph, gusty.

Hank Berkley
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:27 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:53 a.m.
Of 126 days in 1998, the sun has shone 124 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Vision is the art of seeing things invisible.

Jonathan Swift

Tiny guns are offbeat threats to security

WASHINGTON (AP) — A tiny firearm that looks like a key chain has joined the arsenal of offbeat and homemade weapons challenging airport security screeners. The Federal Aviation Administration says it is confident it can detect them all.

"All I can say is that we have appropriate security measures in place, and everyone is aware of this weapon," said FAA spokeswoman Rebecca Trexler.

The $20 pistol, 3 inches long and an inch wide, is capable of firing two .32-caliber rounds and could be deadly from 20 yards. Designed to ward off attackers by firing gas cartridges, the weapon is cocked by pulling a ring at the rear and fired by pushing a button.

Because the weapon resembles a key chain, it presents a unique security threat. Key chains, coins and other metal objects are often thrown into baskets that go around airport X-ray machines. Even when the key chain firearm passes through an X-ray scanner, its simple shape and low metal content makes it difficult for screeners to identify as a weapon.

"It doesn't look like a weapon. If you showed it to airport security, they would probably think it's a key ring," Brian Hurrell, director of customs in Perth, Australia, told The New York Times, which reported on the gun Wednesday.

The FAA, responsible for U.S. aviation security, said it was warned about the weapon this year by Greek officials. It has since warned all airlines and airport managers.

"Beyond that, we can't discuss our security arrangements at any of our facilities, because that would serve as a guide for the terrorists," Trexler said.

Numerous handmade and disguised weapons are found at airport check-in sites each year, although Trexler would not cite specifics. Overall, 1.4 billion people were screened at U.S. airports in 1996, and 2,147 firearms were discovered. There has not been a hijacking involving a U.S. carrier since 1991.

Billie Vincent, former head of security for the FAA, said that while the tiny gun is troublesome, it is no more dangerous than knives concealed in umbrella handles or Derringers built into large belt buckles. Both have been detected in the past.

"There has to be an intent to use it for hijacking. Having a weapon isn't enough to cause concern," Vincent said.

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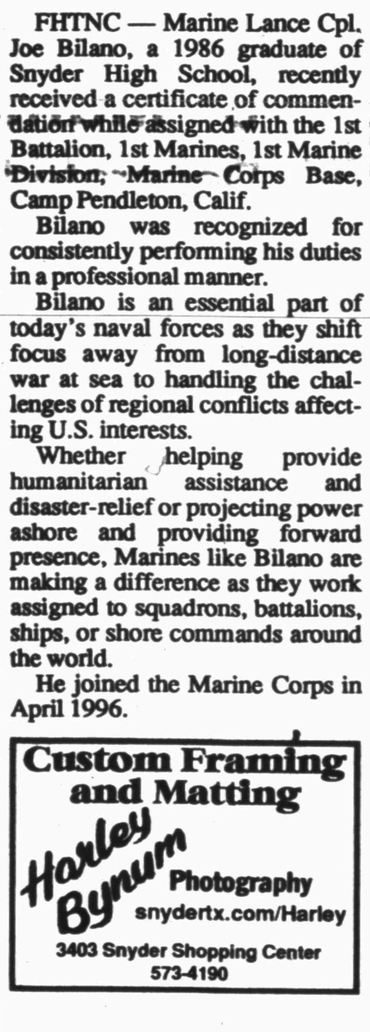

T'Leah Eicke

Eicke receives service award

Snyder High School student T'Leah Eicke has received a National Leadership and Service Award from the United States Achievement Academy.

She is the daughter of Johnny and Fairy Eicke of Snyder and the granddaughter of Bill and Lewanna Graham of Aspermont and the late J.N. and Wanda Eicke.

Bilano earns commendation

FHTNC — Marine Lance Cpl. Joe Bilano, a 1986 graduate of Snyder High School, recently received a certificate of commendation while assigned with the 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, 1st Marine Division, Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, Calif.

Bilano was recognized for consistently performing his duties in a professional manner.

Bilano is an essential part of today's naval forces as they shift focus away from long-distance war at sea to handling the challenges of regional conflicts affecting U.S. interests.

Whether helping provide humanitarian assistance and disaster-relief or projecting power ashore and providing forward presence, Marines like Bilano are making a difference as they work assigned to squadrons, battalions, ships, or shore commands around the world.

He joined the Marine Corps in April 1996.

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Crime Stoppers

Reward offered in oilfield thefts

Crimestoppers in Mitchell County is offering a $5,000 reward for information leading to the recovery of stolen oilfield tools and equipment taken from a pulling unit located five miles northwest of Westbrook.

The theft occurred April 29. The reward is being funded by Tool Branding Service of Hobbs, N.M.

Anyone with information on this or any other thefts is encouraged to call 1-800-530-8552 or the sheriff's office in Mitchell or Scurry counties.

Judge acquitted for civil rights violations for biting

CLARKSBURG, W.Va. (AP) — For former judge Joseph Troisi, 10 months of stress and public humiliation for biting the nose of a defendant are over.

"I feel like I've gone through purgatory," he said. "I'm a human being and I've been forced to be naked before strangers."

Troisi, 49, was acquitted Wednesday of federal charges that he violated the civil rights of the man bitten during a courtroom altercation.

Troisi, a Circuit Court judge for four years, was accused of confronting Bill Witten after Witten repeatedly cursed at him while being led from the courtroom. Witnesses said he jumped from the bench, ripped off his robe and bit Witten, then returned to the bench as if nothing had happened.

Troisi could have been sentenced to up to 10 years in prison on the federal charge. He has already pleaded no contest to state charges and served five days in jail for assaulting Witten, who is now serving a prison term for grand larceny and illegally entering a business.

Troisi testified in detail about the June 1997 confrontation after a bail reduction hearing in St. Marys. He said he was caught up in "waves of feeling" and not thinking when he exchanged words with Witten.

"I snapped my teeth twice at him. The first time my teeth clicked. The second time I didn't hear my teeth click," he said. "I looked at his nose and I could see this perfectly round spot on the tip of his nose, and I knew what I had done."

Snyder graduate to carry banner

LUBBOCK — More than 2,300 Texas Tech University students will receive diplomas during commencement on Saturday.

Outstanding students will carry banners representing their respective colleges. Banner bearers were selected by administrators based on all-around achievement. Holly Renee Jones, a multi-disciplinary studies major from Snyder, will carry the banner for the College of Education.

NASA astronaut Shannon Lucid will be the keynote speaker at the 9 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. ceremonies for graduate and undergraduate students.

Both ceremonies will be presented in the Lubbock Municipal Coliseum. At 9 a.m. students will receive degrees from the colleges of Agricultural Sciences and Natural Resources, Business Administration, Education and Human Sciences. Students in the colleges of Architecture, Arts and Sciences and Engineering will receive degrees at the 1:30 p.m. ceremony.

The Texas Law School will conduct its commencement ceremony at 5 p.m. in the Lubbock Municipal Auditorium. The speaker for the event will be Whitewater independent counsel and former court of appeals judge Kenneth Starr. A reception will immediately follow the ceremony at the Merket Alumni Center.

Irwin to graduate

MINOT, S.D. — More than 600 undergraduate and graduate degrees will be conferred during Minot State University's commencement exercises on Friday.

Rebecca Irwin of Snyder will receive a bachelor of science degree in information systems management.

Brackeen is SDN winner

K.W. Brackeen, P.O. Box 242, Hermleigh, is the April winner of a free year's subscription to the Snyder Daily News. Each month a drawing is held from the names of those who have subscribed or renewed for six months or more.

Datebook

May 7, 1998

Today is the 127th day of 1998 and the 49th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1789, the first presidential inaugural ball was held in New York City to honor the Washingtons.

On this day in 1824, Beethoven's 9th symphony premiered in Vienna.

On this day in 1945, World War II came to an end when Germany signed an unconditional surrender.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Robert Browning (1812-1889), poet; Johannes Brahms (1833-1897), composer; Peter Ilyich Tchaikovsky (1840-1893), composer; Rabindranath Tagore (1861-1941), writer; Archibald MacLeish (1892-1982), poet and public official; Gary Cooper (1901-1961), actor; Teresa Brewer (1931-), singer, is 67; John Unitas (1933-), football great, is 65.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1988, Winning Colors became the third filly to ever win the Kentucky Derby.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "So free we seem, so fettered fast we are" — Robert Browning

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1994, microburst winds with speeds up to 50 mph caused 12 foot waves on Utah's Great Salt Lake.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (May 3) and full moon (May 11).

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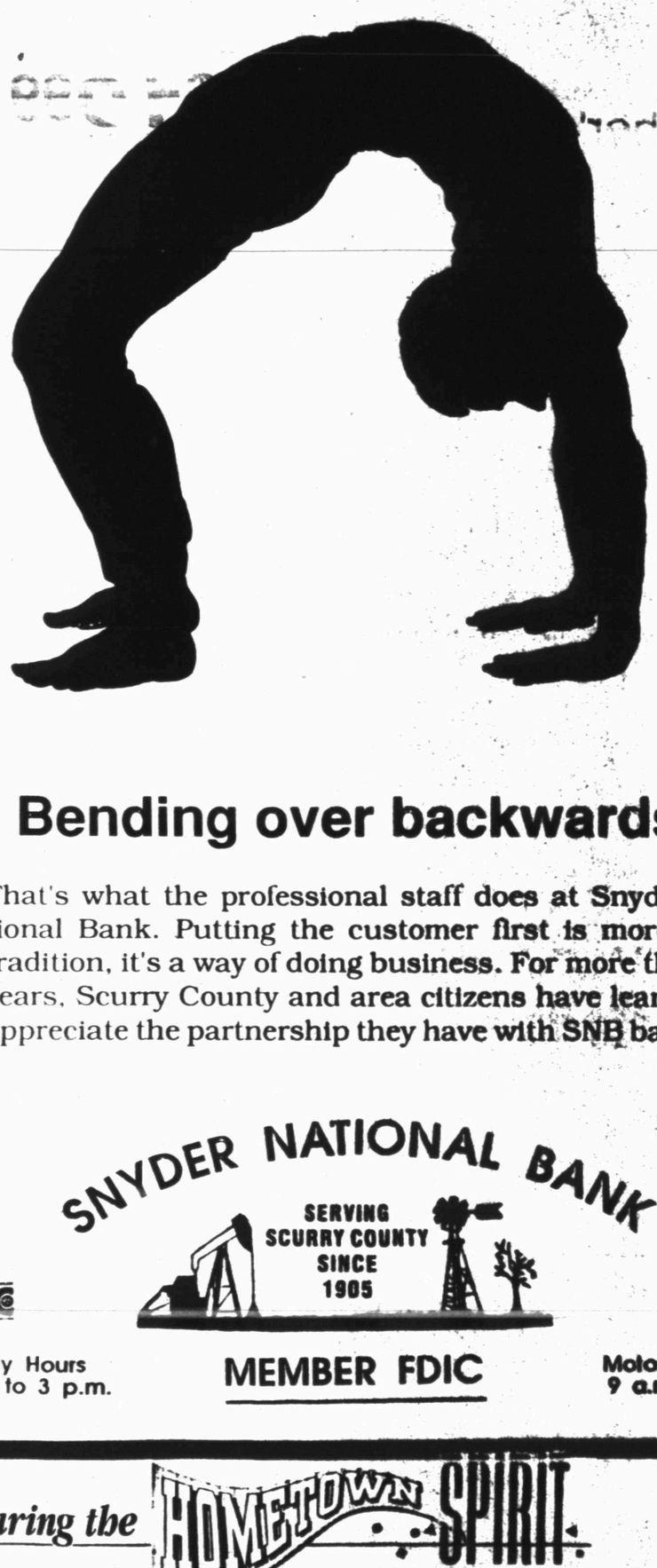

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RTA OFFICERS — Leading the local Retired Teachers Association next year include, from left, Francene Allen Noah, past president; ElWanda Nall, president; Frank Miller, treasurer, Joan Peek standing in for Ollie Peek who is first vice president, and Marie Armstrong, second vice president. Francene installed officers Monday at the Senior Center. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

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

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

"A Company of Women International" Prophetic Voice to the Nations, for mature Christian women; Union Community Center, Hwy. 180; potluck supper at 6 p.m.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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

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

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Drum senior piano recital set Saturday in FBC sanctuary

Karomy Drum will be presented in her senior piano recital at 7 p.m. Saturday in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church at 7 p.m. She has been a student of Lynn Bethel's Studio of Music for 12 years.

She is the daughter of Max and Valerie Drum and the granddaughter of Margaret Drum Dillaha, and the late R.L. (Buddy) Drum, and William D. and Anita Wilson.

As a senior at Snyder High School, Karomy has participated in student council, Fellowship of Christian Students, the Academic Decathlon team, and is a percussionist in the SHS band where she was drum major for the marching band.

Karomy is also active in the First Baptist Church where she accompanies many choirs, plays in the handbell choir and sings in the youth choir. She is also an accompanist for 4-Givn', a men's quartet.

Miss Drum has received high ratings at various competitions over the years, including LMTA, OMTA, MMTA, Pastorale Music Festivals, All-State competitions and Piano Guild auditions.

Following graduation, Karomy plans to attend Hardin-Simmons University as a piano performance major. She recently won the senior piano Lubbock Music Teachers scholarship.

The public is invited to attend the recital and a reception in the garden room.

Final Hometown Performance of 1998 One-Act Play
"Ondine"
Monday, May 11 8:00 pm
Worsham Auditorium All Seats $3
"A Beautiful Story About Love"
Presented by Drama Dept. of Snyder High School

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

If you know the leader has only *four* cards in the suit he has led, normally you should win the first trick and go about your business. You cannot cut their communication in the suit.

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♠ 10 9 8
♥ 9 8
♦ A Q J 8 7
♣ A J 6

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

East
♠ K Q J 7
♥ K J 6 3
♦ K 4
♣ 7 3 2

South
♠ A 5 4
♥ A 10 7
♦ 10 9
♣ K Q 10 9 4

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	1 ♦	Dbl.
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 2

The often reliable Rule of Seven

Playing in a no-trump contract, you have only one top-trick stopper in the suit your left-hand opponent has led. And to establish nine tricks, you may have to give up a trick. So, the opponents are threatening to win five tricks before you can collect nine. How long should you hold up that stopper? Enter the Rule of Seven. In this suit, add the number of cards you have in the dummy to the number in your hand. Subtract the total from seven and hold up for that number of rounds.

It works beautifully — at the right moment (like in yesterday's deal) — but must be handled with care. How would you play in three no-trump here? West leads the heart two.

You have eight top tricks: one spade, one heart, one diamond and five clubs. The extra trick will come from diamonds, but the finesse will probably fail, given East's double.

The Rule of Seven tells you to duck two rounds of hearts. But what does the lead tell you? Right — that West has only four hearts. Therefore, if you win trick one and take the diamond finesse, you will lose at most four tricks: three hearts and one diamond.

What happens if you duck the first trick? An observant East will switch to the spade king. Then, when the diamond finesse fails, you will go one down, losing three spades, one heart (at trick one) and one diamond.

'Heart of the Ocean' center of dispute

LOS ANGELES (AP) — One necklace, three possible price-tags: $19, $198, $2.2 million.

An unlicensed replica of a necklace featured in the movie "Titanic" is at the center of a dispute among 20th Century Fox, its licensee J. Peterman Co. and SCI Suarez Corp., a direct-mail company.

Fox and Peterman sued Suarez on Monday in federal court, claiming the company is selling an illegal knockoff of, well, a knockoff.

Fox says it obtained a trademark on the necklace — a blue, 75-carat diamond solitaire encircled by a row of 84 white diamonds — and sold the rights to J. Peterman, which hawks replicas at stores, in a catalog and on the Internet.

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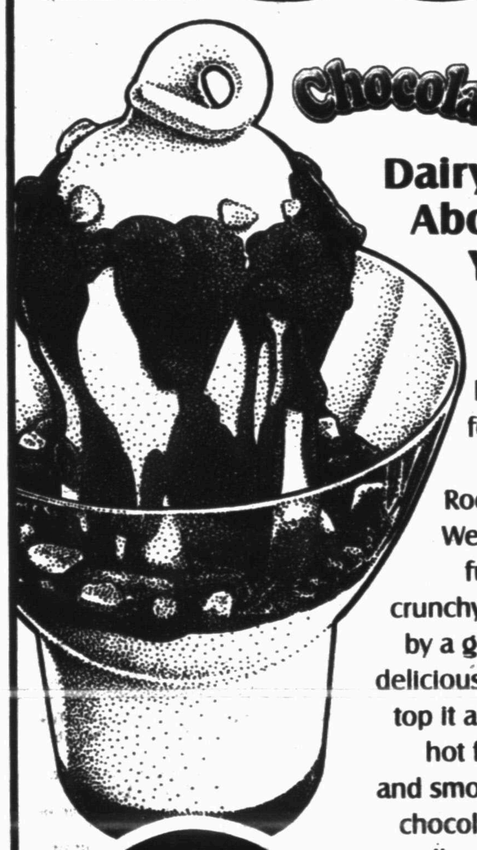

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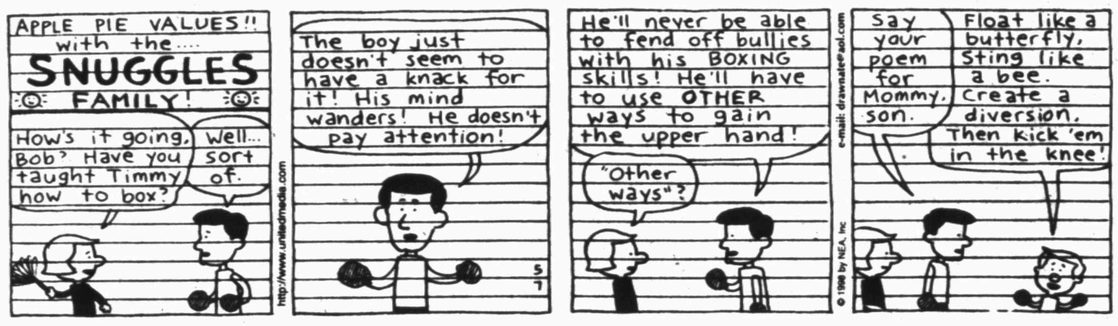

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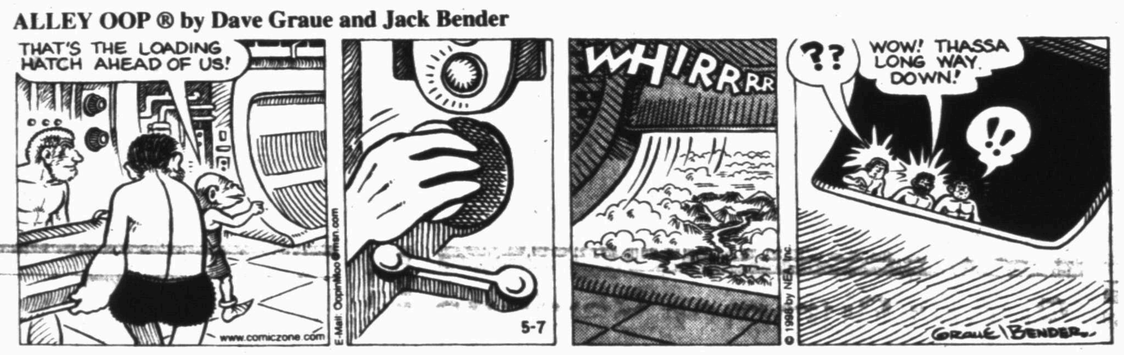

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7 Actor Jack —
13 Of sacred images
14 Assert without proof
15 Character on Friends
16 Lyndon — Johnson
17 Close relative
18 Wedding-page word
20 — Moines
21 Type of pattern
25 Actor Jack —
28 Lukewarm
32 Surrounded by
33 — couture
34 Rocketry device
35 Bow and —
36 Bay window
37 Flags
39 Babies' toys
41 Medical suffix
44 Not in
45 Type of meal
48 A or B
51 Graduates
54 Memorized
55 Antiseptic liquid
56 Congenitally joined
57 Supporter

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1 Party staples
2 Reverberation
3 — Over Miami
4 First number
5 Pen part
6 Having fine views
7 Tag
8 Guido's high note
9 Roman 1,051
10 Fix
11 S-shaped molding
12 Loch — monster
19 Compass pt
21 — to (cater basely)
22 Actress Lansbury
23 Gaseous fuel
24 Aches
25 El —, Texas
26 Cupid
27 Actress Anderson
29 Immaculate
30 Believe — — not
31 Condensed moistures
37 Energy unit (abbr.)
38 Star in Aquila
40 Rich cake
41 Cooking pot
42 Fitting reward
43 — — angle
45 Leave out
46 Writer Rice
47 Layer
49 Singing syllable
50 Noun suffix
52 Old card game
53 Ginseng plant

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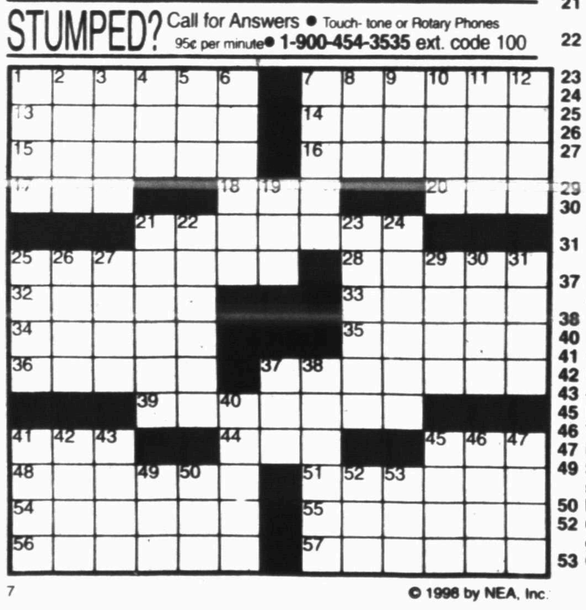

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Nuclear waste repository nears key decision

CARLSBAD, N.M. (AP) — Twenty-four years after it was first proposed, a nuclear waste dump in a vast underground salt bed in the deserts of southeastern New Mexico could start filling up in a matter of weeks.

Should it open next month, it would cap years of debate over the safety of burying radioactive nuclear waste generated by decades of weapons work.

"This site and facility have received more intense scrutiny and scientific study for a longer period of time than any comparable activity in the history of this country," said Paul Robinson, head of a main researcher, Sandia National Laboratories in Albuquerque.

The Department of Energy proposed the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), 26 miles outside Carlsbad, in 1974.

Workers began hollowing tunnels in the salt beds in 1982. The repository, which has been ready for a decade, won preliminary approval from the Environmental Protection Agency in October.

The EPA is expected to issue final certification for the $1.8 billion facility this month, though opponents — the ones still left after all these years — have promised to sue in a bid to block its opening.

The repository nearly a half-mile below the surface has seven miles of tunnels and two hoists to the surface that are shut off by airlocks flanked by 6-foot-thick steel doors. Even the air tastes of salt in this bed left by a sea that covered the area 250 million years ago.

The city of Carlsbad, reaping a financial windfall, has mostly supported the government during the years of safety and environmental studies. Storefront signs tout: "Another business for WIPP."

Mayor Gary Perkowski said it has created hundreds of good paying jobs in the city of 27,000 and led to better roads, an influx of educated people, and a center that helps laid-off potash and oilfield workers train for new jobs.

"I hope 10 years down the road WIPP continues to be a major contributor to the economy and that the protests and skepticism have proved to be wrong," Perkowski said.

Most longtime local foes, such as trailer park operator Betty Richards, now fight the plant alone. The only organized anti-WIPP group in town disbanded in the 1980s.

"The reason I have come out against WIPP is I'm convinced that it is going to leak," Richards said. "And I'm convinced the only reason that they are here is that they have no opposition and that if they don't open it here, there won't be any other place."

The waste here would consist largely of contaminated protective clothing, tools, equipment, sludge and soil. In contrast, the DOE is considering a plan to store spent reactor fuel and other highly radioactive waste at Yucca Mountain, 90 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

WIPP is expected to receive 37,000 shipments over its 30-year life, largely from 10 federal sites in California, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Nevada, New Mexico, Ohio, Tennessee, South Carolina and Washington.

Scientists chose to bury the waste in the salt bed partly because salt creeps over time. Once a room is filled with waste, nature will be allowed to take its course: in seven to nine years, the room's roof and walls will collapse, encapsulating the waste.

In a century, "it will be one solid mass again," said Donavan Mager, a spokesman for the WIPP contractor, Westinghouse's Waste Isolation Division.

That expectation troubles environmentalists who contend brine pockets make the site unsuitable for isolating radioactivity for thousands of years. They question the DOE's finding that brine couldn't bring radioactivity to the surface — and its assumption that state-of-the-art drilling techniques near the repository won't accidentally breach it.

Environmental groups also question the advisability of hauling radioactive material across the country by truck.

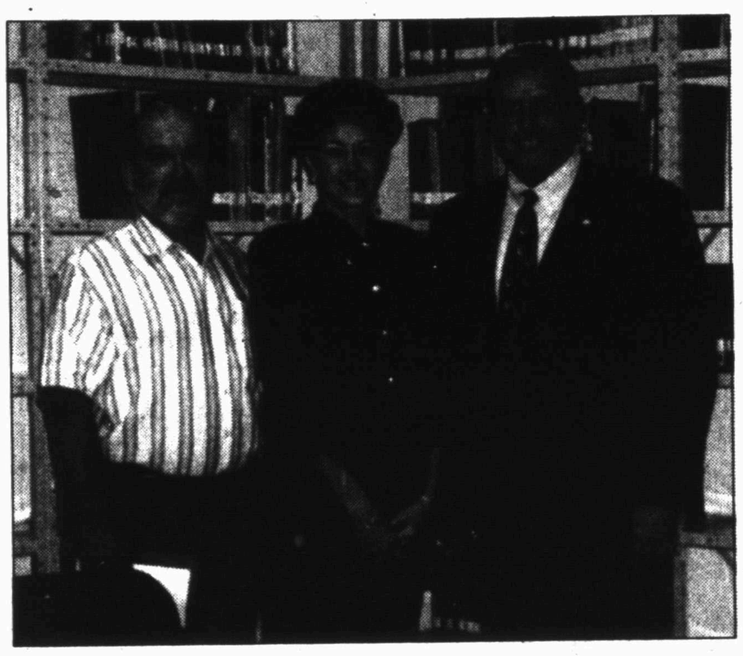
"We're going to sue them, and we've already told them what EPA is doing is illegal," said Don Hancock of the Southwest Research and Information Center, an Albuquerque environmental group.

The Energy Department and WIPP supporters say they've done everything possible to ensure the repository is safe.

If WIPP does open, the first waste to arrive — items such as contaminated tools, gloves and booties — will go to the farthest storage area. Workers then will move backward to fill the rooms along the way. Each room will hold 8,500 55-gallon drums, stacked three high in a honeycomb formation.

As storage rooms fill, they will be closed off with concrete barriers and isolation walls. After the repository is full, it will be backfilled and markers will be posted warning of the danger in the salt beds below.

Price Daniel graduates 38



GRADUATION EXERCISES — Mayor David Holt, far right, spoke to students at Price Daniel Unit last month. Don Comptom, CTE teacher, is shown at left, and Mollie Shearer, academic teacher, is in the center. (Contributed Photo)

Thirteen GED students and 25 career and technology students were honored at graduation exercises at the Price Daniel Unit on April 18.

Snyder Mayor David Holt spoke about the importance of education and vocational training for those wanting to enter the job market.

He encouraged the graduates to continue their educational experiences throughout their lives.

On April 29, Holt returned to the Daniel Unit and spoke to several academic classes. He spoke about technological changes that have occurred in the "free" world. He used computer and phone equipment from his business to demonstrate his points. A question and answer session followed.

Aerosmith's lead singer recovering

LA CROSSE, Wis. (AP) — Aerosmith's lead singer Steven Tyler is on the mend from knee surgery that forced the band to postpone its North American tour through June 4.

"I can't tell you how sorry I am that we're being forced to postpone these shows and disappoint our fans across the country," Tyler said Tuesday.

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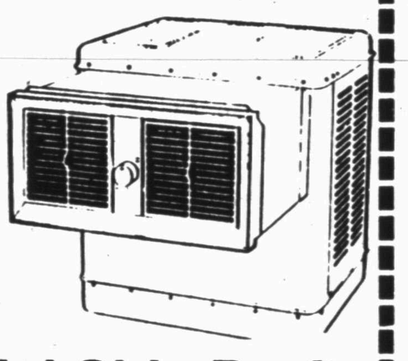

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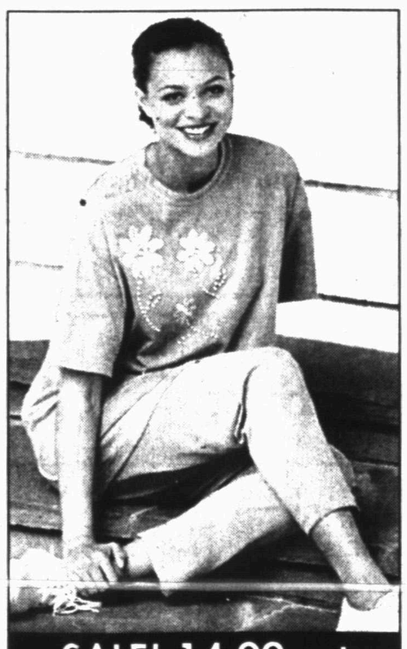

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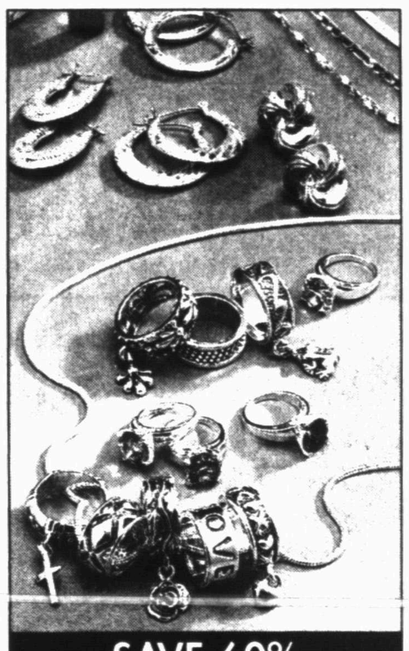

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Snyder Tigers vs Pampa

(Best Of Three)

1st Game - Friday 7:00 p.m. at Amarillo Tascosa
2nd Game - Saturday 1:00 p.m.
3rd Game (If Necessary) - Follows

PLAYOFF BOUND — Members of the Snyder Tigers are, front row, left to right, Sam Bedell, Melissa Wilcox, Ashley Herrera, Debbie Foster, Mandy Heaton and Brad Roemisch. On the middle row are Chris Hernandez, Cory Trujillo, Eric Lang, Guadalupe Guerro, Eric Rodgers, John Border and Banks Alexander. On the back row are asst. coach Levon Webb, Cory Mandrell, Kyle Beck, Sonny Cumbie, Dustin Fish, David Smith, Clay Berryman, Cheyenne Robinson and head coach Roland Herrera. Joining the Tigers from the JV are (not pictured) Wes Wilson, Clint Hook, Bebos Martinez, Josh Ward, Adam Beck and Collin Jones.

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SPORTS

Tigers look to plow up Harvesters

The Tigers will see their first goal of the season become a reality Friday — a playoff series.

But they'll be a long way from home when it happens.

Snyder will square off against the Pampa Harvesters in a best of three series beginning Friday at 7 p.m. at Amarillo Tascosa.

Tiger coach Roland Herrera got the series that he wanted, but not the location.

"I'm glad we got the two out of three series," Herrera said. "I think with our depth of pitching it plays to our advantage.

"But playing in Amarillo is probably a little advantage to Pampa. We don't know anything about the field but they (Pampa) assured me that they haven't played on it this year."

Snyder, which split the District 2-4A title with Frenship, carries a 23-6 record into the postseason, while Pampa enters at 11-17 after nabbing the third spot out of District 1.

Clay Berryman gets the opening game start for the Tigers. The senior has held the first spot in the rotation for the entire season.

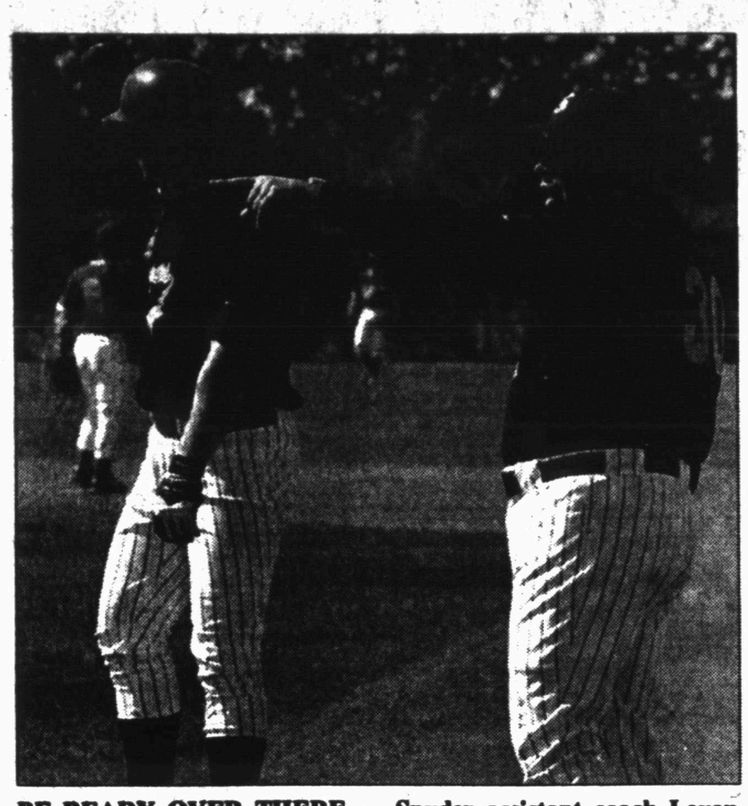
Berryman's last appearance on the mound came against Plainview last Friday. He gave up two home runs in the first inning, before settling down to strike out nine Bulldogs in an 8-4 victory.

Following Friday's action, the series continues with Game 2 at 1 p.m. Saturday. The third game will be played 30 minutes after the second if neccessary.

Home team for the opener will be the Harvesters, with Snyder playing host in the second contest.

A two-man crew, one from Amarillo and one from Lubbock, will umpire the series.

The winner will advance to face District 3 champion El Paso Riverside (18-7) for the area title.



BE READY OVER THERE — Snyder assistant coach Levon Webb gives instructions after Kyle Beck reached first base during district action at Estacado. The Tigers battle Pampa for the bi-district title beginning Friday at Amarillo Tascosa.

Yanks out-stick Texas

ARLINGTON (AP) — At first it seemed like the Yankees would cruise to their 21st win in 23 games. Then, Texas turned it into New York's wildest win of the season.

Jorge Posada hit a go-ahead single in the eighth inning, and Derek Jeter drove in a career-high five RBIs as the Yankees beat the Rangers 15-13 Wednesday night after blowing a 9-0 third-inning lead.

The Yankees, off to their best start since 1958, had not won 21 of 23 since May 27-June 19, 1953.

New York outhit Texas 18-14 in extending its latest winning streak to seven. Bernie Williams keyed the eighth with his second triple of the night, and Posada followed with the go-ahead hit off Danny Patterson (0-1). Jeter added a ninth-inning homer.

Texas, which lost its third straight following a five-game winning streak, got a three-run homer and five RBIs from Juan Gonzalez, who raised his major league-leading total to 41. The Rangers also got two-run homer from Mike Simms and four RBIs from Ivan Rodriguez, but it wasn't enough.

Mike Stanton (2-0), the sixth of seven Yankee pitchers, pitched 1 2-3 shutout innings, and Mariano Rivera got four outs for his fifth save in six chances.

New York had 11 extra-base hits, including four homers and four triples — one short of the team record.

Stadium key to Houston franchise

HOUSTON (AP) — Houston could get on a fast track for a National Football league expansion team if a stadium financing plan is in place within two weeks, a local businessman says.

Bob McNair said Wednesday that NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue and the league's stadium committee would come to Houston June 30 if a plan is ready by May 19, when the owners begin meeting in Miami.

"Assuming that plan is satisfactory to them, the commissioner would set a meeting for July to present a stadium plan," McNair said. "We have every reason to believe we're going to meet that schedule."

McNair's remarks came following a 90-minute reception and presentation to about 85 business executives to update them on an efforts to get an NFL franchise to replace the Houston Oilers, who have moved to Nashville, Tenn.

He was seeking to help from the executives to pressure officials to speed up stadium negotiations with the Harris County-Houston Sports Authority.

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East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	23	10	.697	-
NewYork	16	14	.533	5½
Philadelphia	14	17	.452	8
Montreal	11	20	.355	11
Florida	11	22	.333	12

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	20	12	.625	-
Milwaukee	18	13	.581	1½
Chicago	17	15	.531	3
St.Louis	17	15	.531	3
Cincinnati	16	16	.500	4
Pitsburgh	14	18	.438	6

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
SanDiego	22	10	.688	-
SanFrancisco	18	15	.545	4½
LosAngeles	16	16	.500	6
Colorado	15	18	.455	7½
Arizona	8	25	.242	14½

Wednesday's Games

Milwaukee 3, San Diego 2
Atlanta 7, Los Angeles 0
Chicago Cubs 2, Houston 0
Philadelphia 7, Colorado 6, 10 innings
Cincinnati 4, Montreal 2
San Francisco 10, Florida 9
Pittsburgh 5, St. Louis 0
N.Y. Mets 8, Arizona 2

Thursday's Games

Colorado (Wright 2-2) at Montreal (Perez 0-3), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (Benes 2-2) at Philadelphia (Schilling 3-3), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (R.Martinez 3-2) at Florida (Hammond 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Weathers 2-1) at Pittsburgh (Loaiza 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Osborne 1-1) at N.Y. Mets (Yoshii 1-1), 7:40 p.m.
San Diego (Hamilton 3-1) at Atlanta (Smoltz 2-0), 7:40 p.m.
San Francisco (Gardner 2-1) at Chicago Cubs (Gonzalez 2-3), 8:05 p.m.

Friday's Games

San Francisco (Darwin 2-2) at Chicago Cubs (Trachsel 3-1), 3:20 p.m.
Colorado (Astacio 2-4) at Montreal (Hermanson 3-2), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (Blair 0-6) at Philadelphia (Greene 2-2), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Park 3-0) at Florida (Sanchez 1-1), 7:05 p.m.
Cincinnati (Tomko 4-1) at Pittsburgh (Lieber 1-4), 7:05 p.m.
St. Louis (Politte 2-1) at N.Y. Mets (Reed 2-2), 7:40 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 4-2) at Atlanta (Glavine 4-1), 7:40 p.m.
Houston (Hampton 5-0) at Milwaukee (Juden 3-1), 8:05 p.m.

American League

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	22	6	.786	-
Boston	21	10	.677	2½
Baltimore	16	16	.500	8
Toronto	14	18	.438	10
TampaBay	13	18	.419	10½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	19	12	.613	-
KansasCity	13	19	.406	6½
Minnesota	13	19	.406	6½
Chicago	12	19	.387	7
Detroit	8	20	.286	9½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	19	12	.613	-
Anaheim	17	15	.531	2½
Seattle	16	16	.500	3½
Oakland	14	17	.452	5

Wednesday's Games

Detroit 10, Oakland 5
Cleveland 14, Baltimore 5
Minnesota 8, Boston 7
Tampa Bay 5, Kansas City 0
N.Y. Yankees 15, Texas 13
Seattle 10, Chicago White Sox 9
Toronto 6, Anaheim 5

Thursday's Games

Detroit (Thompson 1-4) at Oakland (Candiotti 3-3), 3:15 p.m.
Boston (Rose 1-2) at Kansas City (Rapp 1-3), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Colon 2-1) at Texas (Sele 5-1), 8:35 p.m.
Toronto (Clemens 3-3) at Seattle (Moyer 2-3), 10:05 p.m.

Friday's Games

Baltimore (Drabek 2-4) at Tampa Bay (Springer 1-4), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Saberhagen 4-0) at Kansas City (Haney 2-2), 8:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Irabu 1-0) at Minnesota (Radke 3-2), 8:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Ogea 1-1) at Texas (Helling 6-0), 8:35 p.m.
Toronto (Williams 3-1) at Seattle (Johnson 2-1), 10:05 p.m.

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Approximately 400 competitors aging from 8-under to 18-over will compete.

The competition is a qualifying event, with competitors having a chance to qualify for nationals July 3-8 in St. Paul, Minn.

Events begin Saturday morning at 7:30 and will conclude later that evening.

The 2000 Olympics will be the first in which trampoline is a medal event.

20 K's in 2-0 win...

Wood mows down Astros

CHICAGO (AP) — Kerry Wood's fastball was buzzing through the strike zone at speeds up to 100 mph. His curve was dipping at the last second. His slider? That was even more untouchable.

Swinging or looking, the Houston Astros were simply overmatched by a 20-year-old right-hander in just his fifth major league start.

"It's the best game I've ever seen pitched. I'm just proud to have been there to watch it," Chicago Cubs manager Jim Riggleman said.

Wood struck out the side in the first, and he never stopped. He finished with 20 strikeouts, a first for a National League pitcher and tying Roger Clemens' major league record.

Wood also allowed just one hit.

"I couldn't imagine ever doing this, to tell you the truth," Wood said after one of the most dominant performances in major league history as the Cubs beat the Astros 2-0 Wednesday.

"It's special to strike out that many, regardless of who has done it," he said. "It hasn't settled in, and I'm still in awe a little bit."

Wood (3-2), who will turn 21 on June 16, tied the record set by Clemens against Seattle on April 29, 1986, and matched by Clemens against Detroit on Sept. 18, 1996.

"I think it's awesome," Clemens said from Anaheim, Calif.

"He's got a really good idea about how to pitch, or he wouldn't be at this level right now, as young as he is."

Clemens, who was 23 the first time he fanned 20, and Nolan Ryan, whose No. 34 Wood wears on his back, are fellow Texans and the pitchers who have inspired Wood most.

"You don't teach that kind of arm, it's just there," Cubs pitching coach Phil Regan said. "He has a nice easy delivery. His fastball just jumps and they can't react to it."

In his first complete game in the majors, Wood fanned the Astros 3-4-5 hitters — Jeff Bagwell, Jack Howell and Moises Alou — in all three of their at-bats. He walked none, but hit Craig Biggio with a pitch.

"It's not fair to compare him to Nolan," Biggio said. "The kid's got good stuff, but leave comparisons alone. Today was his day. He had everything working. Plus it was the first time we faced him."

If not for a third-inning single off third baseman Kevin Orie's glove by Ricky Gutierrez, Wood would have had a no-hitter.

"He'll probably pitch a few no-hitters. His stuff is the real item," Dierker said. "What he throws is clearly distinguished from what the rest of the league throws."

With the fans chanting "Kerry, Kerry" in the last inning, Wood fanned pinch-hitter Billy Spiers on a 1-2 pitch leading off for his seventh straight strikeout. Biggio then grounded to shortstop on a 1-0 pitch. Wood got No. 20 by fanning Derek Bell on a 1-2 pitch and was mobbed by his teammates.

Sports Briefs

State golf tourney

The Lady Tiger golf squad will compete in the 4A state tournament Monday and Tuesday at Roy Kizer Golf Course in Austin.

Snyder, the defending state champions, will compete against Pampa, Dallas Highland Park, Grapevine Colleyville Heritage, Montgomery, El Campo, Gregory-Portland and Austin Anderson.

SCC scramble and MGA

A members' scramble is held each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club. At 5:30 p.m. each Thursday, the Men's Golf Association has a 9-hole event. The Thursday format varies.

Cancer Society scramble

A four-man scramble to benefit the American Cancer Society will be held Saturday at WTC. Tee times are 8:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. Entry fee for the 18-hole event is $100 per team. Call the WTC pro shop to sign up.

Pumpjack Partnership

Snyder Country Club will host the annual Pumpjack Partnership May 16-17.

Format is a two-man scramble and entry fee is $150 per team. For more information contact the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Bowling meeting

Snyder Men's Bowling Association will hold its annual meeting Saturday at 7 p.m. at The Shack. Election of new officers will follow meal.

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Some tobacco farmers say they have grown more wary of the companies they had been quick to support.

The legislation the cigarette companies oppose includes a key provision that farmers like — $28.5 billion in aid for tobacco growers and rural communities that would be hurt if fewer and fewer Americans smoke.

"I'm just not so sure we're ready to carry their water — all the water they've got to carry," said Tim Cansler, national affairs director for the Kentucky Farm Bureau.

The schism traces to last summer, when farmers learned that the tobacco companies had negotiated a $368.5 billion legal settlement with state lawyers and public health groups, without involving the growers.

"There's some bitterness and some resentment," said Rod Kuegel, a Daviess County, Ky., tobacco farmer and president of the Lexington-based Burley Tobacco Growers Cooperative Association.

Now the industry is courting the farmers, who in the past have put a sympathetic public face on issues such as increasing cigarette taxes or regulating nicotine.

"I appreciate where they are," J. Phil Carlton, the industry's top lobbyist, said in a recent interview. "They've been courted long and hard (by health groups and the White House), and in a sense, you're asking a lot of them to say, 'Work with us now to help beat this bill, and we'll help you later.'"

In North Carolina recently, top industry executives met for four hours behind closed doors with about 100 growers and farm leaders from across the South.

The meeting included Brown & Williamson Tobacco Co. chairman Nick Brookes, Philip Morris USA chief executive Michael Szymanczyk, R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. chief executive Andrew Schindler and Lorillard chairman Alexander Spears.

Carlton said the point of the meeting, where he served as moderator, was to explain to growers how the tobacco bill sponsored by Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., would ruin the industry and to ask for help in defeating it.

By various accounts, the farm groups in the audience were polite, listened attentively and asked questions.

Burglary, theft are investigated

A burglary and a vehicle theft were among the investigations begun Wednesday by Snyder area peace officers, who also made one arrest.

A 22-year-old male was taken into custody at 6:17 p.m. in the 100 block of Milburn for misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

Officers are investigating a report of a residence being broken into at 3100 40th St. Pam Alarcon told officers at 9:29 a.m. that someone had taken some money from her house.

Carter Wiggins reported at 12:57 p.m. that someone had stolen a 1991 Chevrolet pickup from the used car lot at Big Country GM Autoland. An offense report for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle was submitted.

David Ginkinger told deputies at 10:14 a.m. that someone had damaged a gate on some property on FM 1298, owned by Coastal Management Corp. An offense report for criminal mischief was submitted.

Another offense report for criminal mischief was filed at 6:50 p.m. from the Fieldcrest Apartments as Melvin Cobb reported a window on his vehicle being broken.

An offense report for assault/family violence was submitted at 10:50 p.m.

The fire department responded to a report of a grass fire at 3 p.m. east of Hermleigh just off Highway 84.

Officers also responded to two reports of loud music.

A two-vehicle accident at 5:10 p.m. in the 4400 block of College Avenue sent one person by Snyder EMS to Cogdell Hospital where she was treated and released.

Sonja Maxfield, 113 25th St., was driving a 1992 Mercury. The other vehicle, a 1993 Ford pickup, was driven by Frank Beaver of 1611 Augusta Dr.

PUC OKs third area codes in Houston and Dallas areas

AUSTIN (AP) — The Houston and Dallas areas are getting new area codes — again. And Corpus Christi is getting a change as well.

The Public Utility Commission on Wednesday approved the addition of new codes in Houston and Dallas. It also voted 3-0 to split the 512 area code that currently covers both the Austin and Corpus Christi areas.

Final votes on both matters remain pending.

Commission members said they will accept public comment on the changes before the final vote, not expected before next month. Members indicated, though, that they are unlikely to change their minds unless glaring problems are identified.

Meanwhile, PUC Chairman Pat Wood said he wants all Texans to have access to so-called 10-digit dialing for local calls.

Residents in the Houston and Dallas areas already are dialing 10 digits for many local calls. Such dialing won't be required in any other cities, but Wood said Texans need to become accustomed to it as 10-digit local calls become more common.

Ten-digit dialing would not mean local calls would be billed as toll calls, Wood stressed. "'1' is the direct signal to callers that this will be a toll call," he said.

"We have done as much as we can with the environment we've got to push this day of reckoning as far as possible," Wood said of adding new codes in Houston and Dallas.

The new codes have not been identified, Neither will take effect before December.

The new code in Corpus Christi will not take effect before September. It also has not been identified.

For Houston and Dallas, the new codes won't be tied to geographical areas. That means 10-digit dialing will be needed for most calls in those areas. It also means that neighbors and even separate phone lines in individual households could have different area codes.

Wood said he hopes phone companies do all they can to maintain the regional qualities of the existing codes in Houston and Dallas, reserving the new codes for new phone lines.

Bill Adair, of Southwestern Bell, said there will be some mingling of the existing codes in Houston and Dallas, but he said it will be limited.

Adair also said people will get accustomed to 10-digit dialing.

Commissioner Judy Walsh said she was not excited about having to add new codes to Houston and Dallas so soon after splitting the regions. When the Houston and Dallas areas were divided in 1996, officials said the new areas codes would last until after 2000. That did not happen.

But PUC staffer Linda Hymans said cellular phones, fax machines and computer modems aren't necessarily to blame.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Vicky Alvarado, Brandy Staten.

DISMISSALS: Doris Blackard, Don Callaway, Lucy Crowder, Ysidra Estrada, Glenn Harris, Bobby Scott, Cecilin Willison, Helen Wortham, Vada Burleson, Joshua Dunagan, Steve Tyler, Dwaine Williams.

CENSUS: 46 (Med., Surg.-12, Long-term Care-29, CCU-1, OB--2, Nursery-2).

Births

Keith and Laurie Kildow of Snyder announce the birth of their seven-pound, 12-ounce daughter, McKenzie Dawn Kildow, at 5:05 p.m., May 3 in Lubbock's Methodist Hospital.

Grandparents are Cecil and Sue Crow and Nancy Crow, all of Colorado City, and Johnnie Kildow of Monahans. Her great-grandparent is Verlon Dukes of Secretary, Md.

Vicky Alvarado of Snyder announces the birth of her six-pound, 10-ounce daughter at 3:13 p.m., May 6 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Pat and Lori Kohl of San Angelo announce the birth of their son at 5:52 p.m. on May 6 in Columbia Hospital in San Angelo. He weighed seven pounds, 11½ ounces.

He was welcomed by a sister, Jordan Ashley and his grandparents are Kenneth and Delores Hoelscher of San Angelo and Alfred and Rosemary Kohl of Snyder.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, May 8, 1998

A number of unusual but pleasant surprises could be in store for you in the year ahead. From time to time normal routines may be temporarily thrown out of kilter, but this will be for a constructive, beneficial purposes.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It's not to your advantage to shift around arrangements and assignments today just because they interfere with your plans. It will be hard to catch up if you fall behind. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that'll govern you in the year ahead. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) An old friend will be offended if you plan something social today and exclude her. Let it be known your pal will be a most welcome participant.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Persons observing you today might marvel at your industriousness. However, you won't take pride in your work if you start a bunch of things that you'll not finish.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Avoid discussions today with a friend who has a way of putting a chill on your hot ideas. Instead, talk to pals who are more receptive and open-minded.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) An acquaintance who knows you are a soft touch might try to impose upon you again today in some material manner. Keep your guard up.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) The opinions of others might make it difficult for you today to make a sensible, speedy decision. Sometimes having too many advisers is worse than having none at all.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) It could compound matters if you postpone attending to an unpleasant assignment that needs your attention now. You might ignore it, but it will demand diligence later.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) A clique whose presence make you feel a trifle uncomfortable might be at an activity that you'll attend. Treat them civilly, but don't try to get chummy.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Do not do anything today that will make you look good at the expense of someone else. If you do, your victory will be short-lived and have repercussions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Usually you are a very open-minded person, but today you might reject ideas of others before you hear them through. Get back on track.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you find it necessary to conduct business today, do so cautiously. Matters may suddenly take unusual turns and you could get caught off guard.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Persons with whom you normally get along quite well could be difficult to deal with today. It's not all their fault, however.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Chick Who Finally Leaves Nest Fears Mother Hen Will Follow

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I am a 29-year-old woman who recently bought my own home and moved out of my parents' house. I am delighted to finally be on my own. I can come and go as I please, entertain my friends and watch anything I choose on television. All of these new freedoms were "issues" when I was living with my parents.

My mother has recently been having trouble with my dad. She has told me that if the situation doesn't improve, she's going to come and live with me. She doesn't ask if she can live with me; she says she's going to.

I have urged her to talk out her differences with Dad, but she refuses. She says it's no use. I've told her that I enjoy being able to live my own life. She said, "Oh, you'll still be able to do that," but I'm not so sure.

Abby, if I say I'm happy on my own, she lays a guilt trip on me and says, "Fine, I'll go live with your sister ... she'll take me in."

I've tried telling her she is perfectly capable of living on her own and mentioned several women her age that we both know, but she gets upset and says I am a terrible daughter.

Abby, am I terrible to feel this way? At 29, I need my freedom.

FEELING GUILTY
IN THE DESERT

DEAR FEELING GUILTY: Your feelings are understandable. However, bear in mind that your mother is in turmoil at the moment. If the situation with your father does not resolve itself, consider offering her temporary refuge for a specific amount of time. When that time is up, if she is still determined to live apart from your father, help her find a place of her own, or let her move in with your sister.

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DEAR ABBY: When I saw the headline in your column about domestic violence, and read that you had received letters about women who physically abuse their boyfriends and husbands, I could hardly believe it. I thought I was the only one.

I have been married for 10 years. The first five years were great. Then one day my wife hit me and we got into a terrific fight, which she won. Since then, every once in a while we have another fight after an argument and she beats me up. It is awful.

I never told anyone because I didn't have the nerve. I still love her and she makes over me afterward, which is nice, but other times I don't know what to do. I read about domestic violence, but it is always the women who are the victims. Is there any special advice about what a man should do when he's the victim?

CONFUSED IN ARIZONA

DEAR CONFUSED: Females abusing males is nothing new, and it is far more common than most people suspect — for the very reason you gave: Men are embarrassed to admit it.

I offer the same advice to men that I give to women: End the abusive relationship. Although there are few shelters for men because it is believed that it's easier for them to leave than it is for women, if you need moral upport and suggestions, call a shelter for battered women and inquire if they also counsel men. If they do not, see a private counselor.

Now is the time to take action because the situation isn't likely to change unless your wife gets long-term counseling — and even then, there is no guarantee the leopardess will change her spots.

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For an excellent guide to becoming a better conversationalist and a more attractive person, order "How to Be Popular." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby Popularity Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Confederate sticker on foot locker stirs debate

COLLEGE STATION (AP) — A Confederate sticker on the foot locker of a Texas A&M cadet has sparked a campus debate over whether or not the school can specifically ban the rebel flag.

In a little-noticed move last year, a Corps of Cadets manual singled out the Confederate flag and barred cadets from displaying its likeness.

"When they voluntarily join the corps, they voluntarily submit themselves to the discipline of a military organization," said Major Joseph Mills, spokesman for the 2,100-member Corps of Cadets. "The Confederate flag tends to polarize people and that's something we're not interested in."

The new regulation might have gone unnoticed if not for a 3-by-5-inch sticker on the foot locker owned by cadet Thomas Chisum Womack of Eustace, Texas.

Womack, who did not return phone calls from The Associated Press on Thursday, was told in October to remove the sticker. He complied after being told a second time, but has since retained attorney Kirk Lyons to challenge the flag ban.

"We feel that that infringes on the rights of every cadet ... the majority of whom have Confederate ancestry," said Lyons, of the far-right Southern Legal Resource Center in Black Mountain, N.C.

The Corps manual, known as The Standard, in years past barred the display of divisive symbols but was never specific about what symbols were considered divisive.

Maj. Gen. M.T. "Ted" Hopgood, a former military officer who oversees the Corps, had the Confederate flag added to the manual last August.

"The commandant made that decision that it needed a little bit more specificity," Mills said. "In a military organization, these kids are living in close quarters and what may not be offensive to one may be offensive to another."

The Corps of Cadets is not affiliated with any of the armed services but is structured along military lines. About 30 percent of its members receive commissions to the Navy, Army, Marine Corp and Air Force upon graduation, Mills said.

Womack's case has caught the attention of several A&M alums, including former Texas gubernatorial candidate Clayton Williams Jr., Texas A&M class of 1954.

In a Jan. 12 letter to Hopgood, Williams urged an end to the ban, The Bryan-College Station Eagle reported Wednesday.

"It seems to me some more reasonable accommodation should be made here rather than the total disavowal of our Confederate past. I believe our heritage is of equal importance as political correctness," Williams wrote.

Williams did not return a phone call to The AP.

In a statement to the Eagle on Tuesday, Williams said aid was unaware of any possible legal action coming out of the flag dispute. He said he believed Texas A&M, not courts, should handle the issue.

Calls to Texas A&M University offices were referred to the Corps of Cadets.

Chancellor Barry Thompson addressed the issue on the Internet last month when he was a featured "Ask A Texan" interview subject on Texas Monthly's web site.

"Texas A&M's Commandant of Cadets views display of the Confederate battle flag within the Corps as divisive and, therefore, prejudicial to good order and discipline," Thompson said.

"To resolve this, he has exercised his authority to prohibit its display. I consider this a proper exercise of his authority ... We appreciate those of you who have offered advice and counsel in this matter and hope your interest in the welfare of Texas A&M will continue."

Lyons said he hopes to work with the university and avoid a lawsuit against the Corps, but is prepared to file one if necessary. He met with Hopgood and the university's legal counsel last month but the ban remains in place.

"This issue will not go away as long as this insult stands," Lyons said.

Martha Stewart suing neighbor

NEW YORK (AP) — Already a pro at good things domestic, Martha Stewart will go to court for a new project. The purveyor of gracious living is suing a neighbor's landscaper.

Ms. Stewart filed a federal lawsuit Wednesday alleging that the landscaper filed a false police report accusing her of injuring him with her car, then trying to extort $250,000 from her before going public with his story.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given of the application of Exxon Corporation for a Sour Gas Pipeline Facility Construction Permit; Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit, Scurry County, Texas.

Applicant: Exxon Corporation, P.O. Box 4358, Houston, Texas 77210-4358. For information, contact Mr. John Lane at (713)431-1227.

Facility Description: The project involves the construction of pipelines to supply CO2 injection gas within the Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit.

Two CO2 injection trunk pipelines running from Tank Battery 5 will have diameters of 6" or 8" and be constructed of externally coated pipe of specification API 5L X-52. Operating pressure for these lines will be from 1500 to 2500 psi.

Geographic Location of the Pipelines: These pipelines are located entirely within the Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit in Sections 121, 123, and 124 of Block 25, H & T CRR Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas.

Geographic Location of the Radius of H2S Exposure: The H2S Radius of Exposure for these pipelines is located entirely within the Sharon Ridge Canyon Unit in Sections 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, and 125 of Block 25, H & T CRR Co. Survey, Scurry County, Texas.

Nearest Municipality: The nearest municipalities are Ira which lies approximately 9 miles to the southeast and Snyder which lies approximately 13 miles to the northeast.

Highways and Public Roads: The pipelines cross a public road in two places:

-The pipeline from Tank Battery #5 to WAG (Water Alternating Gas) Manifold #14 crosses County Road 3164 approximately 8400' west of the intersection with FM 1610.

-The pipeline from Tank Battery #5 to WAG (Water Alternating Gas) Manifold #16 crosses County Road 3164 approximately 6600' west of the intersection with FM 1610.

Land Use and Habitation: The land within the radius of exposure is used primarily for agriculture and for oil and gas production operations.

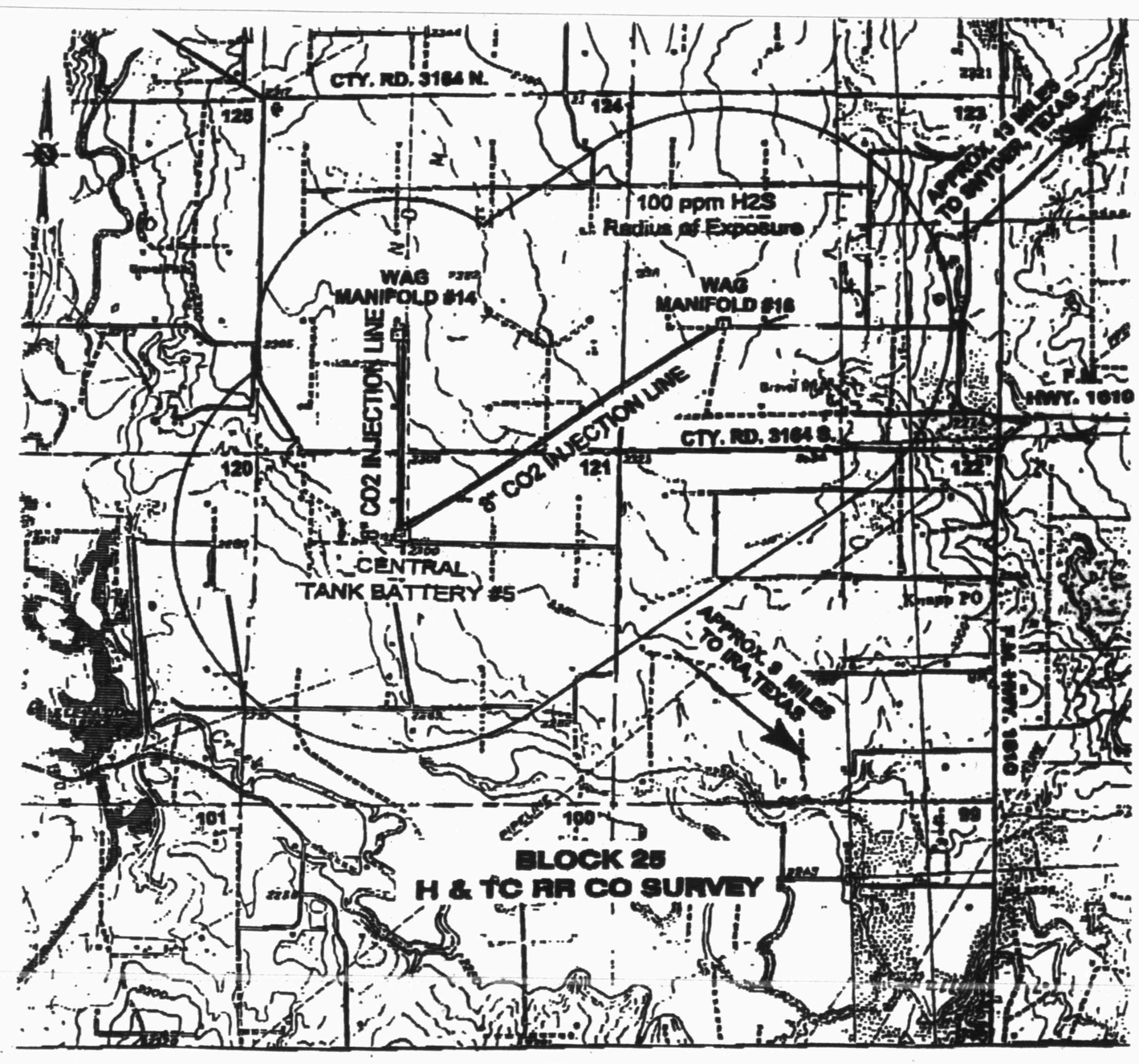
The proposed pipeline facility will transport sour gas that contains more than 100 ppm of hydrogen sulfide. A copy of this application is available for public inspection at the offices of the County Clerk, located at the following address:

County Clerk
Scurry County Courthouse,
Snyder, Texas 79549

Any owner or occupant of land within the 100 ppm radius of exposure of the proposed sour gas pipeline facility desiring to protest this application can do so by mailing or otherwise delivering a letter referring to Gas Utilities Docket (GUD) No.8871 and stating their desire to protest to:

Docket Services
Office of General Counsel
Railroad Commission of Texas,
P.O. Box 12967
Austin, Texas 78711-2967

Protests must be received not later than June 6, 1998. It is recommended that a copy of this notice be included with the letter. Additional information concerning the protest procedure can be obtained by calling (512) 463-7017 or by visiting //www.rrc.state.tx.us/ on the Internet.



SCALE 1" = 2000'

EXHIBIT #1
APPLICATION FOR SOUR GAS PIPELINE FACILITY CONSTRUCTION PERMIT
100 ppm H2S RADIUS OF EXPOSURE:
@ TANK BATTERY #5 - 3251', WAG MANIFOLD #14 - 2016',
AND WAG MANIFOLD #16 - 3195'

EXXON CORPORATION
SECTIONS 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125
BLOCK 25, H&T RR CO. SURVEY
SCURRY COUNTY, TEXAS

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)-Morningstocks:

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	146⅝	144 1-16	146 +	2⅛
AT&T Corp	59 7-16	58 9-16	59 1-16	— ⅛
AirTouch	52 1-16	51 5-16	51⅛	— ⅛
Albertsons	46⅜	45⅞	46	— 1-16
AlldSignal s	44 11-16	44⅛	44⅜	+ ⅛
Alltel	41⅝	40 13-16	41⅛	+ ⅛
AmOnline s	92¼	89	91⅛	+ 3⅛
AmSpectr	94	89 11-16	93 13-16	+ ⅛
Amerltech s	49 5-16	42¼	42 15-16	— 7-16
Amoco s	45⅛	44 11-16	44⅜	— ⅛
AndrkPtr	72 15-16	72¼	72⅜	— 1⅛
Amoolnc	6⅜	6 11-16	6 11-16	
AtlRichfld s	79⅜	78⅛	79 5-16	— 5-16
ATMOS Egy	29 15-16	29 15-16	29 15-16	— 1-16
Aviall	14⅜	14 1-16	14⅜	+ ⅛
BakrHughes	42¾	41⅛	41 11-16	— ⅛
BellAtl	96 3-16	95⅛	95⅝	— 1⅛
BellSouth	63 13-16	63⅛	63⅜	— ⅛
BethSteel	15⅜	14 15-16	14 15-16	+ 1-16
BritPet s	94⅛	93⅛	94	— 5-16
BurlNoSFe	99 5-16	98⅛	98⅜	— ⅛
CBS Corp	34 11-16	33 15-16	34⅜	— ⅛
Catepillar s	55 13-16	54⅝	55 5-16	— 1-16
CenSoWst	26 15-16	26⅛	26 13-16	
Chevron	85 11-16	85 3-16	85⅜	— 7-16
Chrysler	55⅜	53⅜	53⅝	+4 13-16
Coastal	73⅜	72⅝	72 11-16	—11-16
CocaCola	76⅛	75 9-16	75⅞	— ⅛
ColgatePalm	88⅜	87⅛	88 3-16	+ 3-16
ComclMetals	33⅛	33 7-16	33 7-16	— 3-16
Conoco/n	68 13-16	68 5-16	68 11-16	+ ⅛
CyprusAmax	17	16⅜	16⅜	— 5-16
DallSemicn	38 1-16	37⅛	37⅜	— 3-16
DeltaAirl	112 15-16	111 15-16	112 9-16	+1 1-16
DigitalEq	60	59 7-16	59 13-16	+ 1⅛
Dillards Inc	37⅜	37 3-16	37⅜	+1 7-16
DowChem	98⅛	97⅛	97½	— ⅛
Dresserind	52⅛	51⅛	52⅛	— ⅛
DuPont s	75 5-16	74 11-16	74 15-16	—13-16
EastmanChem	68⅝	68⅛	68 7-16	+ 1-16
EstKodak	73⅛	72⅛	72 5-16	— 1⅛
EDS Corp	37 7-16	36 11-16	36 15-16	— ½
Entergy	25⅜	25⅛	25⅜	— ⅛
Exxon	74⅛	73 9-16	74	— 7-16
FstBkxAm	25 1-16	25 1-16	25 1-16	
Flowers	21 15-16	21⅛	21⅛	
FordMotor s	47 1-16	46⅜	47	+ 1⅛
GTE Cp	58 9-16	57⅜	57½	—1 1-16
GenDynam s	41 7-16	41 1-16	41 1-16	— 7-16
GenElec	83⅛	82 5-16	82 9-16	— ⅛
GenMills	67 11-16	67⅛	67⅜	— 9-16
GenMotors	69⅛	68⅜	68⅝	+15-16
GaPacGP s	78 11-16	77 13-16	78⅜	— ⅛
GlobalMar	25 5-16	24 11-16	24⅜	— 7-16
Goodrich	53⅛	52 15-16	53⅛	+ 7-16
Goodyear s	70	69 1-16	69 3-16	—13-16
GtAtPac	31 3-16	30 11-16	30 11-16	— ⅛
Halliburtn s	55⅛	54 5-16	54⅜	— ⅛
Hanson ADS	30⅛	29⅞	30	— ⅛
HaseHanks s	21 15-16	21 13-16	21 15-16	+ 3-16
HomeDepot s	69 7-16	68⅛	68⅛	— ⅛
HoustonInds	29⅜	29⅛	29⅛	— 3-16
IBM	117⅛	116⅛	116 9-16	—11-16
IntlPaper	52 15-16	52⅛	52⅜	— 5-16
JohnsonJn	69 13-16	69⅛	69 13-16	+ ⅛
K mart	18 11-16	17 13-16	17⅜	— ⅛
Kroger Co	41¼	40⅝	40 9-16	— ⅛
Litton	60⅝	60 1-16	60⅜	+ 3-16
LockhdMart	113	112⅛	112 7-16	— ⅛
Lowes Cos	70	69⅛	69 7-16	— 7-16
Lsbys			19 1-16	19 19
LucentTech s	72 7-16	71 1-16	72 3-16	+1 5-16
MayDeptStrs	63 7-16	62⅛	63 3-16	+ ⅛
Medtronic s	51 1-16	50⅜	51	+ ⅛
Mobils	79⅜	78⅛	79⅛	+ ⅛
Monsanto	54⅛	53⅛	53⅜	— ⅛
MorganJP	133¾	131⅜	133⅜	+ ⅛
Motorola	56⅜	55⅛	55 15-16	+ 3-16
NCR Corp	37⅛	37 5-16	37⅛	— 5-16
NationsBk	74⅛	73 3-16	73⅛	— 3-16
Navistar	28⅜	28 1-16	28⅜	— ⅛
Norwests	38 11-16	37 11-16	37⅜	—11-16
OryxEngy	26¼	25 13-16	26	— ⅛
Penney JC	71⅛	70⅜	70⅝	+ ⅛
Pennzoil	64 13-16	64	64⅛	— 9-16
PepBoys	23⅜	23⅛	23 3-16	+ ⅛
PepsiCo	39⅛	38 1-16	38 3-16	—15-16
PhelpDodge	66⅛	65⅛	66	+ 1-16
PhilipPet	48 9-16	48 5-16	48 7-16	— ⅛
PilgrmPrd			17	17 17
Polaroid	43 5-16	42 11-16	42⅜	— ⅛
Praxair	49⅜	48⅛	49	— ⅛
ProctGamb s	82⅛	80 13-16	80⅛	— 1⅛
PubSNwMx	22 11-16	22⅛	22⅛	— 1-16
RoyalDut s	57⅞	57 1-16	57⅛	+ 7-16
SBC Comm s	42⅜	42⅛	42¼	— ⅛
SaraLee	59 13-16	59 7-16	59⅛	— 5-16
Scripps EW	56	55 11-16	55⅜	—11-16
SearsRoeb	57 11-16	56⅜	57 5-16	— ⅛
SherwinW	34⅞	34	34⅛	— 9-16
SmithBe ADS s	58	57⅛	57⅜	—11-16
SouthernCo	26⅛	26	26	— ⅛
SwstAirl s	26 5-16	25 15-16	26 3-16	+ 3-16
Sprint	67⅛	67 3-16	67 9-16	— 7-16
SunCo	42⅞	42 3-16	42 3-16	— 9-16
TNP Ent	33⅛	33	33 7-16	+ 7-16
Tandy s	48¼	47 1-16	47⅛	—15-16
TempleInland	64⅝	64 1-16	64 1-16	— ⅛
Tenneco	43⅛	42⅝	42 15-16	— 1-16
Texaco s	61⅝	60 15-16	61	— ⅜
Texind	64⅝	64⅛	64 9-16	— ⅛
Textainer s	65 5-16	63⅜	65 1-16	+1 1-16
TexUtil	38 11-16	38 7-16	38 9-16	+ 5-16
Textron s	78 5-16	77⅛	78 1-16	+ 1-16
Travelers s	60⅛	59 9-16	60	+ ⅛
TricomGlbR n	30 13-16	30 9-16	30 9-16	+ 5-16
TrinityInds	49⅜	49 9-16	49⅜	+ 5-16
TritonEngy	42⅜	41 3-16	42⅜	+ 1
Tyler	10⅜	9⅞	9⅞	— ⅜
US WestCm	53 3-16	52⅜	52⅝	— ⅛
USWstMda	38 9-16	38 1-16	38 7-16	— ⅛
USX-Marathn	36⅜	36⅛	36⅜	— 3-16
USX-USS	38	37⅝	37 11-16	— ⅛
UnCarbde	52⅜	52 1-16	52 3-16	— 3-16
UnionPacif	55 7-16	54 13-16	54 13-16	—13-16
UnitedTech	97	96⅛	96⅜	— ⅜
Unocal	40 1-16	39⅝	39⅝	— ⅛
WalMart	50⅛	49⅝	50⅛	+ 3-16
WstnGasRs	18	17⅝	17 13-16	— 3-16
WinnDixie	37 5-16	37	37 3-16	+ 1-16
Woolworth		22⅛	21 11-16	21⅞
Xerox Corp	113	112 1-16	112⅛	— ⅛
ZenithE		3⅛	3⅛	3 7-16

Local Interest Stocks

Applied Mtls.	36 5/16	0
BJ Services	37 5/8	-13/16
Black Warrior Wire Line	8	-1/2
Cracker Brl.	35 1/16	-11/32
Clayton Hms.	20 1/2	+1/8
Compaq	32 3/8	+1 1/8
Cabletron	13 3/4	-1/4
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Engineer braked, but couldn't avoid crash

ROUND ROCK (AP) — A Texas Eagle engineer who spotted a truck in his passenger train's path continuously sounded his whistle and applied an emergency brake but was unable to avoid a collision, federal regulators say.

Event recorders similar to an airplane's "black box," recovered from the train after the crash, also showed it was traveling 51 mph at the time — less than the 55 mph posted speed limit for a passenger train on the line, a National Transportation Safety Board investigator said Wednesday.

The Amtrak passenger train slammed into the garbage truck Tuesday, killing the vehicle's driver who apparently didn't see the train coming. Eleven people from it went to hospitals, with 10 since treated and released.

Law officers are uncertain of the train's distance from the truck when the engineer hit his brakes. But the NTSB said Wednesday the train's audible warning before the collision was "continuous."

A witness said Cody Joe Pearson, the truck driver, apparently did not hear or see the passenger train as he drove up on a private railroad crossing, according to the Austin American-Statesman.

Washington-based Amtrak said in a prepared statement that the collision, which knocked both locomotives from the tracks, resulted from the 27-year-old Elgin driver's failure to yield right-of-way to the train.

Five NTSB members will determine an official cause in a process that could take months.

Air brake tests on the train cars showed no defects and the locomotives met all federal requirements for inspections.

"There's been no documented evidence that indicates anything was wrong with the train," said Edward Dobranetski, the NTSB investigator in charge.

Investigators plan to interview train crew members today in San Antonio.

Recorders from the train's two locomotives were sent to Dallas to be examined before shipment to Washington. Investigators hope to learn more from them about the train's throttle position, lights and other details.

One locomotive may be salvageable but the other is likely a total loss, said Dobranetski, who estimated its worth at $1.5 million to $2 million. Total train damage, he said, was about $3 million.

"I have no reason to disagree" with the assessment, said Amtrak spokesman Marc Magliari. "We'll assess the salvageability of the locomotives, but ... that unit appears to have frame damage, body damage, fire damage."

Besides the locomotives, the accident derailed seven cars on Chicago-bound Texas Eagle, which carried 104 passengers and 13 crew members.

The first Amtrak train to cross the accident site went by slowly just after 11 a.m. Wednesday.

GOP leaders pressed for votes on bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — At age 45, leaving a wife and two kids behind, Buddy Kuhl died of heart failure after his HMO delayed approval for special out-of-town surgery.

Democrats said Wednesday they will read a real-life horror story like Kuhl's on the floor of the Senate every day — then post them on the Internet — until Congress requires more consumer protections from health plans that save money by limiting patient choices.

"We hear story after story from American families about why we need real patient protections now," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said at a news conference.

Kuhl, who lived in Kansas City, Mo., needed to go to a specially equipped St. Louis hospital for surgery after a heart attack. But he didn't get approval for treatment outside his health plan's coverage area until it was too late to repair his heart, then died awaiting a transplant.

Such shocking tales are the latest attempt by lawmakers from both political parties to coax reluctant Republican leaders into regulating so-called managed care health plans.

Democrats will try to force a vote on patient protections by attaching them as amendments to other legislation considered by the Senate, starting perhaps as early as next week, Daschle said.

In the House, despite resistance from his party leadership, Rep. Charles Norwood, R-Ga., has recruited 230 members including close to 90 other Republicans to support curbs on managed care.

"We think we have stood tall against countless attacks," the former dentist said at a news conference called to disarm lobbying barrages against the legislation he has written.

Political consultants are closely monitoring the popularity of so-called patients' rights proposals because of their potential to change fortunes on the campaign trail.

"It's the most emotional issue in the country this year," said Dane Strother, a Democratic campaign strategist.

Already in gubernatorial races, which generally heat up earlier than campaigns for Congress, health plan regulation is a booming battleground, Strother said.

Most patient protection legislation pending in Congress is sponsored by Democrats and based on a "bill of rights" recommended last year by a presidential commission on the quality of health care. Proposed guarantees include an outside review when health plans deny care, better access to specialists and coverage of emergency-room care even if reasonable fears of medical crisis turn out to be unfounded.

Norwood's bill, with broad bipartisan support in the House, would do even more. It would make health plans give consumers their pick of doctors — although prices could be higher for visits to those not on a plan's roster — and also remove federal protections some employer-sponsored plans have against lawsuits.

Insurance companies and businesses that buy health coverage for their workers have tried to convince traditional allies in the Republican rank-and-file that new regulations would drive up health care costs.

Farm Bureau PAC endorses Sharp

AUSTIN (AP) — Texas' largest farm and ranch organization, which helped recruit Rick Perry to run for agriculture commissioner in 1990, has endorsed Comptroller John Sharp in his race against Perry for lieutenant governor.

Sharp was the guest speaker at the law enforcement appreciation banquet held Tuesday night in Snyder.

The endorsement Wednesday was welcomed by Sharp, a Democrat, who called it "a real defining moment" in the campaign.

"There is no organization in the state of Texas as influential or powerful as the Texas Farm Bureau," he said. "To say I was elated would be a real mild understatement."

Ray Sullivan, a spokesman for Perry's campaign, said, "Rick Perry enjoys the support of most rank and file farm bureau members, farmers and ranchers because he is a consistently conservative leader for Texas and Texas agriculture."

Bob Stallman, president of the Farm Bureau and its political action committee (AGFUND), which actually made the endorsement, said it was a difficult decision.

"I have to say that AGFUND, in this race, is not 'against' anyone," Stallman said. "We are, however, very much 'for' John Sharp."

Stallman acknowledged the Farm Bureau's active support in helping Perry defeat Jim Hightower to become ag commissioner in 1990 and win re-election in 1994. He said the group's backing of Sharp isn't an attempt to slam Perry's agricultural leadership.

"Rick's done a good job as ag commissioner," Stallman said. "If he was running for ag commissioner again, we would support him. We have supported both of these candidates in the past, but they are running against each other now.

"The lieutenant governor's job is different from the ag commissioner's job. We took all the factors into consideration, and decided that John Sharp would make the best lieutenant governor in the state of Texas."

Sullivan said, "The group (Farm Bureau) has supported John Sharp since before Rick entered public office, and Mr. Sharp still controls state tax rulings.

"We are proud of Rick's agriculture leadership, and appreciate the support of the five agriculture groups that have endorsed Rick Perry," Sullivan said.

Those groups are the Texas Cattle Feeders, Texas Association of Dairymen, Western Peanut Growers, Texas Sugar Beet Growers and the Texas Agriculture Aviation Association.

But none of those groups are as powerful or politically active as the Farm Bureau, which boasts 312,000 members and a well-organized political action committee.

Stallman said Sharp could count on campaign contributions from the group as well as mailings to all the group's members advising them of the endorsement. Stallman said the Farm Bureau would not be contributing to Perry's campaign.

"It's our policy not to contribute to more than one candidate in a race," he said.

Stallman said the board of directors of AGFUND considered such issues as taxation, education funding, water resources and environmental concerns as well as each candidate's ability to work in a nonpartisan manner before deciding on Sharp.

"When you're doing the business of the state, here in the Capitol, you need to work with the best interests of Texas and set politics aside, and we feel John will do that," Stallman said.

Asked if he would use the endorsement against Perry, Sharp said, "I'll use it, but I'm going to respect this endorsement and use it in a positive way."

Andy Robustelli, a Pro Football Hall of Famer, played for Arnold College, which had a student body of 350.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Is blood pressure variable?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am currently under treatment for hypertension. I am convinced that my blood pressure is significantly higher in the doctor's office than it is at home. What do you think of home blood-pressure monitoring devices?

DEAR READER: Many hypertensives routinely measure their own blood pressures. In collaboration with a physician, this often provides useful information and, in a sense, includes the patient in the decision-making process of how much medicine to take. Therefore, I endorse your wish to monitor your own blood pressure.

There is a downside to this, as you might expect. Some patients have difficulty obtaining accurate readings. Others become overanxious about small fluctuations in the readings. A few will self-diagnose and inappropriately alter their medication dosages. Nonetheless, these are minor drawbacks that can easily be remedied by involving the doctor.

In order to obtain the most reliable blood pressure measurements, you should take the pressure in a relaxed, sitting posture with the cuff at the level of the heart. Rest for 15 minutes beforehand and avoid smoking, caffeine and strenuous exercise for at least 30 minutes before testing. Take three consecutive measurements and use the average of the three as the most accurate.

Remember that the blood pressure fluctuates from minute to minute. In a normally active adult, these fluctuations can be quite striking. Therefore, keep the "big picture" in mind. If your pressure is high one day and normal the next, this is an acceptable variation that need not be addressed. The important considerations are: Become familiar with your own home-monitoring device, and work closely with your physician.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I was recently given a gift of whiskey in a pewter flask. Knowing that pewter contains lead, I am concerned about the health hazards of possible lead poisoning. Am I being overcautious?

DEAR READER: I don't believe so. Pewter, as you stated, may contain lead, which can leach from the container into the liquid it contains, especially if that liquid is acidic or has alcohol.

Were you to pour a beverage into a pewter mug and drink it within a few minutes, you wouldn't risk consuming appreciable amounts of lead. However, you don't know how long the whiskey-filled decorative flask sat on the shelf — possibly months or years. In this circumstance, significant amounts of lead may have entered the beverage. Therefore, you would be prudent to avoid consuming such a product. Either dump out the liquor or give it to your worst enemy; alternatively, have a laboratory perform a lead level on the whiskey.

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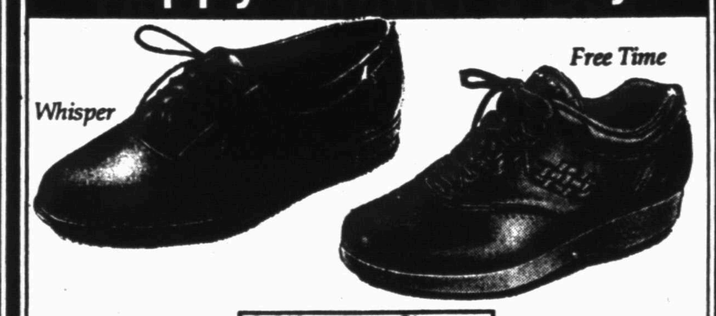

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ISDs want to re-open funding battle

AUSTIN (AP) — A group of school districts with low property wealth wants to re-open the court battle over the way Texas funds public education.

The group, called the Plaintiff Intervenors Committee, today filed a petition saying that the state's wealthiest school districts have been given funding advantages..

Texas' school funding system relies on a combination of state aid, local property taxes and some federal money.

The current system, which requires the school districts with the most property wealth to share with the rest of the state, was upheld in 1995 by the Texas Supreme Court.

The court had thrown out three previous funding laws beginning in 1989, when it first told lawmakers to even out funding available to districts with varying property values.

"This litigation is necessary to ensure that the trend toward maintaining or creating funding breaks for the rich districts, if it continues, will be accompanied by additional measures for the schools where the vast majority of the children of Texas are educated," said a statement from lawyer Buck Wood, who is representing the low-wealth school districts.

The school districts contend that the funding advantages for the wealthy districts will amount to nearly $500 million from 1993 through 1999.

Leading state lawmakers expressed disappointment at the prospect of another round at the courthouse, saying the Legislature has consistently worked to improve school funding, including a recent effort directed at paying for facilities.

Gephardt wants Burton to step aside

WASHINGTON (AP) — The firing of a top Republican investigator into 1996 campaign fundraising irregularities is not sufficient, and the chairman of the House committee conducting the probe should end his role as well, House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt said today.

Gephardt, D-Mo., said Democrats would try to force the House to vote next week on a resolution ordering Rep. Dan Burton, R-Ind., chairman of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee, to step aside as the chief of the investigation. Democrats would likely lose such a vote in the Republican-controlled House, but it would call continued attention to the controversy over the tapes and transcripts Burton has released of jailhouse conversations involving Webster Hubbell, a friend of President Clinton.

In a letter to House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., Gephardt also renewed his call for the speaker to remove himself from the deliberations, citing recent reported statements that Gephardt said show Gingrich is biased. He made a similar demand last week.

"In both Mr. Gingrich's case and in Mr. Burton's case, I believe they have disqualified themselves from being able to carry out a fair, objective, impartial investigation of the facts that they're supposed to be investigating," Gephardt told reporters.

Gephardt cited a report in today editions of The Washington Post in which Gingrich reportedly told Republicans that when discussing the fund-raising probe, "forget the word 'scandals' and start using the word 'crimes.'"

"Your statements, which prematurely reach conclusions in this matter, diminish your constitutional role as speaker," Gephardt wrote to Gingrich.

In the wake of the tape furor, Burton attempted to win back the confidence of fellow Republicans by apologizing to them in a letter Wednesday.

"I want to apologize to you if this matter has caused you any embarrassment," Burton wrote. He admitted "a mistake was made" in omitting from the Hubbell transcripts material that was favorable to the former associate attorney general and to his former law partner, Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Overhaul of IRS nearing final vote

WASHINGTON (AP) — Democratic leader Tom Daschle today predicted a "virtually unanimous" vote for legislation to overhaul the Internal Revenue Service as lawmakers moved toward a final decision on the measure.

The South Dakota Democrat, after conferring with Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Mo., said he expected final passage later in the day.

The measure is designed to rein in IRS abuses, provide additional rights for taxpayers in their dealings with the tax agency and establish an oversight board to improve management.

An effort by Sen. Lauch Faircloth, R-N.C., to bar appointment of any union representative to the board was rejected 64-35 during the day.

Majority Republicans, tapping a vein of public resentment, have made the legislation a key part of their election-year agenda.

Democratic support was a strong indication of the political appeal of the measure, and came despite objections to a provision that would finance the cost of the bill by making changes in treatment of Individual Retirement Accounts for some senior citizens.

Some Democrats attacked the provision as a boon for a select few, while Daschle told reporters the cost would balloon in the future and eat up a portion of the anticipated budget surplus.

He said Democrats would work to change the provision in negotiations on a final bill with the House.

On Wednesday, Rep. Bob Kerrey of Nebraska led the Democratic attack on the provision.

"Ask yourself, who is going to be affected by this?" Kerrey said Wednesday.

"If they don't have the experience on a regular basis of going to Tax Court, they're not going to benefit," Kerrey said. He raised similar questions about relief for so-called innocent spouses and selected tax penalties.

"We don't know who is going to benefit from those three additional provisions, but that's what is costing us the money," Kerrey said.

Military judge gets own view from rear cockpit of Prowler

CHERRY POINT, N.C. (AP) — A military judge, wearing a helmet and survival gear, climbed into a parked jet today to get a view from inside the type of Marine jet involved in the ski accident that killed 20 people on the Italian alps.

Military Judge Lt. Col. Ronald Rodgers visited the Cherry Point Marine Corps Air Station as the defense began presenting its testimony in an investigative hearing for two of four Marines charged with manslaughter in the Feb. 3 mishap.

The Marines are accused of traveling too fast and too low at the time of the deadly crash. An attorney for one of the defendants, Capt. Chandler Seagraves, 28, sought the demonstration so the judge could see what the crewmen saw from the back seat of the EA-6B Prowler.

Defense attorneys have said back seat crew members cannot see forward because their vision is blocked by seats for the pilot and navigator. Seagraves and the other defendant, Capt. William Raney II, also had no control over the jet's direction, speed and altitude, attorneys said.

A defense witness explained the layout of the cockpit and its instruments. Rodgers, wearing a vest festooned with survival gear, boots and a helmet, watched a computer screen instrument that is part of gear operated by rear-seaters and could also see an air-speed gauge.

Court reporters, prosecutors and Raney, 26, watched from platforms raised 10 feet in the air.

Among those on the ground was Capt. Richard Ashby, 30, of Mission Viejo, Calif., the pilot charged in the Italian accident. Before the end of the hour-long demonstration, the judge also climbed into the pilot's seat, but heard no evidence about the pilot's perspective.

After the demonstration, the participants headed to Camp Lejeune, where the government ended two days of testimony from 11 witnesses Wednesday. The defense was expected to finish by Friday.

The hearing is to determine whether Seagraves and Raney should be court-martialed. Another Article 32 hearing, the military equivalent of a grand jury hearing, will begin June 15 for Ashby and the jet's navigator, Capt. Joseph P. Schweitzer, 30, of Westbury, N.Y.

Seagraves and Raney, as well as the pilot and navigator, each face 20 counts of involuntary manslaughter and negligent homicide. Each charge punishable by up to 20 years in prison. They also face counts of destruction of property and dereliction of duty.

As the government wrapped up its case Wednesday, a witness testified that crews of Marine Prowler jets like the one involved in the accident in the Italian Alps resented altitude restrictions imposed after an earlier crash.

FDA says that inhaler plan won't leave patients in lurch

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Food and Drug Administration is insisting that it won't leave patients in the lurch with its plan to phase out ozone-destroying asthma inhalers. But lawmakers may still move to block the plan.

"FDA has no intention of placing the health and safety of patients ... at risk," Dr. John Jenkins, a pulmonologist and FDA's director of the division of pulmonary drug products, told the House Commerce subcommittee on health and the environment Wednesday.

The current generation of asthma inhalers uses chlorofluorocarbon propellants, which erode ozone and increase bombardment of Earth by harmful ultraviolet rays. CFCs already have been banned in products including hair spray and air conditioners under a 1987 treaty.

The FDA is in the early stages of formulating a plan to replace the ozone-damaging inhaler propellants, a process that will take years. A proposed rule is still a year away, and that is to be followed by a months-long public comment period before final regulations are published.

Drug companies are working on replacements for 11 out of 17 inhalants now used by asthmatics and others with lung ailments. Of the remaining six, four are marketed in the United States to a small segment of the patient population.

Rep. Patrick Kennedy, D-R.I., a lifelong asthmatic, worried that new inhalers would be prohibitively expensive for the poor and elderly on fixed incomes, and might not help all asthmatics.

"We've got a lot of emotion around this issue," said Kennedy, a sponsor of legislation to bar the elimination of CFC-based inhalers until there are enough effective alternatives on the market at reasonable prices.

Only one inhaler on the market doesn't contain CFCs but it is about twice as expensive as a traditional inhaler, which costs about $20.

Asthma, a chronic lung inflammation that makes it hard to breathe, has been rising across America and hitting poor, inner-city children with particular force.

About 15 million people suffer from asthma, and, in some city neighborhoods, hospitalization rates are as much as 10 times the national average. About 5,000 Americans die from asthma each year.

Jenkins argued that the FDA's actions to date have been misinterpreted and exaggerated, and that CFC-emitting inhalers won't be eliminated until patients have alternatives. For patients using the six inhalants for which replacements aren't being formulated, the solution will probably rest with new drugs.

"These rumors have unnecessarily frightened many patients and physicians," Jenkins said.

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Sports Challenge fund-raiser

An all you can eat pancake and sausage fund-raiser will be held from 6-8 p.m. today at McDonald's. Tickets are $2.50; drinks are extra. The event is being held to help Snyder students Kristin Martinez, Courtney Rinehart, Cece Valadez and Darcey Purcell play in the Mililani Softball Tournament in Hawaii and Juan Arizmendi to participate in track events in Belgium, through Sports Challenge International.

Tiger Jazz show is tonight

The Tiger Jazz Spring Show will be held at 7 this evening in Worsham Auditorium. Admission is free.

Snyder Area Model Airplane Club

Snyder Area Model Airplane Club will meet at 7 this evening at the club flying field, 2½ miles south of the college on Round Top Road. Visitors are welcome.

Hermleigh FBC revival

First Baptist Church of Hermleigh's revival services concludes tonight at 7:30. Dr. John McClung, pastor of the Living Word Baptist Church in Long Beach, Calif., is the evangelist. Everyone is invited.

Holiday for Snyder, Ira ISDs

Friday is a bad weather holiday for Snyder and Ira public schools. Teachers at Ira will use the time as a workday, however.

Car wash and bake sale

The Red Sox T-ball team will hold a car wash and bake sale from 1-3 p.m. Friday at Wal-Mart. Proceeds will be used to purchase equipment.

Dance planned Friday

Snyder Youth Bowlers are sponsoring a dance from 8 p.m. until midnight Friday at Towle Park Barn. Admission is $3 per person or $5 per couple. Funds raised will help send the bowlers to the state tournament.

Manic/depressive support group

An effort is being made to form a manic/depressive (bipolar) support group in Snyder. If you are interested, call Debbie at 573-1154.

HHS yell leaders plan carwash

Hermleigh High School cheerleaders will hold a car wash from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday in the Long John Silver's parking lot. Donations will be accepted.

Special Olympics garage sale

A giant garage sale benefitting Special Olympics will be held all day Saturday in the former Kmart parking lot. Donations of items for the garage sale are needed.

There will also be a dunking booth, bake sale and dart throw as well as a car wash. The event is sponsored by Price Daniel Unit employees who are also selling $5 tickets for a chance to win a pickup.

BSA Fish-A-Thon planned

The Boy Scouts of American are planning Fish-A-Thon '98 Saturday from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Towle Park Pond. The pond will be stocked with sunfish and catfish prior to the tournament. Registration is $5. Prizes will be awarded. Scouts will have demonstrations and concessions. Fishing license requirements will be waived for the event.

Golf team send-off

Snyder fans are invited to help "send off" the high school girls golf team which is leaving Saturday to participate in the state tournament. The team will be leaving at 9:45 a.m. from the parking lot south of the high school football field.

'Ondine' on stage Monday

The final hometown production of "Ondine," Snyder High School drama department's one-act play, will be held at 8 p.m. Monday in Worsham Auditorium. All seats are $3 each.

'Oklahoma' set for the stage

Snyder High School choral department will present Roger and Hammerstein's musical "Oklahoma" next Thursda and Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Worsham Auditorium. Reserved tickets are on sale now for $7 each. General admission is $4. Call Katie Necessary at the high school, 573-6301, for tickets or more information.

Museum rummage sale

Scurry County Museum needs items for its rummage sale, to be held May 15-30. The museum needs to raise $21,000 in order to continue operating at its present level. If you have items to donate, call 573-6107.

Snyder Band Boosters

Snyder Band Boosters will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in the high school band hall.

Pick 3

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

7-2-9

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

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

The ticket was worth an estimated $4 million.

The ticket was sold in: Fair Oaks.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 2-9-11-13-26-29.

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