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Delays hamper water plant completion

Contractor is subject to daily penalties now

By Wade Warren
Staff Writer

Due to a delay in completing the new water treatment plant for the City of Snyder, the general contractor of the project, PKG Contracting, Inc., became subject to a $600 per day fine Monday.

The plant was originally scheduled to be completed on Aug. 17.

"As of Monday, the penalty is in effect," said Snyder City Manager John Gayle.

Gayle said when the plant is completed, the city and its attorney will look at the project along with PKG as to what the actual penalties might be.

"We'll discuss the cause of the delays," said Gayle.

The city does not hesitate to assess penalties for completing projects late, as it recently assessed Foster Wheeler Corporation $30,000 in penalties for delays in constructing a cell at the city-owned landfill.

"We are not looking to cause contractors any financial difficulties," said Gayle. "But they submit their bid and their time line. If a project is not completed on time, then the city is in a position to assess the penalties."

The cost of the new water treatment plant is $3.2 million.

Work on the new treatment plant has been centered the past few days on repairing leaks that appeared when the settling tank was tested by filling it with water.

"There were leaks all around the tank, indicating the concrete did not set up properly," said Darrell Callahan, water superintendent for the city.

"Some of the leaks were severe," he said.

This has necessitated the contractor chipping out the affected areas and then using high-pressure grout in an attempt to correct the problem.

"After all the repairs are made, the tank will be tested again," said Callahan.

The process of testing the tank takes around a half-million gallons of water, according to Callahan.

"If it still leaks, more repairs will be made."

Callahan said the delay in finishing the new treatment plant should have no effect on Snyder residents.

"We are still operating 'business as usual' with the present plant," said Callahan.

He said the two plants are designed to operate together during peak water demand months.

"At this time, we are at the low end of the useage scale.

"The construction of the new plant and the laying of new water lines has caused an inconvenience for the people living in the area of the plant," said Callahan. "And we understand their complaints when they have to drive through mud and water almost every day."

PKG submitted the lowest of seven bids the city received on the water plant project on May 16, 1996.

The company was incorporated in February of 1995 and when they were awarded the bid, this project was the largest it had undertaken, according to Leonard Ripley, Senior Environmental Engineer with Freese & Nichols.

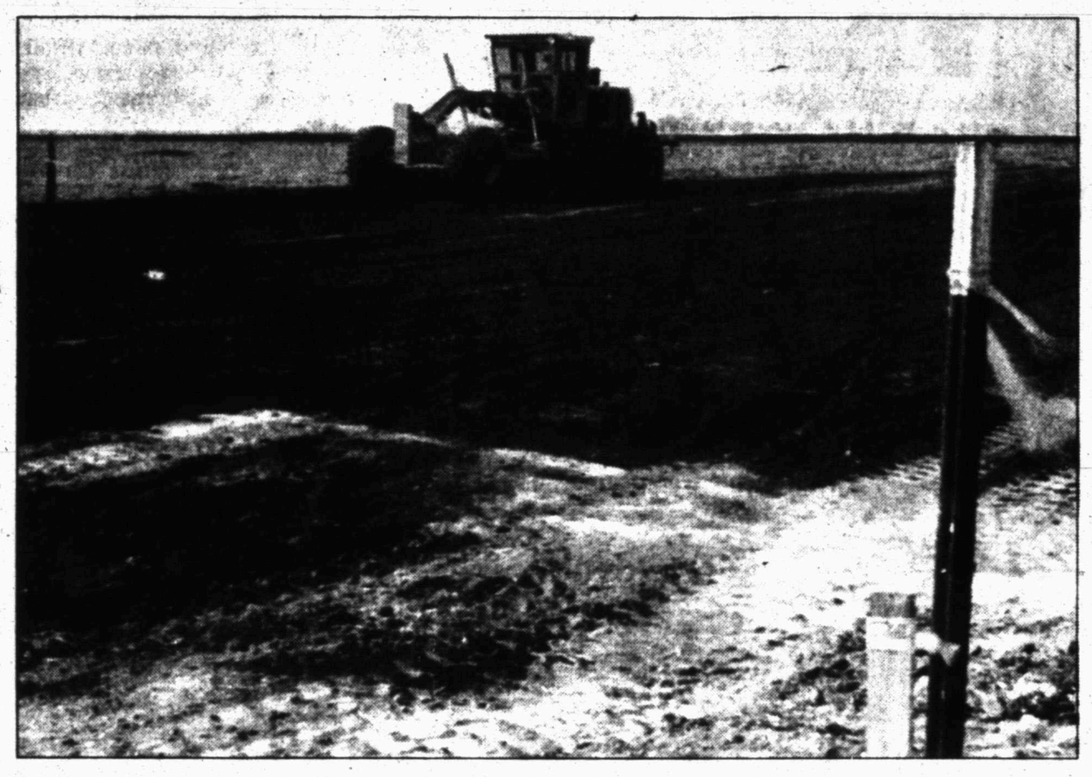
The company served as one of two general contractors on a three million gallon per day reverse osmosis water plant at Fort Stockton.

Tony Cordova, that city's director of utilities, said they were satisified with the work PKG did.

"We had some minor problems. Some of the things that looked good on paper just did not work," said Cordova. "PKG worked hard to make things right, though."

Callahan said the problems with the new water treatment plant are nothing that can't be fixed.

"We all wish there were no problems, but there are. Hopefully, the plant will be completed in about a month."



PREPARING FOR THE FOUNDATION — Roy Gill operates a maintainer for Grimmett Brothers as he prepares the site for the foundation for the Lorber building at the industrial park. The initial building for the cotton spinning plant will be 70,000 square feet. (SDN Staff Photo)

Site construction is underway for Lorber Industries of Texas

Site construction is underway at the city industrial park for the Lorber Industries of Texas textile plant.

Grimmett Brothers Construction, which was awarded the bid for dirtwork, parking lot paving and curbing, is on site and working.

In announcing the awarding of the contract earlier this month, Michael Gruener, vice president for Lorber, said "This is exciting, both for us and the community that we are getting this thing kicked off."

At that time, Gruener said he hopes machinery can be moved in by late March with some production to begin in June.

Brown-McKee, Inc. of Lubbock is in charge of construction and has designed the $10 million, 70,000 square foot building which will house Phase I of the project. The building will contain all of the equipment necessary for the spinning process, plus a laboratory, storage, offices, restrooms and an employee canteen.

It is estimated the plant will be capable of processing some 25,000 bales of cotton a year. Over time, Phases II through IV are expected to be added, bringing the facility to 250,000 square feet and capable of processing about 100,000 bales.

Founder's Day...

PTK chapter to bestow annual award

Western Texas College chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, Psi Zeta, will present its annual Founder's Day Award Thursday.

The presentation will be made in the Student Center at 10:45 a.m.

The honor is given to a member of the faculty, staff or administrator who "represents to an outstanding degree one or more of the Phi Theta Kappa ideals of Scholarship, Leadership, Service and Fellowship."

Founder's Day marks the 1918 founding of Phi Theta Kappa at Stephens College in Missouri. The award has been given at WTC since 1983. Names of all honorees are inscribed on a plaque permanently hung in the Student Center.

Dr. Franklin Pruitt received the first award. He instructed government and history for 14 years before retiring in 1988. He died in 1995.

Mike Otto was honored in 1984. He resigned his associate professor of science position at the end of the fall semester in 1993.

Other recipients have been:

—1985: Martha Gist, secretary of counseling until 1986.

—1986: Joe Carter, professor of science.

—1987: Dr. James Tully, former director of financial aid, and Pam Johnson, former assistant of student activities.

—1988: Dr. Gil Fleer, professor of psychology-sociology, who retired in 1993.

—1989: Mickey Baird, director of student services who retired in 1995.

—1990: Dr. Mary Hood, director of counseling services and local Phi Theta Kappa advisor and regional coordinator, who retired in 1996.

—1991: Bob Doty, agriculture professor and rodeo coach, who now is employed by Tarleton State University.

—1992: Darla Doty, director of college relations and wife of Bob Doty, who is also employed at TSU.

—1993: Michael Endy, associate professor of drama. He is now at Weatherford College.

—1994: Jim Judah, associate professor of agriculture.

—1995: Dr. Duane Hood, dean of student services, and Ray Robbins, head of the criminal justice department. Both retired in 1996.

—1996: Deborah Baremore, secretary for counseling.

Thursday at WTC

- *Founder's Day Award, 10:45 a.m., Student Center.*
- *'Angels & Snows' exhibit, museum, special reception from 5-7:30 p.m.*
- *'A Christmas Story', 5:30 & 6:30 p.m., planetarium.*
- *'Sylvia,' 8 p.m., Fine Arts Theatre. Other performances are 8 p.m. Friday and 2 p.m. Sunday. Tickets $5 and $3.*

Toss that pack come Thursday

Local representatives of the American Cancer Society are inviting smokers in Scurry County to be one of the estimated 12 million Americans who will chose to quit smoking on Thursday.

It's time again for ACS's Great American Smokeout.

Headquarters will be the front lobby of Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Anyone who would like to sign up to quit or help with the event is encouraged to stop by the Great American Smokeout table or call Matt Cross at 574-7280.

The Smokeout is 21 years old. For two decades, the staff and volunteers of the American Cancer Society have used the Great American Smokeout to help smokers quit for at least one day.

In a new twist to an old problem, this year the American Cancer Society is focusing efforts on children and teenagers. Statistics show that most smokers start before they reach the age of 18.

"By helping young people resist starting to smoke in the first place, the American Cancer Society hopes that future generations will not have to struggle to break an addiction to nicotine," an ACS spokesperson said.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Hard times is when you can put your socks on from either end."

Last week's column on a collection of bum headlines resulted in someone sending us some more. It just proves that headlines can easily result in unintended double meanings.

--Include your children when baking cookies.

--Drunk gets nine months in violin case.

--Killer sentenced to die for second time in 10 years.

--Eye drops off shelf.

--Plane too close to ground, crash probe told.

--Miners refuse to work after death.

--Stolen painting found by tree.

--Never withhold herpes infection from loved one.

--If strike isn't settled quickly, it may last a while.

--Cold wave linked to temperatures.

--Red tape holds up new bridges.

--Man struck by lightning faces battery charge.

--Local high school dropouts cut in half.

--New study of obesity seeks larger test group.

--Police began campaign to run down jaywalkers.

--Juvenile court to try shooting defendant.

--Typhoon rips through cemetery; hundreds dead.

Bloopers on employee applications can also be interesting:

--I have lurnt World Perfect 6.0 computer and spreadsheet progroms.

Reason for leaving last job: maturity leave.

--Let's me so you can 'ooh' and 'aah' over my experience.

--I am a perfectionist and rarely if if ever forget details.

--I was working for my mom until she decided to move.

--I have an excellent track record, although I am not a horse.

--I have become completely paranoid, trusting completely no one and absolutely nothing.

--My goal is to become a meteorologist. But since I possess no training in meteorology, I suppose I should try stock brokerage.

--I procrastinate, especially when the task is unpleasant.

--As indicted, I have over five years of analyzing investments.

--Personal interests: donating blood. Fourteen gallons so far.

--The company made me a scapegoat, just like my previous three employers.

--Please do not misconstrue my 14 jobs as job-hopping. I have never quit a job.

--Martial status: often.

--Children: various.

--Sex: frequent.

DCOS board meets Thursday

Development Corporation of Snyder board members meet at 4 p.m. Thursday to consider several reports.

Among them:

—A report from the operations committee dealing with long-term planning;

—A report from the architectural control committee in reference to building plans submitted for the construction of the Lorber Industries of Texas mill at the industrial park;

—A report on the status of a loan to General Medical.

The board will also consider financial statements, bills for payment and previous minutes.

ASK US

Q—When are the chamber of commerce Christmas lights scheduled to be put up around town?

A—Crews will start putting them up Monday.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 64 degrees; low, 30; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 30; no precipitation; total for 1997, 23.56.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear. Low around 40. S-SW wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny. High around 70. SW-W wind 10-20 mph, becoming N late.

Felicia A. Guzman
Mostly sunny

Sunset: 5:43 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:16 a.m.
Of 322 days in 1997, the sun has shone 307 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Hating people is like burning down your own house to get rid of a rat.

Harry Emerson Fosdick

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Three new exhibits to open Thursday at museum

"Angels and Snows" opens Thursday at Scurry County Museum with a reception from 5 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. The 1997 holiday display features angel related objects scattered among snow scenes.

Thirteen snow scenes by Dalhart Windberg serve as a complement to the angel display. Also, a print of Windberg's 1997 Christmas painting is featured.

The museum will also be exhibiting work by Theresa Martin of Lubbock who sculpts in wood, bronze and pewter.

Local individuals are sharing their collections of angels with the museum for the viewing pleasure of holiday visitors. Angel figures and portrayals range from folk art angels made of wood and tin to delicate porcelain figures and a plastic lawn angel decoration.

NEW DISPLAY — Chelci Beaird is arranging "The Courting Couple" by Theresa Martin of Lubbock whose works go on display Thursday at Scurry County Museum. The works of Dalhart Windberg will also be displayed through Dec. 10. Behind Chelci, Windberg's "Going Courting" is shown on the left and "Courting To Moonlight" is on the right. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

T-shirts with angels, Christmas tree ornament crocheted angels and even a guardian angel brooch are further examples of the angels among us.

The idea of angels is one of hope and inspiration. The word "angel" comes from the Greek word "angelos," meaning messenger. In addition, angels are believed to serve as guardians, guides, comforters, teachers, healers and even warriors.

The angel images and sentiments in this year's holiday display hold much inspiration for the museum visitor.

Several churches are participating in the display. The First Baptist Church has installed a cross which is topped with an angel.

The Lighthouse Assembly of God has decorated a Christmas tree with homemade angels, flowers and gold ribbons and bows.

At the beginning of his career in the 1960s, Dalhart Windberg was invited to Snyder by oilman/rancher C.T. McLaughlin. Since that time, Windberg has become a well known artist with some 3,000 paintings to his credit and 177 of these have been converted to prints, many of which are currently available for sale at the local museum.

In addition to the snow scenes, over 30 other prints by Windberg are on display at the museum. They depict life in simpler time periods or the beauty of the American outdoors. The display will remain until Dec. 10.

Theresa Martin's knowledge has its origin in her perceptions. And, through her perceptions, one is able to experience a unique depiction of the Southwest and its people.

A native of West Texas, Martin grew up in true western life style. Her work is an obvious reflection of her background. She is known for her attention to minute detail, such as aging wrinkles and wise as well as innocent visual expressions.

Martin does not remember when she first started carving because it's like she has always done it. Her first carving was held together with 11 straight pens. Since then she said she just "kept on."

As a young girl she remembers following behind a plow and picking up clods of dirt which she "started fooling with."

In school, she said she had to have a pocket to carry her pocket knife in.

A few years ago, Martin started working with bronze because of arm problems. She later branched out into pewter, but in recent years has returned to some wood carving.

Today she uses jelutong, a wood from Malyasia. Some of the pieces to be displayed at the local museum belonged to a Dr. Hancock in Lubbock. When he died he willed all 85 pieces back to Martin. She carved those of sugar pine.

The Scurry County Museum is located on the southwest corner of Western Texas College's campus. Its hours are 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Fridays. Other times are by appointment. For additional information call 573-6107.

GETTING READY — Theresa Martin of Lubbock will have several examples of her art pieces on display at Scurry County Museum. She is holding one entitled "The Coward." (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

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BEALLS

FBI probe officially closed

NEW YORK (AP) — In the end, criminal investigators trying to unravel the mystery behind what caused the deadly explosion and crash of TWA Flight 800 simply ran out of things to do.

Sixteen months and one day after the Paris-bound Boeing 747 broke apart and crashed into the sea off Long Island, killing all 230 people aboard, the FBI announced Tuesday that its global investigation found no evidence that a criminal act brought the plane down.

The jet had just left Kennedy International Airport on July 17, 1996, when its center fuel tank exploded. The plane broke apart at 13,700 feet, trailed burning fuel, exploded into a fireball and crashed into the Atlantic Ocean 10 miles from shore.

The FBI released a videotape simulation of the final minutes to substantiate its conclusion that the jet was not brought down by a bomb or missile. FBI Assistant Director James Kallstrom said 244 witnesses reported streaks of light the night of the crash, prompting the missile theory.

The FBI concluded witnesses actually saw the crippled plane several seconds after the explosion. The sound of the blast reached them later, making them think they were watching the beginning of the disaster instead of its end.

Federal investigators chased down more than 3,000 leads, conducted 7,000 interviews, scrutinized a million pieces of wreckage and spent up to $20 million in its investigation, Kallstrom said.

Eventually, he said, "We ran out of things to do."

Relatives of the dead filed lawsuits last year blaming the airline and Boeing Co. for a mechanical malfunction. With the FBI's decision, some plan to focus on that theory.

Girl found locked in dog cage

BRILLION, Wis. (AP) — A 7-year-old girl shut in a dog cage in a cold, dark basement was discovered when her 11-year-old brother, coatless and barefoot, went to a police station for help, authorities said.

Neither the girl, who appeared very thin, nor any of the other children in the home, aged 9, 6 and 16 months, were hospitalized, said Calument County District Attorney Ken Kratz. All were placed with relatives.

The children's parents, both 28, were taken into custody and will likely face felony child abuse charges, Kratz said Tuesday.

The girl had apparently been kept in the cage off and on for the past two weeks as punishment, Kratz said. The other children may have been mistreated as well, he said.

"There's a history of ongoing abuse and neglect," he said.

Authorities did not identify the family.

The basement had no lights and very little heat, police said.

"The child was found in the corner of this room, in this 2-foot-by-2-foot dog cage with nothing but a blanket in the cage," Kratz said.

The boy arrived at the police station at about 7 p.m. Monday, when temperatures were about freezing in this east central community about 80 miles north of Milwaukee.

When police investigated, they found the parents looking for the boy. They let investigators into the house, police Sgt. Daniel Alloy said.

Police arrest 'polite robber'

ST. CHARLES, Mo. (AP) — A man suspected of being the "polite bank robber" who hit seven banks in the St. Louis area after courteously letting other customers go ahead of him in line surrendered to police without a fuss.

Joseph F. Kivenas, 38, who gave an address in Brea, Calif., was arrested Monday while playing poker at a riverside casino. Casino security officers had recognized him from bank surveillance photos, Police Chief David King said.

Datebook

Nov. 19, 1997

Today is the 323rd day of 1997 and the 60th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1863, President Abraham Lincoln delivered the Gettysburg Address.

On this day in 1888, William Bundy invented the first time-card clock.

On this day in 1969, Apollo XII astronauts Alan Bean and Charles Conrad made man's second landing on the moon.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Rogers Clark (1752-1818), U.S. soldier-frontiersman; James A. Garfield (1831-1881), U.S. president; Allen Tate (1899-1979), critic-poet-novelist; Tommy Dorsey (1905-1956), musician; Indira Gandhi (1917-1984), Indian politician; Roy Campanella (1921-1993), baseball great; Jeane Kirkpatrick (1926-), American ambassador, is 71; Ted Turner (1938-), broadcasting executive, is 59; Jodie Foster (1962-), actress-director, is 35.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1932, Joe Kershella scored 11 touchdowns as West Liberty Teachers College shut out Cedarville College, 127-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "The Democratic Party is like a mule — without pride of ancestry or hope of posterity." — Ignatius Donnelly

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1978, a tornadic water spout came onshore near Hilo Harbor in Hawaii and took the roofs off of some buildings.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (Nov. 14) and last quarter (Nov. 21).

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SENIOR QUIZ TEAM — The Snyder High School senior knowledge team attending the National FFA Convention in Kansas City returned national champions. The team includes Callie Pierce, Amy Free, T.J. Whetsel, Windy Wood and Sarah Pierce, from left. This was the first time Snyder had qualified for this event. Traveling with the teams to the national event was advisor David Frazier. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

MARKETING TEAM CHAMPIONS — The Snyder High School FFA marketing team of Amy Church, Laurie Huddleston and Brandon Williamson, from left, defeated all other state champion teams from across the country to become national winners. This team was unanimously selected first by all five judges at the National FFA Convention in Kansas City. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

JUNIOR QUIZ TEAM — The Snyder High School FFA junior knowledge team of Nikki Guerrero, Mario Gonzales, Joe Squiers, Amy Ricks and Anna Hannan is the third knowledge team in three years to win the national championship. They returned Sunday evening from the national convention in Kansas City. Advisor David Frazier accompanied the group. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Missing girl's parents await reunion and uncertain future

CORNING, Calif. (AP) — The questions about the future can wait. For now, Dorothy Anzaldi rejoices that her daughter — abducted as a toddler in 1990 — has been found alive and safe.

Crystal Leann Anzaldi, just 14 months old when she vanished from her parents' San Diego home, turned up in Puerto Rico when a woman posing as her mother was investigated for alleged child abuse.

"It's like my Christmas and Thanksgiving all in one. I've been crying ever since I heard the news," she said Tuesday in the living room of her tiny apartment on the outskirts of this farming community about 100 miles north of Sacramento.

"The worst is behind me. The best is ahead of me."

There is also an uncertainty ahead: A new grand jury investigation, possibly a custody battle with her former husband and a return to the media spotlight that she occupied briefly seven years ago.

"I was in the media glare once. I don't want to be there again. The media was camped out for days on my front porch (after the kidnapping)," she said as television trucks gathered outside.

In Banks, Ore., about 400 miles north of Corning, her former husband, Jeff Anzaldi, also was nearly overwhelmed by the news.

"I can't wait to see her," he said of his daughter.

Crystal has been placed in a foster home in Puerto Rico, where she was found when a woman named Nilza Gierbolini Guzman was reported to police by her former husband for allegedly abusing her daughter, Sonja.

When officials became suspicious of the girl's birth certificate, they broadened the investigation and determined that Sonja Guzman was really Crystal Anzaldi.

It isn't clear when Crystal will be returned to the United States or who will have custody.

The investigation of the original abduction is reopened, and Jeff and Dorothy Anzaldi are to testify before a grand jury in San Diego. Authorities are yet to link Gierbolini, who is jailed in San Juan on charges of falsifying documents, with the kidnapping.

Police have speculated that the Anzaldis might have been involved in the abduction the night of Dec. 8, 1990. The parents said they were sleeping when the child was taken from their home near the Coronado Naval Base, where Jeff Anzaldi, then a naval officer, was stationed.

One investigator said at least four adults were sleeping at the house when the child was taken and several were involved in drug use or sales.

Dorothy Anzaldi denied she was involved in the abduction or in drug trafficking.

"As I said then, I'm innocent," she said Tuesday. "I knew the real kidnappers would be found."

Jeff Anzaldi, 29, declined to talk about his former wife, but he did say that the strain of the abduction contributed to the failure of their marriage. He returned to his native Oregon, where he works as a computer support technician and is remarried.

What are you thankful for?

Snyder Daily News is inviting readers to share their thoughts on Thanksgiving Day. If you have something or someone you are personally thankful for this year, let us know by writing to:

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Hopes renewed that missing boy is safe

ABILENE (AP) — The possible sighting in Canada of a missing Texas youth has renewed hope he will be found safe.

"I really wish, I'm hoping that it's him. It was a very accurate description," said Paul Fulham, whose 15-year-old son Jackson disappeared from his Abilene home more than a month ago.

Fulham said Tuesday he received a call from a resident of Red Deer, Alberta, Canada, responding to media reports of his efforts to find his son.

Fulham has based his search in Calgary since the pickup truck Jackson was driving was spotted at Coutts on the Montana-Alberta border on Oct. 10.

His light blue 1983 Chevrolet truck was spotted Oct. 8 by police in Wyoming after Abilene police issued a nationwide alert.

Red Deer RCMP hope that if the boy is in town, someone has seen him and will call them.

"We've put posters up, so if anyone has seen him, we'll know about it," constable Dan Doyle said.

Friends of Jackson say that prior to his disappearance they saw outdoor magazines with Alberta outfitter ads circled.

Fulham said he believes his son became depressed when a rapid growth spurt — six inches in eight months — caused him problems in sports at which he used to excel.

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Dear Abby By Abigail Van Buren

Wife's Cigarette Addiction Overrules Her Love of Life

DEAR ABBY: My wife is the most unselfish person I know. She'll do anything except for one thing. She loves her children and does everything they ask — except for what they want most. My wife adores our grandchildren and will indulge them with anything they ask — except for what they harass her about most often. She refuses to quit smoking.

Her love for her family is exceeded only by her addiction to nicotine. Cigarettes are her first thought in the morning, and they receive her last caress at night. She has emphysema, breathes heavily and coughs constantly. We haven't shared a bed in years because her coughing keeps me awake. She sleeps on the living room couch to elevate her head and facilitate her breathing.

Cough drops and other non-prescription drugs temporarily relieve a variety of ailments, so she ingests them daily along with prescription medications. She has undergone angioplasty to clear a clogged artery and was advised by her surgeon to stop smoking. Unfortunately, her addiction is more powerful than her desire to live.

I also have lung disease from 40 years of smoking cigarettes, pipes and cigars. Five times I quit for more than a year. Twice I quit cold turkey without help. Twice I had acupuncture. I quit the last time three years ago during a "smoke stoppers" class at the hospital. I know smoking is a difficult habit to break. And I suspect it's more difficult for people who are genetically prone to addictions. (My wife is a recovering alcoholic.)

She has tried to quit smoking. She's had acupuncture twice and she also attended the "smoke stoppers" course. She has worn nicotine patches and has chewed nicotine-based gum. But she has never gone more than a day or two without a cigarette. (She confessed that she lit up while driving home from one of the $100 acupuncture treatments.) In deference to her family, she doesn't smoke in the house. In wind, rain and cold temperatures, she goes outside to light up. And this further aggravates her respiratory problems.

I'm angry. I'm angry with my wife. I'm angry with myself for being her co-dependent. I'm angry at cigarette companies for enticing us to take up this insidious habit. And I'm angry with the government for not exercising more control over a drug that kills 500,000 Americans every year.

My wife was born of sturdy Norwegian ancestry on a farm in Minnesota, and for years her body stubbornly resisted the hourly doses of nicotine. But little by little, her body is losing the battle. She needs help. I need help.

THE MAN WHO LOVES HER

DEAR MAN: Your wife may be beyond the help you seek, but perhaps it will comfort you to know that your powerful letter may convince another person to stop smoking. And tomorrow will provide the perfect opportunity:

READERS, tomorrow, Nov. 20, marks the 21st Annual Great American Smokeout. The Smokeout is a one-day campaign to encourage smokers to quit smoking for 24 hours — to prove that they can do it. Last year, more than 11,960,000 quit for the day — a giant step in the right direction.

My readers tell me that while "cold turkey" is the most difficult, it's also the most effective way to kick the habit. Those who need help or want more information about the effects of tobacco may call the local chapter of the American Cancer Society or 1-800-ACS-2345.

So, Dear Readers, if you're hooked on tobacco and have been saying, "One of these days, I'm going to quit," why not join the Great American Smokeout and quit tomorrow? It won't be easy, but it will be the best Thanksgiving gift you can give yourself and those who love you.

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Regulation to allow on-off airbag switch

WASHINGTON (AP) — Mandy Katz had packed up her car with kids heading to school, when a neighbor asked her to squeeze in just one more.

The only space left was the front passenger seat.

"I asked my neighbor, and she said, 'It's OK. You're not going to get into an accident in this short distance,'" recalled Katz, a Washington resident. "That was a rare situation, but it made me uncomfortable."

Parents such as Katz have a new option to consider when stuck in tough spots with kids in cars: an on-off switch for the air bags.

A regulation approved Tuesday will allow motorists at risk of injury from air bags — including short adults and those who drive car pools and must have a child in the front seat — to fill out a federal form and have the on-off switch installed starting Jan. 19.

Some families say they'll pass on the paperwork and keep their kids out of the front seat altogether — which is exactly what federal safety experts recommend.

"I wouldn't even apply for it," said Damaris King, picking up her kids at their day care center near Chevy Chase, Md. "I will not put a child, or even a small adult, in the front seat."

"This is a practical solution that allows you to turn off the air bag for someone at risk and turn it back on to preserve the lifesaving benefits for everyone else," Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater told a news conference.

Salad bars out

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — The salad days are over at Wendy's.

The fast-food chain — the first to offer self-serve salad bars in 1979 — says interest in them has wilted and it plans to eliminate most of them by spring.

Wendy's spokesman Denny Lynch said Tuesday the company made the decision because of the growing popularity of its prepackaged salads and pita sandwiches, which contain vegetables.

Lynch said it was up to franchisees, which operate about half of the company's 5,100 restaurants worldwide, to decide whether to keep the salad bars.

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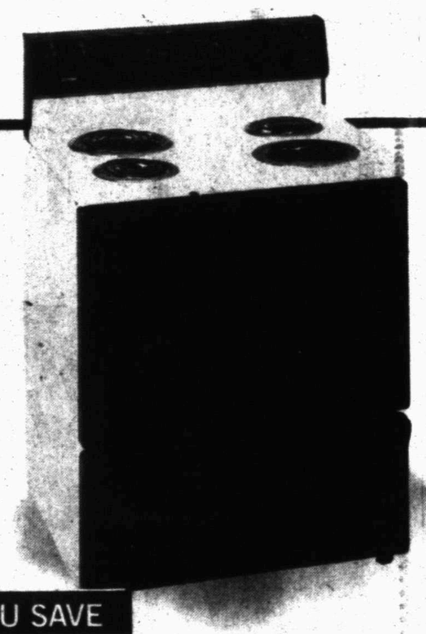

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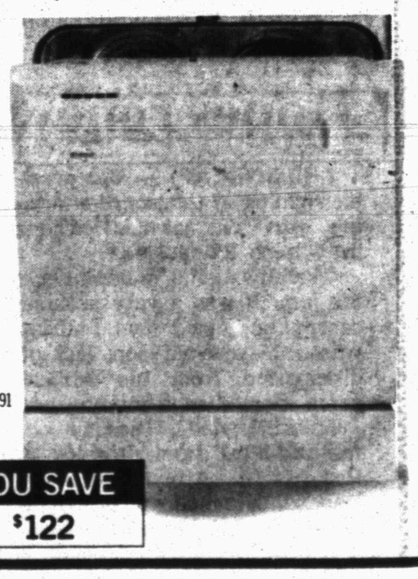

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Toddler left without food and water

AUBURN, Wash. (AP) — A 14-month-old boy found by police who were clearing out a burning building is believed to have been left alone for five days without food or water.

The toddler's mother, LaDawn Jump, 21, was charged Tuesday with second-degree child abandonment. Court papers said her son, Damon, was found Thursday with an ulcerated thumb.

"The doctor believes this was likely because the child had nothing but his thumb to eat," prosecutors said.

Doctors said Damon weighed 16 pounds, 4 ounces — four ounces less than when he had heart surgery in May. He was born with a severe heart defect.

Court documents said Ms. Jump had been living with a new boyfriend and feared he would be scared away by the boy. So she checked on the boy every few days, leaving him peanut butter and jelly sandwiches or cheese to eat, prosecutors said.

Ms. Jump, who could get three to eight months in jail if convicted, told police she last visited her son Nov. 8. Five days later, the toddler was found as police evacuated the building due to a fire in another unit.

Damon and a 3-year-old sister were placed in the custody of state child services.

Ms. Jump had been arrested before on suspicion of child abandonment after the boy was found alone inside another apartment in March. That case was pending.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, Nov. 20, 1997

In the year ahead, you could be fortunate in promoting ventures in which you'll play a significant role. Your possibilities for rewards and recognition are strong.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) There is nothing so serious that it can't be worked out today, even if it appears insurmountable. Pursue positive purposes with victory in mind. Scorpio, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $2 and SASE 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.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) If a conflict of ideas arises today, take time to discuss things with everyone involved. A mutually gratifying balance can be achieved.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Move cautiously in joint endeavors today, because money management could create problems within the group. Everyone should be held equally accountable.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Do not feel you have to stick to your original blueprint today if you find better ways to achieve your objectives. Adjust your course when necessary.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) You may need to rely upon others to assist you today with an important assignment. You should be able to choose from a pool of qualified assistants.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Things should work out well for you today if you bank upon your own abilities. Nothing is guaranteed if you rely on the talents of a newcomer.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Early in the day you might try too hard to win peer approval. Later when you start to relax, you'll receive acknowledgment and endorsement.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might want to ignore the suggestions of a friend today if you feel you're better equipped to evaluate a particular development than he or she.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Financial trends look promising today if you diligently follow up your leads. You could begin to generate earnings from previously unproductive channels.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Your initial plans might be rejected today, but don't let this upset you. The back-up you have going for you will be better than the original.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Be patient and persistent today if you make a few mistakes at the onset of an important involvement. Problems can be rectified rather easily.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Large groups will be more gratifying today than spending time with a smaller circle. Being able to mix with lots of people has its advantages.

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Facility to reopen at WTC

The newly-renovated planetarium at Western Texas College will present it first program Thursday, when "A Christmas Story" will be shown at 5:30 and 6:30 p.m.

Rollin Swanson spearheaded the revival of the planetarium and will operate the equipment. He is an adjunct professor of science at WTC.

The planetarium will seat 60 people and is constructed with a 10-meter dome ceiling, about 33 feet in diameter.

The holiday program is approximately 45 minutes and will feature more than 200 slides.

The first 20 minutes will explain the history of Christmas. Included will be the story of the Three Wisemen and the star which led them to the baby Jesus.

The rest of the presentation will focus on the night sky — the constellations and planets — as it appeared 2,000 years ago.

Included is the historical account of the conjunction of two planets — Saturn and Jupiter — which occurred at the approximate time of the birth of Jesus.

Some scientists wonder whether the two planets' alignment created the illusion of a merger that might have been the bright "star" told about in Biblical accounts.

Also included will be speculation that a comet might have been the Biblical star.

Future shows will be planned at the planetarium, including "The Eyes of Hubbel."

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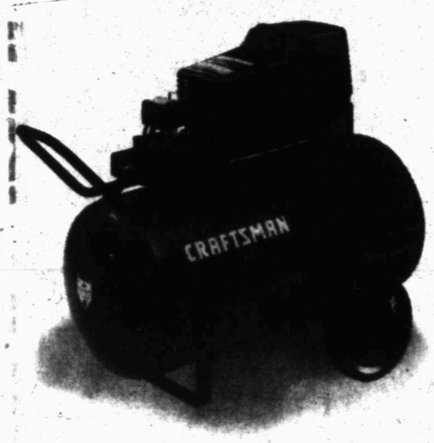

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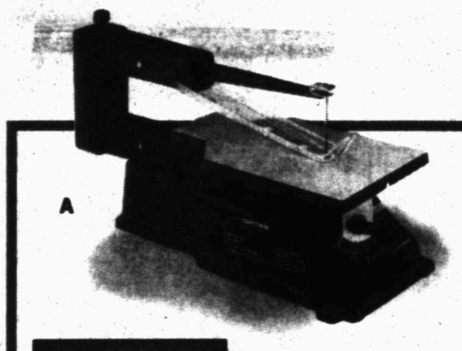

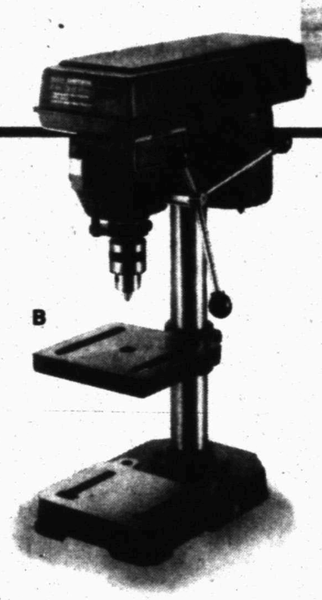

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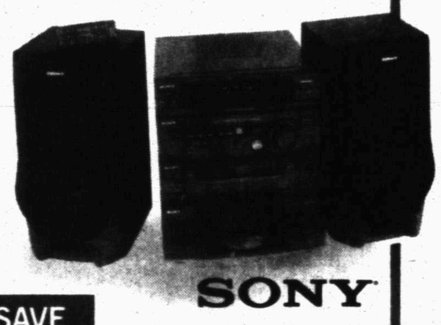

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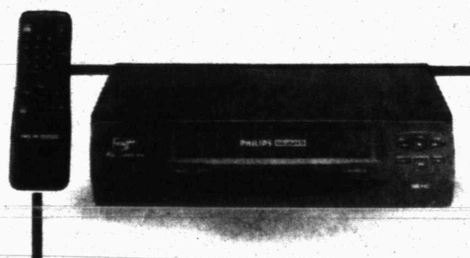

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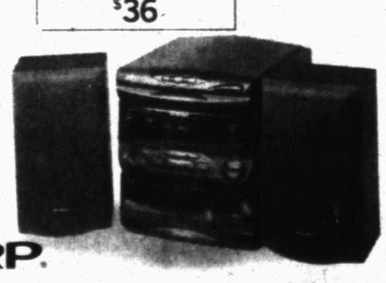

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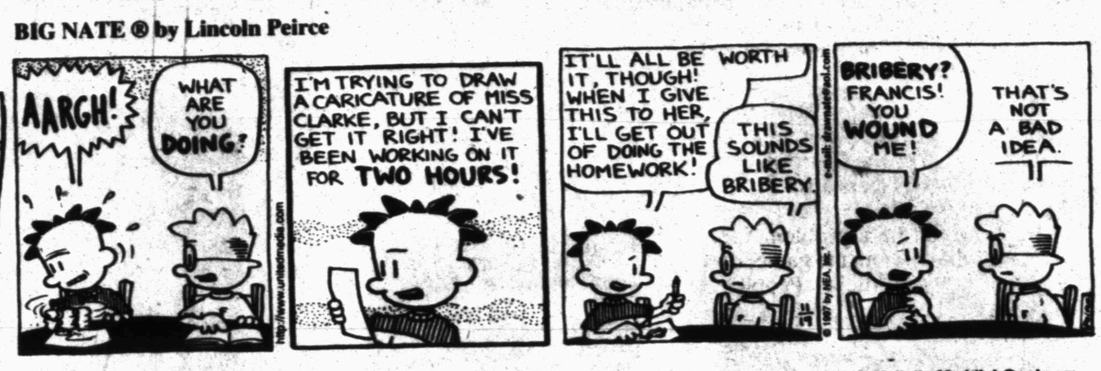

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8 Pack down
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13 Language suffix
14 Milky gem
15 Knots
16 JFK sight
17 Ibsen character
18 Dislodge from a chair
20 Of a type style
22 Powder ingredient
24 Without any help
25 Seize
28 Broadcast
29 Sty resident
30 Tidy
32 Entry
36 Bombastic speech
38 Calendar period
39 Unclaimed mail dept.
40 Actor Gulager
42 Mrs., in Madrid
43 Pale
45 Female birds
47 The Rolling —
49 — Mae
53 Not false
54 Neither's follower
56 First-rate (2 wds.)
57 Dame Myra —
58 — — loss
59 Writer Godwin
60 Rams' mates
61 Dog, for short
62 Carriage

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1 Ballerina's skirt
2 Part of a fan
3 Grows older
4 Bowling-lane button
5 Young bird
6 Horse's relative
7 Abominable Snowman
8 Musical key
9 Excuse me and pardon me
10 California county
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21 Bark cloth
23 Bend low
25 — degree
26 Football coach Parseghian
27 Robin's abode
31 Masculinity
33 Urgent message
34 Rower's tool
35 Gun grp.
37 Opposite of all
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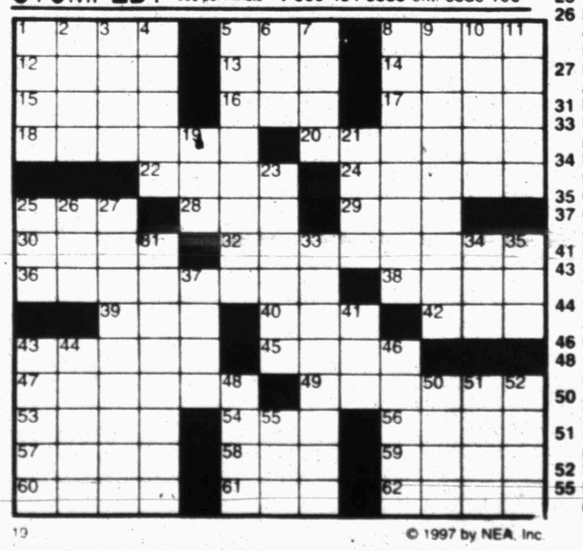

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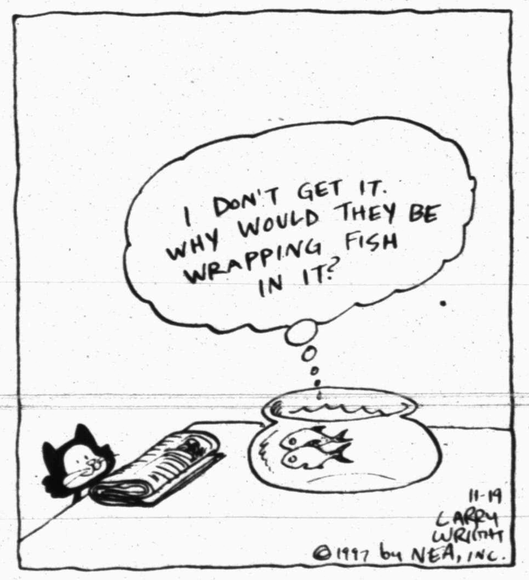

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SPORTS

Lady Tigers notch 61-41 victory in season opener

Youth was well served Tuesday night for the Lady Tigers.

Freshman Kameron Kallemeyn led all scorers with 14 points Tuesday night, as the Lady Tigers topped San Angelo Lake View, 61-41, in the season opener for both teams.

"I thought we played with a lot of tenacity all night," Snyder coach Rick Archer said. "We wear a patch with the initials "R.H." on it, dedicating this season to the memory of Rick Hall. I thought the girls showed a lot of hustle and played hard."

Senior Jamie Burleson connected on a three-pointer just before the end of the first quarter, giving the Lady Tigers a 16-9 lead at the end of one.

Fouls would be a problem for both teams thoughout the game, as Snyder junior Alicia Peoples picked up her third with 2:08 remaining in the half.

But the Lady Tigers' freshmen played well when called upon.

"All four of the freshman gave us quality minutes," Archer stated. "Kallemeyn has struggled some in practice, but she said once she got in the game, she wasn't nervous at all. She did a terrific job."

After leading, 26-20, at halftime, the Lady Tigers went on a 10-2 run to start the third quarter. Snyder used the spurt to hold a 41-30 advantage, heading into the final stanza.

In the fourth, the Lady Tigers posted 20 points, while holding the Maidens to only 11.

Snyder made 61 percent of its shots from the field in the final quarter, but struggled from the free throw line. The Lady Tigers were 4 of 10 from the stripe.

"We need to improve on our free throw shooting," Archer remarked, "And that's what I told the girls after the game. I told them they did a great job hustling and holding the turnovers to only 16, which is pretty good for the first game. But I said that they had to improve from the free throw line."

The Lady Tigers now face San Angelo Central at 11 a.m. Thursday at the Howard College Tournament in Big Spring.

A Snyder victory would set up a contest at 11 a.m. Friday against either El Paso Ysleta, Merkel or Midland High. A loss for the Lady Tigers would put them into a 2 p.m. match-up on Friday against one of the same three teams.

Also competing in the tourney, which ends with the championship game at 6 p.m. Saturday, are El Paso Parkland, Coleman, Big Spring, Abilene Wylie and Midland Lee.

Following action at Howard College, Snyder travels to Abilene High on Tuesday, before returning home to face Clyde Nov. 29.

Lake View (41)
Leifeste 2 6-8 11; Bulloch 0 4-11 4; Lee 2 5-12 9; Bartz 2 2-2 6; Irvin 1 1-2 4; Geffers 1 0-0 2; Hogeda 1 0-3 2; Rodriguez 1 1-2 4; Teague 1 0-0 2; Totals 11 19-43 41.
Snyder (61)
Hall 2 2-6 7; Delce 2 3-5 7; Kidd 4 2-2 10; Hess 4 0-0 8; Peoples 3 2-4 8; McGuire 1 1-4 3; Burleson 1 0-0 3; Kallemeyn 6 2-5 14; Murray 0 1-3 1; Totals 23 13-30 61.
Three-point goals: Lake View 2 (Leifeste, Rodriguez), Snyder 2 (Hall, Burleson); **Total fouls:** Lake View 27, Snyder 28; **Fouled out:** Lake View — Leifeste, Bartz, Irvin, Snyder — Peoples.

TIGHT DEFENSE — Snyder guard Shannon Hall is closely defended by a Lake View player during action Tuesday night at the SHS gym. The Lady Tigers topped the Maidens, 61-41, in the season opener and now face San Angelo Central at 11 a.m. Thursday in Big Spring. (SDN Staff Photo)

Tigers' shooting goes cold; SHS falls to Central 58-44

Some nights the ball just won't go in.

Tuesday was one of those nights for the Snyder Tigers, as they shot only 28 percent from the field in a 58-44 loss to San Angelo Central, in the season opener for both teams.

"You can't shoot 28 percent from the field and win ballgames," Snyder coach Bud Birks said. "Once Central went to a zone defense, we started struggling.

"We couldn't hit any of our three-pointers to loosen up the zone. We just didn't shoot the ball very well."

The night began positively for the Tigers, as they outscored the Bobcats, 15-6, at one point, to lead 19-10 at the end of the first quarter.

But in the second, Central began playing a zone defense. The Bobcats went on a 13-0 run, in which the Tigers went scoreless for 3:31.

A free throw by Chad Carter broke the drought for Snyder at the :28 mark of the first half. Carter then connected on a three-pointer with only 2 seconds left, bringing the Tigers within two at 29-27.

During the course of the second quarter, Snyder guard Alvin Fabre picked up his fourth personal foul, which was costly according to Birks.

"Alvin picking up his fourth foul in the first half hurt us," Birks stated. "He is one of our better passers and can make things happen from the point."

The second half was much like the second quarter.

The Bobcats stayed with the zone, sagging to inside, overplaying Tiger leading scorer Jimmy Taylor.

Taylor finished the night with 16 points despite playing the entire fourth quarter with four fouls.

Taylor scored at the 4:04 mark of the third to bring the Tigers within one of the lead at 32-31.

But a Central 7-point run quickly gave the Bobcats some breathing room once again.

Snyder threatened to close the margin with just over a minute left in the quarter, when Taylor used a baseline spin move for a layup, cutting the deficit to 39-33.

But Central's Chris Fields, stole an inbound's pass and dribbled the length of the court for a dunk. Central added another layup as time expired in the third, for a 43-33 lead.

Once again in the fourth, Snyder would make a run.

Chris Riggins hit a three-pointer, followed by two free throws, bringing the tally to 45-41.

But the Tigers would get no closer, as Central continued to get easy shots, while the Tigers were forced to take outside jumpers.

"They were getting layups and we were taking jump shots," Birks said. "That and the fact that we didn't make our free throws down the stretch, cost us."

Snyder missed seven consecutive attempts from the line in the fourth, as Central pulled away for the 58-44 win.

The Tigers will be in action again at 7:30 Friday in Andrews.

Central (58)
Fields 12 2-3 26; Brumm 3 4-5 16; Keim 3 0-0 6; Rodgers 1 2-2 4; Patyrak 1 2-2 4; Chadwick 1 0-0 2.
Snyder (44)
Taylor 6 3-9 16; Riggins 2 5-6 10; Delce 2 0-2 4; Carter 1 3-4 6; Cobb 1 2-2 4.
Three-point goals: Central 2 (Brumm), Snyder 3 (Riggins, Taylor, Carter); **Rebounds:** Central 23, Snyder 45 (Taylor 18).

Cards fall 63-59 in season opener

The Hermleigh Cardinals jumped to an early lead, before falling to Lueders-Avoca, 63-59, Tuesday night in the season opener.

The Cardinals, led by Larry Lambaren's 17 points, held an 18-12 advantage at the end of the first quarter.

Each team posted 12 points in the second period, making the tally 30-24 at halftime.

But Lueders would outscore Hermleigh, 39-29, over the final 16 minutes of play, claiming the 63-59 victory.

Hermleigh's Juan Garza scored 13 points, while Caleb Callaway poured in 11 more.

Jason Hernandez posted eight points and Joey Garza registered six. Trey Roemisch and Billy Lambaren finished with two each.

Jackson records first win at WTC...

Lady Westerners hold on to squeak by Cisco 72-68

Western Texas College posted its first victory of the season here Tuesday night — a hard-fought one that came despite being caught in the grip of foul trouble most of the second half.

"It's huge. We've been working for this one," Westerners Coach Valery Jackson said of the 72-68 win over Cisco Junior College.

"It was so important. Out of the six games we've played, four of the teams have been in the top 20. Cisco beat us by 10 at their place so it was really important for us to win this one at home."

It was also the first win as coach of the Lady Westerners for Jackson, who had to be out of town on a personal matter and arrived as her team was taking a 36-33 lead into halftime. Assistant Marla Beasley directed the squad until Jackson arrived.

"I don't know if I can comment on this game or not — I missed the whole first half," said Jackson, herself a former standout player at WTC. "The win was important for me, too, but the main thing has been seeing the girls work hard and improve."

Western got key on-floor leadership from Christy Wells, who scored 21 points — including 5 of 6 shots from the line in the final two minutes. The 5-10 freshman from Lubbock Monterey spent the last nine minutes of the game balancing her usual aggressive style against four fouls.

"I have a lot of faith in Christy. She's a real intelligent player. I knew she would be careful not to foul out," said Jackson. "Now Pamela surprised me. She didn't pick up her fifth and she's like our foul-out queen," the coach joked.

Six-foot-two Pamela Odhuoug'o chalked her fourth foul with more than 15 minutes left to play in the game, joining Lacedra Miller, who got number four as the second half began.

Whitney Kimbley, Latasha Vizcorrondo and Wells also became a part of the four-on-the-floor club and Miller, Vizcorrondo and Kimbley would eventually be whistled to the bench.

The difference in the game was a scrappy, 10-1 run put together by Western Texas 12 minutes into the second half, leading just 56-55 at the time.

Mary Kilibwa hit one free throw and Miller added two more to start the run. Miller fouled out with 7:21 left, sending CJC's Stacy Lawrence to the line. Lawrence connected on one of two to make it 59-56, but Western's Jennifer Shuttlesworth canned a jumper and Wells put a rebound back up and in at the six-minute mark.

Shuttlesworth then rocked the small coliseum crowd with a 3-pointer, giving Western a 66-56 advantage.

The rest of WTC's points came at the free throw line, with Wells getting five of them. Just as important, the Westerners went to the boards well in the final seconds and a relentless defense caused several turnovers.

Jennifer Bergefield scored a short jumper with 13 seconds left to pull the Wranglers within two, 70-68, but Wells' two free shots with under eight seconds sealed the win. Just to be sure, Kilibwa snagged an errant Cisco pass as time ran out.

Kimbley had 12 points for WTC while Miller put in 11, Odhuoug'o 9 and Shuttlesworth 8. Four other girls scored.

The Wranglers got 9 each from Gladys Momochi and LeAnna Hanson and 8 from Lawrence and Shelly Sullivan.

The Lady Westerners (1-5) will be on the court again at 4 p.m. Thursday against Abilene Christian JV in the Lady Hawks' Classic at Big Spring.

Cisco (68) - Gladys Momochi 4 1-4 9; Kim King 1 3-4 5; T. Veal 2 0-0 4; Stacy Lawrence 1 4-6 8; LeAnna Hanson 3 2-2 9; Jennifer Bergefield 3 0-0 7; Erin Clancy 1 0-0 2; Heather Anthony 1 2-4 4; Carrie Shields 1 4-6 6; Shelly Sullivan 3 1-3 8; Kristy Odom 2 1-2 6; Leslie Jacobs 1 0-0 2; Totals 23 18-31 68.
WTC (72) - Lacedra Miller 3 5-6 11; Tonelle Hanna 1 0-0 2; Latasha Vizcorrondo 2 1-2 5; Glorinda Segay 0 1-2 1; Christy Wells 6 8-10 21; Jennifer Shuttlesworth 3 0-0 8; Whitney Kimbley 4 1-2 12; Pamela Odhuoug'o 3 3-4 9; Mary Kilibwa 0 3-4 2; Totals 22 22-30 72.
Halftime: WTC 36, CJC 33; **3-Point Goals:** CJC 4 (Hanson 1, Bergefield 1, Sullivan 1, Odom 1), WTC 6 (Wells 1, Shuttlesworth 2, Kimbley 3); **Total Fouls:** CJC 24, WTC 26; **Fouled Out:** CJC - Shields, WTC - Miller Vizcorrondo, Kimbley.

Switzer says Dallas won't be bullied

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys have dominated the Green Bay Packers in the 1980s and 1990s.

But there's still something they haven't done. They've never won a game at Lambeau Field, site of Sunday's meeting with the Packers.

That doesn't mean they're intimidated to go there.

"We're not going to be awed because Green Bay won the Super Bowl last year," coach Barry Switzer said Tuesday. "Our guys still think they're Super Bowl champions because they have won three of them in the 1990s."

There are some interesting streaks going into the game. The Cowboys have defeated the Packers in their last eight meetings, including last year, when Green Bay was Super Bowl bound. However, seven of those victories were at Texas Stadium. The other was in Milwaukee in 1991.

The Cowboys are 0-3 at Lambeau.

"What happened in the past has nothing to do with this game," Switzer said. "This game is a big game for a lot of people. The people in Green Bay have had this one marked on their calendars for a long time.

"But it has a different flavor than what everybody predicted. This game is significant because both teams need a win. Green Bay is fighting for its division and needs a win. We need a win to go 7-5. Then if we win the rest of our games at home we could be 10-6 which is the record we had last year and it got us into the playoffs."

Switzer said the reason the Cowboys have had success against the Packers is matchups.

"Troy Aikman, Emmitt Smith, and Michael Irvin have all played well against Green Bay," Switzer said. "They have to step up again on Sunday."

Dallas got some good injury news from trainer Jim Maurer on Tuesday. Maurer said offensive tackle Erik Williams, who missed the Washington game with a leg injury, will return to practice.

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Washington	12	7	3	27	66	56
N.Y.Rangers	7	7	7	21	54	51
N.Y.Islanders	8	8	4	20	56	50
Florida	6	10	4	16	43	60
TampaBay	2	16	2	6	34	72

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	14	5	2	30	71	45
Boston	11	7	3	25	55	49
Ottawa	9	9	4	22	62	57
Pittsburgh	9	9	4	22	59	59
Carolina	8	10	3	19	58	62
Buffalo	5	10	4	14	47	61

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
St.Louis	15	5	2	32	72	47
Detroit	13	5	4	30	73	52
Dallas	12	6	4	28	70	55
Phoenix	10	8	2	22	63	56
Chicago	7	12	2	16	40	55
Toronto	6	10	3	15	38	56

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	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
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LosAngeles	9	8	4	22	72	60
Anaheim	8	9	5	21	56	63
Edmonton	5	11	5	15	49	73
SanJose	7	14	1	15	57	71
Vancouver	5	13	3	13	53	74
Calgary	3	14	5	11	54	73

Monday's Games
Boston 4, Ottawa 2
Montreal 4, Tampa Bay 1
St. Louis 3, Toronto 2
Phoenix 6, Edmonton 3

Tuesday's Games
New Jersey 2, Calgary 1
Colorado 6, Washington 6, tie
N.Y. Rangers 3, Florida 1
San Jose 4, Anaheim 2

Wednesday's Games
Boston at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.
Montreal at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Rangers at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Toronto, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.
Edmonton at Dallas, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Anaheim, 9:30 p.m.

Thursday's Games
Buffalo at Boston, 6:30 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at New Jersey, 6:30 p.m.
San Jose at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.
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Edmonton at St. Louis, 7:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Vancouver, 9:30 p.m.
Chicago at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.

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Washington	4	6	.400	2½
Philadelphia	2	6	.250	3½

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	W	L	Pct	GB
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Chicago	6	4	.600	4½
Milwaukee	6	4	.600	4½
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Detroit	4	7	.364	7
Toronto	1	9	.100	9½

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Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
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Minnesota	6	3	.667	-
Utah	5	5	.500	1½
Vancouver	5	6	.455	2
Houston	4	5	.444	2
Dallas	3	7	.300	3½
Denver	0	9	.000	6

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
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Portland	7	2	.778	2
Phoenix	6	2	.750	2½
Seattle	7	3	.700	2½
Sacramento	3	7	.300	6½
L.A.Clippers	1	9	.100	8½
GoldenState	0	8	.000	8½

Monday's Game
Portland 120, Dallas 75

Tuesday's Games
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Atlanta 98, Washington 89, OT
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Minnesota 108, Phoenix 90
Sacramento 102, Dallas 95

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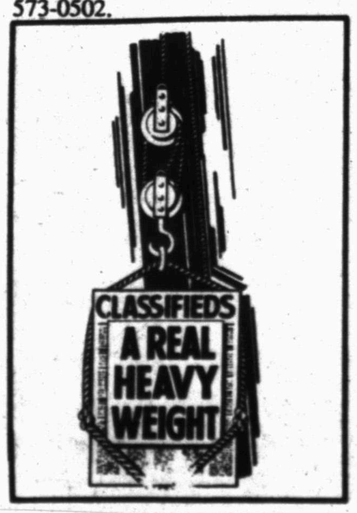

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Take precautions to avoid skin cancer

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am 15 years old, with a light complexion, and have been severely sunburned on my chest several times in the past two years. I am probably at risk for skin cancer. How do I get tested?

DEAR READER: You're correct that frequent sunburning is associated with a subsequent risk of skin cancer. In my opinion, you should check your skin now and then for new lesions, especially dark ones that bleed or irregular ones that don't heal. Your family doctor can advise you about the necessity of an examination by a qualified health professional.

If you were to develop skin cancer from sun exposure, the problem would probably not appear for decades. Thus, I urge you to exercise prudence in the future: Avoid sunburn, be careful of direct sunlight and use an SPF 15 sunblock when appropriate. Don't become alarmed. Although ultraviolet light adds to your risk of skin cancer, it is by no means a foregone conclusion that you will develop it as you grow older.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Can a person forget how to breathe? I have emphysema and have been taught special breathing exercises to help overcome it. However, my over-controlling husband, who blames me for everything, says that I'm stupid and have forgotten how to breathe.

DEAR READER: How cruel. Your husband should be ashamed of himself.

Patients with chronic lung diseases haven't forgotten how to breathe. Rather, their usual muscles of respiration are not powerful enough to overcome the lung disorders.

For example, emphysema causes the lungs to fill with stale air that is difficult to expel. As the lungs trap more air, their volume increases. This pushes down the diaphragm, which is the major muscle of respiration and separates the chest from the abdomen. As the diaphragm is depressed downward, it loses its contractile strength, leading to the panting respiration that you probably experience. Moreover, the overfilled lungs also expand laterally, causing the chest wall to stretch, resulting in a "barrel-shaped" chest that further stresses the respiratory muscles.

The purpose of special breathing exercises is to train you to use accessory muscles of respiration, such as the abdominal muscles. Once you get the hang of the novel feeling from your new breathing mechanics, your respirations should be less labored.

You are learning new skills. You haven't forgotten how to breathe. It seems your husband has forgotten, however — forgotten how to be a loving and supportive partner.

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

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Real life cop

TERRELL (AP) — Chuck Norris took a page from "Walker, Texas Ranger" and played the real-life role of a drug cop.

The star of the CBS-TV drama, a two-year reserve officer for the Terrell Police Department, took part in a raid of three cocaine distribution rings. In all, 67 people were arrested Tuesday and charged with distributing crack cocaine.

Police Chief Geoffrey Whitt said at least one of the suspects appeared confused as Norris read him his rights. He asked, "Is this a movie?"

Markets

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AMR Corp	115 15-16 115 115 13-16— ⅛
AT&T Corp	52⅝ 52 52⅝+ ¼
AirTouch	38 13-16 38 7-16 38 11-16— ⅛
Albertsons	37 5-16 37 37 5-16+ 1-16
AlldSignal s	36 7-16 35⅞ 36⅝+ 5-16
Alltel	37⅝ 37⅜ 37 7-16— 7-16
AmerOnline	74⅝ 73⅛ 74⅝+ ⅛
AmStoress	20 3-16 19 15-16 20 1-16+ 1-16
Ameritech	75⅝ 74⅝ 75⅝— ⅛
Amoco	92 13-16 92⅛ 92⅝— ¼
AndarkPtr	70⅝ 68⅞ 69⅝— 1⅛
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Aviall	13⅝ 12 13-16 13⅝+ ⅛
BakerHughes	43⅝ 42⅝ 43⅝+ ¼
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BellSouth	53⅝ 52 13-16 53⅝— 9-16
BethSteel	10⅝ 10⅝ 10⅝— ⅛
BritPet s	88 13-16 88⅝ 88 11-16+ 1-16
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Chevron	82 13-16 82 82⅝— 3-16
Chrysler	33⅝ 32⅞ 33⅝+ 1-16
Coastal	60 11-16 60⅝ 60 5-16— ⅜
CocaCola	60 59⅝ 60 + ⅛
ColgatePalm s	64⅝ 63⅝ 64⅝+ 3-16
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DowChem	97⅝ 96⅝ 97⅝+11-16
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EastmanChem	60⅝ 59 15-16 60 — ¼
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EDS Corp	38⅝ 37 13-16 38 — ⅜
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Exxon s	62 5-32 61⅝ 62 — 3-16
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Flowers s	20⅝ 20 20 1-16+ 1-16
FordMotor	43 5-16 42 15-16 43 1-16—11-16
GTE Cp	48⅝ 47⅞ 48 + ⅛
GenDynam	83⅝ 83 1-16 83⅝— 5-16
GenElecs	70 3-16 69⅝ 70⅝+ 9-16
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IntlPaper	47 5-16 46 13-16 47 — ⅛
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Sprint	58 9-16 58 58 3-16— ⅜
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TNP Ent	26⅝ 26⅛ 26⅝
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TexUtil	37⅞ 37 37 3-16+ ⅛
Textron s	57 7-16 56⅛ 57 7-16+15-16
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Travelers wi	48⅝ 48⅛ 48⅝+ ⅛
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TrinityInds	45⅝ 45 45⅛— ⅛
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WinnDixie	39⅝ 38⅝ 39 1-16+ ⅛
Woolworth	20 1-16 19⅝ 19⅝— ⅛
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From the founding fathers

By Phillip Alder

There are three independently published bridge magazines in England. The youngest, Bridge Plus, is the one I think most of you would enjoy — except that you mustn't mind the Acol bidding. It is a monthly aimed squarely at the majority of avid players. There is very little for the expert.

As an example, here's a deal from the Improver Page. How would you play in three no-trump after West has led the spade jack?

There is a natural impulse to take an immediate club finesse. Fine if it loses, but what do you do if it wins?

Before leaping, look — count your top tricks. Here, you have seven: three spades, two hearts, one diamond and one club. So, you need *two* more tricks. Obviously, if the club finesse is working, you can get the tricks there. But what if the finesse is losing and East knows enough to duck smoothly the first time? Then you'll need the ninth trick from diamonds.

After winning trick one, duck a diamond.

Let's suppose East takes the trick and switches to the heart queen. Win and now take the club finesse. After it wins, as it must, continue with the ace and another diamond. Are they 3-3? If so, claim. If not, take a second club finesse.

Why not take the club finesse before ducking a diamond? Because a good West will win with the diamond 10 and return a club, forcing you to commit yourself before you know the diamond position.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 11-19-97
♠ 6 4
♥ 5 3 2
♦ 7 5 3
♣ A J 10 9 3

West
♠ J 10 9 7 5
♥ 9 6 4
♦ K 10 4
♣ 8 2

East
♠ 8 2
♥ Q J 10 8
♦ Q J 9
♣ K 7 6 5

South
♠ A K Q 3
♥ A K 7
♦ A 8 6 2
♣ Q 4

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ J

Officers note just one arrest

Snyder area peace officers made one arrest and investigated a theft Tuesday.

A DPS trooper arrested a 19-year-old male near Western Texas College at 9:43 a.m. on city warrants for expired motor vehicle registration and failure to appear. The subject was taken to Municipal Court where an agreement was made to pay the fines. He was then released.

At 9:39 a.m., Betty Rawlings contacted police in reference to the theft of some lawn furniture. A report for Class B theft was filed.

Police were requested at the Snyder ISD bus barn at 3:34 p.m. in reference to an aide being assaulted by four juvenile females on the Hobbs bus. The juveniles were transported to the Law Enforcement Center and an offense report for disorderly conduct/fighting was submitted. There were no injuries.

Officers were called to the south side of Central Elementary at 3:54 p.m. in reference to juveniles involved in a verbal disturbance. The juveniles were told to leave the area.

At 5:07 p.m., police were dispatched to Stanfield Elementary in reference to two subjects arguing over children.

Peace officers also handled reports of loud music, possible prowlers, motorists who had locked themselves out of their vehicles and complaints of reckless drivers.

Births

Kinney and Ronda Robinson of Gatesville announce the birth of their son, John Miller Robinson. He was born, weighing eight pounds and one ounce, at 2:28 p.m. Nov. 18 in Hillcrest Baptist Medical Center in Waco.

Paternal grandparents are the Rev. Miller and Sandra Robinson of Snyder and maternal grandparents are Ronald and Marilyn Atterbury of Gatesville. His great-grandparents are Paul and Gola Atterbury of Marceline, Mo., and J.W. and Marjorie Webb of Gatesville.

Jurors convict man of murder

LEVELLAND — Jurors took just 45 minutes Tuesday to convict 20-year-old James Covington of murdering Eric Jackson, in a shooting his attorney said was "to save face."

Today, jurors are to decide punishment for Covington, who had confessed to the May 14, 1997 crime. In a statement read to jurors by prosecutor Gary Goff, Covington said "...I couldn't believe how coldblooded I was."

Jackson, who was 22 when he was killed, was the brother of Valery Jackson of Snyder.

According to trial testimony, Covington had sold Jackson an ounce of marijuana for $100. Jackson returned the bag later in the evening, however, saying he was unable to find his billfold. But, said Goff, Covington and his friends determined that a quarter ounce was missing from the bag.

They found Jackson and invited him to a party in the country, where Covington shot him twice.

Floyd Holder, Covington's attorney, told jurors that the defendant caved in to peer pressure. He wanted to "save face" Holder said.

But Goff told jurors it was a deliberate, senseless act of murder.

Another man, 20-year-old David Gonzalez, has also been charged with murder in Jackson's death. He is to be tried at a later date.

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U.S., Russian, British diplomats say...

Iraq must back down, allow inspections

UNITED NATIONS (AP) — Saddam Hussein must back down and allow American arms inspectors back into Iraq before the United Nations comes through with offered concessions, U.S., Russian and British diplomats insisted today.

"We believe that there are no compromises on UNSCOM," U.S. Ambassador Bill Richardson said, using the acronym for the U.N. Special Commission on Iraq, which is monitoring Iraqi weapons programs. "It should be a strong, unfettered UNSCOM ... Iraq must reverse course."

Russian Ambassador Sergey Lavrov also said Saddam's acceptance of U.N. orders to reverse his stand must be "unconditional."

The Security Council met today to review the U.N. inspection program in light of Iraq's expulsion of the Americans and the U.N. decision to withdraw the non-Americans inspectors in protest.

Diplomats, speaking on condition of anonymity, said several council members were concerned that the decision by chief inspector Richard Butler to pull out virtually the entire team had effectively killed the on-ground monitoring operation.

Russian Foreign Minister Yevgeny Primakov said he would meet in Geneva on Thursday with his U.S., British and French counterparts to try to settle the weapons inspections crisis.

The Geneva meeting follows talks in Moscow between Primakov and Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz. Aziz also conferred with Russian President Boris Yeltsin.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright is expected at Thursday's pre-dawn meeting in Geneva, having cut short her visit to India for the talks.

The unusual starting time for Thursday's talks — 2 a.m. Geneva time — was chosen because that was the only time the foreign ministers could fit it into their schedules. Primakov arrived in Geneva today.

In 1990, Primakov unsuccessfully tried to head off military action against Iraq after it invaded Kuwait, touching off the Persian Gulf War.

The Kremlin says it is now trying to negotiate a peaceful end to the latest international crisis over Iraq, which was sparked by Saddam's expulsion of American members of the U.N. arms inspection teams.

All but a skeleton crew of weapons inspectors pulled out of Iraq after the Americans were kicked out.

Primakov, who had at least two meetings with Aziz this week, said "a certain program has been worked out that allows us, we think, to avoid ... a confrontation, to avoid the use of force and achieve a settlement."

The United States has rushed manpower and air power into the region.

Ex-husband denies responsibility for Bellush's murder

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — A slain woman's former husband was playing golf the day the mother of quadruplets was killed in Florida, according to one of two Texas men arrested on murder-conspiracy charges.

Allen Blackthorne's lawyer told the San Antonio Express-News on Tuesday that his client is a friend and golfing partner of the two men accused of conspiring to have ex-wife Sheila Bellush murdered.

"We do not contest what has been reported about them being friends or playing golf together," attorney Roy Barrera said of Blackthorne, Daniel Alex Rocha and Samuel Gonzalez.

"The sooner this matter is brought to a conclusion the better, and I mean as soon as we are vindicated for having no responsibility in the death of this lady," Barrera told the newspaper.

On the day of the slaying, Rocha called the newspaper to say he had been playing golf with Blackthorne earlier that day.

Texas Rangers arrested Rocha, 29, and the 27-year-old Gonzalez on Monday on charges of conspiracy to commit first-degree murder in the slaying of Mrs. Bellush, who formerly lived in San Antonio.

The men remained in the Bexar County Jail today in lieu of $1 million bond each while law officers on both sides of the U.S.-Mexico border searched for what the Texas Rangers described as their prime suspect.

"There's definitely more to the entire event," Sarasota County sheriff's Lt. Bill Stookey said Tuesday. But he refused to elaborate, saying to do so would hamper the investigation.

Mrs. Bellush's funeral is set Thursday in Newton, N.J., where her husband's family lives.

Madrigal Dinners' tickets being sold

The regal pageantry and ceremonial pomp of Merrie Olde England will be brought to life in December through two Madrigal Dinners to be staged by Snyder High School choir students.

The Madrigal Singers will create this event in the ballroom of the Martha Ann Woman's Club at 7:30 p.m. on Dec. 1 and 2.

Tickets are $15 per person and reservations can be made by calling 573-6301. The remittance may also be mailed to Tickets, Choral Department, Snyder High School, 2901 37th St., Snyder, Tex. 79549, or brought to the high school office.

There will be no refunds given for unused tickets. Reserve tickets will be held until one day prior to the performance.

The doors of the ballroom will open at 7 p.m. on performance nights. Guests are requested to be seated before the opening processional which begins promptly at 7:30 p.m.

"The Madrigal Dinner will be a unique and exciting way to express to friends the memory of Christmas," said Rhonda Haire, choir director. "We look forward to having you as our guest."

Ohio's ban on some abortions is ruled unconstitutional

CINCINNATI (AP) — Ohio's ban on certain late-term abortions — the first of many such laws enacted across the country — is unconstitutional and cannot be enforced, a federal appeals court has ruled.

U.S. District Judge Walter Rice of Dayton ruled in December 1995 that the law imposed unacceptable burdens on a woman's life, health and right to choose an abortion. His decision was upheld Tuesday in a 2-1 ruling by a three-judge panel of the 6th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Kathy Helmbock, spokeswoman for Cincinnati's chapter of the National Organization for Women, said the court was "wise to strike down this legislation because it is an unprecedented first step by politicians to dictate medical care."

Jane Hoffman, spokeswoman for Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati, said the appeals court "ignored the consensus of legislators, religious leaders, medical professionals and the American people."

Lawyers have said any decision from the circuit court would likely be appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court, which has denied full review to any case dealing directly with abortion rights since its 1992 ruling that barred states from banning most abortions.

The Ohio law, approved four months before Rice's ruling, would ban the procedure unless it was required to save a woman's life.

Mother receives prison sentence

TACOMA, Wash. (AP) — A woman who was caught on a hospital video camera cutting off the air supply of her 2-month-old daughter has been sentenced to nearly 10 years in prison.

Prosecutors reduced the charge from attempted murder to first-degree assault in exchange for a guilty plea from Andrea I. Guzman, 24.

Doctors had said she might suffer from a rare mental disorder, Munchausen syndrome by proxy, in which people try to induce medical problems in another to attract attention.

"We would have had ... problems proving she intended to kill her daughter, given what we suspect her motives were," said deputy prosecutor Gregory Greer.

After Ms. Guzman made repeated trips to Mary Bridge Children's Medical Center last spring complaining that her daughter, Angel, was having trouble breathing, doctors finally put a video camera in the baby's room.

A tape showed Ms. Guzman cutting off her daughter's breathing by placing her hand over the baby's nose and mouth several times, prosecutors said.

Ms. Guzman was sentenced Tuesday by Pierce County Superior Court Judge Bryan Chushcoff. The defendant told the court she did not remember trying to smother her child but acknowledged she needs treatment.

Neither the defense nor the prosecution had Guzman examined by psychologists. Defense counsel Dino Sepe said Munchausen's syndrome is not formally recognized in any state as a defense to criminal charges.

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Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Cogdell Memorial Hospital Auxiliary; board room; all members are urged to attend; 10 a.m.

Upper Colorado SWCD meeting; country club; noon.

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 6:30 p.m.

Snyder Chapter 450 Order of the Eastern Star; Masonic Hall, 1912 35th; 7:30 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.

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

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

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

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

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

SATURDAY

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

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

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

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Head Start registration

Scurry County Head Start will open a new classroom Jan. 6. Registration continues today and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Snyder Child Day Care Center, 2800 2nd St.

The class will be for children who turned 3 years old on or before Aug. 19, 1997, and for 4-year-olds. Birth certificates, immunization records and proof of income will be required. For more information, call 573-7403.

Snyder Heath Care Thanksgiving

The annual Thanksgiving supper for the residents and families of Snyder Health Care Center will be at 6 p.m. Thursday. Families are urged to attend and it is requested they bring vegetables, salads and desserts.

Ira Bulldog annuals

The 1998 Ira Bulldog annuals are on sale until Friday. Cost is $22 with a name on the cover; $20 without. Supply is limited.

Springers benefit

Snyder Springers will sponsor a dance at Towle Park Barn from 8 p.m. to midnight Friday. The dance, featuring a live DJ, will be for those junior high age and older.

AARP bake sale

The American Association of Retired Persons will have a bake sale from 8 a.m. until noon Saturday at Wal-Mart.

Joint worship service

Scurry County Ministerial Alliance will host its annual Thanksgiving workship service at 7 p.m. Sunday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. The service will include pastors and music from many of the area churches as well as a message from First Presbyterian's Nan Swanson.

The offering taken helps to support the Food Cupboard, provide for transients in need, and provide help for those facing the cutoff of utilities. It is hoped that $4,000 can be raised.

A community choir will perform under the direction of Larry Wesson, music minister at Colonial Hill. Anyone wishing to participate is asked to meet in the choir loft at 6:30 p.m.

Bible study tapes on TV

Bible study video tapes run weekly on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The next tape, "What Did He Mean by That?" will air at 7 p.m. Monday.

Fire department Thanksgiving

Snyder Fire Department will hold its 68th Thanksgiving Banquet at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Country Club.

Poinsettia sale

Snyder High School choir members are taking orders for their annual poinsettia sale. The plants will arrive at the high school on Dec. 1 and students will deliver them that week. The plants come in three colors: white, red and red with white spots. They are $10 each, to be paid at the time of delivery.

Shelled pecan halves

Snyder High School Technology Student Association (TSA Club) is selling shelled pecan halves at $6 per pound. Contact a club member to purchase.

Tiger banners for sale

Snyder Girls Hoops Club is selling Tiger banners for $25. Call 573-1769 or 573-4283. They will deliver.

Volleyball team fund-raiser

Snyder High School Lady Tigers volleyball team is selling 'Win Win Discount Cards' good through Nov. 30, 1998. The cards are $5 each and can be obtained from players, boosters or at the school office. The cards entitle the bearer to discounts at a number of local businesses.

Married For Life

Marriage Ministries International present Married For Life, an outreach program, at 7 p.m. Dec. 4 at the Union Community Center. Attendance at an Outreach Night is a prerequisite to participating in a Married for Life group. For more information, call 573-7471.

Historic Scurry County

Historic Scurry County is asking the public to share their ornaments, cookie cutters, cookie jars and nativity scenes for display at the Cornelius-Dodson House and Dermott School during the holidays. Call Jean Everett at 573-2763 or drop them by CountryPlace anytime or the Dodson House on Monday, Dec. 1 after 9:30 a.m.

Christmas tour of homes

A holiday tour of homes will be held from 2 to 5 p.m. Dec. 7. The event is hosted by Historic Scurry County Inc. and the Scurry County Historical Commission. Tickets for the tour are $10 and are available at Eddie's Pharmacy, Countryplace and Bar H Bar Family Outfitters.

Pick 3

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

5-0-5

Cash Five

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

6-15-26-35-36