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Cogdell board taking resumes for new CEO

Covenant Healthcare to provide interim administrator July 17

Meeting for almost two hours in executive session Thursday morning, Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers mapped out the route they will take in the search for a new administrator.

The action was made necessary when Jeff Reecer, Cogdell chief executive officer since March 1994, submitted his resignation last week.

The board will begin taking applications immediately and will begin reviewing applications as soon as possible, according to a statement the board released following Thursday's meeting.

All applications will first be received at the hospital administration office, and then forwarded to individual board members for review.

Following the board's review of applications, directors will select the applicants they wish to interview.

It is expected the hiring process could take four to six weeks, and the board did not set a deadline on accepting applications.

Reecer's last official day as administrator is July 31.

Covenant Healthcare will provide an interim administrator to work with Reecer.

Steve Holmes will be at Cogdell beginning July 17 and will remain until a new administrator is hired.

Board president Jim Bob Cave has emphasized that while the hospital and Covenant have a management contract, the local board will select Reecer's successor.

"We will make the decision as to whom the new administrator will be," Cave said.

Upcoming holiday will result in several closings

The July Fourth holiday will prompt some early closings Monday and a number of closings on the actual holiday Tuesday.

County offices will be closed both Monday and Tuesday in observance of Independence Day as will the Scurry County Library.

Three local financial institutions — including West Texas State Bank, Snyder National Bank and Texas Savings Bank — will close at noon on Monday and will be closed all day Tuesday.

American State Bank and First American Bank will conduct business as usual on Monday but will be closed on Tuesday.

The Snyder ISD administration building will close its offices at noon on Monday and will not open July Fourth.

Western Texas College offices and the Texas Workforce Commission, which is located on the college campus, will be open Monday and close Tuesday.

Scurry County Museum, which is located on the southwest corner of the WTC campus, will be open from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the Fourth of July.

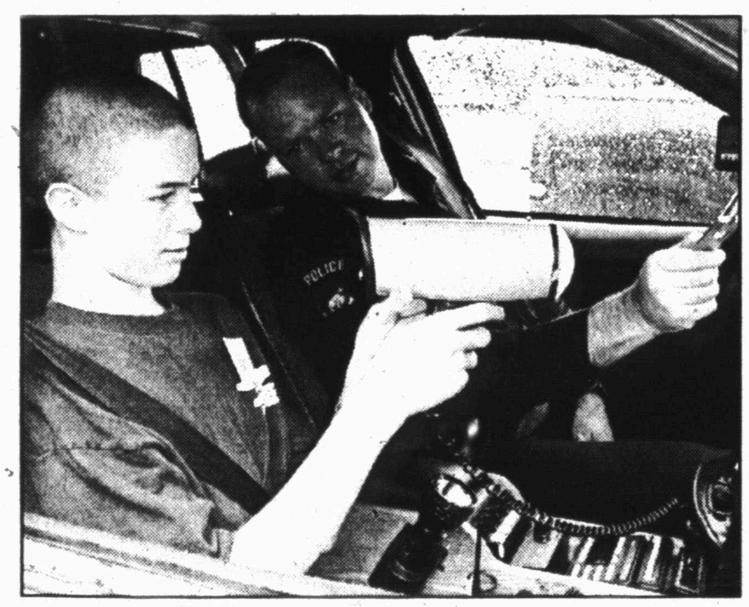
City employees will have Tuesday off and the city landfill will be closed.

Snyder Post Office also recognizes the holiday. No mail will be delivered or placed in boxes on July Fourth.

July 4th is publication holiday for Snyder News

The Snyder Daily News will not publish Tuesday, July 4th. Regular publication will resume on Wednesday.

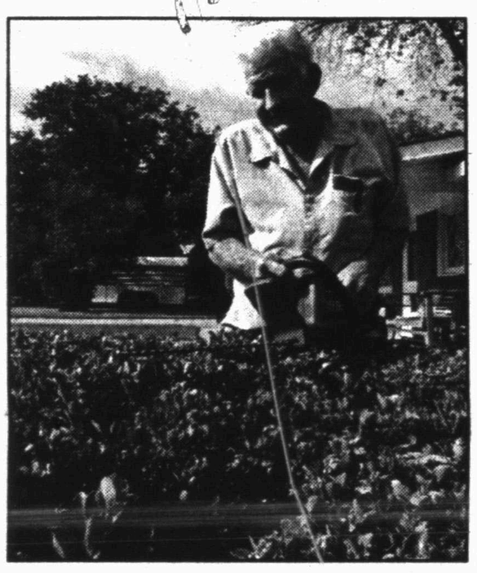
The SDN office will close at noon Monday and will be closed all day July 4th.



DEMONSTRATION — Snyder Police Officer Bill Whitley uses a tuning fork to demonstrate to STEPS intern Thomas Hefner the use of a stationary hand-held traffic radar. (Photo by Brandi Russell, Snyder Daily News STEPS intern)

After the rain comes the work!

While showers have been plentiful over the past few weeks, Lois Skaggs supplements her flowerbeds between the rains with a good watering. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)



MOWING AND HEDGING — In the left photo, Tate Thompson mows a lawn while Terry Holt is pictured trimming his hedge. The abundant rainfall over the county has made yard work a perpetual job. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)

Former Waco TV reporter testifies officers fired shots

WACO (AP) — A former television news reporter who witnessed most of the gun battle between Branch Davidians and federal agents during a failed raid Feb. 28, 1993, testified Friday that the shooting erupted as soon as he arrived.

"It just seemed to all start at once. I saw some of the law enforcement officers ... they were running for cover ... as they were running they appeared to be returning fire at the building," testified John McLemore, a former reporter for Waco television station KWTX.

Taking cover behind a bus on the property, McLemore watched the gun battle between agents and the Davidians. He saw agents run toward the building with a ladder, climb onto the roof and enter the complex by smashing through a window on an upper floor.

"After three of the agents had gone in the window, there was one agent left on the outside there, and I saw gunfire come through the building wall and one or two shots came up through the roof at the agent," McLemore said.

McLemore's testimony came as the second week of trial came to close in the $675 million wrongful death lawsuit filed by surviving Davidians and family members against the federal government.

McLemore, who was on the property for the entire 2 1/2 hour ordeal, called for help from his news vehicle.

Three of the injured agents were carried off the compound in the media vehicle. "We were the last ones off the property," said McLemore.

Plaintiffs' attorneys wrapped up their case Thursday morning, and government lawyers began presenting their case that afternoon.

Four agents were killed and 16 were wounded during the gunfight, which broke out as Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms agents tried to serve search and arrest warrants on sect leader David Koresh. Six Davidians also died as a 51-day standoff began. Koresh and about 80 followers perished as a fire destroyed the compound near Waco on April 19, 1993.

Plaintiffs say the agents, who raided the complex to search for illegal weapons and arrest Koresh, fired indiscriminately into the building. Government attorneys say the agents were ambushed by sect members and were defending their lives.

Lead plaintiffs' attorney Michael Caddell asked McLemore if he ever saw any guns or Davidians at the compound, to which he answered no. McLemore also said he never heard anyone yell "police" or "ATF" until after the gunfire already had started.

Plaintiffs also claim federal agents violated an approved plan on the standoff's final day, when they used tanks to punch holes in the building.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The only reason elections are held is to see if the polls were right."

The Fourth of July is our favorite holiday, probably because it is so laid back.

Except for eating, not everybody likes to do the same thing, but in Snyder there are a variety of activities. It's already started, with the arrival of the carnival in Towle Park, sponsored by the Lions Club.

Snyder Chamber of Commerce folks have been working feverishly to make sure all the booths are ready for vendors. There's the prayer breakfast and parade, lots of food and games and places to sit and visit.

The large trees in the park provide a good place to retreat from the July sun. And there's activity for golfers, tennis players and volleyball enthusiasts.

The climax, of course, is the fireworks display. Chamber staffers tell us donations are still needed to help finance the display.

In the old days, tickets were sold for drawings for merchandise and services offered by area businesses. Most families would buy at least $20 worth, and the funds were in place to pay for the fireworks and related costs.

It seems that such an approach might again be considered. Or another possibility, while folks are enjoying the pyrotechnics, is to pass the hat.

Snyder's 4th of July Celebration has the tradition of being one of the area's best – and it is worth keeping.

In West Texas, business and homeowners have to work against the elements to have a green lawn or lush garden.

Special thanks to the **Snyder Garden Club** and **Snyder Beautification Committee** for sponsoring the Yard of the Month program during the summer.

Recognized last month were **Jimmy** and **Patricia Nix** for their home at 1908 Towle Park Road. They are owners of Nix's Automotive.

The small yard recipients were **Bill** and **Janet Halbert** at 4506 Galveston. Both are teachers at Western Texas College.

Also recognized in the business division was Taco John's, owned by **David** and **Sherry Thompson**.

Hats off to **Sgt. Patrick Coggins** of the Snyder police department for earning the Snyder Rotary Club's occupation service award.

Rodeo queen will be given scholarship

A $1,000 scholarship awaits the winner of the 2000 Miss Scurry County Rodeo Queen.

The deadline for entering the contest for queen of the annual Scurry County Rodeo is Saturday.

Winners will be announced in two different age brackets during the event to be held July 13-15.

The senior age division is for girls 13-18, while the junior division is for girls 12 and under.

Prizes include the $1,000 scholarship plus a crown and buckle awarded in the senior division and a buckle to the junior winner.

Runner-up awards will be presented in both age groups.

All contestants will be judged on personality, appearance, horsemanship and ticket sales.

Additional information on the contests may be obtained by calling 573-0475 or 573-4124.

ASK US

Q—Does the Snyder Daily News have a web site?

A—No, but one is under construction.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 78 degrees; low, 65, 7 a.m. Friday, 70; .01 of an inch precipitation; total for 2000, 14.03 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy, 30% chance of storms, E wind, 10-20 mph; Saturday, partly cloudy, 30% chance of storms, high near 90, S wind 10-20 mph.

Paige Tovar
Chance of Rain

Sunset: 8:52 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:44 a.m.
Of 181 days in 2000, the sun has shone 178 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Do what is expected — and then some.

Confederate flag dispute to continue

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) — The sequel to the long and bitter fight over the Confederate flag flying at the state Capitol is already in the works.

The flag will come down on Saturday, but few expect that to end the fray anytime soon: A new flag will go up at a Confederate monument on the Statehouse grounds.

The NAACP and other flag opponents insist they'll continue to boycott the state until no Confederate flag flies on the Statehouse grounds.

"The first response to our request was 'Never.' Then we've seen this movement from one position of sovereignty to another," said Dwight James, executive director of the state chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. "It's all true to form in a South that's resistant to change."

The Confederate flag rose on the Statehouse dome in 1962 to celebrate the Civil War's centennial. Some see the flag as a symbol of Southern heritage; others regard it a reminder of slavery and hate. South Carolina is the last state to fly the Confederate flag atop its Statehouse.

Last month, after much debate and several demonstrations, the Legislature voted to remove the flag from its home of 38 years and place a similar one at a nearby Confederate soldiers monument.

"As far as we're concerned, it brings finality to the issue," said Deb Woolley, spokeswoman for the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce, one of the most influential flag opponents.

The NAACP has said expanded sanctions could target the state's burgeoning film industry, for example. But finding broad support to continue the fight will be difficult, said Rick Silver, partner in a Columbia public relations firm who helped lead one of several anti-flag organizations that sprang up in the past year.

"Most people just wanted to see some resolution, some change," he said. If lawmakers had not found a compromise this year, "it would have continued to be a divisive, ugly, distracting, harmful issue that would have taken away from everything else."

For those in industries affected by the boycott, just how the compromise will affect individual business and vacation decisions is unclear.

"We're taking the flag down on July 1," said Charlie Way, head of the state's Commerce Department, which houses the Film Office. "We're going to do our thing the best we possibly can and hope for the best."

Before the NAACP-organized tourism boycott of the state began Jan. 1, the Southern Conference became the first high-profile sports organization to ask lawmakers to move the flag.

It threatened that it would not award championships to its South Carolina members — the Citadel, College of Charleston, Furman and Wofford — without change. The conference has now decided to hold its soccer playoffs in Charleston.

The NCAA also said it would not award championships or tournaments to South Carolina schools unless the flag came down. In April, the group's executive committee set an Aug. 11 deadline for the flag's removal, but said a month later it was pleased with the state's actions. NCAA spokeswoman Jane Jankowski said she was unsure if the flag remains on the executive committee's agenda.

While everyone wasn't completely satisfied with the flag compromise, things "are better off today than when this whole exercise started," Southern Conference commissioner Alfred White said. "The people of South Carolina are headed in the right direction."

On the Net:

NAACP:
http://www.naacp.org

South Carolina Chamber of Commerce:
http://www.sccc.org

South Carolina Heritage Coalition:
http://www.kudzumedia.com/schc.htm

Sons of Confederate Veterans:
http://wwww.scv.org

Man gets retrial for stealing candy

TYLER (AP) — Sixteen years in prison is an unreasonably harsh sentence for a man convicted of stealing Snickers bar, a judge ruled Thursday.

Kenneth Payne III, will now face two years in jail in a retrial instead of the 16-year prison sentence a Smith County jury handed him in March.

Defense attorney Linda Altier, who won the 29-year-old Payne a new trial after proving jury misconduct, argued that prosecutors had "illegally" enhanced his client's punishment range.

"That is what I've been arguing from the beginning," Altier told the Tyler Morning Telegraph. "There is no way a person can get 16 years in prison for stealing a candy bar."

Payne was originally tried as a habitual offender, bumping his misdemeanor shoplifting charge up to felony theft and making him eligible for up to 20 years in prison.

But visiting judge Gene Ater ruled Thursday that Payne deserves a new trial because his failure to testify was considered during jurors deliberations. A former corrections officer also told the panel that Payne would still get out within four or five years, even if they gave him a 16-year sentence.

Payne has ten prior convictions, including three felonies. He was on parole for felony theft when he stole the Snickers bar Dec. 17. He has a previous conviction for stealing a bag of Oreos.

D&N Grocery store owner Dale Klinner, who said he caught Payne stuffing the candy bar in his pants, has said he hopes for another conviction.

Berry's World

"Enjoying my grass seed, are we?"

Marriage experts: Current approach to preventing divorce flawed

DENVER (AP) — Saying they have taken the wrong approach to marriage counseling for three decades, more than 100 scholars, religious and civic leaders pledged to turn the tide on divorce.

The pact to take a new tack in fostering strong marriages was signed Thursday at a conference addressing the breakdown of the family and growing divorce rates.

"For the past 30 years, marriage counselors have been operating with faulty information, and the divorce rate has soared," said Diane Sollee, director of the Coalition for Marriage, Family and Couples Education. "It's not because we were bad or stupid, we just had the wrong information."

Counseling policies are now based on the acceptance of family breakdown and focus on dealing with the aftermath instead of prevention, leading to a 50 percent divorce rate nationwide, she said.

Those policies stemmed from studies of failed marriages that cited frequent disagreements as the cause of failure. When researchers went back to study successful marriages, they found those couples also disagreed over some of the same issues such as money, sex and children.

Those whose marriage ended in divorce concluded they picked the wrong person because of frequent fights, Sollee said.

"We need to get out the message now, and tell people before they get married that it's OK to fight," she said. "Right now, we're sending couples out onto the football field and not telling them the rules."

Counselors should teach couples communication skills and how to handle their disagreements.

Leo Godzich of the National Association of Marriage Enhancement said churches bear part of the blame. His group released a survey of 532 churches from 17 denominations that showed the divorce rate among churchgoers is equal to or greater than the general population.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

What's the 'deep system?'

DEAR DR GOTT: I have varicose veins in my leg, and I recently developed a clot in one of them. After an ultrasound examination, my doctor told me not to worry because the "deep system" was not involved. What does this mean?

DEAR READER: Blood returns to the heart from the legs through two major classes of veins: the deep system and the superficial system.

The deep system is the more important of the two and is composed of large veins that lie deep in the tissues of the legs, too buried to see or to feel.

On the other hand, the superficial system of veins lies close to the surface, just below the skin. It is these blood vessels that we can see and touch, especially if they swell and distend (varicose veins) or develop blood clots.

I've found the following analogy to be useful. The deep venous system is the six-lane super highway; the superficial system is a series of smaller, two-lane, winding secondary roads.

Blood clots in the superficial system, although painful and troublesome, are not a hazard to health. The obstructing clot shunts blood into the deep system; traffic flows without a snarl.

In contrast, clots in the deep system are a major health concern. When the Interstate is blocked, travel is re-routed to secondary roads (the superficial system), which have great trouble coping with this burden; traffic is backed up for miles. Pressure in the leg veins rises, the extremities swell with fluid (edema), and blood flow diminishes to a crawl.

Moreover, unlike the superficial system, when pieces of the clot break off, they may be carried to the lungs, causing breathlessness, chest pain and — sometimes — death. Deep venous thrombosis, the medical term for such clots, requires aggressive therapy with potent anticoagulant drugs — and, on occasion, surgery to prevent migration of the clots. DVT can be easily diagnosed with a Doppler ultrasound examination.

In your case, I assume that the test showed your deep venous system to be free of blood clots. Therefore, I agree with your doctor; traffic is normal because, to use my analogy again, only one or two secondary roads are affected — the super highway is not. Follow your doctor's advice and monitor this common affliction.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a male with mastocytosis (urticaria pigmentosa). I can barely spell it, let alone find any information in medical books. I've had the condition since 1958, around the same time our water supply had fluoride added to it. Is there a connection?

DEAR READER: Mastocytosis, an unusual disease of unknown cause, is due to the accumulation of mast cells (normal mediators of allergic reactions) in various parts of the body. There are three forms:

— Mastocytoma is a benign skin tumor.

— Systemic mastocytosis causes bone pain, arthritis, peptic ulcer and chronic diarrhea. It is diagnosed by biopsy and blood tests. Antihistamines relieve symptoms.

— Urticaria pigmentosa are multiple small cutaneous collections of mast cells, seen as pinkish-brown raised spots on the skin, which usually begin in childhood and disappear by adulthood.

Your case is unusual. This condition needs no treatment and is not related to fluoridation of drinking water. The skin lesions may itch, requiring antihistamine creams or pills for relief. To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Allergies." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title.

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Date Book

Friday, June 30, 2000
Today is the 182nd day of 2000 and the 11th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1870, Ada H. Kepley of Effingham, Ill., became the first American woman to earn a law degree. She graduated from Chicago's Union College of Law.

On this day in 1899, Charles Minthorn Murphy became the first bicyclist to travel faster than 60 mph.

On this day in 1983, the Everly Brothers began a reunion tour.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Susan Hayward (1917-1975), actress; Buddy Rich (1917-1987), drummer; Lena Horne (1917-), singer-actress, is 83; Nancy Dussault (1936-), actress, is 64; Mitch Richmond (1965-), basketball player, is 35; Mike Tyson (1966-), boxer, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1984, the Los Angeles Express defeated the Michigan Panthers 27-21. The game, which went into three overtime periods, was the longest professional football game on record.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It's not the load that breaks you down, it's the way you carry it." — Lena Horne

TODAY'S MOON: Day before new moon (July 1).

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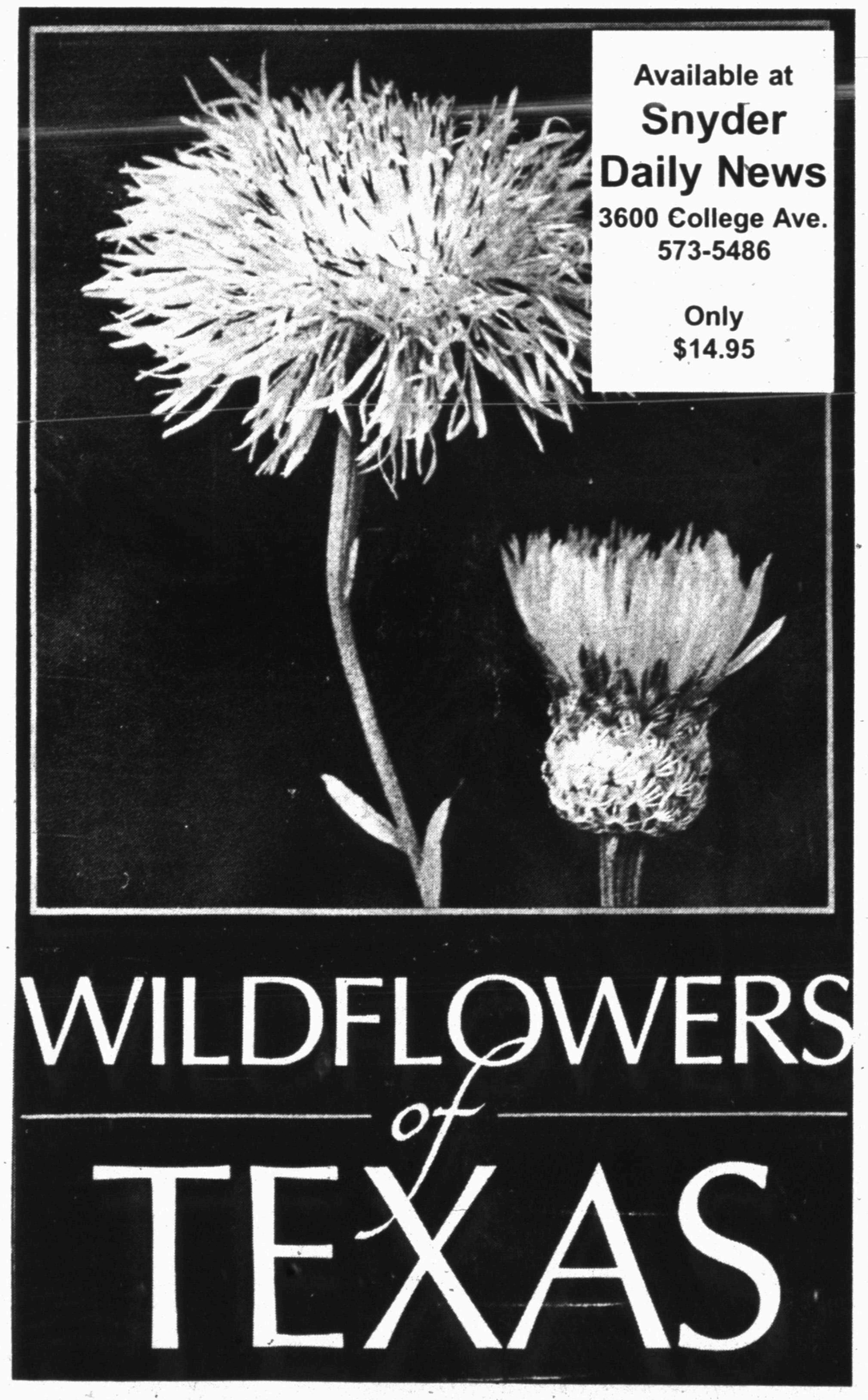

Happy Birthday America!

Classic Interiors will be closed
Saturday, July 1st
Monday, July 3rd and
Tuesday, July 4th
so that we can celebrate the
holiday with our families and
will re-open Wednesday July 5th

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FAA will launch airline maintenance checks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Fresh from forcing Alaska Airlines to make significant changes in its maintenance programs, federal regulators are turning their attention to the nation's nine other major airlines.

Nick Lacey, director of flight standards for the Federal Aviation Administration, said Thursday that three teams of federal inspectors will fan out in July to take a close look at the largest carriers.

The effort is expected to last four months and then turn to the larger regional airlines and cargo carriers, he said.

The announcement came as the FAA reported that Alaska Airlines, under scrutiny since a January crash off the coast of California, has made enough improvements to continue doing maintenance on its planes.

The FAA had threatened to strip the airline of the right to do maintenance — a step that could have eventually grounded all its planes, — unless its programs were improved.

Lacey said his inspectors will continue to closely monitor Alaska, but added, "We are ... encouraged by what we have seen so far."

At a briefing in Seattle, the airline's president, John F. Kelly, said, "We're very pleased that the FAA has accepted our plan ... we really tried to go above and beyond what they asked for."

Lacey said the inspections of the other airlines will involve three teams of a half-dozen safety inspectors each. They will begin their work on July 17, focusing on maintenance programs.

He said the aim is to identify successful programs and safety practices so airlines can share them with one another. If problems are found, he said, the FAA will not hesitate to act.

Lacey declined to reveal which airlines will be visited first, but said he expects to make the results of the inspections public. The nine major carriers are American Airlines, America West, Continental, Delta, Northwest, Southwest, TWA, US Airways and United.

The close inspection of Alaska Airlines began after the Jan. 31 crash of Flight 261 in the Pacific Ocean off Los Angeles, killing all 88 aboard. Allegations of unsafe maintenance work, which first surfaced in 1998, were thrust back into the spotlight. The cause of that accident remains under investigation.

In its audit, the FAA uncovered nearly 150 cases in which aircraft maintenance could not be documented. A reinspection of the planes showed that the work had actually been done, but the lack of documentation raised serious concerns about supervision and could eventually lead to civil fines.

The FAA said that unless the airline came up with improvements in its procedures it would lose the authority to do maintenance and would not be allowed to hire outside companies to do the work. That would have meant that the carriers' planes would be grounded, one by one, as they came due for work.

On Thursday, the FAA said Alaska has developed a plan to hire 150 additional maintenance workers — 82 have been hired so far — filled previously vacant safety executive posts, revised its heavy maintenance procedures and made other changes.

Lacey said FAA inspectors will continue to monitor the carrier until mid-July to make sure it is continuing to follow its plan.

If it is not satisfied with continuing progress, he added, the FAA will not hesitate to lift its maintenance authority "or take stronger action, if the facts warrant."

He said that if all goes well the FAA will recheck Alaska's program 90 days after the mid-July report and again six months after that.

Changes are also being made in the way the FAA routinely supervises Alaska, he said, with the normal complement of inspectors to be increased from 12 to 18.

On the Net: Federal Aviation Administration http://www.faa.gov

Toy cars in cereal boxes are recalled

WASHINGTON (AP) — Kellogg Co. is recalling 837,000 toy cars packaged in cereal boxes because the tires can detach from the car wheels, posing a choking hazard.

The Battle Creek, Mich., company received two reports of the tires detaching from the car wheels, but no injuries have been reported, according to the Consumer Product Safety Commission said Thursday.

The NASCAR Pull'N Go Hot Wheels cars are red and yellow with a white hood. "Kellogg's" is written on the hood, and the number "5" and "Terry Labonte" is written on the roof. The words "China" and "MFG. FOR KELLOGG CO. TM" is printed on the underside. Pulling the car backward a few inches on a surface causes it to roll forward.

Several grocery stores nationwide sold the cars in specially marked boxes of Kellogg's Tri-Fun-Pak 40-ounce box, Kellogg's Froot Loops 43.6-ounce box, Kellogg's Mini-Wheats Frosted Bite Size 58.8-ounce box and Kellogg's Crispix 31.4-ounce box. The cars were distributed inside the boxes from March to June of this year.

Consumers are advised to take the toy cars away from young children immediately, and send the cars to Kellogg to get a free replacement item and postage reimbursement. The car can be sent to Kellogg Company, P.O. Box 185654, Battle Creek, MI 49018-5654. For more information, consumers can call Kellogg at 1-800-962-0037 or check its Web site at www.kelloggs.com.

Prospective employee at control of Cessna that crashed in May

GREAT FALLS, Mont. (AP) — A prospective employee of Lynch Flying Service was flying a Cessna that crashed into a mountain in a snowstorm last month, killing all three men aboard, a preliminary accident report says.

David Todd Whitman, 32, was making his first flight for the Billings-based company on the snowy evening of May 31.

Searchers found the wreckage the next morning, about 7,500 feet up the southwest side of a 8,300-foot Barker Mountain in central Montana.

A flight plan said Vincent James Frezzo, 58, the most experienced of the three pilots aboard, had been flying.

Instead, Frezzo, the service's director of training, was in the right front seat of the plane. He was considered the pilot in command.

Whitman, who had arrived the day before from Texas, was a prospective hire and was flying as part of what the report referred to as a pre-employment screening evaluation.

The third man who died in the crash, Nick Lynn Sorenson, 43, was riding in the back seat. He had flown the twin-engine Cessna 414 from Billings to Great Falls earlier in snow and fog.

Gregg Nesemeier, an air safety investigator with the National Transportation Safety Board, said in a preliminary report that there were no signs of equipment failure and plenty of evidence that snow and ice contributed to the crash.

In one of the plane's last communications with the air traffic control center in Salt Lake City, Frezzo indicated ice was accumulating on the aircraft, Nesemeier's report said.

"We're having a little trouble here getting up there; we're picking up some ice," Frezzo said in a transcript from the tower.

About 30 seconds later he told an air traffic controller the plane would have to return to Great Falls since it wasn't getting out of the ice.

The controller cleared the flight to return to Great Falls and asked Frezzo if he could keep the plane at 9,000 feet, the report said. Frezzo replied that he could not.

In the final communication with the tower, Frezzo was heard to say, "Start a turn back to Great Falls, Keep it moving, Dave."

Less than two minutes later, the controller tried to contact the aircraft and could not, the report said.

A spokeswoman from Lynch Flying Service declined to comment on details of the report, referring queries to a supervisor.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Fireworks on the Fourth are best enjoyed from a distance

DEAR ABBY: Each year on the Fourth of July, thousands of adults and children are seriously injured by fireworks. Many burns and injuries affect eyesight, permanently damaging, and in some cases, blinding the victims. Because of this, the American Optometric Association has joined the Millennium Fireworks Safety Partners, a coalition of 35 national organizations, in urging people to avoid private fireworks and instead enjoy professional displays.

According to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC), an estimated 20 percent to 25 percent of firework injuries are to the eyes. In a special study of fireworks-related injuries covering the period June 23 to July 23, 1999, CPSC reports that there were 6,300 emergency room-treated injuries, most involving fireworks, rockets and sparklers. Forty percent of the victims were under 15 years of age, and about 75 percent were males.

Sparklers are the second most frequent cause of fireworks injuries that result in trips to the emergency room. In addition to potential burns, a sparkler can literally "poke someone's eye out."

Please be careful this Fourth of July. Protect your precious eyesight by avoiding fireworks at home. Enjoy professional displays from a safe distance. — **HARVEY P. HANLEN, PRESIDENT, AMERICAN OPTOMETRIC ASSOCIATION**

DEAR DR. HANLEN: The statistics you quoted are alarming, and thank you for the warning.

The loss of a finger, an eye or a life would turn a happy holiday into a tragedy. Readers, please celebrate the Fourth of July safely by attending professional fireworks displays and forgo setting off your own.

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DEAR ABBY: My husband and I have a 29-year-old daughter who is married and has two small children.

When she turned 17, she went to Israel and slowly became Orthodox Jewish. She married a guy just like her. My husband and I are Jewish but not religious; however, I accepted her new way of life even though we continue to live our own way of life.

My problem is my husband. He says that she went against his wishes, and she should have considered his opinion. He expects me to minimize my visits, saying we are married and should "work as a team."

Abby, religious or not religious, my grandchildren are my life. I will never stop seeing them or loving them. I think my husband needs to hear other people's views. Would you care to comment? — **JANE IN NEW YORK**

DEAR JANE: Your letter is unusual. Although I have received mail from parents deploring the fact that their children are living together without marriage and having children out of wedlock, I receive very few from parents who complain that their children are too religious.

Your daughter is an adult, and as such she has a right to worship as she wishes. While your husband feels she should have consulted him about her choice of husband and lifestyle, the decision was hers to make. It appears that your daughter doesn't respect his opinion. After reading your description of his narrow-minded, controlling nature and unilateral way of dealing with those near and dear, I don't blame her.

You have your head on straight. Keep the lines of communication open.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Saturday, July 1, 2000

Both chance and friends might be key elements in enabling you to do something in the year ahead that will be more significant than anything you've done previously. It could be a banner year.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Normally you like dealing with traditional things you can see and touch, but today you're actually luckier operating along progressive lines that involve intangibles. Trying to patch up a broken romance? The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you keep your eyes open today, chances are you'll be able to spot a silver lining in a least expected place where others rarely visit, just waiting to do you service.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Through a club, professional affiliation or in a large gathering of some sort you may stubble upon a new contact today who could open up doors for you leading to success. Be a mingler.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) You're in tune with your inner self today, enabling you to discover what could really make you happy. Once it's revealed to you, go after it with vigor.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Don't treat your inspirations indifferently today, because you're an especially good idea person today. What you conceive can actually be accomplished.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Being timid or wishy-washy today will get you nowhere. If you want to make a critical change, fearlessly make the alteration in totality, and you'll realize what you envision.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone new could come into your life today who may play an important role in the future. This individual might even become a close associate of yours whom you'll value greatly.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) A fortuitous happening that takes place today might be just the ticket you need to open up a new avenue of additional income. It might involve a little work, but you won't mind a bit.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you have recently met someone who you'd like to get to know better, don't be bashful about communicating with the person today. Chances are she or feels the same way.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) The timing is excellent today to bring something new into your life that you think can enhance your prestige and security. Stop dragging your feet.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Something might be said in a conversation today that could put you onto a fresh track of thinking. Whatever it is, it will bring new zest into your activities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Usually well intended tips are of small value, but today it behooves you to be a good listener. What Aunt Min or Uncle Joe tells you at this time could be worth a lot.

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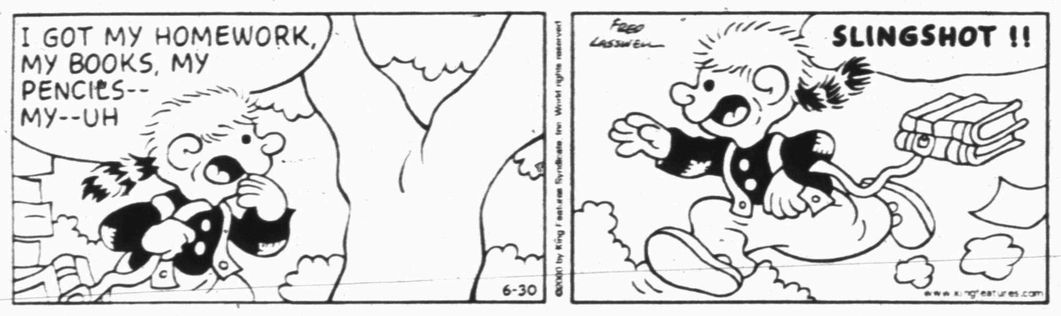

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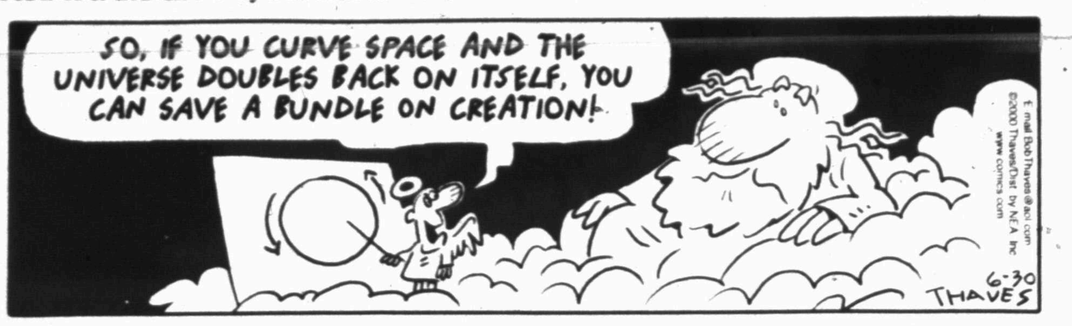

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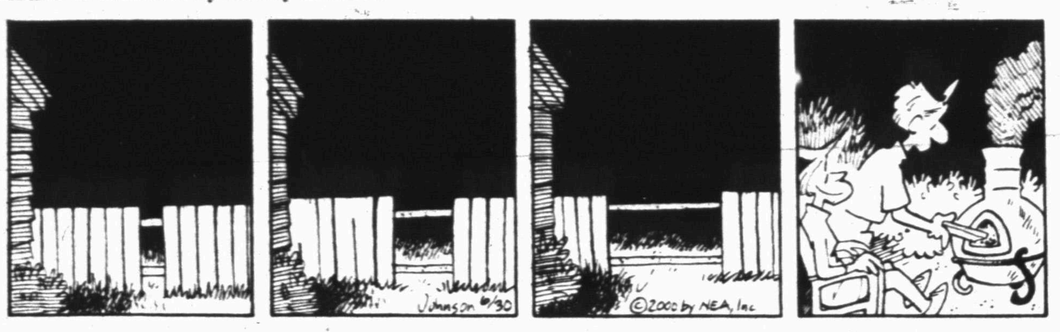

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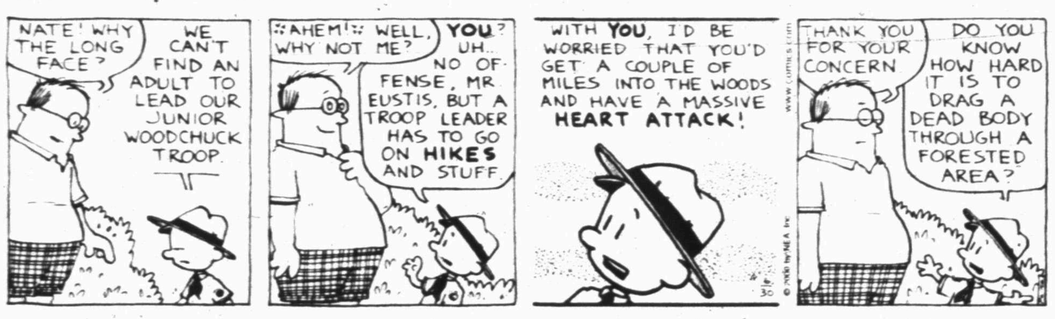

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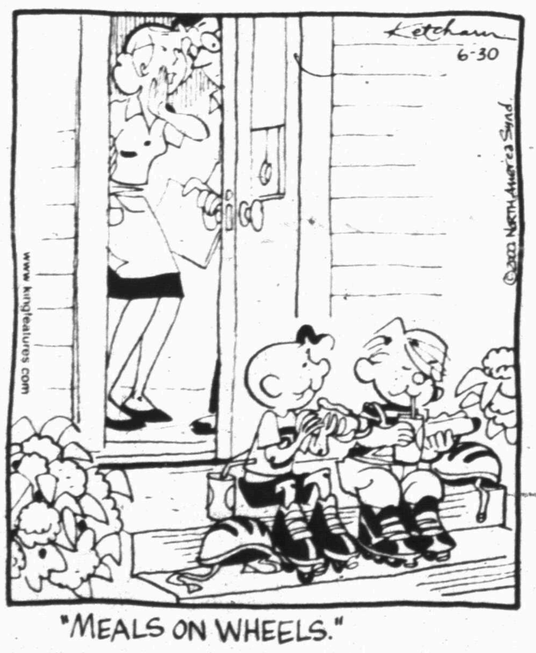

"MEALS ON WHEELS."

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Tropical grass
7 Danger
13 Put oil on
14 Ideal place
15 Stunted tree
16 Cause
17 Superlative ending
18 Switch positions
20 Paris season
21 — Stone
25 Collected, bit by bit
28 Musical key
32 Gymnast Comaneci
33 City in Florida
34 Employing
35 Tea type
36 Mediterranean vessel
37 Actor Peter —
39 Did dental work
41 Was victorious
44 Tint
45 Compass pt.
48 Wintry
51 Acted like a beaver
54 Ancient Jewish ascetic
55 Away from the coast
56 Set of four
57 Score

DOWN

1 Newborn infant
2 Years (Sp.)
3 — Blanc
4 Twice
5 "— — Clear Day"
6 Ineffective
7 "Back Street" writer Fannie —
8 Broke bread
9 Small organisms
10 Part of a church
11 Civil disorder
12 Great — (dog)
19 Composer Rorem
21 Poured
22 Wild ass of India
23 Synagogue
24 Astray
25 Wildebeests
26 Emit coherent light
27 Work for "Time"
29 George or Tahoe
30 Cupid
31 Knots
37 Artful
38 Legal writ
40 Ran in neutral
41 Make keen, as the appetite
42 River in France
43 Bird's home
45 Long-necked bird
46 Transmitted
47 Swirl
49 Mal de —
50 Anecdote collection
52 Compass pt.
53 Bar brew

Answer to Previous Puzzle

H	E	S	T	O	N			G	R	I	P	E
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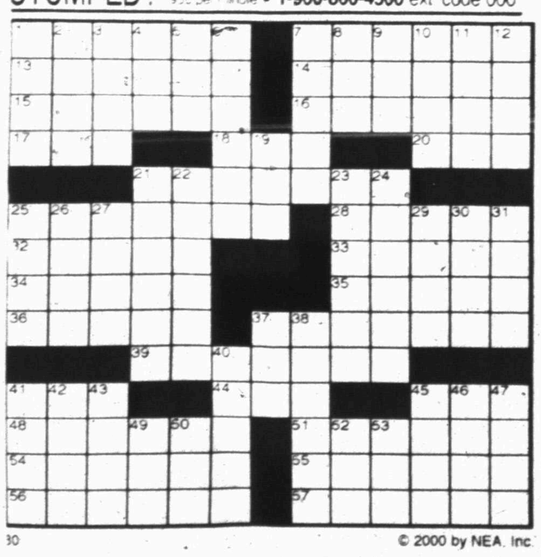

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SPORTS

Tar Heels' coach resigns; Williams headed to UNC

By DAVID DROSCHAK
AP Sports Writer

Kansas coach Roy Williams, a former North Carolina assistant under Dean Smith, will succeed Bill Guthridge as coach of the Tar Heels, The Associated Press learned Friday.

And Phil Ford, a star on Smith's 1974-78 teams, will move from assistant coach to another job in the athletic department, a source close to the university said on condition of anonymity.

Guthridge was set to resign Friday after spending three years as coach following the retirement of Smith, the winningest coach in college basketball history.

Guthridge led the Tar Heels to two Final Four appearances in three seasons. But a source close to the basketball program, requesting anonymity, said Guthridge recently decided he did not have the energy to continue.

Guthridge reportedly is most likely to stay in the athletic department in an undetermined role until his contract expires in two years.

Williams talked Thursday night with Kansas athletic director Bob Frederick. Frederick emphasized to Williams "how strongly the university, the community, the people in the state of Kansas and all of our alumni and fans feel about him continuing as the Jayhawk coach forever."

Frederick did not discuss how the coach responded. Kansas chancellor Robert Hemenway said the school was privileged to have Williams.

"Our hope and fervent desire is that the best basketball coach in America will continue to practice his craft at KU," he said Thursday night.

Calls to Guthridge's home Thursday night were met with busy signals. North Carolina athletic director Dick Baddour did not return a call seeking comment.

Guthridge, 62, said just a few weeks ago he planned to stay another five or six years despite the battering he took from fans and alumni after the team's worst regular-season record in decades.

"Am I surprised? That's probably not strong enough. I'm absolutely taken aback," Wake Forest coach Dave Odom said of Guthridge's decision.

Guthridge made the decision within the two days before word leaked Thursday, the Winston-Salem Journal reported, citing an unidentified source.

Guthridge was Smith's assistant for 31 seasons before taking over in 1997 after Smith racked up 879 career wins.

Guthridge directed North Carolina to the Final Four in his first season before losing to Utah and set NCAA records for most wins by a first-year head coach with 34, and for wins in his first two years with 58. The Tar Heels returned to the Final Four this season, losing to Florida.

It was the 14th time Guthridge participated in a Final Four.

ALL-STARS — Snyder's 9 and 10-year-old begin tournament play at 8 p.m. Saturday when they take on Coleman in Merkel. Members of the Snyder squad are, front row from left, Ryan Claxton, Ryan Gonzales, Quentin Shafer, Jesse Conner, Tyrelle Gilbert and Dustin Murdock. On the back row are Coach Les Rinehart, Brent Bollinger, Arthur Perez, Riley Davis, Brooks Gafford, Lance Day and Manager Ray Conner. Not pictured is Coach Charles Bollinger.

Local Sports Schedule

SATURDAY

BASEBALL: Snyder 9 and 10-year-old all-stars vs. Coleman, at Merkel, 8 p.m.

MONDAY

BASEBALL: Snyder 11 and 12-year old all-stars vs. Rotan-Colorado City winner, at Sweetwater, 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

GOLF: Snyder Country Club July 4 Scramble, 10 a.m.

BASEBALL: Snyder 9 and 10-year-old all-stars vs. TBA, 2 or 8 p.m.

Sports Whirl

By SDN Sports Editor Eric Drennan

There will be some new faces on area sidelines when the upcoming high school athletic season gets underway.

Richard Powers is the new head boys' basketball coach at Borden County High School.

Powers, who came from Lazbuddie, replaces Trey Richey who moved on after several playoff campaigns with the Coyotes.

Borden County also has a new assistant girls' basketball coach. Michael Floyd, of Farmersville, will assist Lady Coyotes head coach Gailan Winegarner.

In the junior college ranks, former Western Texas coach Valery Jackson has accepted the head women's basketball position at Frank Phillips in Borger.

Jackson compiled a 30-60 record in three years with the Lady Dusters, before WTC dropped the basketball program following this past season.

Snyder High School already lost one solid coach this summer when Robbie Dickenson took the softball position at Coahoma.

The Tigers almost lost another when boys' assistant basketball coach Ben Reed was a finalist for the head job at Amarillo River Road, before withdrawing his name.

"I'm really happy here in Snyder, so all the aspects of another position would have to be just right, before I took it," Reed said.

The only local positions still vacant are the softball position at SHS, and the head girls' basketball job at Hermleigh High School where Rocky Clindaniel stepped down last month.

There are only 37 days remaining until the start of two-a-days for football and volleyball.

The Tigers begin practice Aug. 7, in preparation for the Sept. 1 grid opener against Monahans at Tiger Stadium.

This year's homecoming contest will be Sept. 15 when the Tigers face Abilene Wylie.

The Lady Tigers also begin volleyball workouts Aug. 7, before hosting their season opener Aug. 15 against Abilene High.

The match-up with the Lady Eagles will be Snyder's only appearance at home, prior to the district opener Sept. 5 against Lake View.

Looking ahead to the high school hoops season, should the Tigers or Lady Tigers land a regional tournament berth, they won't have to travel too far from home to participate.

The Region I-4A boys' and girls' tourneys will now be played at Howard College's Dorothy Garrett Coliseum in Big Spring, after the University Interscholastic League voted to make the move from Odessa College.

The scheduled dates are Feb. 23-24 for the girls' tournament, and March 2-3 for the boys' event.

Greer's homer fuels Texas win

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The Texas Rangers are heading home with some momentum after two straight wins in Oakland. The Athletics are relieved to be hitting the road, where they've played their best baseball this season.

Esteban Loaiza gave up one run in 7 1-3 innings and Rusty Greer hit a two-run homer Thursday as Texas defeated Oakland 3-1 to become the first team to win a series from the A's since mid-May.

The loss knocked the A's out of first place in the AL West. Texas remains in last place in the division, nine games behind Seattle. The Rangers play host to the Mariners in a three-game series starting Friday.

"Every win for us from here on in is big, in that we're in last place and we've got three teams to overcome," Greer said. "Two wins here is a good start."

The A's, who went 6-3 on a homestand that ended Thursday, headed to Anaheim to start a six-game road trip that will include three games at Texas next week. Oakland is a major league-best 24-12 on the road compared to 21-20 at home.

"Maybe going on the road is coming at the right time," A's manager Art Howe said. "We play great on the road."

Loaiza made the start after a brief stint in the bullpen, earning his first major league save on Sunday. The schedule allowed the Rangers to use a four-man rotation, so he missed a start.

Loaiza (5-5) gave up his only run when Jason Giambi homered in the eighth, his 22nd homer of the season.

Mike Venafro and Jeff Zimmerman got the last two outs in the eighth, and John Wetteland pitched the ninth for his 20th save.

Loaiza worked out of his toughest jam in the sixth when Giambi, Ben Grieve and Matt Stairs opened the inning with singles to load the bases.

But John Jaha flied to right, and Dave Martinez's one-hop throw to the plate easily beat Giambi for a double play. Loaiza then got Eric Chavez to fly out to end the inning.

"I was just trying to get a ground ball and get out of the inning, but I got the fly ball for the double play," Loaiza said.

It was the first time since May 19-20 the A's lost consecutive games. Oakland won its previous eight series.

The loss, coupled with Seattle's 7-2 win over Anaheim, knocked the A's out of the division lead for the first time in two weeks. The Mariners lead Oakland by a half-game.

Texas manager Johnny Oates said the consecutive wins at Oakland are a good sign, but nothing to get too excited about.

"We didn't get this far behind in a couple of weeks, and we're not going to make it up in a couple of weeks," he said.

Gil Heredia (9-6) lost his second consecutive start, allowing three runs on nine hits while pitching his first complete game of the season and the third of his career. Heredia has struggled at home this season, going 2-5.

Sports Briefs

Baseball tryout

The San Diego Padres will hold a tryout July 15 at Moffett Field. Players aged 15-22 are eligible to participate.

Registration will be at 8 a.m., with testing beginning at 9. American Legion players must have a permission letter from their commander.

For more information, contact Roland Herrera at 573-1355.

Fourth of July Scramble

Snyder Country Club will host its July 4 scramble. Starting at 10 a.m. Entry fee is $20. To register, call the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Also, Snyder Country Club will be open Monday, but will be closed Wednesday.

Athletic physicals

All athletes needing to take a physical must do so by Aug. 4. An appointment must be made with one of the following doctors: Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey or Rakov.

Athletes requiring physicals include all incoming 7th and 9th graders, students new to SISD, students participating in athletics for the first time, and any student whose medical history form requires them to do so.

All athletes not needing a physical must return all completed forms to their coach, the athletic director's office, or Steve Krueger.

Incoming 7th and 9th graders can pick up physical forms in the doctors' offices.

July 4th volleyball tourney

A co-ed volleyball tournament will be held on July 4th. Teams will consist of eight players, and entry fee is $70 per team. For more information, call Louis Alaniz at 573-7321, or Chad Welch at 573-6058.

Snyder volleyball camp

Snyder Volleyball Camp will be held July 17-20 at the SHS gym. All incoming fifth through ninth grade girls are eligible.

The camp will meet from 9 a.m. until noon each day, and will cover technique, drills and team volleyball skills.

Cost is $40, and includes a camp T-shirt. Registration deadline is July 15. To sign up, call Patty Grimmett at 573-9416.

WGA weekly play day, Sunday couples

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its weekly play day at 9 a.m. Thursday. Format will be all irons on the back nine. A luncheon and business meeting will follow play.

Also, couples play will be held at 1:30 Sunday.

Major League Baseball

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Toronto	44	35	.557	—
New York	38	35	.521	3
Boston	38	36	.514	3½
Baltimore	32	44	.421	10½
Tampa Bay	31	45	.408	11½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Chicago	49	29	.628	—
Cleveland	40	37	.519	8½
Kansas City	37	39	.487	11
Minnesota	35	45	.437	15
Detroit	32	43	.427	15½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Seattle	45	31	.592	—
Oakland	45	32	.584	½
Anaheim	40	38	.513	6
Texas	36	40	.474	9

Thursday's Games

Toronto 12, Tampa Bay 3
Minnesota 10, Chicago White Sox 1
Texas 3, Oakland 1
Seattle 7, Anaheim 2
N.Y. Yankees 8, Detroit 0
Boston 12, Baltimore 4
Kansas City 6, Cleveland 1

Friday's Games

Minnesota (Redman 4-3) at Cleveland (Brower 2-1), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Grimsley 3-2) at Tampa Bay (Rekar 2-4), 7:15 p.m.
Toronto (Halladay 3-4) at Baltimore (Rapp 4-5), 7:35 p.m.
Detroit (Weaver 4-6) at Kansas City (Reichert 3-4), 8:05 p.m.
Boston (Pichardo 2-0) at Chicago White Sox (Parque 7-2), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Halama 7-3) at Texas (Rogers 7-5), 8:35 p.m.
Oakland (Mulder 5-2) at Anaheim (Cooper 2-2), 10:05 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Boston at Chicago White Sox, 1 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Tampa Bay, 4:15 p.m.
Minnesota at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Toronto at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.
Detroit at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
Seattle at Texas, 8:35 p.m.
Oakland at Anaheim, 10:05 p.m.

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	48	30	.615	—
New York	44	32	.579	3
Montreal	38	36	.514	8
Florida	38	41	.481	10½
Philadelphia	33	43	.434	14
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
St. Louis	46	32	.590	—
Cincinnati	37	40	.480	8½
Pittsburgh	33	44	.429	12½
Milwaukee	32	46	.410	14
Chicago	31	46	.403	14½
Houston	27	51	.346	19
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	46	32	.590	—
Colorado	42	32	.568	2
Los Angeles	40	37	.520	5½
San Francisco	38	37	.507	6½
San Diego	35	42	.455	10½

Thursday's Games

St. Louis 12, Cincinnati 3
Milwaukee 8, Philadelphia 6
Colorado 11, San Francisco 4
Pittsburgh 5, Chicago Cubs 4, 10 innings
Atlanta 6, N.Y. Mets 4
San Diego 5, Los Angeles 4
Arizona 7, Houston 1

Friday's Games

Florida (Smith 0-1) at Montreal (Vazquez 6-4), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Benson 6-6) at Philadelphia (Wolf 7-4), 7:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Millwood 5-6) at N.Y. Mets (Hampton 7-5), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Downs 3-2) at Milwaukee (Wright 4-1), 8:05 p.m.
Houston (Holt 3-8) at St. Louis (Ankiel 6-3), 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Harnisch 0-4) at Arizona (Morgan 3-1), 10:05 p.m.
Colorado (Astacio 6-5) at San Diego (Tollberg 2-0), 10:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Brown 6-2) at San Francisco (Ortiz 4-7), 10:35 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Atlanta (Maddux 9-2) at N.Y. Mets (Leiter 9-1), 1:15 p.m.
Cincinnati (Fernandez 2-1) at Arizona (Reynoso 5-6), 4:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Perez 4-3) at San Francisco (Rueter 5-4), 4:05 p.m.
Houston (Dotel 1-5) at St. Louis (Stephenson 9-4), 4:10 p.m.
Florida (Dempster 8-4) at Montreal (Pavano 8-4), 7:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Arroyo 0-1) at Philadelphia (Byrd 1-6), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Valdes 1-1) at Milwaukee (D'Amico 2-4), 8:05 p.m.
Colorado (Arroyo 5-5) at San Diego (Meadows 6-5), 10:05 p.m.

Saturday Night
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Alltel	62¼	61⅞	62¼	— 1-16
AmerOnline s	51 15-16	51 5-16	51 9-16	— 7-16
AndarkPtr	51¾	50 1-16	50¾	— ¾
ATMOS Egy	19½	19 5-16	19⅜	— 1-16
Aviall	5 1-16	4⅞	5 1-16	+ 1-16
BP Amoco s	57 13-16	57⅜	57 7-16	+ 9-16
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Chevron	87⅛	85 13-16	86⅝	— 1-64
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ComclMetals	27 11-16	27½	27½	— 1-16
CooperIn	33⅛	32¾	32⅞	— ⅜
DaimlrChry	53 1-16	52⅜	52 11-16	— 1-16
DallSemicn s	36⅞	35⅝	36¼	+ 1-16
DeltaAirl	52⅛	51 7-16	51⅞	+ 7-16
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DowChem s	30 15-16	30½	30 13-16	— ½
DuPont	44 11-16	43¾	43 15-16	— 9-16
EastmanChem	47 7-16	47 1-16	47⅜	— 1-16
EstKodak	61¾	60⅞	61⅝	+ 7-16
EDS Corp	42⅜	41⅜	42 1-16	— 9-16
Entergy	28 15-16	27 13-16	28 11-16	+ 15-16
ExxonMobil	81	80⅜	80¾	—29-64
Flowers	20⅛	19⅞	20	— ⅛
FordMotor	43 5-16	42 11-16	43 1-16	— 3-16
GTE Cp	62¾	61½	61 11-16	— ⅜
GenDynam	52¾	52¼	52⅝	— 3-16
GenElec s	49 15-16	49 1-16	49⅞	+ ⅛
GenMills s	38⅞	38⅜	38 9-16	— 1-16
GenMotors	60⅛	59¼	59½	+ ¼
GaPacGP	27 7-16	26 9-16	26 11-16	— ¾
GlobalMar	29¼	28 7-16	28⅞	— 3-16
Goodrich	34¼	33 11-16	34 3-16	+ ¼
Goodyear s	21 11-16	21 1-16	21 5-16	+ 1-16
GtAtlPac	16½	16 5-16	16½	
Halliburtn	48¼	47 1-16	47 7-16	— 1
Hanson ADS	35½	35¼	35½	+ 5-16
HarteHanks	25 1-16	25	25 1-16	
HomeDepot s	48½	47⅝	48¼	+ ⅜
Honeywellintl	34¾	33 13-16	34⅛	— 3-16
IBM	3 3-16	109¾	109¾	— 4¼
IntlPaper		29¾	29 15-16	—11-16
JohnsonJn		97-16	97¼	—1 5-16
K mart		13-16	6⅞	
Kroger Co			1⅛	+ ⅜
Litton			-16	+ 15-16
			9-16	— 7-16
			16	— 7-16
				— ¼
				⅞
				⅛
M			40	3-16
			112½	
Motorola S			20⅛	+ 1⅛
NCR Corp			16	+ 13-16
Navistar			16	— ¼
Penney JC	18 5-16		18 3-16	+ 1-16
PepBoys	6		5 15-16	
PepsiCo	42⅜	41⅞	41⅞	— ⅞
Pharmacia	51 15-16	51 1-16	51 5-16	+ 15-16
PhelpDodge	37 9-16	37 1-16	37 3-16	+ ¼
PhilipPet	52⅜	51½	51⅝	— ½
PilgrmPrd B	7½	7⅜	7 7-16	
Polaroid	18⅝	18 3-16	18 5-16	
Praxair	38 15-16	37 5-16	37⅞	+ 11-16
ProctGamb	54	53 5-16	53⅜	— 5-16
PubS NwMx	16	15 11-16	16	+ 5-16
RadioShack	46 7-16	45⅝	46⅜	+ ⅝
ReliantEngy	31 3-16	29⅞	30 15-16	+ 1 9-16
RoyalDut	62 7-16	62	62 3-16	+ ⅝
SBC Comm	45⅝	44⅞	45½	— 1-16
SaraLee	19	18⅝	19	+ ¼
Scripps EW	49⅝	49 5-16	49½	+ 5-16
SearsRoeb	34	33⅝	33 13-16	
SherwinW	22⅛	21¾	22	+ ¼
SmithklBchm	66 1-16	65 7-16	65 9-16	— 5-16
SouthernCo	24 11-16	24 1-16	24⅝	+ ⅝
SwstAirl	19 13-16	19 5-16	19 9-16	+ 5-16
SprintFON	56	53 13-16	54 3-16	— 9-16
SprintPCS s	59¾	59⅜	59⅝	+ 3-16
Sunoco Inc	30 5-16	30 1-16	30 3-16	+ 5-16
TXU Corp	31 15-16	31⅛	31 13-16	+ ¾
TempleInland	43⅜	42 7-16	42 13-16	— 5-16
Texaco	54	52⅞	53¾	— 1-16
TexInd	29 15-16	29¾	29¾	— 3-16
TexasInst s	71½	69⅞	70½	+ 1⅜
Textron	54 15-16	54	54½	—11-16
TriconGlbR	28	27 3-16	27¾	+ ⅞
TrinityInds	19⅛	18 11-16	18 15-16	+ 1-16
TritonEngy	40	39 5-16	39⅜	— 5-16
TylerTech	3⅛	2 15-16	3 1-16	+ ⅛
US West Inc	86 13-16	84½	86⅜	+ 4 3-16
USX-Marathn	26¾	26 1-16	26 3-16	— ⅜
USX-USS	19 5-16	18⅝	18⅝	— ¾
UnCarbde	48 3-16	47 13-16	48 3-16	—11-16
UnionPacif	39⅞	39	39¼	— ¾
UnitedTech	54 15-16	54	54 1-16	— 7-16
Unocal	34 5-16	33 7-16	33 11-16	—13-16
Venator Grp	11⅜	10⅞	11⅜	+ 9-16
WalMart	54 15-16	54 1-16	54 3-16	+ 1-16
WellsFargo	40 9-16	40	40 1-16	—11-16
WstnGasRs	22 13-16	22½	22½	— 5-16
WinnDixie	14 9-16	14⅜	14½	— 1-16
Xerox Cp	19 3-16	18⅞	18 15-16	+ 11-16

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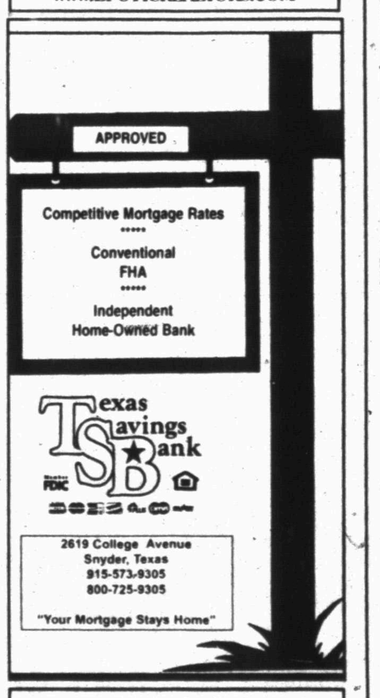

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Low-income car insurance program tested

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A plan to reduce the number of uninsured motorists by lowering premiums in Los Angeles and San Francisco begins Saturday with civic leaders across the nation watching to see if it could work elsewhere.

"I believe it's the best insurance that's ever come along," said 66-year-old Grace Luna, who has applied for the low-cost policy.

The program, which was approved by the Legislature last year, will be run by the California Automobile Assigned Risk Plan, a coalition of insurance companies. The agency can find car insurance for problem drivers who would have difficulty getting it otherwise.

Officials from Connecticut, Illinois and New Jersey have asked for data on whether significant numbers of people sign up for the plan. Also watching are Washington, Kentucky and Louisiana, which have considered similar programs, CAARP regional director Richard Manning said.

"They're looking to see how well it does, how effectively it is presented to the public and how many people end up buying the insurance," he said.

California's proof-of-insurance law requires owners of the state's nearly 27 million vehicles to show they have coverage when they register with the Department of Motor Vehicles.

But in high-risk, inner-city areas, many residents risk illegally driving without insurance rather than pay premiums that can run three times as much as those offered in the pilot program.

Nearly 1.8 million vehicles out of 6 million in Los Angeles lack insurance and nearly 80,000 out of 412,000 in San Francisco, according to Tim Hart, spokesman for the state Insurance Department.

"But we don't know how many of the people in those areas will qualify for the program," Hart said. "That's why it's called an experiment."

Participants must have clean driving records and meet income and other guidelines to be eligible for the four-year pilot program. It charges $450 annually for a bare-bones auto policy in Los Angeles County and $410 in the San Francisco area. There is a 25 percent surcharge for unmarried, male drivers 19 to 25.

Douglas Heller of the Santa Monica-based Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights supports the program.

"Now many people who can't afford regular coverage will no longer have to make that unfair decision between breaking the law and getting to work," he said.

Luna, a retired union worker who lives in South Gate, a blue-collar community southeast of Los Angeles, is already paying for a bare-bones policy for her 1980 Chevrolet Citation — too much, she says.

"The insurance company I'm with now, they are charging me more than $700 yearly, and the broker who handles my policy is charging me $150 yearly, and that's a heck of a lot of money for me," said Luna, who said she is disabled and survives on Supplemental Security Income.

The low-cost policies satisfy the minimum amount of auto insurance required by the state, but will not pay drivers for injury to themselves or damage to their own cars, regardless of who caused the accident.

But participating in this program will enable them to collect pain and suffering settlements if another driver is at fault, which uninsured motorists are prohibited from doing under a 1996 state law.

The benefits of the policies include $10,000 in liability for one person's medical bills, as much as $20,000 to cover more than one person and $3,000 for damage.

Insurance company lobbyists and consumer advocates agree that all insured motorists may eventually benefit from the low-cost plan because the cost of uninsured motorist coverage will diminish.

"That's because the likelihood of running into someone who doesn't have insurance will go down," Heller said. "It's the secret gift of this new plan."

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California Department of Insurance: http://www.insurance.ca.gov

Limited patient rights bill advanced in Senate

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senate Republicans are on record for the first time in favor of giving patients a limited right to sue HMOs, but what they call a major concession Democrats dismiss as mere political cover in the run-up to the fall elections.

"We offered a significant compromise proposal" on several contested points in patient rights legislation, Sen. Don Nickles., R-Okla., said Thursday night as Republicans maneuvered their plan past Democrats on a 51-47 vote.

But Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., offered a swift rebuttal.

"Any Republican who goes back to their state and tries to sell this ... has a thick skin and a safe seat," he said.

The Republican plan provides several guarantees, including access to emergency room care, out-of-network physicians and specialists for an estimated 56 million insured individuals.

Under the proposal, patients also would be permitted to file suit in federal court against HMOs that improperly denied care, as determined by an independent reviewer.

Republicans said the lawsuit provision would apply to 131 million insured people who could seek unlimited economic damages and up to $350,000 in compensatory damages. Punitive damages would be barred, as would class-action lawsuits.

Democrats said the GOP proposal didn't go nearly far enough, and forced a vote on a proposal requiring that any protections cover all Americans with insurance — a group far larger than covered by the GOP measure.

It was rejected, though, on a vote of 51-47, as Republicans said Democrats were proposing health insurance run by the federal government.

"There are a lot of people who don't want a national health care plan," said Sen. Mike Enzi, R-Wyo. "And I can tell you that if I even considered one, they wouldn't send me back here."

But Sen. Byron Dorgan, D-N.D., derided the Republican approach as "Honey, I shrunk the plan," and taunted GOP lawmakers to say straight out that they oppose patient protection legislation.

The patient rights provisions were attached to unrelated legislation providing funding for several federal agencies for the fiscal year that begins Oct. 1. A final vote on that bill was scheduled for Friday.

The maneuvering did little to clarify the fate of patients rights legislation, which has emerged as a key election-year issue.

House-passed legislation grants more extensive protections to more Americans than either a Senate-passed bill from last year or the proposal adopted Thursday.

And House Republicans who broke ranks on the bill remained adamant during the day that nothing less than protections for all Americans with insurance would suffice. Punctuating that point, Rep. Charles Norwood, R-Ga. issued a written statement shortly after the Senate voted, saying, "this monstrosity is dead on arrival in the House."

Formal compromise talks between Republicans and Democrats are moribund, and an effort last week by House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., to bring Norwood and Senate Republicans together on a compromise also failed.

All 51 votes in favor of the Republican measure were cast by GOP senators. Opposed were 43 Democrats, joined by Republicans Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, Lincoln Chafee of Rhode Island, John McCain of Arizona and Peter Fitzgerald of Illinois.

Democrats Patrick Leahy of Vermont and Daniel Inouye of Hawaii did not vote.

Disney World hostage standoff ends

LAKE BUENA VISTA, Fla. (AP) — An armed man who held his 4-year-old son and a room service waiter hostage at a Walt Disney World hotel for 11 hours surrendered after a negotiator promised he could see his three other children.

Bismark Rodriguez, 39, released the hostages unharmed and surrendered early Friday, leaving a handgun in the room. He was arrested but allowed to meet with his children, Orange County Sheriff Kevin Beary said. Rodriguez faced felony charges of false imprisonment, Beary said.

As the events unfolded, guests lounged in the lobby and played games outside the Boardwalk Inn while sheriff's helicopters circled above and dozens of deputies milled about the sprawling Disney World complex.

Some of the deluxe hotel's 910 rooms were evacuated but many guests were unaware of the hostage situation on the second floor. The rest of the hotel and the Disney World resort, which includes 17 hotels and four theme parks, operated normally.

"I knew something was up when I saw helicopters and TV cameras but I thought it was because a movie star might be here," said Isabelle Mario Martinez, who was told she could not check in.

The hostages were Rodriguez's son Christopher and 42-year-old Rafael Carmona, who was grabbed when he delivered food to the room Thursday.

During the standoff, Rodriguez called television station WKMG and said he and his wife of 14 years were going through a divorce. He said he hadn't seen his other three children in 30 days and wanted to speak with them and his wife.

The sheriff said changing negotiators played a key role in his surrender. Mary Huggins spent about 15 minutes on the scene after eight hours of work by fellow negotiator Billy VanderWater.

"When I came into the negotiations, he was ready to hear a softer voice," Huggins said.

On the Net: Walt Disney Co.: http://www.disney.com

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Historical document auctioned online

NEW YORK (AP) — Television producer Norman Lear and a partner paid $8.14 million for a 1776 copy of the Declaration of Independence, and Lear says he is going to make it the star of a patriotic road show.

Sotheby's auction house said Thursday's sale on its Web site brought the highest price for any item ever sold on the Internet and for any American historical document.

Lear, producer of such shows as "All in the Family" and "Maude," said he and Internet entrepreneur David Hayden planned to send the document on a national tour under the auspices of Lear's liberal advocacy group, People for the American Way.

"Ninety-nine percent of all Americans will never see this document," Lear said. He said it will be shown around the country in "a theatrical event that will be unashamedly patriotic." He did not elaborate.

An amateur collector found the document in 1989 hidden behind a torn painting, which he bought for $4 at an Adamstown, Pa., flea market because he wanted the frame.

In 1991, Sotheby's sold it at auction for a then-record $2.4 million to Thursday's seller: Visual Equities, a fine-art investment firm in Atlanta. It failed to sell at auction in 1993.

Lear said he had learned about the auction last week. He said he went to view the document at Sotheby's and wept when he read the opening lines of the declaration, then enlisted Hayden's help in obtaining it.

Hayden, the founder of Critical Path, an Internet messaging service, and Lear faced off with another would-be buyer, posting 29 separate bids that began at $4 million and ended at $7.4 million. Sotheby's commission brought the price to $8.14 million.

Taco Bell killer of four people executed

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — With little of the fanfare that last week accompanied the execution of convicted killer Gary Graham, a 10th-grade dropout from suburban Dallas was put to death for a fast-food restaurant robbery where four people were herded into a walk-in freezer and fatally shot in the head.

Jessy Carlos San Miguel, 28, quietly received lethal injection Thursday evening, telling friends and relatives who watched him die that he loved them and would be watching over them.

"It's going to be all right," San Miguel said just before the toxic drugs flowed into his arms outstretched on the death chamber gurney. "Ironic, isn't it? I'm a cross."

Eight minutes later, at 6:19 p.m. CDT, he was pronounced dead.

"Justice was done, but he didn't even apologize to any of us," Mary Gomez, whose daughter and nephew were killed by San Miguel, said after watching the execution. "It still hurts. We're never going to forgive what he did. We all wanted to hear an apology. We deserve an apology.

Graham's claims of innocence and an unfair trial also put presumptive Republican presidential nominee and Texas Gov. George W. Bush's support of the death penalty under intense national scrutiny.

There was no such outcry over San Miguel, who confessed to killing four people Jan. 16, 1991 during a robbery of an Irving Taco Bell restaurant.

While Graham's execution exactly one week ago drew hundreds of protesters and media people to Huntsville, San Miguel's punishment attracted less than two dozen death penalty opponents to the street outside the prison. One television crew covered the event.

And unlike Graham, who was belligerent with officers throughout his final hours, San Miguel was docile as his punishment time approached and the U.S. Supreme Court considered and then rejected 11th-hour appeals. Prison officials said he willingly emerged from his cell for the short walk to the death house and climbed to the gurney without prompting.

San Miguel was convicted of killing Michael Phelan, 28, the assistant manager of the restaurant.

Homes scorched, then Hanford fire dies out

RICHLAND, Wash. (AP) — A fire that scorched nearly half the Hanford nuclear reservation and 20 homes as it crept within two miles of some of the most lethal nuclear waste on Earth was virtually out early Friday, Energy Secretary Bill Richardson said.

"There is no active fire at this time," he said at 3:30 a.m., declaring firefighting efforts in a "mop-up" phase. He said winds could still kick up embers but "we believe the area is now safe."

He also said the fire caused no known air or soil contamination at the nation's largest repository of waste from nuclear weapons.

"There does not appear to be any contamination whatsoever," Richardson said. "We are going to monitor this very carefully."

Thousands of people fled as the fire blackened 190,000 acres and destroyed more than 70 buildings, including 20 homes. Fifteen people were injured, one seriously.

The fire at sprawling site in southern Washington was sparked Tuesday by a fatal car crash. It burned 45 percent of Hanford's 560 square miles, department spokeswoman Julie Erickson said. About 30,000 scorched acres and all the burned homes are outside the reservation.

The fire burned across three old radioactive waste disposal sites — a trench and two dried up ponds — but federal and state officials said initial surveys showed no elevated radiation levels. It also burned near some excavated drums containing uranium wastes, but firefighters stopped that advance.

Hanford was created by the Manhattan Project during World War II to make plutonium for nuclear weapons. The site contains the nation's biggest volume of radioactive wastes.

The most lethal waste is in 177 storage tanks buried six feet underground that could explode if a spark were introduced inside.

12 jailed in last 24 hours

Law enforcement officials were kept busy over the past 24 hours as twelve subjects were taken into custody, including one man on a felony charge.

Officers arrested 29-year-old Antonio Silva Jr. at his 2205 Avenue M address at 2:18 a.m. today for felony assault/family violence.

At 8:09 a.m. Thursday, officers took a 44-year-old man into custody on a Mitchell County warrant for theft by check and driving while license-suspended.

Officers were called to Snyder Junior High School at 8:12 a.m. Thursday in reference to a student possibly being intoxicated. A juvenile male was taken into custody, transported to the law enforcement center and later released to his parents.

Outstanding warrants for no driver's license, Class B possession of marijuana and two counts of failure to appear resulted in the arrest of a 19-year-old man Thursday. Officers picked him up at 4:26 p.m. in the 4200 block of College.

Deputies arrested a 42-year-old man at 4:45 p.m. in the 1700 block of Cogdell Blvd. on warrants for three counts of issuance of a bad check and one count of theft by check.

A warrant revoking an 18-year-old man's probation resulted in his arrest at 8:08 p.m. Thursday. Officers took the subject into custody in the 3900 block of Eastridge.

An outstanding warrant from Taylor County for theft by check sent a 22-year-old female to jail at 9:09 p.m. Officers arrested her in the 100 block of Browning.

At 9:14 p.m., officers booked an 18-year-old man into jail on warrants for failing to wear a seatbelt and public intoxication.

Department of Public Safety troopers took a 73-year-old man into custody at 9:49 p.m. on South Highway 350 for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated.

A 24-year-old female was arrested by officers at 9:54 p.m. in the 2700 block of Avenue H. She had two outstanding warrants for allowing a child to ride in a vehicle unrestrained.

Charges of misdemeanor driving while intoxicated and unlawfully carrying a weapon sent a 48-year-old man to jail at 12:16 a.m. today. Officers arrested him in the 200 block of Old Lubbock Highway.

At 2:20 a.m. today, officers took a 37-year-old man into custody in the 1300 block of 22nd for public intoxication.

Three offense reports were also filed Thursday.

At 9:19 a.m., Earl Hardy came to the sheriff's office to report a forgery on his personal checking account. An offense report was taken.

An officer was called to Wilson Motors at 10:14 a.m. in reference to the theft of spare tires from the business. A Class B theft report was filed.

Officers submitted an offense report for Class C theft at Wal-Mart at 2:53 p.m. in reference to shoplifting.

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 5:09 p.m. in the 100 block of 37th Street. Involved were a 1986 Chevrolet Nova driven by Tabitha Zamora, 17, of 100 East 37th Street, Apt. 39, and a 1988 Chevrolet Blazer driven by Jeff Dean Thompson, 30, of 812 32nd Street.

The two drivers were transported to Cogdell Memorial Hospital by Snyder EMS where they both were treated and released.

Department of Public Safety trooper Bill Blackley investigated a one-vehicle accident early Thursday morning on Camp Springs Road.

According to Blackley, Damon Mitchell Dickson, 21, of Rotan was traveling eastbound on Camp Springs Road when he drifted off the roadway and ran through a barbed wire fence, knocking down 40 feet of fencing.

Dickson was not injured in the mishap, which occurred around 3:30 a.m.

Blackley said wet roads and possibly driver fatigue contributed to the accident.

Obituaries

G.W. Parks Jr.

1920-2000

G.W. Parks Jr., a lifelong resident of Scurry County, died Thursday, June 29, in Hendrick Medical Center in Abilene after a brief illness.

Graveside service for Mr. Parks, 79, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in Hillside Memorial Gardens. Tom Holcomb, minister of the East Side Church of Christ, will officiate.

Born Aug. 31, 1920 in Snyder, he married Mozelle Eicke on April 22, 1936 in Scurry County. She died Sept. 2, 1993.

A retired businessman, Mr. Parks had owned and operated a meat processing plant in Snyder. He was a member of East Side Church of Christ and also was preceded in death by six brothers and four sisters.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Dian and Gene Pate of Snyder; a sister, Ester Dabbs of Dallas and formerly of Snyder; three grandchildren, Jimmy Pate of Snyder, Shauna Ward and her husband, Keith, and Jennifer Pate, all of San Angelo; two great-grandchildren, Brittaney Pate and Jessica Gambrell.

The family will greet friends from 6-8 tonight at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Annie Eckert

1933-2000

BIG SPRING – Annie Eckert, 67, died Friday, June 30, at her home in Big Spring.

Graveside service for Miss Eckert is set for 3 p.m. Saturday in the Miles Cemetery in Miles, Tex. Arrangements are under the direction of Nalley-Pickle and Welch Funeral Home.

Born Feb. 11, 1933 in Mereta, Tex., she was a former resident of San Angelo and had lived in Big Spring for the past 28 years. She was a member of the Melvin Baptist Church.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and three brothers, including Lester Eckert who lived in Snyder.

Survivors include two sisters, Mary Eckert of Big Spring and Mattie "Sis" Mull of San Angelo; a brother, Miles Eckert of Gardendale; and numerous nieces and nephews.

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Births

Teddy and Nicole Murray of Snyder announce the birth of their daughter at 2:26 p.m. on July 29 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed seven pounds, seven ounces.

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Lucky 13 rush dance

Lucky 13 will sponsor a rush dance from 8 until midnight this evening at Jack Greene's place. Girls wanting to pledge need to attend. Cost is $3 for non-members. For more information, call Brooke Williams at 573-3540.

SHS cheerleaders bake sale

The SHS cheerleaders will have a bake sale beginning at 9 a.m. Saturday at United. Funds will go toward the purchase of a new Tiger mascot suit. Donations are also welcome.

Hurricane Harbor bus trip

Snyder Girl Scouts have 20 seats available for a charter bus trip to Hurricane Harbor on July 17. All money is due Saturday. Cost is $48 for over 48-inches tall, and $42.50 for under 48 inches. Call JoAnn Cearley at 573-3926, or Jo Henry at 573-5941.

Joint Masonic installation

All Scurry County Masonic Lodges – Ira, Hermleigh and Scurry – will hold a joint installation of officers following a 5:30 p.m. meal of hamburgers and ice cream Saturday at the Scurry Lodge Hall. All Masons, family and friends are invited to attend.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Fulfilling the Law of Christ," followed by "Apocalypse in 2000?"

FBC worship service

The First Baptist Church Sunday morning worship service airs at 3 p.m. each Thursday on TV Channel 2.

Lions Club meeting

Snyder Lions Club will not meet Tuesday. The next meeting will be Tuesday, July 11, at Martha Ann's Woman's Club.

True West

"True West," will be presented at 8 p.m. next Friday and Saturday at Worsham Auditorium. Tickets are $5 each. The play features Snyder High School graduates, Kevin Alejandro and Stephen Taylor, who are also directing and producing. Proceeds will benefit the Jerry P. Worsham Scholarship Fund.

SHS class of 1940

The SHS class of 1940 will have a meeting at 4 p.m. Thursday at Marion Cochran's house at 2802 32nd St. to plan a class reunion.

Teen Center fundraiser

Teen Center of the Boys and Girls Club will sponsor a BBQ and country dance Friday, July 7, at Snyder Country Club. The dinner begins at 6 p.m. followed by the dance around 8:30. Dinner only is $6 and the dance only is $4. Tickets are available at the Boys and Girls Club. For more information call 573-3344.

Discovery School fundraiser

Super Sub sandwiches will be sold Sunday, July 9, from noon until 1:30 p.m. at First United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall to benefit Discovery School. Tickets for advance orders can be purchased at the church office. For more information, call Barbara at 573-4770.

Class of 1980 reunion

The Snyder High School Class of 1980 will have its reunion and dinner at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 22, at Snyder Country Club. Anyone planning to attend must RSVP by July 10.

Social Security reps

Social Security representatives will be the Snyder Senior Citizens Center, 2603 Ave. M, on Tuesday, July 11. Hours are 10 a.m. until noon and 1-2 p.m.

LVN class testing

Students wishing to enroll in the fall Licensed Vocational Nursing class at Western Texas College should contact the counseling office to arrange for the pre-entrance exam to be given through July 25. Interviews will be conducted through Aug. 7. For more information, call the counseling office at 573-8511, ext. 313.

GED exams

GED examinations will be administered Thursday in the testing center at WTC. Call Emily Hataway at 574-2112 or Molly Kattes at 573-2919 for more information.

Computer courses

A variety of computer courses will be offered this summer by the Continuing Ed division of WTC. Call 573-8511, ext. 390, for a list of classes.

WTC basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at Western Texas College are taught Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon during June. Classes include G.E.D., E.S.L. and refresher courses. For additional information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information call Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Cash Five

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

6-10-17-22-38

Pick 3

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

5-5-9

Oprah Winfry donates to organization

NEW YORK (AP) — Oprah Winfrey has donated $10 million to an organization that places gifted minority students in some of the nation's top public and private high schools.

Winfrey made the donation to A Better Chance at an awards luncheon on Wednesday.