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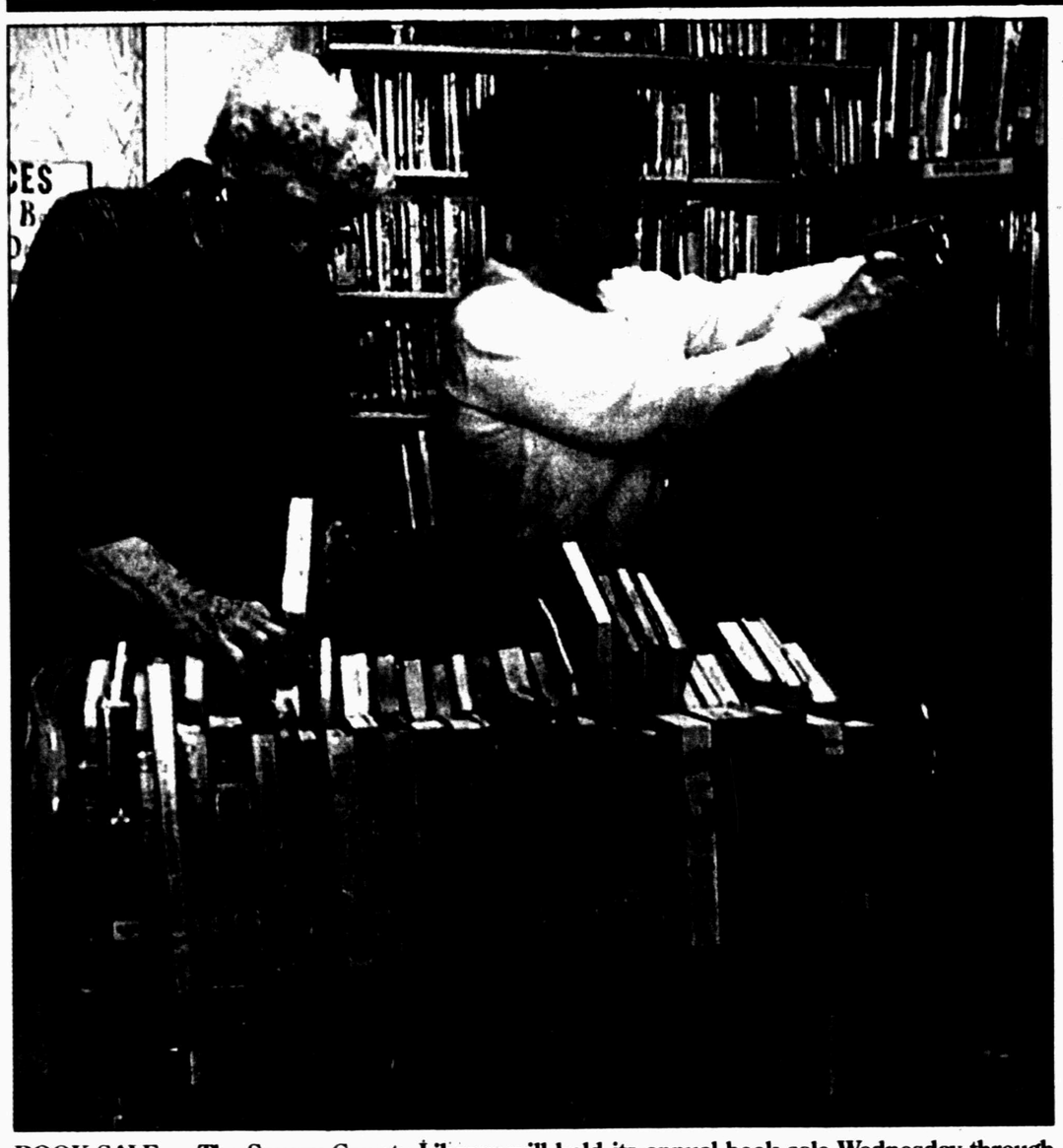

BOOK SALE — The Scurry County Library will hold its annual book sale Wednesday through Saturday beginning at 10 a.m. each day. Nona Bunch and Janie Romine straighten up for the sale. (SDN Staff Photo)

At former employee's request...

WTC board meeting to have public hearing

A public hearing involving a former employee is part of a full evening for Western Texas College trustees tonight.

Debbie Duddleston, who was terminated Feb. 14 from her duties as student activities director, has requested the public hearing, which is allowed under the Texas Open Meeting Law and WTC policy.

She has retained an attorney, Chad A. Cox of Stewart, Cox & Hatcher of San Angelo, and he is expected to be with her at the hearing.

College President Dr. Harry Krenek said he had no further information as to Duddleston's intent.

"She asked for the hearing and indicated she wanted it to be a public hearing. That is all of the information that I have," he said. "She has that right under our policy to request the hearing."

The board will meet in the college boardroom at 5:45 p.m. today and then go into executive session to confer with college attorney and Snyder native, Gary Terrell, now of Lubbock.

Trustees will adjourn to the dining room for dinner with Terrell to review the procedure that will be followed during the 8 p.m. hearing.

At 7 p.m., the board will reconvene in open session in the boardroom to handle a few agenda items including the employment of Troy Lilly as an assistant professor of science. Lilly currently is a teacher at Snyder High School and an adjunct professor for the college.

Trustees will also consider renewing the contract of Kimberly Merket, counselor.

An affirmative action workshop, to be presented by Terrell, is also included on the agenda.

"This is the primary reason for the meeting," Dr. Krenek said, noting that it was called prior to Duddleston's request for a hearing. "It will include all of the administrative staff, division chairs and the board. Basically, it is a refresher on the affirmative action process for individuals involved in the employment of personnel."

Krenek said the workshop was prompted by the presidential search and the fact that the board will soon enter the interview stage of finding his successor.

The public hearing with Duddleston will follow the workshop.

Following the hearing, the board will again enter executive session to discuss presidential applications that have been received.

Lee McNair leaving local school district

Lee McNair, Snyder Independent School District's assistant superintendent for business and finance, will soon be taking a similar position with the Duncanville school district.

McNair will become assistant superintendent for business and operations at the 5A school district on May 1.

McNair said he has met with that district's administration twice, and formal action on his new position is expected next Monday when the Duncanville trustees meet.

Lee McNair

McNair has been business manger of the Snyder district since July 1988. Prior to becoming associated with the school district, McNair worked in the accounting field. He holds degrees from University of Texas at Arlington and Texas Tech.

His wife, Debra, teaches fourth grade at East Elementary and she will finish the school year here, added McNair.

Both are 1970 graduates of Snyder High School. Their three children, Regina, Lisa and Justin, are also SHS graduates.

McNair's father, Wacil, served as editor of the Snyder Daily News, and his mother, Margie, taught in the local school system for 28 years.

"This was an extremely difficult decision for us to make," said McNair. "We have lived here most of our lives and Snyder will always be home to us."

Supt. Gayle Lomax said this morning that the position would be filled as soon as possible.

Six applications received for WTC president's post

Western Texas College has received six applications thus far for the position of president and could possibly receive a few additional ones, officials said this morning.

"We will accept anything postmarked by Friday," Marjann Morrow, accountant and affirmative action officer said this morning.

She said it is possible that applications could be received in today or tomorrow's mail with Friday postmarks.

The presidential application period closed Friday, but the campus was closed for spring break.

Trustees meet this evening and one of two scheduled executive sessions is to allow the opportunity for the board to review the applications.

Each board member will be provided with a set of resumes to study. The next phase will be for applicants to be screened by a three-trustee committee consisting of Lee Presswood, Carolyn Barbee and Scott Richburg.

Background and reference checks will be performed, and the applicants will then be narrowed down to those eligible for interviewing.

Presswood, who is president of the board, said names would be released to the public just prior to the interviews, which will be performed in executive session by the entire board.

He said that he expects the interviewing to begin at the end of April or early May.

Dr. Harry Krenek, current college president, will retire effective Aug. 31. He has been college president for the past 14 years.

McCain still optimistic about campaign finance law in 2001

WASHINGTON (AP) — Sen. John McCain sees a 60 percent chance that Congress will pass a major overhaul of campaign finance laws this year. Other senators are reluctant to predict.

"I'm optimistic that the Democrats and more Republicans will recognize that this change is badly needed," McCain, R-Ariz., said today. He said on CBS' "The Early Show" that he has been heartened by statements by Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., "about Democrats and their commitment to campaign finance reform."

With debate opening today, the question was whether McCain could attract enough of his fellow Republicans to the effort.

McCain said that while a majority of senators appear to favor further limits on campaign contributions, he fears opponents will offer amendments "that on the face look pretty good and yet are sort of like poison pills" that would kill the bill he is sponsoring with Sen. Russell Feingold, D-Wis.

Asked to rate the bill's chances of success on a scale of 1 to 10, McCain replied: "Six."

"It's going to be a free-for-all," said Sen. Don Nickles of Oklahoma, the second-ranking Senate Republican.

Nickles said on "Fox News Sunday" that while he expected a compromise to emerge from the two-week debate, he didn't know what the legislation would include.

Senators are deciding whether to ban "soft money" — contributions that go to the party rather than individual candidates — or limit it. They have a "historic moment of opportunity ... (that) will determine whether we're beholden to special interests," Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., said on CNN's "Late Edition."

DPS troopers arrest two in stolen vehicle

Two subjects from Alice are in Scurry County Jail this morning after being stopped by Department of Public Safety troopers in a stolen vehicle Sunday.

Shane Bridges Herren, 21, whose address is listed as Rt. 2 Box 101 K, Apt. A in Alice was arrested by Trooper Terry Snyder for unauthorized use of a motor vehicle around 5:45 p.m. Sunday. He was driving a 1996 Ford F-350 pickup reported stolen from San Patricio County.

Talona Jean McFatridge, 19, with the same address listed, was a passenger and was arrested for felony theft in connection with the stolen vehicle.

Sgt. Troy Wilson said the arrests came following a routine traffic stop by Trooper Snyder just north of town on U.S. Hwy. 84. Trooper James Arnwine assisted.

He said the vehicle was discovered stolen and further investigation linked the pair to two other stolen vehicles including one stolen from San Antonio and believed to be in Colorado, and one stolen from Alice and believed to be in San Antonio. Sgt. Wilson said the proper authorities in that state and those cities have been contacted.

The two are being held at the Scurry County Jail until it is determined when and where they will be extradited.

Man involved in chase is out of jail on bonds

A 40-year-old Colorado City man was released from jail Saturday morning following his arrest Friday night after leading law enforcement personnel on about a 15-minute chase.

Morgan David Wilkinson bonded out of jail at 11:35 a.m. Saturday on two $1,000 bonds.

He was arrested after a motorist notified dispatchers of a possible drunk driver west of Snyder on Highway 84 around 10:30 Friday night.

DPS trooper Kevin Edwards arrested the man after pursuing him at speeds over 100 miles per hour.

Commissioners have brief meeting with two business items

Scurry County Commissioners met for a brief meeting this morning, taking care of two items of new business.

The court declared this week as National Agriculture Week in Texas as proclaimed by Susan Combs, Texas Agricultural Commissioner.

It also appointed Rev. Miller Robinson to a post on the Scurry County Library board.

Two line-item transfers and two budget amendments were also granted.

One transfer in the amount of $700 was approved for the parks department, moving the funds from operating supplies to other equipment, to purchase a lawn mower.

A transfer was also granted for the justice of the peace office, moving $129.30 from office supplies to other equipment to purchase a chair.

The court also approved a budget amount for $331.17 for travel expenses for Constable Jeff Duck.

In addition, $3,203.70 was added to the justice of the peace budget to cover the cost of autopsies. Judge Ricky Fritz said the office usually budgets for three autopsies, and four have been performed already this year.

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

ASK US

Q—When will WTC hold its rodeo at Scurry County Coliseum?

A—The WTC rodeo is scheduled for April 5-7.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 54 degrees; low, 38; high Sunday, 44; low, 37; 7 a.m. Monday, 41; .21 of an inch precipitation; total for 2001, 4.13 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear, low lower to mid 30s. Tuesday, sunny, warmer, high lower to mid 70s. Tuesday night, mostly clear, low near 40.

Laura Ortega
Sunny

Sunset: 6:55 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:48 a.m.
Of 77 days in 2001, the sun has shone 68 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

What a pity human beings can't exchange problems. Everyone knows exactly how to solve the other fellow's.

—Olin Miller

MAR 19 2001

Ventura still outrageous, still people's choice

ST. PAUL, Minn. (AP) — Gov. Jesse Ventura's speech welcoming northern Minnesotans to the Capitol was to be a highlight of the Duluth Days celebration, an annual trip to St. Paul to put a friendly face on the state's third-largest city.

Instead, it blew up in a cantankerous debate when an audience member asked whether Ventura would consider expanding his budget to include more money for education.

"I will be open to it, but then you will have to be open to taking it out of somewhere else," snapped Ventura, already raw from days of budget criticism.

When the man pointed out that the state had a massive budget surplus, Ventura launched a lecture: Budget surpluses are created by overtaxation, he said. When another crowd member shook his head, Ventura grew angrier.

"You can shake your head all you want, I'm telling you facts," he growled.

In many ways, Minnesota's governor in 2001 is the same defiant outsider who crashed state government with his stunning election in 1998. Despite his numerous moneymaking outside jobs and his confrontational style, Ventura maintains a high approval rating.

A recent poll indicated that while half of Minnesotans think Ventura's role as an analyst for the new XFL football league is inappropriate, 55 percent of those surveyed believe he is doing a good to excellent job as governor. Twenty-eight percent rated him as fair.

"He's doing his job in politics and he's doing his job here," said Jesse Luna, a 29-year-old construction worker, while watching a recent XFL game at a Mall of America bar.

Former congressman Tim Penny said he's not surprised by such reactions.

"Unlike most politicians, he's given a lot more flexibility by voters," said Penny, one of Ventura's closest advisers. "He benefits from his celebrity status."

Ventura has angered some legislators and voters with some of his personal activities — a Playboy interview in which he called religion a crutch for the weak-minded, for instance, and book tours with state-paid security. But he also has shown a commitment to changing the way state government operates.

His budget proposes bold tax reform. Ventura wants to cut property, sales and income tax rates and shift most elementary and secondary education costs from local property taxes to the state, while extending the sales tax to many services that aren't now taxed, such as haircuts.

Fiscal policy experts nationally credit Ventura for tackling such a sweeping initiative. Within the state, however, he faces plenty of opposition from people who think his budget is stingy and puts tax cuts ahead of important needs such as higher education.

Ventura's history suggests he is likely to veto any spending above the figure he set. During his two years in office, he's already seen six vetoes overridden — by far the most of any governor dating to 1939, when such statistics were first compiled.

"I wear it like a badge of honor," he growled.

But perhaps in spite of himself, Ventura seems to be growing into the job.

In the past few months, he has tried not to stray far from his prepared remarks, a practice that had routinely gotten him into trouble. He also has made regular rounds to lawmakers' offices to promote his budget proposal, something he didn't do for his first two-year plan.

Sen. Linda Scheid got a taste of Ventura's charm when he dropped by her office. When Ventura learned that Scheid had recently toured a local policy academy, including the shooting range, he joked that he didn't think Democrats did any shooting. Then he took a few minutes to show her how to improve her shot.

Though the two don't agree on some policy and fiscal issues, Scheid said she was impressed with Ventura's grasp of the issues. "He understands what it is he is suggesting," she said.

Part of Ventura's success so far can be attributed to his staff's loyalty, which he returns.

"It's no different than when I coach a high school football team," Ventura said in a recent interview. "I always tell them, 'Guys, I will never punish you for losing, but if you quit, you will feel my wrath beyond belief.'"

Ventura's testy relationship with the news media flared up in February when he issued Capitol reporters an oversize media credential bearing a full-body picture of the governor, pointing Uncle Sam-style at the camera and designating the wearer as an "Official Jackal."

After a few days, Ventura rescinded a requirement to wear the credential, but not without a bitter shot: "You'd think I ordered the murder of their first-born," he said.

Ventura blames media criticism for the XFL's tanking ratings, saying the media deemed the league second-rate when the games didn't turn out to be "football players hitting each other over the heads with chairs."

Whether Ventura seeks another term in 2002 might depend in part on what his other offers are.

Since taking office, he's had two major book deals, wrestling cameos, and a soap opera appearance, and a Broadway musical is in the works. Some experts have predicted that by the time the XFL season ends in April, Ventura will have earned between $1.5 million and $2.9 million in outside income while governor.

That activity has angered some lawmakers. At least two bills in the Legislature would keep constitutional officers from taking outside jobs for pay or require them to reveal how much they're getting — something Ventura has refused to do.

In a testament to his popularity and commanding name recognition — and his own bravado — Ventura recently announced that if he did run again for governor, he wouldn't raise or spend a dollar to fund his campaign. He later backed off that to say he wouldn't actively seek money.

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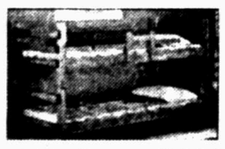
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Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — No ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Saturday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

A winning ticket would have been worth an estimated $11 million.

The numbers drawn Saturday night from a field of 54 were: 3, 11, 26, 36, 40, 48.

Wednesday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $15 million.

Pick 3

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

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Monday, March 19, 2001

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TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1928, "The Amos and Andy Show" was first broadcast by WMAQ in Chicago.

On this day in 1957, Elvis Presley purchased Graceland.

On this day in 1985, the character "Mel" on the television show "Alice" sold his diner, marking the end of the 10-year-old situation comedy.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: David Livingstone (1813-1873), explorer-physician; Richard F. Burton (1821-1890), scholar-explorer; Wyatt Earp (1848-1929), lawman; William Jennings Bryan (1860-1925), U.S. politician; Earl Warren (1891-1974), Supreme Court justice; Richie Ashburn (1927-1997), baseball great; Philip Roth (1933-), writer, is 68; Glenn Close (1947-), actress, is 54; Bruce Willis (1955-), actor, is 46.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1955, the University of San Francisco defeated La Salle 77-63 to win the NCAA basketball championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Liberty, not communism, is the most contagious force in the world." — Earl Warren

TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (March 16) and new moon (March 24).

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Schools rely on courts to help dole out discipline

HOUSTON (AP) — A profane outburst or a hallway punch is increasingly getting Houston area students more than a trip to the principal's office and a suspension or stint in detention.

More and more students are ending up in court — with their parents in tow — facing steep fines and misdemeanor charges.

"I can have a kid put in in-house suspension every day for a week and send a letter home every day, and I'll never hear from the parent," Lt. Roy Garivey, a police officer for the Houston Independent School District, told the Houston Chronicle.

"But the minute it is going to cost them money, they are knocking on the principal's door, saying, 'What is this about me having to pay a $200 ticket because my son had a fight?'" he told the newspaper in Sunday's editions.

Ticketing students for misbehavior and crime on campus increased over the last decade as districts added their own school police departments. Municipal judges and justices of the peace regularly see dockets filled with cases involving truancy, bad language, fighting or disrupting class.

"It's more than just a school consequence," said Alan Bragg, chief of the police department for Spring ISD north of Houston. "It probably puts a little more seriousness to the offense."

Deborah Dills owes nearly $600 in fines because her emotionally disturbed son, who is in special education in the Humble ISD, was ticketed for using profanity in class.

She said her son's disability should have been considered, and more traditional in-school punishments should have been used.

"I'm not saying these kids shouldn't be punished. Let them go to Saturday school, give them in-school suspension, suspend them for a couple of days if it really gets bad," she said. "But this is taking money out of our pockets."

Humble ISD spokeswoman Karen Collier said those traditional punishments worked only to a degree, and it was time to take a tougher stance with Dills' son and his behavior.

"How long do you wait before you take what you feel is appropriate legal action?" Collier said. "He has to understand that in our society, threatening people and calling them names is wrong."

Some judges find themselves acting as school counselors in addition to disciplinarians when facing classroom troublemakers.

Houston Municipal Judge David Fraga spends every Tuesday night handling tickets issued to students. He said he has seen cases of students ticketed for disrupting class for failing to follow a teacher's orders or speaking out of turn.

"I personally, as a parent, would rather have the school handle that situation from there," Fraga said. "But as a judge, I have got to hear the cases and make a determination of guilt or innocence."

Fraga has ordered students to attend career fairs, write reports, or perform community service. Once he ordered a disruptive student to participate in an anger management workshop and show his report card to Fraga at the end of the school year.

Will Weber, an education professor at the University of Houston, said schools should use courts to dole out discipline only when other punishments haven't worked and the student's parents show no interest in helping solve the problem.

"It shouldn't be used capriciously," he said. "And it should be a last resort."

Group wants women to shop and shoot

FRANKENMUTH, Mich. (AP) — On Saturday, Dianne Szostak clutched a shopping bag, pleased to have found a fairy sculpture for her herb garden. On Sunday, she clutched a .38-caliber revolver.

Welcome to Michigan Shop & Shoot, a two-day retreat sponsored by the Second Amendment Sisters to encourage women to eat, shop and shoot together.

"It's just a sport, like soccer or softball," said 13-year-old Sara Nutt. "There's nothing dangerous about it, unless you treat it dangerously."

Nutt, who started shooting BB guns at 10, attended the weekend Shop & Shoot with her mother.

"We're allowing women to learn about firearms and lose their fear in a non-threatening atmosphere," said Pat Alzady, who helped organize the meeting at a Bavarian-themed tourist town, about 80 miles north of Detroit.

The Sisters, which has 25 chapters and several thousand members in Michigan, Pennsylvania and Texas, formed last year in response to the pro-gun-control Million Mom March. A second Shop & Shoot is planned for Pennsylvania later this year.

National director Juli Bednarzyk, a Chicago software consultant, denied being a "gun nut" and compared gun ownership to disability insurance: Everyone should have it, although they hope never to use it.

"I used to think the issue was so cut and dried. How could anyone be against gun control?" said Bednarnyk, 34. "But if you ever need a gun, it's too late to go back and get one."

Szostak, 50, was among some 70 women at the Frankenmuth Conservation Club rifle range who signed up for Sunday weapons instruction from the National Rifle Association.

Szostak, who owns two pistols and several shotguns, picked up her first gun two years ago after Internet discussions convinced her the government was threatening her right to bear arms.

"The more I thought they were going to take our guns away, the more I wanted to get a gun and protect my right to have it," said Szostak, who owns a manufacturing business.

Szostak said she'll also be among those applying for a concealed weapon permit this summer, when a new Michigan law will require county gun boards to give concealed weapons permits to anyone who applies, as long as they are over 21 and have no felony record.

Gun-control activists are collecting signatures in an attempt to block the legislation, but say their aim is not to stop activities like Shop & Shoot.

"We don't want to infringe on the rights of responsible gun owners. But we do want everybody to keep in mind that we're talking about firearms here and firearms kill," said Carolynne Jarvis, director of the Michigan Partnership to Prevent Gun Violence.

State Rep. Sue Tabor said she wishes more women and children would learn about the safe use of weapons.

"We need to help women overcome the fear and the misconception that guns are the cause of all the violence, the school shootings," Tabor said.

On the Net:
Second Amendment Sisters: http://www.2ASisters.org

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Multiple medications for seniors can do more harm than good

DEAR ABBY: My husband and I are both seniors, and he just recovered from a near tragedy. I am sure it could happen to anyone who takes more than one prescription medication.

My husband was slowly deteriorating to the point of being unable to take care of himself. He was less and less interested in anything; his hands trembled; he couldn't write his name or drive a car; he had difficulty putting two words together; he couldn't remember anything; and his legs were very weak. In short, he was ready for a nursing home.

He was taking 11 different medications several times a day. As his caregiver and the dispenser of his medication, it occurred to me that the drugs could be part of the problem.

I wrote his doctor describing his symptoms and listing all of his prescriptions. Without seeing him, the doctor immediately eliminated two of them and reduced the dosage of others. Within two weeks, my husband's symptoms began disappearing. All of them are gone now, except for the weakness in his legs. He's doing exercises to strengthen them.

Abby, what happens to people who have no reliable caregiver or mentor? Who reads the list of "possible side effects"? I am sure there are people in nursing homes being given the same medications that put them there. Please remind your older readers not to accept symptoms as "just being part of growing old." — **LEE IN WALNUT CREEK, CALIF.**

DEAR LEE: People who have no reliable caregiver or mentor to intercede for them when they start slipping are at a dangerous disadvantage. Your letter is a powerful reminder that people who are having their annual physical examinations should bring with them a list of every medication, vitamin and over-the-counter drug and herb they are taking. The effects can be cumulative and debilitating, and they should be regularly reviewed by a physician.

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DEAR ABBY: In a recent column, I think you dropped the ball when you commented on the black man who won a raffle and was first denied but then awarded the Cadillac he won fair and square.

You said something to the effect that because of the time and locale (North Carolina), it was revolutionary that justice prevailed.

I know racism exists everywhere, but I contend that because the man's injustice was a mistake both made AND rectified without government intervention or a media crusade, that speaks volumes about our great state. There have always been more good people than bad, regardless of the times. The proof is in that story.

Abby, I read you every day, and with very few exceptions, find you witty, wonderful and wise. — CARL BROW, PROUD TO BE FROM NORTH CAROLINA

DEAR CARL: You are correct that the incident happened long ago, and it was remedied by people who believed in justice for all.

However, it wasn't until the civil rights movement of the '60s that equal rights were finally realized for every American. While many good people on both sides of the Mason-Dixon Line may have wanted to correct the injustices that prevailed before then, ending them took a tremendous struggle.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Tuesday, March 20, 2001

Do not give up on any dream you've harbored for the last couple of years. The yield for which you've been hoping, but thus far have been denied, could come into being in the year ahead.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — The trends tend to favor you today, even if you don't have any plans in the mill. Events will unfold, and as each one does, you'll find yourself capitalizing on it. 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.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — A person with whom you're involved possesses some information that could be extremely favorable to you. When in the presence of someone learned today, ask a lot of questions and listen well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Keep trying to do your best today with things or issues that could benefit others as well as yourself. There is something profitable at hand if everyone cares about the other.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Should you turn on your charm today, there aren't too many people who would turn down a request you make of them. However, you'll instinctively know how or when to do so.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — You'll work hard today for both loved ones and associates, because you'll be cognizant of their needs, but everyone will be showing their appreciation in ways that'll be meaningful to you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Lucky in love, unlucky at cards might best describe you today. Put your emphasis on romance and forego shuffling the deck or gambling for the moment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Put forth your best efforts today, because conditions that have a direct effect upon your earning capacity or financial position look especially encouraging.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Your timing could be excellent today with you being at the right spot, with the right persons and at the right time. Someone is sharing something that could further your interests.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Don't put off until tomorrow any financial issues that need to be addressed. You're lucky today but may not be so in the next couple of days. Timing could be everything.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Be a bit assertive if necessary today if you believe it will help you achieve an important objective. You're not likely to overstep the bounds of propriety.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — It won't do any good to be laid back when it comes to financial issues. It's true today, that the early bird gets the worm, but a lot of elbow grease thrown in can help a lot as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Don't delegate any assignments today that require your personal touch, no matter how talented they are. No one will do things in the same manner as you.

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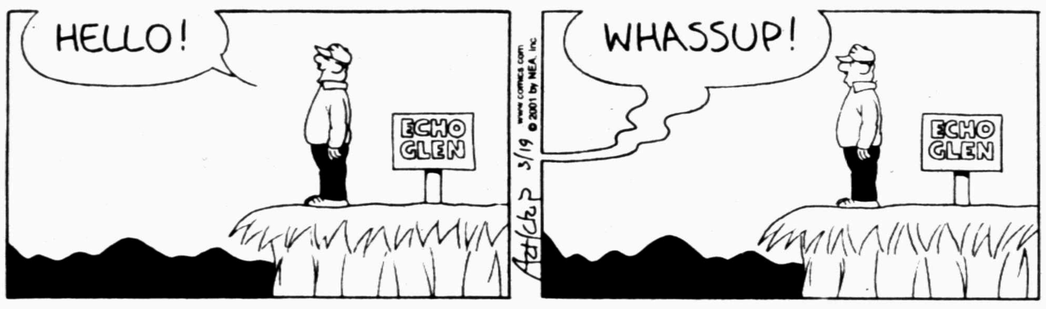

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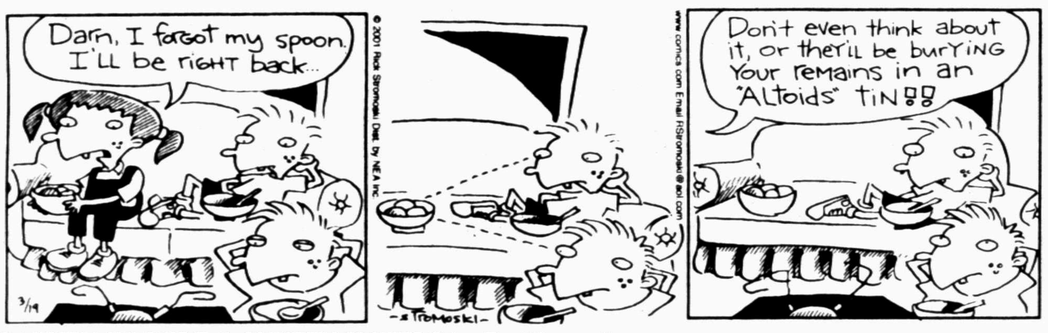

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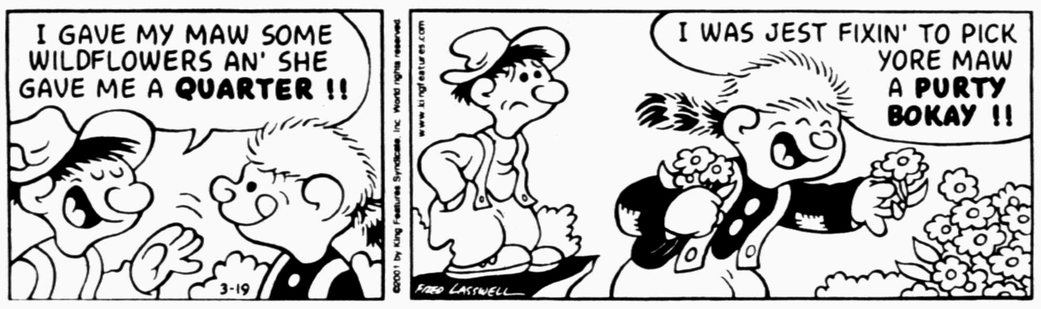

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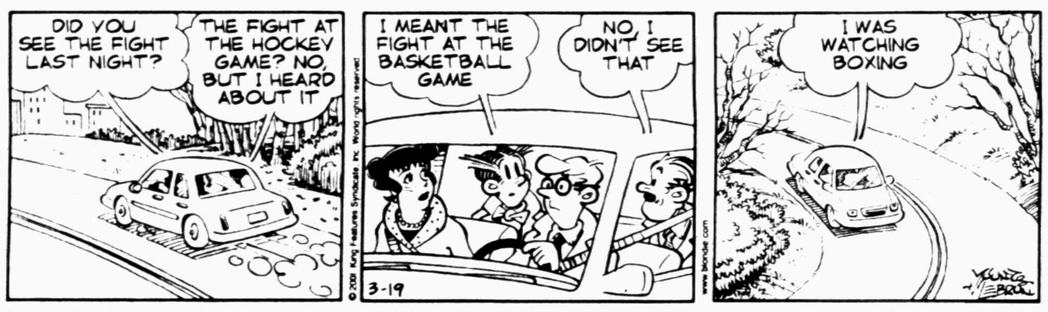

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ACROSS

1 Overshadows
7 Does some dental work
13 River through Budapest
14 Antenna
15 Handsome man
16 Actress Gabor (2 wds.)
17 "Certainly!"
18 Mao — -tung
20 ABA member
21 Acquired relative
25 Pleasantness
28 Darken
32 British noble
33 Sierra —
34 Muscular strength
35 Garnish
36 Passage between trees
37 Prepared food for the party
39 Was in terror of
41 Greg Norman's org.
44 76ers' org.
45 Seed container
48 Burst suddenly
51 Sign of "The Twins"
54 The second of two
55 Peaceful
56 Ancient Jewish ascetic
57 Overly decorated

DOWN

1 6/6/44
2 Walk in water
3 Years, in Spain
4 Race
5 J. Edgar Hoover's org.
6 Sonnet part
7 Stuns
8 Abode (abbr.)
9 Author Levin
10 Singer Minnelli
11 Hold out
12 Strip of wood
19 Secret agent
21 Overwhelmed with flattery
22 Metal worker
23 One devoted to religious work
24 Had to have
25 "Fernando" singers
26 Fertilizer
27 Of a time
29 Entrance
30 Concerning (2 wds.)
31 Fix up
37 Engineer's compartment
38 Slow musical movement
40 — nous (between us)
41 Mound
42 Pate de foie —
43 Crafts' partner
45 — colada
46 "Step — —!"
47 Cut into cubes
49 Colorado Indian
50 Sty
52 Goof
53 Guys

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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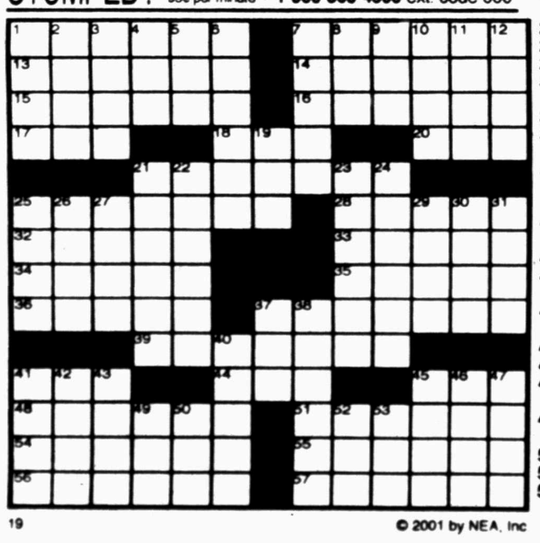

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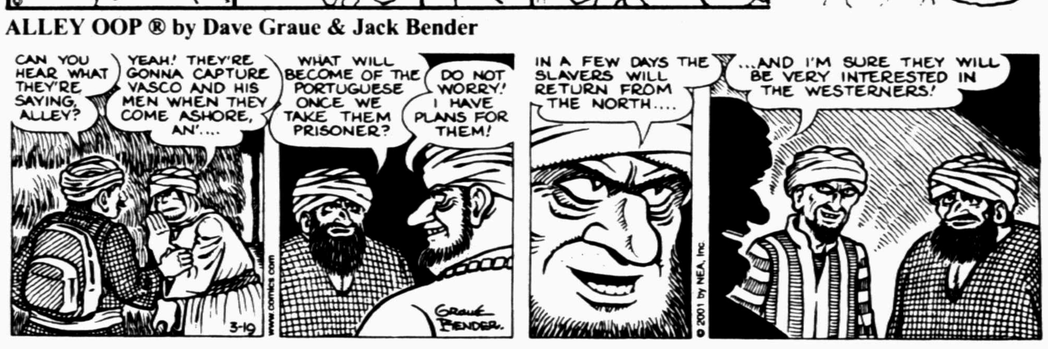

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SPORTS

Round of 16 filled with surprise teams

By The Associated Press

A month ago, North Carolina was ranked No. 1, riding an 18-game winning streak and looking like a fair bet to make the Final Four for the second straight year.

Then it all fell apart for the Tar Heels.

UNC, seeded second in the South, completed a stunning collapse by losing to No. 7 Penn State 82-74 Sunday in New Orleans in the second round of the NCAA tournament.

"It stings pretty good. The finality of it — it hurts," first-year coach Matt Doherty said. "Any team that's ranked No. 1 at some point in the year has a chance to do special things. Things just didn't click for us at the end."

The team that beat North Carolina in the national semifinals a year ago, Florida, also was eliminated Sunday on the same court. The No. 3 Gators were beaten by No. 11 Temple 75-54.

Penn State, in the round of 16 for the first time since 1955, plays Temple in Atlanta on Friday.

Top-seeded Michigan State, which defeated Florida in the 2000 NCAA title game, and No. 12 Gonzaga also advanced in the South.

In Memphis, Tenn., Michigan State beat No. 9 Fresno State 81-65, while Gonzaga topped No. 13 Indiana State 85-68 to get to the regional semifinals for the third year in a row.

The Midwest held to form Sunday, with the top four seeds — Illinois, Arizona, Mississippi and Kansas — heading to San Antonio for Friday's regional semifinals.

In New Orleans, Titus Ivory, Joe Crispin and Gyasi Cline-Heard combined for 61 points f.. Penn State, which was outshot 47 percent to 44 percent and outrebounded 44-33. But the Nittany Lions had half as many turnovers as the Tar Heels.

UNC has made 27 straight NCAA tourney appearances, won three national championships and produced such stars as Michael Jordan, James Worthy and Vince Carter. Penn State, by contrast, has made just three NCAA appearances in the past 35 years.

North Carolina's first sign of trouble came Feb. 18, in a 75-65 loss to Clemson. The Tar Heels wound up losing four of their last eight games before the NCAA tournament.

Temple, meanwhile, used its trademark matchup zone defense to shut down Florida's up-tempo shooters and shut off passing lanes. With six minutes left, the Gators had managed only 13 baskets and had committed 11 turnovers.

"We've been walking a tight wire for the last 4-to-5 weeks," Temple coach John Chaney said. "With what they've accomplished, I've got to applaud them."

In the Midwest, No. 3 Mississippi edged Notre Dame 59-56 in Kansas City, Mo., to get past the second round for the first time in school history, but the other three game were lopsided. Ole Miss next faces second-seeded Arizona, which beat Butler 73-52.

In Dayton, Ohio, No. 1 Illinois beat Charlotte 79-61 to set up a game against No. 4 Kansas, which defeated Syracuse 87-58.

In Saturday's action, Duke, Kentucky, UCLA and Southern California made it to the round of 16 in the East, while Stanford, Maryland, Cincinnati and Georgetown won in the West.

ALL-STARS — Snyder's Junior All-Stars will begin competition Wednesday at the Little Dribblers Regional Tournament in Levelland. Members of the team are, front row from left, Jake Crenwelge, Jared Cave, LaShondrick Richardson, Kasey Young and Rey Juarez. On the middle row are Seth Sanchez, Riley Davis, Bubba Perales, Rance Dunn and Brandon Ramirez. On the back row are coaches Jeremiah Witte, Bryan Cave, Scott Crenwelge and Reyez Juarez. (SDN Staff Photo)

WTC wins Lovington rodeo title

LOVINGTON, N.M. — When the dust had settled at the Lovington, N.M. rodeo, the Western Texas rodeo teams were riding high.

The Lady Westerners captured the title in Lovington, while the WTC men secured fifth place. The event was the first of seven rodeos scheduled for this spring.

"I'll take this kind of performance every week," said WTC coach Greg Rhodes. "Our men didn't finish on top in the point standings, but they did everything right. If they compete like that again, the points will come."

In the finals, the Lady Westerners were led by Kassie Mowry who posted the second fastest time at 17.76 seconds. Mowry finished first in the average.

In the breakaway roping event, Tibba Smith posted a time of 3.1 seconds to take second in the short round and second in the average.

For the WTC men, Houston Hutto won the calf roping. Hutto's time of 10.7 in the finals was second best.

Jeff Cavey finished fourth in the saddle bronc riding, while B.J. Scott was third in the bareback after a score of 70 in the finals.

Three Westerners finished near the top in the bull riding. Wes Dinwiddie was second, followed by Sean Willingham and Steven Turner.

Western Texas will be in action again Thursday at the Odessa College rodeo.

Pierson fuels Lady Raiders' win

LUBBOCK (AP) — There was little Virginia Tech could do to stop Plenette Pierson.

The sophomore forward scored 22 of her career-high 28 points in the second half of Texas Tech's 73-52 victory over the Hokies in the second round of the Mideast Regional on Sunday.

With the Lady Raiders down 27-19 early in the second half, Pierson hit four straight jump shots to tie it with 16:15 to play.

After second-seed Texas Tech took its first lead on Jolee Ayers' basket, Pierson hit four free throws and two more jumpers to make it 44-35 with 8:51 left.

While Tere Williams, the seventh-seeded Hokies' top scorer and rebounder, sat out because of foul trouble, Pierson capped the surge by catching a pass under the basket, throwing it up and then screaming with surprise and delight after it went in. Fouled on the play, she hit the free throw to make it 49-37 with 7:33 left.

Texas Tech freshman reserve Natalie Ritchie hit back-to-back 3-pointers to make it 59-44 with 3:54 left. She finished with 15 points.

Vasquez falls in semifinals

Snyder boxer Johnny Vasquez Jr. was edged in the semifinals of the USA Boxing Championships, but went on to earn a berth in the USA Challenge.

Vasquez was eliminated in the semifinals by eventual champion David Martinez. Vasquez finished the bout in a 15-15 tie, but was one point behind on the back-up scorecards, 57-56. The event was held in Colorado Springs, Colo.

The Snyder fighter's performance earned him a spot in the USA Challenge to be held April 4-11 in Lake Placid, N.Y. The winner of the USA Challenge will advance to either the World Championships or the Goodwill Games.

Local Schedule

TUESDAY

Baseball

Snyder at Big Spring, 4 p.m.

Softball

Snyder at Plainview, 6 p.m.

Men's NCAA Tournament

All Times EST
EAST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 15
At Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Uniondale, N.Y.
Kentucky 72, Holy Cross 68
Iowa 69, Creighton 56
Boston College 68, Southern Utah 65
Southern California 69, Oklahoma State 54
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
Utah State 77, Ohio State 68, OT
UCLA 61, Hofstra 48
Duke 95, Monmouth, N.J. 52
Missouri 70, Georgia 68
Second Round
Saturday, March 17
At Nassau Veterans Memorial Coliseum
Uniondale, N.Y.
Southern California 74, Boston College 71
Kentucky 92, Iowa 79
At Greensboro Coliseum
Greensboro, N.C.
Duke 94, Missouri 81
UCLA 75, Utah State 50
At First Union Center
Philadelphia
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 22
Kentucky (24-9) vs. Southern California (23-9), 7:38 p.m.
Duke (31-4) vs. UCLA (23-8), 25 minutes after previous game
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
Semifinal winners

SOUTH REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 16
At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.
Gonzaga 86, Virginia 85
Indiana State 70, Oklahoma 68
Michigan State 69, Alabama State 35
Fresno State 82, California 70
At The Louisiana Superdome
New Orleans
Temple 79, Texas 65
Florida 69, Western Kentucky 56
Penn State 69, Providence 59
North Carolina 70, Princeton 48
Second Round
Sunday, March 18
At The Pyramid
Memphis, Tenn.
Gonzaga 85, Indiana State 68
Michigan State 81, Fresno State 65
At The Louisiana Superdome
New Orleans
Temple 75, Florida 54
Penn State 82, North Carolina 74
At The Georgia Dome
Atlanta
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 23
Michigan State (26-4) vs. Gonzaga (26-6)
Penn State (21-11) vs. Temple (23-12)
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 25
Semifinal winners

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
Friday, March 16
At University of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Illinois 96, Northwestern State 54
Charlotte 70, Tennessee 63
Kansas 99, Cal State Northridge 75
Syracuse 79, Hawaii 69
At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
Butler 79, Wake Forest 63
Arizona 101, Eastern Illinois 76
Mississippi 72, Iona 70
Notre Dame 83, Xavier 71
Second Round
Sunday, March 18
At University of Dayton Arena
Dayton, Ohio
Kansas 87, Syracuse 58
Illinois 79, Charlotte 61
At Kemper Arena
Kansas City, Mo.
Arizona 73, Butler 52
Mississippi 59, Notre Dame 56
At The Alamodome
San Antonio
Regional Semifinals
Friday, March 23
Illinois (26-7) vs. Kansas (26-6)
Arizona (25-7) vs. Mississippi (27-7)
Regional Championship
Sunday, March 25
Semifinal winners

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
Thursday, March 15
At Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl
San Diego
St. Joseph's 66, Georgia Tech 62
Stanford 89, North Carolina-Greensboro 60
Kent State 77, Indiana 73
Cincinnati 84, Brigham Young 59
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
Georgia State 50, Wisconsin 49
Maryland 83, George Mason 80
Georgetown 63, Arkansas 61
Hampton 58, Iowa State 57
Second Round
Saturday, March 17
At Cox Arena at Aztec Bowl
San Diego
Cincinnati 66, Kent State 43
Stanford 90, St. Joseph's 83
At BSU Pavilion
Boise, Idaho
Maryland 79, Georgia State 60
Georgetown 76, Hampton 57
At Arrowhead Pond
Anaheim, Calif.
Regional Semifinals
Thursday, March 22
Georgetown (25-7) vs. Maryland (23-10), 7:55 p.m.
Stanford (30-2) vs. Cincinnati (25-9), 25 minutes after previous game
Regional Championship
Saturday, March 24
Semifinal winners

National Basketball Association

All Times EST
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	Pct	GB
x-Philadelphia	48	18	.727	—
New York	40	26	.606	8
Miami	40	27	.597	8½
Orlando	36	30	.545	12
Boston	29	37	.439	19
New Jersey	22	47	.319	27½
Washington	16	50	.242	32

Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	41	25	.621	—
Charlotte	39	28	.582	2½
Toronto	35	31	.530	6
Indiana	29	36	.446	11½
Detroit	25	42	.373	16½
Cleveland	24	42	.364	17
Atlanta	20	47	.299	21½
Chicago	11	54	.169	29½

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division	W	L	Pct	GB
San Antonio	46	20	.697	—
Utah	45	20	.692	½
Dallas	43	23	.652	3
Minnesota	39	28	.582	7½
Houston	38	29	.567	8½
Denver	33	35	.485	14
Vancouver	20	48	.294	27

Pacific Division	W	L	Pct	GB
L.A. Lakers	45	21	.682	—
Sacramento	44	21	.677	½
Portland	43	23	.652	2
Phoenix	38	27	.585	6½
Seattle	36	33	.522	10½
L.A. Clippers	23	45	.338	23
Golden State	16	51	.239	29½

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Saturday's Games
Detroit 106, Atlanta 90
New York 101, Chicago 80
Miami 95, Vancouver 81
Charlotte 95, Washington 93
Dallas 109, Phoenix 99
Houston 103, San Antonio 99
Milwaukee 87, Philadelphia 78
Sunday's Games
L.A. Lakers 95, Orlando 90
Indiana 101, Sacramento 95
Minnesota 91, Cleveland 76
Milwaukee 100, Detroit 96
Utah 111, L.A. Clippers 96
Seattle 104, Golden State 99
Denver 98, New Jersey 84
Monday's Games
L.A. Lakers at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Portland at San Antonio, 8:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Tuesday's Games
New York at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Indiana at Toronto, 8 p.m.
Orlando at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Detroit at Utah, 9 p.m.
Washington at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Houston at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Women's NCAA Tournament

All Times EST
EAST REGIONAL
First Round
At Athens, Ga.
Missouri 71, Wisconsin 68
Georgia 77, Liberty 48
At Raleigh, N.C.
Villanova 66, Drake 58
North Carolina State 76, Delaware 57
At Storrs, Conn.
Connecticut 101, Long Island University 29
Colorado State 83, Maryland 69
At Ruston, La.
Texas Christian 77, Penn State 75
Louisiana Tech 84, Georgia State 48
Second Round
At Athens, Ga.
Missouri 78, Georgia 65
At Raleigh, N.C.
North Carolina State 68, Villanova 64
Monday, March 19
At Storrs, Conn.
Connecticut (29-2) vs. Colorado State (25-6), 9:07 p.m.
At Ruston, La.
Louisiana Tech (29-4) vs. Texas Christian (25-7), 8:05 p.m.

MIDEAST REGIONAL
First Round
At Knoxville, Tenn.
St. Mary's, Calif. 68, Texas 64
Tennessee 80, Austin Peay 38
At Cincinnati
Clemson 51, Chattanooga 49
Xavier 80, Louisville 52
At Lubbock, Texas
Virginia Tech 77, Denver 57
Texas Tech 100, Pennsylvania 57
At West Lafayette, Ind.
LSU 83, Arizona State 66
Purdue 75, UC Santa Barbara 62
Second Round
At Knoxville, Tenn.
Tennessee 92, St. Mary's, Calif. 75
At Cincinnati
Xavier 77, Clemson 62
At Lubbock, Texas
Texas Tech 73, Virginia Tech 52
At West Lafayette, Ind.
Purdue 73, LSU 70

MIDWEST REGIONAL
First Round
At Ames, Iowa
Florida State 72, Tulane 70
Iowa State 100, Howard 61
At South Bend, Ind.
Michigan 81, Virginia 71, OT
Notre Dame 98, Alcorn State 49
At Salt Lake City
Iowa 89, Oregon 82, OT
Utah 79, Fairfield 57
At Nashville, Tenn.
Colorado 98, Siena 78
Vanderbilt 83, Idaho State 57
Second Round
At Ames, Iowa
Iowa State 85, Florida State 70
Monday, March 19
At South Bend, Ind.
Notre Dame (29-2) vs. Michigan (19-11), 7:07 p.m.
At Salt Lake City
Iowa (21-9) vs. Utah (27-3), 11:37 p.m.
At Nashville, Tenn.
Vanderbilt (22-9) vs. Colorado (22-8), 8:35 p.m.

WEST REGIONAL
First Round
At Gainesville, Fla.
Washington 67, Old Dominion 65
Florida 84, Holy Cross 52
At Durham, N.C.
Arkansas 68, Baylor 59
Duke 96, Wisconsin-Milwaukee 63
At Piscataway, N.J.
Southwest Missouri State 89, Toledo 71
Rutgers 80, Stephen F. Austin 43
At Norman, Okla.
Oklahoma 70, Oral Roberts 64
Stanford 76, George Washington 51
Second Round
At Gainesville, Fla.
Washington 86, Florida 75
Monday, March 19
At Durham, N.C.
Duke (29-3) vs. Arkansas (20-12), 7:37 p.m.
At Piscataway, N.J.
Rutgers (23-7) vs. Southwest Missouri State (26-5), 6:35 p.m.
At Norman, Okla.
Oklahoma (27-5) vs. Stanford (19-10), 9:37 p.m.

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Songwriter John Phillips dead at 65

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Songwriter John Phillips, who as a member of the Mamas and the Papas penned "California Dreamin'" and other hits by the 1960s pop group, died Sunday morning. He was 65.

Phillips died of heart failure at the University of California, Los Angeles Medical Center, a spokesman for the hospital said.

"His personality is going to be sorely missed," said Harvey Goldberg, a longtime friend and producer. "His music is going to be sorely missed."

Phillips was the principal songwriter for the Mamas and the Papas, writing hits including "I Saw Her Again Last Night" and "Creeque Alley." In 1966, the band won a Grammy for best contemporary group performance for the single "Monday Monday."

He also helped organize 1967's seminal Monterey Pop Festival, which introduced Jimi Hendrix and The Who to American audiences.

Phillips also wrote for other groups, including the Grateful Dead, Beach Boys and Scott MacKenzie, who debuted his "San Francisco (Be Sure to Wear Some Flowers in Your Hair)" at Monterey.

The Mamas and the Papas broke new ground for having women and men in one group at a time when most pop bands were all-male or all-female. Phillips' second wife, Michelle Phillips, and another female vocalist, Cass Elliott, sang along with Phillips and Denny Doherty.

The group's catchy folk-pop sound was a blend of the upbeat pop that prevailed in the mid-1960s and the folk music approach that gained popularity toward the end of the decade.

The Mamas and the Papas disbanded in 1968 following John and Michelle Phillips' divorce. Phillips briefly reformed the band in 1982 with Doherty, daughter Mackenzie and Elaine "Spanky" McFarlane, and the foursome toured playing oldies and new Phillips originals.

Several of Phillips' children have gone on to achieve fame of their own. Mackenzie Phillips starred in the sitcom "One Day at a Time" in the 1970s until she was fired in 1982 because of cocaine addiction. She had seven stints in rehab over the next decade before declaring herself drug-free.

Another daughter, Chynna, was a member of the pop group Wilson Phillips with two daughters of Beach Boys singer Brian Wilson.

A third daughter, Bijou, appeared at age 15 in a controversial 1995 advertising campaign for clothing designer Calvin Klein that featured teen models in provocative poses. She is an actress.

Phillips was married four times: to Susan Phillips, mother of Jeffrey and Mackenzie; to Michelle Phillips, mother of Chynna; to Genevieve Waite, mother of Tamerlane and Bijou; and to his wife at the time of his death, Farnaz, to whom he'd been married for six years.

Goldberg said that just before entering the hospital, Phillips had completed work on a solo album, tentatively titled "Slow Starter."

Economy, costs will slightly dim retirement outlooks

WASHINGTON (AP) — Social Security and Medicare have grown with a strong economy. But rising health costs and other factors could bring gloomier predictions about how much the retirement programs can support aging baby boomers, or add new benefits like prescription drug coverage.

Such caution was expected to be reflected in the annual report of the Social Security and Medicare trustees being released Monday.

"It's starting to look like 2000 was not as good a year as it first seemed," said David Johns, a Social Security expert with the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank.

Johns and other analysts say a slowing economy and escalating health costs could move up the date the two programs take in less money than they spend. The report, however, focuses mainly on when the programs exhaust their trust funds.

Current estimates show that Social Security won't run short of cash until 2037, three years later than the previous estimate. The program sends checks to more than 44 million retirees, disabled people and survivors of workers who die young.

Medicare, which provides health coverage to 39 million elderly and disabled Americans, now has a projected insolvency date of 2025, 10 years longer than previous predictions.

Economic factors that brought brighter prospects for Social Security and Medicare last year included record low unemployment rates. More Americans working meant more payroll taxes to support the two programs, padding their balance sheets.

Low inflation also saves Social Security money because yearly cost-of-living raises to retirees are smaller.

But Medicare is set to run into some changes, experts say.

"Even though there is no trust fund crisis looming in the near future, the program will impose a rapidly growing fiscal burden on the nation," Robert Reischauer, former director of the Congressional Budget Office, testified recently to the Senate Budget Committee.

Medicare spending had slowed slightly in recent years, mainly because of cuts mandated by Congress in 1997 and a crackdown on fraud and billing errors.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Follow up on breast lumps

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a 23-year-old woman who gets painful breast lumps about a week before my monthly periods. What causes this? Could they be related to cancer?

DEAR READER: Many women with harmless breast cysts notice an increase in discomfort and size of the cysts around the times of their menstrual periods. This change is caused by normal hormone fluctuations and usually is nothing to worry about. As a general rule, cancerous breast lesions are not painful and do not change size during the monthly cycle.

Although I believe your breast problem is innocuous, you should bring it to your physician's attention nonetheless. During the times you experience symptoms, the doctor may choose to order an ultrasound examination, which should confirm that your breast lumps are filled with fluid, ordinarily a sign that they are benign.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: While the dairy industry bombards us with ads extolling the virtues of drinking milk, food-supplement people warn us about the risks, such as lactose sensitivity, and tell us that the human being is the only animal that drinks milk; thus, other animals are smarter then we are. What's your opinion?

DEAR READER: Adult animals don't drink milk because their mamas won't nurse them, and they are not smart enough to know how to get the stuff out of a cow, pasteurize it, bottle and market it. Most animals will drink milk if it is offered to them.

I believe that milk is an important component of a well-balanced diet because it contains calcium, protein, vitamins and fat. (It also contains the milk-sugar lactose, to which some people are highly sensitive.) Unfortunately, it's the fat that is the really significant drawback for people on low-cholesterol diets. Therefore, I urge my patients to drink low-fat or skim milk so they get all the nutritional benefits without the additional cholesterol in butterfat.

My recommendation is substantiated by several medical studies showing that women who are most likely to develop osteoporosis are those whose bones were calcium-deficient in their younger years. They enter menopause with a low bone density, meaning they have failed to store up enough calcium during their reproductive decades. Perhaps if more of us drank milk, we would enter old age with stronger bones.

Like you, I am somewhat dismayed by the dairy industry's media blitz, particularly with respect to cream, butter and cheese — foodstuffs that contain unacceptably high levels of cholesterol for those of us who should reduce dietary fats. Nonetheless, the industry is correct in asserting that milk contains many nutritional benefits that are not supplied as readily and cheaply by other food supplements. Therefore, you can understand why purveyors of these supplements tend to downplay the advantages of milk.

If you like milk, drink a couple of glasses a day of the low-fat variety, and avoid getting into arguments about how smart animals may — or may not — be.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Does the inhalation of mothball vapors cause ill effects?

DEAR READER: "Real" naphtha mothballs have been replaced by similar compounds, because naphtha vapors caused headaches, respiratory irritation and allergic symptoms in some susceptible people. To my knowledge, modest exposure to mothball vapors from these new products is not a serious health problem.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 03-19-01
♠ J 10 6 5
♥ 7 2
♦ A 10 8 5 2
♣ 7 4

West
♠ K 4 3
♥ J 10 8 4 3
♦ 4
♣ A J 10 3

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

South
♠ Q 7
♥ A Q 6 5
♦ K J 9 6 3
♣ 9 2

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
Pass	Pass	Pass	1 NT
2 ♥	Dbl.	All pass	

Opening lead: ♠ 3

Monday, March 19, 2001

When the salmon are running

By Phillip Alder

Sometimes you get lucky at bridge. Of course, when you do, your opponents won't share quite the same enthusiasm.

Today's deal was sent in by Audrey Wicks, from Irvine, Calif. **She assures me that she is rarely this lucky. Look only at the South hand. As dealer with neither side vulnerable, you decide to pass.**

There are two more passes, followed by one no-trump on your right, which shows 11-14 points. What would you do?

Despite potential rebid problems, with 12 points and a decent five-card suit, that South hand is worth an opening bid. Also, I see no compelling reason to open one no-trump rather than one club with East's hand.

It took Audrey a while to recall that against a weak no-trump she and partner use Cappelletti: two clubs is any one-suiter, two diamonds is the majors, and two of a major shows that suit and either minor. Audrey didn't want to bid two hearts, but because she had paused, advertising values and potentially putting partner in a difficult ethical position, she did overcall. West promptly doubled. North, expecting Audrey to have hearts and clubs, passed.

West led a low spade to his partner's ace, and East strangely returned a spade to West's king. He switched to the heart jack: two, nine, five. West continued with the heart four: seven, king, ace. Audrey played a diamond to dummy's ace and discarded her two clubs on the J-10 of spades. After ruffing, West still thought declarer had clubs, so he led the heart 10 to Audrey's queen. But now Audrey played winning diamonds, holding West to one more trump trick. The contract was home for plus 470.

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Albertsons	28.14	27.80	28.05	+ .48
Alltel	52.42	50.86	52.42	+ .02
AmEl Pw	44.79	43.95	44.19	—.51
AndarkPtr	63.52	62.40	63.52	+ 1.49
ATMOS Egy	23.15	22.60	22.60	—.70
Aviall	7.00	6.80	6.89	—.16
BP Amoco	49.00	48.64	48.91	+ .46
BakerHughes	41.05	40.05	40.99	+ 1.04
Bank of Amer	51.95	50.90	51.10	—.30
BellSouth	39.78	39.03	39.47	—.64
Beth Steel	2.54	2.45	2.48	
BurlNoSFe	27.17	26.76	27.17	+ .60
Caterpillar	45.18	44.11	45.01	+ .41
Chevron	89.25	88.00	89.25	+ 1.75
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DeltaAirl	39.73	38.83	39.29	—.10
Dillards Inc	17.59	16.85	17.33	+ .13
DowChem s	32.90	31.75	32.76	+ 1.02
DuPont	44.08	42.66	43.84	+ 1.50
EastmanChem	50.22	48.75	50.10	+ 1.62
EstKodak	42.50	41.66	41.78	—.38
EDS Corp	55.35	53.55	54.00	—1.25
Entergy	36.90	36.25	36.73	—.77
ExxonMobil	82.84	81.40	82.42	+ .72
FstBksAm	21.50	21.50	21.50	
Flowers	16.85	16.75	16.79	—.04
GenDynam	68.14	67.70	67.94	+ .04
GenElec s	40.96	40.23	40.44	—.11
GenMills	43.20	42.75	43.10	+ .10
GenMotors	55.84	55.00	55.50	+ .75
GaPacGP	29.25	28.55	29.10	+ .40
GlobalMar	27.80	27.15	27.76	+ .77
Goodrich	38.98	38.30	38.76	+ .46
Goodyear s	25.48	24.75	25.34	+ .38
GtAtlPac	9.10	9.00	9.01	+ .06
Halliburtn	40.95	39.70	40.38	+ 1.28
Hanson ADS	30.61	30.25	30.61	+ .06
HarteHanks	23.50	23.30	23.40	—.03
HomeDepot	42.40	41.00	41.49	—.77
HoneywellIntl	39.97	39.45	39.70	+ .20
IBM	91.10	89.20	90.67	+ .57
IntlPaper	36.79	36.15	36.70	+ .88
JohnsonJn	92.20	91.20	91.50	—.49
K mart	8.82	8.67	8.80	+ .07
KinderMorg	53.71	53.35	53.60	+ .03
Kroger Co	23.64	23.40	23.55	+ .03
Litton	79.58	79.42	79.45	—.13
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NCR Corp	40.79	39.84	40.65	—.65
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WstnGasRs	32.10	31.55	31.82	+ .46
WinnDixie	26.75	26.50	26.71	+ .68
Xerox Cp	5.25	5.16	5.24	+ .21

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Two dozen journalists killed in year 2000

WASHINGTON (AP) — Two dozen journalists were killed in the line of duty last year, many of them assassinated in retaliation for their work in countries stretching from Bangladesh to Uruguay, said a study released Monday.

The deadliest assignments in 2000 were in Colombia, Russia and Sierra Leone, with conflict and crime killing three journalists in each nation, according to "Attacks on the Press in 2000," an annual report by the Committee to Protect Journalists.

"Almost never is anybody brought to justice in these killings," said Ann K. Cooper, executive director of the New York-based group, which defends press freedom around the world. "People have learned that they can get away with murdering a journalist."

Murders accounted for at least 16 of the deaths last year, and in most cases those who ordered the killings remain at large, the report said. The committee also is investigating the slayings of an additional 20 journalists whose deaths last year may have been related to their professions.

The number of journalists killed last year fell from 34 in 1999 and the high death rates of the early 1990s.

In Sierra Leone, the three killed were slain in May by rebels with the Revolutionary United Front, which opposes the African nation's elected government.

Saoman Conteh, 48, a journalist with the local weekly New Tablet, was shot on May 8 while covering a demonstration outside the residence of a rebel leader whose bodyguards opened fire on the crowd.

Then on May 24, Miguel Gil Moreno de Mora, 32, a cameraman for Associated Press Television News, and Reuters correspondent Kurt Schork, 53, were killed when rebels ambushed their vehicles.

Both men had been renowned for covering the world's most dangerous conflicts.

The rebels also killed four Sierra Leone soldiers in the ambush and injured two other Reuters journalists, a South African cameraman and a Greek photographer.

Since 1997, 15 local journalists and foreign correspondents have been killed in Sierra Leone's civil war, the report said.

In Colombia, gunmen shot and killed three local radio journalists during the last three months of 2000. Local authorities and colleagues suspect they were killed because of their reporting on government corruption and crime. The murders bring the 10-year death toll for journalists in Colombia to 34.

"Local journalists are very vulnerable," Cooper said. "They're writing critically about a government or an armed faction or drug lords and they can't then get on a plane and go to another country and be safely away from someone who might want to punish them."

Two Russian photographers were killed covering the conflict in Chechnya — one when his jeep was blown up by a mine and the other after he was taken hostage by Chechen militants.

And on May 12, Igor Domnikov, 42, a reporter with Moscow's muckraking Novaya Gazeta, was beaten with a hammer by an unknown attacker. He died of his injuries two months later. Police said the attack was related to his work.

On the Net:
Committee to Protect Journalists: http://www.cpj.org

Increasing natural gas costs makes wind-generated energy look better

LUBBOCK (AP) — Gusty winds, known for kicking up dust across the South Plains, are also increasingly becoming an option for energy company officials trying to supply electricity to homes and businesses.

Amid rising natural gas costs, several companies are racing to build large wind generation plants in coming years.

A 4,000-acre wind ranch populated by 80 wind-turbine generators is planned for Southwestern Public Service customers. The generators, each standing 226 feet tall with a combined production of 80 megawatts of energy, will generate enough power to suit the needs of more than 26,000 homes.

Officials of Lubbock Power & Light have a target of constructing a wind generation project in the West Texas city within the next 18 months.

"Right now, with gas prices as high as they are, economics of those sources look really good," Paul Thompson, LP&L president, told the Lubbock Avalanche-Journal in Monday's editions. "This winter, you could have generated energy cheaper with wind than gas."

Other energy producers are constructing wind power facilities elsewhere in West Texas, including a plant in Iraan, 78 miles south of Midland.

A second wind ranch for SPS would be located in New Mexico, close to either Clovis or Carlsbad, said Bill Crenshaw, a company spokesman.

Wind energy from the Llano Estacado Wind Ranch at White Deer is expected to be available for customers connected to the SPS system by the year's end. The wind ranch will be the largest in a region north of the Permian Basin reaching into Wyoming, officials said.

Ken Starcher, assistant director of the Alternative Energy Institute at West Texas A&M University, said that although wind power is not necessarily cheaper than some other energy sources, its long-term costs are less when environmental and social expenses are considered.

He said polls in SPS' service area show customers are interested in renewable energy even if the price is a little higher.

"There is no wasted water, no greenhouse gases and no pollutants," Starcher said.

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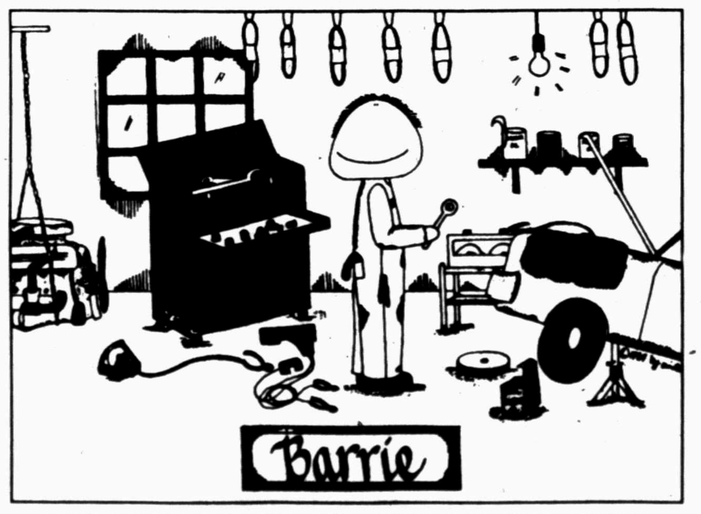

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Prime Minister Sharon lashes out at PLO

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon lashed out at the Palestinian Authority today as two Jews were killed back home. Sharon conferred long-distance with senior officials on "steps that will be taken."

Against the backdrop of a firm commitment by Secretary of State Colin Powell to stand by Israel, Sharon accused Yasser Arafat's Palestinian Authority through a spokesman of "deepening its involvement in incitement, violence and terror."

In a statement issued as Sharon called on Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, the prime minister accused Arafat's elite guard, Force 17, of "terror activities." He said Fatah, the core group in the Palestine Liberation Organization was increasing its cooperation with fundamentalist terror organizations.

In Israel, as Sharon began a two-day visit that culminates with a meeting with President Bush on Tuesday, an Israeli motorist was killed in a drive-by shooting and the body of a second Israeli man was found near the northern border in the first political killings of Jews since Sharon came to power.

Palestinian militants fired three mortar bombs from Gaza into Israel Sunday night, slightly injuring an Israeli soldier at a military base, the army said.

Powell, reiterating to a pro-Israel lobby a pledge he made 10 years ago as chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said: "Let there be no question about our commitment to Israel. Let there by no question that America will stand by Israel."

Echoing Sharon's view, Powell said "first and foremost" the violence that has gripped the region for six months must stop.

He also said drift in peacemaking efforts "will only lead to greater tragedy."

Sharon, who arrived in Washington Sunday night, is looking for Bush to strongly endorse his position that peace talks should remain on hold until there is a cessation of the violence.

In what appeared to be a message to Palestinian leader Arafat, Powell said "leaders have the responsibility to denounce violence, strip of its legitimacy, stop it. Violence is a dead end."

Powell told a friendly, sometimes cheering, audience at the American Israel Public Affairs Committee policy conference that "both sides require a dialogue that will lead to mutually acceptable political economic and security arrangements."

Reflecting Sharon's offer of limited agreements, in sharp contrast to the push of his predecessor, Ehud Barak, and the Clinton administration for an overall settlement between Israel and the Palestinians, Powell said the goal could be transitional, "partial or whole."

Powell, who interspersed a few words of Yiddish he learned growing up in the South Bronx, said to a standing ovation that the Bush administration would try to make sure Israel maintains a military edge over its Arab neighbors.

"The United States has a vital interest in the security of Israel," Powell said.

While Powell pledged U.S. assistance in Mideast peacemaking, he said, again to applause, "We will not strive for some arbitrary measure of evenhandedness."

Bush telephoned King Abdullah of Jordan on Monday morning to discuss for about 10 minutes the Mideast peace situation, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said. Bush also assured the king he hopes a U.S.-Jordanian free trade agreement "can be done in a reasonable time frame."

Sharon was elected last month on a platform of restoring security to Israel, and he has demanded an end to the six-month Palestinian insurrection before sitting down at the negotiating table.

"An attempt to achieve a diplomatic arrangement can be done only when there will be quiet," Sharon told reporters aboard his flight from Jerusalem, before the latest outbreak of violence. "I want to conduct negotiations, and it's possible, but we can't when there is terror."

Sharon had expressed willingness, however, to give the Palestinians time before escalating Israel's response to the violence. "We need patience," he said. "After not acting for so long to prevent terror, they have to get organized. I'm willing to give them time, but not unlimited time."

In nearly six months of conflict, 430 people have been killed: 352 Palestinians, 59 Israeli Jews and 19 others.

Obituaries

Willie Olivo

1972-2001

Funeral service for Willie Olivo, 28, was set for 10 a.m. today in the Church on the Rock with the Rev. Roy Maldenado officiating. Burial was to follow in the Snyder Cemetery with arrangements under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Mr. Olivo died Friday, March 16, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born Sept. 1, 1972 in San Marcos, Mr. Olivo worked as a roofer and was a member of the Church on the Rock in Snyder.

He was preceded in death by his stepfather, Alberto Rodriquez Sr., in 1986.

Survivors include his mother and stepfather, Polly and Richard Salazar of Snyder; his father, Ruben Olivo Sr. of Detroit; one daughter, Paula Aguilar of Snyder; a sister, Patricia Rodriquez of Snyder; two brothers, Ruben Olivo Jr. of Fort Hood and Albert Rodriquez Jr. of Snyder; a stepsister, Eva Burnham of Wichita Falls; his grandmother, Augustina Silguero of San Marcos; one niece and two nephews.

Donna Blair

1952-2001

Donna "D.J." Blair, a resident of Snyder the past four years, died Sunday, March 18, in Snyder Healthcare Center following a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Blair is set for 11 a.m. Wednesday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. The Rev. Larry McAden, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, will officiate. Graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday at Lindsey Cemetery in Fannin County.

Born Jan. 17, 1952 in Dallas, Mrs. Blair had lived in Dallas most of her life before moving to Snyder. She worked for Owens-Corning in Dallas. She was a Baptist and an avid motorcyclist.

She was preceded in death by a sister, Linda Moorman in 1988.

Survivors include her mother and stepfather, Jewel and Oscar Haney of Snyder; a daughter, Shonna Blair of Lubbock; a sister, Connie Robbins of Snyder; and a brother-in-law, Lee Robbins of Odessa.

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Michael Alexander

1945-2001

BAYTOWN — Michael Wayne Alexander of Baytown, brother of Pat Alexander of Snyder, died Friday, March 16, after a lengthy illness.

Service for Mr. Alexander, 56, was set for 3 p.m. today in the Navarre Funeral Home Chapel in Baytown with cremation to follow.

He was born March 14, 1945 in London, England.

He was preceded in death by his father, Louis "Swede" Alexander of Snyder, on June 5, 1997.

Other survivors include his wife, Sharon Alexander of Baytown; two daughters, Brandie Alexander of Baytown and Jennifer Paige Alexander of Craig, Colo.; his mother, Ruby Alexander of Snyder; two sisters, Ruth Montgomery of Deer Park and Gail Duckworth of Lubbock; five nephews; six nieces; one great-nephew; and one great-niece.

Edna Clift

1906-2001

Edna R. Clift of San Angelo, former longtime Hermleigh resident, died Monday, March 19, at Heritage House in San Angelo after a lengthy illness.

Edna Clift

Graveside service for Mrs. Clift, 94, is set for 2 p.m. Wednesday in the Hermleigh Cemetery, directed by Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on May 18, 1906 in Bonham, she married Claude Vance Clift on June 14, 1936 in Bonham. He died on May 5, 1996. A former teacher for Hermleigh ISD, she had lived in San Angelo for 1½ years. She was a member of the First Christian Church in Bonham and attended the Hermleigh United Methodist Church. She was a member of the Eastern Star.

She was also preceded in death by four brothers; two sisters; and a brother-in-law.

Survivors include a daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Fred De La Cruz of San Angelo; a son, Jerry Clift, of San Angelo; four grandchildren and spouses, Shelley and Ron Hansen of Los Angeles; Shane and Laura McKenzie of San Angelo, Nathan and Candice De La Cruze of Austin and Camille De La Cruz of Austin and five great-grandchildren; Stephen, Nikki, Kameron and Keanu Hansen of Los Angeles and Tori McKenzie of Maryland.

Sibyl Bailey

1919-2001

Sibyl L. Bailey, the mother of Nomi Almquest of Dunn, died Friday, March 16.

Graveside service for Mrs. Bailey, 81, were held Sunday in the Belvieu Cemetery in Fisher County with the Rev. Norman Burgess officiating.

Born Sept. 2, 1919 in Eastland County, she moved from Rotan to Odessa in 1956. She was a seamstress for Levi Strauss and was a member of the Crescent Park Baptist Church.

Survivors include a son, Gene Stevenson of Roby; another daughter, Jo Rodgers of Odessa; nine grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Lula Metcalf

1913-2001

Services are pending at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home for Lula Viola Boyd Metcalf, 87, of Big Spring.

Mrs. Metcalf died Friday, March 16, in University Medical Center in Lubbock after a sudden illness.

She was born on May 31, 1913 in Rogers, Tex.

A homemaker, Mrs. Metcalf was a Baptist.

She was preceded in death by one brother, Milton Strickland.

Survivors are a son, Billy Don Boyd of Beaumont; two daughters, Rena Beth of Wichita Falls and Ronda of Portland, Ore.; two sisters, Elnora Clark of Snyder and Lorene Snyder of Odessa; and one brother, David Strickland of Chandler.

Tires are slashed over the weekend

• ***Tires slashed***

Patricia Delao contacted officers Sunday to report that a tire had been slashed on her 1995 Plymouth Neon while it was parked at the VFW.

At 6:40 p.m. Sunday, Bobby Velasquez reported that two tires on a 1993 Ford pickup owned by Snyder ISD were slashed while the vehicle was parked at 2306 41st Street.

• ***Gas drive-off***

A clerk with Town & Country on North College notified officers of a gas drive-off in the amount of $20 at 5:35 p.m. Saturday.

Skinny's on Coliseum Drive reported a $27.90 gas drive-off at 8:27 p.m. Sunday.

• ***Theft***

At 5:40 p.m. Saturday, Calley Bane reported that her wallet had been stolen from her 1990 Pontiac Grand Am while it was parked at the Snyder High School sophomore parking lot.

• ***Arrests***

A 22-year-old man was booked into Scurry County Jail at 11:45 a.m. Saturday on warrants for possession of drug paraphernalia and failure to appear.

Officers arrested a 24-year-old man at 1:47 p.m. Sunday in the 3700 block of College Avenue on a warrant for failure to appear.

At 2:14 p.m. Sunday, a 26-year-old man was jailed on warrants for expired motor vehicle registration and failure to appear in court on the charge.

A warrant fpr public intoxication landed a 17-year-old man in jail at 2:43 p.m. Sunday. Officers arrested him in the 2700 block of Avenue O.

Births

Shanda Bowlin of Snyder announces the birth of her daughter at 5:28 p.m. on March 17 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed six pounds, one ounce.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: March 17-Ina Bloomer and Shanda Bowlin; March 18-Herminia Arellano, Cecil Gray, Dorothy Newstater and Trinidad Scott

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Bible study tapes

Bible study videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "The Messengers of Doom," followed by "Why Be Baptized?"

Community coalition meeting

A community coalition meeting, sponsored by the Snyder Area Council on Alcohol and Drug Abuse, will be held at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the First Baptist Church Family Life Center. The substance abuse problem in Scurry County will be discussed.

Financial aid workshop

A financial aid workshop for area high school students planning to attend college and with questions about financial aid will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder High School. If you have questions, or plan to attend, call Janell Jones at 574-6049.

4-H Horse Club

Scurry County 4-H Horse Club will meet at 6:30 p.m. Tuesday in the East Elementary cafeteria.

FFA Booster Club

The Snyder FFA Booster Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the SHS ag building.

Income tax help

An IRS-approved program for elderly and low-income persons of any age is held from 9 a.m. until noon and from 1-3 p.m. every Wednesday at the Snyder Senior Citizens Center.

Stress workshop

A stress survival skills workshop will be presented Friday and Saturday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church. Cost is $10 and includes lunch Saturday plus all conference material. Friday's sessions are from 7-10 p.m. and Saturday's sessions are from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Call 573-8596 for reservations. Deadline is Wednesday.

C.H.I.P. signup

Children's Health Insurance Program signup will be held from 2-6 p.m. Thursday at Central Elementary. Another registration will be held from 2-7 p.m. Tuesday, March 27, at Northeast Elementary.

Parents meeting

Parents of all eighth grade students are urged to attend a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday at the junior high auditorium. High school counselor Debbie Phillips will provide information and answer questions concerning high school registration procedures, course selection and requirements for the diploma programs.

FBC worship service

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

West family reading night

West Elementary holds its family reading night from 6-7:30 p.m. every Thursday. New sessions have been added. Childcare and refreshments are provided.

GED testing dates

Testing dates this month for GED (high school equivalency) will be this Friday and March 30. For more information call Molly Kattes, 573-2919, or Emily Hataway, 574-2112 at home, or 573-8511, ext. 297 at WTC between 11 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Weigh Down Workshop

An orientation for a Weigh Down Workshop will be held at 7 p.m. next Monday at the Word is Life Church. For more information, call Donna Nehring at 573-7471

Alzheimer support group

The Alzheimer family support group meets at 6 p.m. the second and fourth Wednesday of each month at Snyder Oaks Care Center.

Adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at WTC are held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish speaking aides teach these classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Senior citizens swimnastics

Snyder Senior Citizen Center swimnastics is held from 1-2 p.m. on Thursdays, and from 10-11 a.m. on Mondays. For additional information, call 573-4035.

WTC swimming pool

The WTC swimming pool is now open for public use. Lap swimming: M-F 6:30-8 a.m., and 12-1 p.m. Open swimming: M-TH 7-9 p.m. Cost is $2 per person or $50 for a semester pass. The pool is also available for parties on Fridays and Saturdays. For more information, contact Lisa Christensen at 573-8511, ext. 290.

Glory Room open

The Glory Room, a Christian library located at Trinity United Methodist Church, is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through Fridays, and from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. on Wednesdays. Everyone is asked to return materials so that others may check them out. If other hours are needed, contact the church at 573-3988.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients is available every day free of charge to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland. For more information, call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakely Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.

Discovery School registration

Registration for summer Discovery School at First United Methodist Church is underway. The session is for June and July. Registration will continue until classes are filled. Summer hours will be 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday for children ages six weeks through five years. For more information, call 573-4770.

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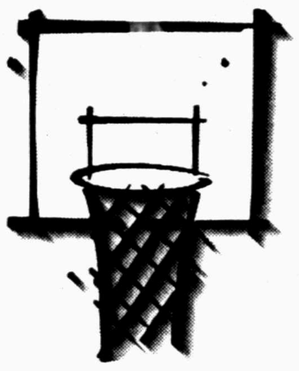

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Illinois — Alamodome, San Antonio, March 23
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Alamodome, San Antonio, March 25 — Pick Winner 8 Points

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Michigan State — Georgia Dome, Atlanta, Ga. March 23
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Penn State — Pick Winner 3 Points

Georgia Dome, Atlanta, Ga. March 23 — Pick Winner 8 points

Final Four Semifinal, Metrodome, Minneapolis, Minn. March 31 — Pick Winner 12 Points

Predict the winners of the NCAA Men's Basketball Tournament all the way from Sweet 16 to the Final Four to the championship and win $50, $25, or $15. Here's how to play: write in your choice of winners on the tournament bracket on the four levels; then predict the total number of points that will be scored in the championship game (to be used as tie-breaker if needed); then fill in your name, address and phone number and bring entry to the Snyder Daily News office by 5:00 p.m. Thursday, March 22. This deadline is needed because the first games starts at 6:30 p.m. that day.

Scoring: 3 points per winner will be awarded in the first level; 8 points in the second level; 12 points in the semifinals; and 20 points for the championship game - for a possible total of 100 points. The three entrants with the most points will be the winners. In case of a tie, the tie breaker will be the total points scored in the championship game.

Entries must be on the original newsprint. Anyone can enter, but only one entry per person. Winners will be announced the day after the championship game April 2. Winners will be mailed their checks. Best of luck to all.

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