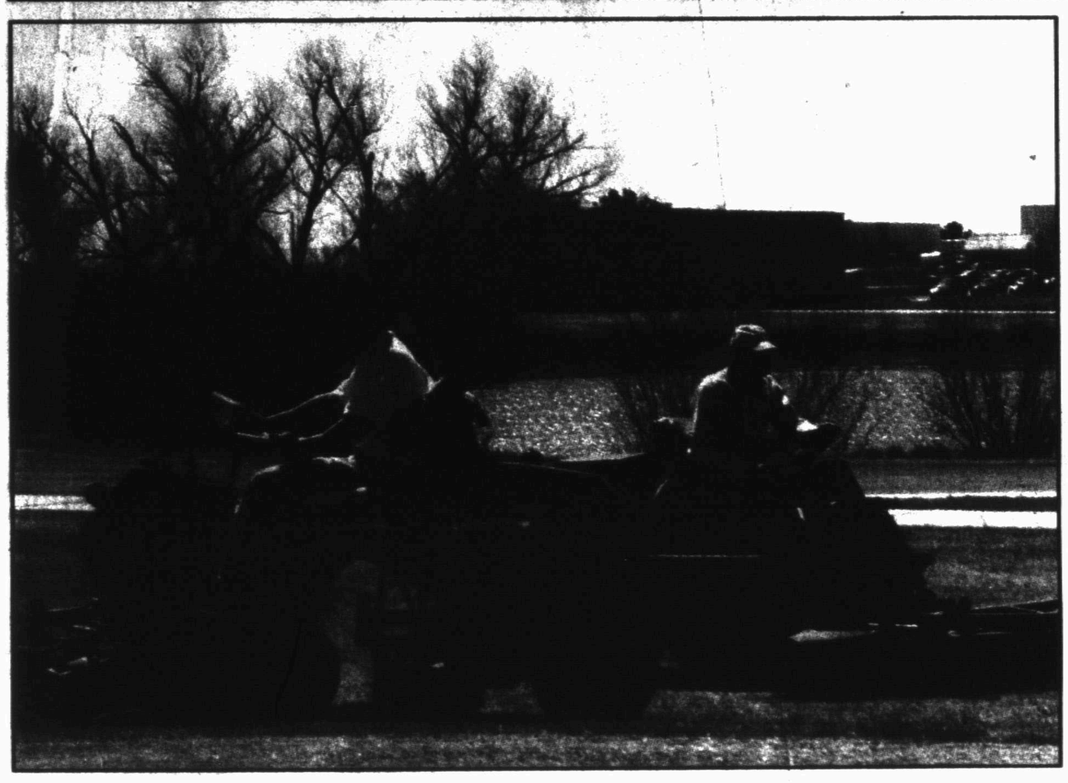
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SPRING CLEANING — Sam Ramirez (left) and Harley Collins were busy mowing a fairway at the Western Texas College Golf Course this morning. Temperatures continue to rise and vegetation is coming to life as spring show evidence in the area. (SDN Staff Photo)

In 8 p.m. meeting...

Superintendent finalist to be named at HISD

Hermleigh ISD's school board will meet in a special session at 8 o'clock tonight and is expected to name a finalist for the district's vacant superintendent's post.

Interim Supt. James Bible said more than 40 applications were received and interviews were conducted Friday and Saturday.

"We feel we will name an outstanding person and educator to the finalist position tonight," said Bible.

Following tonight's action, the board will have to wait the state-mandated 21 days before formally acting on a contract.

Commenting on the large number of applications received, Bible said former superintendent Jerry Church's long tenure at the school reflects highly on the school district.

Also tonight, trustees will consider retaining the Fort Worth law firm of Chappell, Hill & Lowrance as the district's legal counsel.

"This change from an Austin firm is strictly to save money," said Bible.

The meeting will be in the high school's homemaking room.

American Airlines may avoid filing bankruptcy

NEW YORK (AP) — American Airlines' cost-cutting agreements with unions are a major step in the company's bid to avoid bankruptcy, but it still must overcome worries about terrorism, an ailing economy and the war with Iraq.

The Fort Worth-based company appeared Monday to have secured the $1.8 billion in concessions needed to avert Chapter 11, but the agreements require approval from members of unions representing pilots, flight attendants and mechanics. The ratification process began today, union officials said.

News of the tentative agreements lifted shares of American by 33 percent as investors considered a bankruptcy filing much less likely.

Union leaders' actions "have enabled us to avoid an immediate filing with the bankruptcy court," American chairman Donald J. Carty said Monday.

"We came within minutes — hours certainly — of having to file," Armando Codina, a member of American's board and a Florida developer said today.

But the carrier is not guaranteed a smooth ride, since the industry is still battling its worst downturn ever.

"If the war lasts for many months or if there's another act of terrorism, then even these cost savings could prove insufficient," said Philip Baggaley, Standard & Poor's airline analyst.

Even if employees ratify the agreements, he said it will still be critical for AMR Corp., the airline's parent company, to secure additional financing from lenders as well as concessions from suppliers and lessors.

"That will be very important to tide them over through their current, difficult financial circumstances," Baggaley said. The savings from wage cuts would be felt immediately, he said, but those accruing as a result of reduced benefits and changes to work rules would be slower in coming.

Executives met with lenders Monday to put together a financing package that would help the airline operate, a person familiar with the airline's situation said. The lenders involved in the talks were Citigroup, J.P. Morgan Chase, CIT Group and Merrill Lynch, the person said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Industry experts said the pace of labor negotiations at American was probably spurred by the progress made last week by United Airlines, which secured a tentative agreement from its pilots' union on a new contract that would cut annual costs by $1.1 billion.

"I think that has helped focus their minds," said Peter Cappelli, a professor of management at the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School of Business.

United, which is restructuring under Chapter 11 protection, has said deep cuts were needed to avoid liquidation. Executives at American, meanwhile, had indicated that they would file for bankruptcy protection soon unless they had tentative agreements with all major labor groups Monday, union officials said.

Other major airlines also are pushing employees to accept wage and benefit cuts as the industry racks up huge losses, and analysts said the momentum at United and American could spread. The lesson learned, several analysts said, is that restructuring can be done outside of bankruptcy court.

After the war in Iraq began, carriers laid off thousands of employees, cut certain flights from their schedules and reduced the frequency of others. But analysts say — even with new labor contracts — that major carriers still need to make further cuts , a move that would likely help them raise ticket prices.

Over the weekend, the company reached tentative agreements with six groups of ground workers, totaling 2,500 employees.

Cogdell board cancels Wednesday meeting

Cogdell Memorial Hospital's board of managers has cancelled a meeting called for 7:30 Wednesday morning.

The meeting was to discuss the Covenant's Family Healthcare Clinic and its eventual transition to local control.

At the last board meeting, hospital CEO George Parsley said the meeting would be cancelled if there was nothing new to discuss with the board.

Covenant has announced it will dissolve its relationship with six of its area clinics, and has plans to convert seven additional facilities, including Snyder, to a rural health clinic.

Covenant announced that the seven clinics would then be leased to the local hospitals.

Under the rural health clinic model, the local hospitals in these communities – which are managed by Covenant – would lease the converted clinics.

The Covenant announcement said that the decision concerning the clinics comes after a recently-completed and lengthy evaluation of services provided by Covenant Medical Group.

"Regional clinic ventures have been beneficial in the past, however, continuing cuts in payments from Medicare and Medicaid programs, coupled with a rising number of uninsured patients, has made the healthcare center network operate much more tenuous," a Covenant spokesman said.

TxDOT to hold meeting

Snyder Junior High auditorium tonight will be the site tonight of a public meeting hosted by the department of transportation to discuss the 2004-2006 Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP).

The TIP is a three-year program that includes a priority list of all transportation projects that will be undertaken in the next three years.

The purpose of the meeting is to provide the opportunity for individuals and groups to offer comments on the objectives and impact of the TIP.

The meeting, to include the TIP financial plan, will begin at 6:30 p.m.

Ag meeting set at Dunn Wednesday

A Rolling Plains ag conference will be held at the Dunn Community Center beginning at 8 a.m. Wednesday.

Registration fee is $10 and four continuing education units (CEUs) will be provided.

Speakers include cotton economist Dr. Carl Anderson, agronomists Dr. Peter Dotray, Dr. Billy Warrick and Dr. Calvin Trostle, Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation representative Stewart Nowlan, and range specialist Dr. Allan McGinty.

Additional topics will include laws and regulations.



WATCHFUL EYE — An abandoned Iraqi T55 tank is secured and inspected by soldiers of the British 3 Regiment Army Air Corps, 16 Air Assault Brigade. American soldiers on the road to Baghdad are engaged in heavy fighting with Iraqi forces loyal to Saddam Hussein, while the U.S.-led coalition launched missiles early today toward Baghdad and the holy Shiite Muslim city of Karbala in the southwest. (AP Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "The best thing about some of today's popular songs is they don't remain popular very long."

The new superintendent for Snyder ISD reported for duty today.

We suspect that he's got nerves of steel and plenty of confidence – since the new school chief's first day on the job is April Fool's Day.

We brought that up a few weeks ago with school board president Mark McCormick who mused, "Maybe we ought to change his report day to March 31."

But Supt. Ronny Collins, who comes from Jacksboro, is philosophical about his beginning here on April 1. "I figure that's pretty appropriate for me."

Actually, since being selected to lead the district last December, Collins has tried to be in the town at least once a week.

Also, he already has been introduced to some of the intense district rivalry. He was present in Lamesa a few Friday nights ago when a couple rabid Tiger fans were escorted from the gym.

Actually Dr. Collins likes being close to Lamesa since his daughter-in-law is a Dawson County native. He figures his son's family will have to pass through Snyder going and coming when visiting her parents.

We inquired about his photography hobby and he replied with a great deal of modesty. "I know just enough to be dangerous."

Shoot, with credentials like that the good doc could write a column for the newspaper.

Administrators never go away, they just become an interim...

We were passing through Brownwood a few weeks ago and picked up a copy of the Bulletin that contained a front-page article about the new interim superintendent at nearby Blanket.

The new temporary school chief is Tom Alvis, who served as principal of North Elementary in Snyder from 1986-89. Incidently, Blanket is near the home of Dalton Moseley who was superintendent here when Alvis was principal.

Alvis left Snyder to become assistant superintendent for business for the Muleshoe ISD. He then served as superintendent at Lafors, Lueders-Avoca and Union ISD in Terry County before retiring four years ago.

Since retirement, however, Alvis has been interim sup at Alpine, Valentine, Blackwell, Three Way — and now Blanket.

When hired for the post at Blanket, both he and the board assumed it would be a routine assignment. In his first week on the job, however, Alvis learned from auditors of a surprise development — a $116,000 budget deficit.

And it wasn't an April Fool's prank — it was for real.

ASK US

Q—Has the city set the dates for the annual clean-up campaign?

A—It will be held April 21-24.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Kim Gorman...

...has lived in Snyder 17 years. She and her husband Jack, a banker, have two sons, Trey and Charlie. Both attend Baylor University. Kim substitutes at the First Baptist Church office, is a hospice volunteer and plays the harp. Kim likes family activities.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

A problem well-stated is a problem half solved.
—Charles Kettering

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Band booster meeting

There will be an SHS band booster meeting at 6 p.m. today in the band hall to finalize banquet plans.

Masonic Lodge meeting

Scurry County Masonic Lodge No. 706 will have a stated meeting at 7:30 this evening at the lodge hall.

Free income tax help

Free income tax help is available for persons earning low to moderate incomes. There is no age restriction. Assistance is available from 9 a.m.-noon, and 1-3 p.m. each Wednesday at the Senior Center, 2603 Ave. M.

Lenten worship services

The First Presbyterian Church will hold Lenten worship services at 6 p.m. every Wednesday through April 9. Anyone wishing to observe Lent is welcome to attend.

SHS senior activities

Senior parents need to send in their $20 as soon as possible. Also, the three pictures of your senior student are needed by Thursday. Both the money and the pictures can be left at the SHS office.

Relay for life fundraiser

The American State Bank's Relay for Life Team will wash cars in the bank parking lot from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday.

St. Elizabeth sausage festival

St. Elizabeth will have its annual sausage festival Sunday from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the parish center. Tickets are $7 for adults and all take-outs; and $4 for children 12 and under. Game booths, raffles and country store will be available. Sausage also sold by the pound, $3 uncooked and $4 cooked.

Book fair

Northeast Elementary will have a book fair Monday through Wednesday. Hours Monday and Tuesday are 8 a.m.–5 p.m., and Wednesday, 8 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. All proceeds will benefit the school.

FFA booster club

Snyder High School's FFA Booster Club will meet next Tuesday at the ag building. Officers are to meet at 6:30 p.m.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

Relay for Life cookbooks

The cookbooks of the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Relay for Life team are now available for a $10 donation. All proceeds go to the American Cancer Society. Call Becky Craig at 573-2472, Jo Schooler at 573-7807 or 573-6374.

WTC adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at WTC will be 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 the classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Cancer treatment transportation

Transportation for cancer patients to Lubbock, Abilene or Midland is available free of charge. Call Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993 or Blakey Fargason at 574-8041. If not home, leave message on answering machine.



WIN DISTRICT — Snyder High School drama students' one-act play, William Shakespeare's *The Tempest*, advanced to area from the district contest Saturday in Sweetwater. They next compete Friday at Midland College. Back row from left are, Paul Jackson, Cole Welch, Tanner Beard, Jeff Scott and Jerry Ashley; third row from left are, Jason Hook, Clark Reed, Bobby Sands, Josh Knox, Caleb Durham and Bret McClendon; second row from left, Justin Cox, Nicole Sloboda, Rachel Cave, Malorye Miller and Jeff Stanfield; front row, from left, Blake Robertson, Marissa Chaidez, Erin Cooley, Sara Cantu and director Brad Vincent. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

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Judge rejects some defense requests for expert witnesses

FAIRFAX, Va. (AP) — The judge in Lee Boyd Malvo's murder trial ruled that the sniper suspect doesn't need all the defense experts his lawyers requested, setting the stage for what could become a legal fight over DNA evidence, ballistics and fingerprints.

Fairfax Circuit Court Judge Jane Marum Roush agreed Monday with prosecutors that the defense didn't need voice-recognition and handwriting experts.

Roush also denied defense attorneys' request for a specialist to help them sort through evidence that might help Malvo if he is sentenced.

The judge ruled that the defense lawyers can hire experts in DNA evidence, ballistics and fingerprints. Prosecutors did not object to the hiring of those three.

Malvo, 18, and John Allen Muhammad, 42, have been linked to 20 shootings, including 13 deaths, in Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C. Both face the death penalty.

Malvo, who was 17 when the killings took place, is scheduled to be tried this fall in the Oct. 14 shooting of FBI analyst Linda Franklin outside a Home Depot store.

Fairfax County Commonwealth's Attorney Robert F. Horan Jr. said a defense handwriting expert was not needed since prosecutors won't try to link Malvo to two handwritten notes that are part of the evidence in the case. An expert will testify only that the notes were written by the same person, Horan said.

Prosecutors also successfully argued that voice-recognition experts weren't needed since they won't try to link Malvo to two phone calls that were allegedly made by the snipers.

Engineer wants NASA to seek photos of damage to left wing

WASHINGTON (AP) — There were ways NASA engineers might have tried to save Columbia if they had known for certain that the space shuttle was in trouble from a damaged wing, NASA's chief shuttle engineer wrote in an e-mail 12 days before the craft's fiery disintegration over Texas.

Alan R. Rocha, in an e-mail released by the space agency on Monday, pleaded for officials at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration to seek photographs of possible damage to the shuttle's left wing. Without those photos, he said, "it will be very difficult" to analyze any problem that Columbia might have.

He said the pictures could give answers about the shuttle's problems "ranging from acceptable to not-acceptable to horrible" and could provide options that Mission Control could consider about finding a safer way for the spacecraft to return to Earth.

"Despite some nay-sayers," Rocha wrote Jan. 21 in his widely distributed e-mail, "there are some options for the team to talk about."

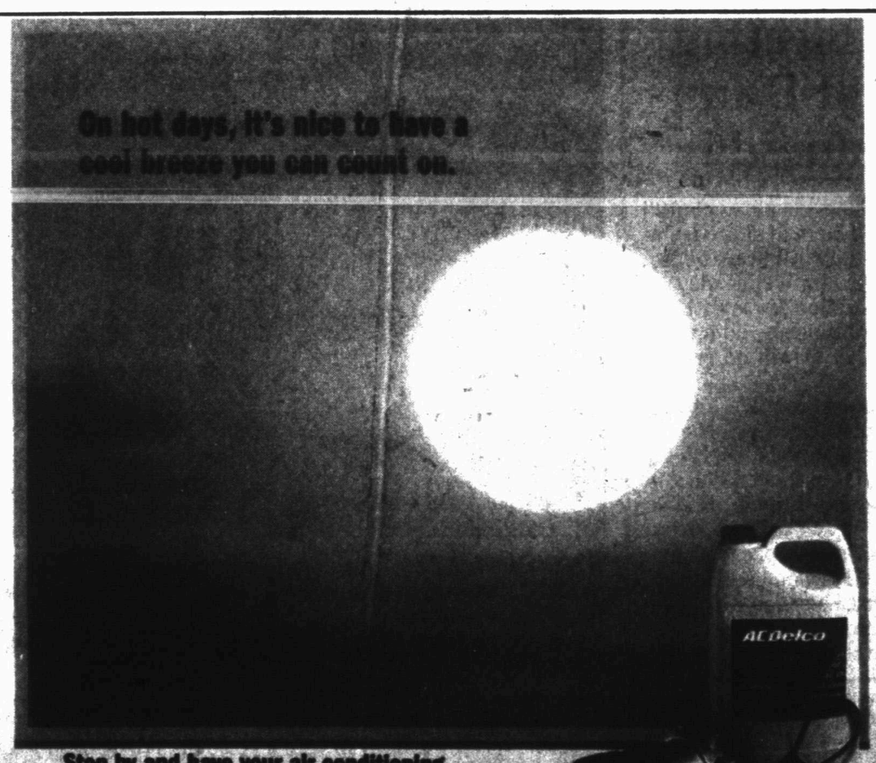
Among those options, he said, were thermal conditioning, which means flying the spacecraft in such a way that some parts of the craft are chilled or warmed before re-entry. Another option, said Rocha, included adjusting the angle and path Columbia would have used to return to Earth. He said there also could be constraints on the left or right turns that Columbia would have made once it was in the atmosphere.

In his plea for pictures, Rocha asked, "Can we petition (beg) for outside agency assistance?" This is an apparent reference to using U.S. spy telescopes or satellites to photograph the underside of Columbia.

"Some of the old timers here remember we got such help in the early 1980s when we had missing tile concerns," Rocha's e-mail said.

NASA on Monday released hundreds of pages of e-mail exchanges between Rocha and other NASA engineers after they learned that Columbia's left wing had been hit by chunks of foam insulation that peeled off the shuttle's external fuel tank during its Jan. 16 launch. Launch pictures showed the flying insulation, but were too fuzzy to show the precise damage to the wing, if any.

In a draft e-mail that he never sent but which was released by NASA, Rocha wrote on Jan. 22 that it was wrong and "bordering on irresponsible" not to request any outside source pictures that might show tile damage. Multiple broken tiles, particularly near Columbia's wheel compartment, "could present potentially grave hazards," he wrote.



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On this day in 1963, "General Hospital" made its television debut.

On this day in 1970, President Nixon signed legislation banning the advertisement of cigarettes on radio and television.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Clara Hale (1905-1992), social worker; Debbie Reynolds (1932-), actress, is 71; Ali MacGraw (1939-), actress, is 64; Annette O'Toole (1954-), actress, is 49.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1973, Phil Esposito, center for the Boston Bruins, won his third consecutive scoring title.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "'Singin' in the Rain' and childbirth were the two hardest things I ever had to do in my life." — Debbie Reynolds

TODAY'S MOON: New moon (April 1).

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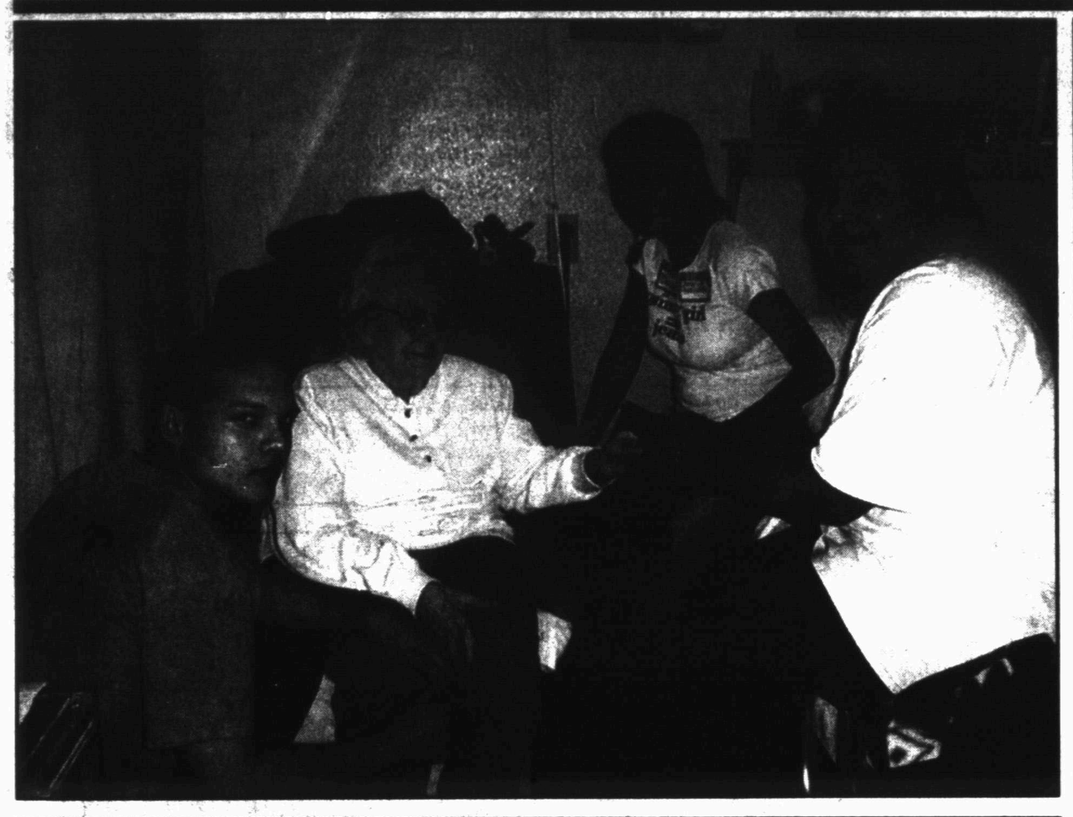
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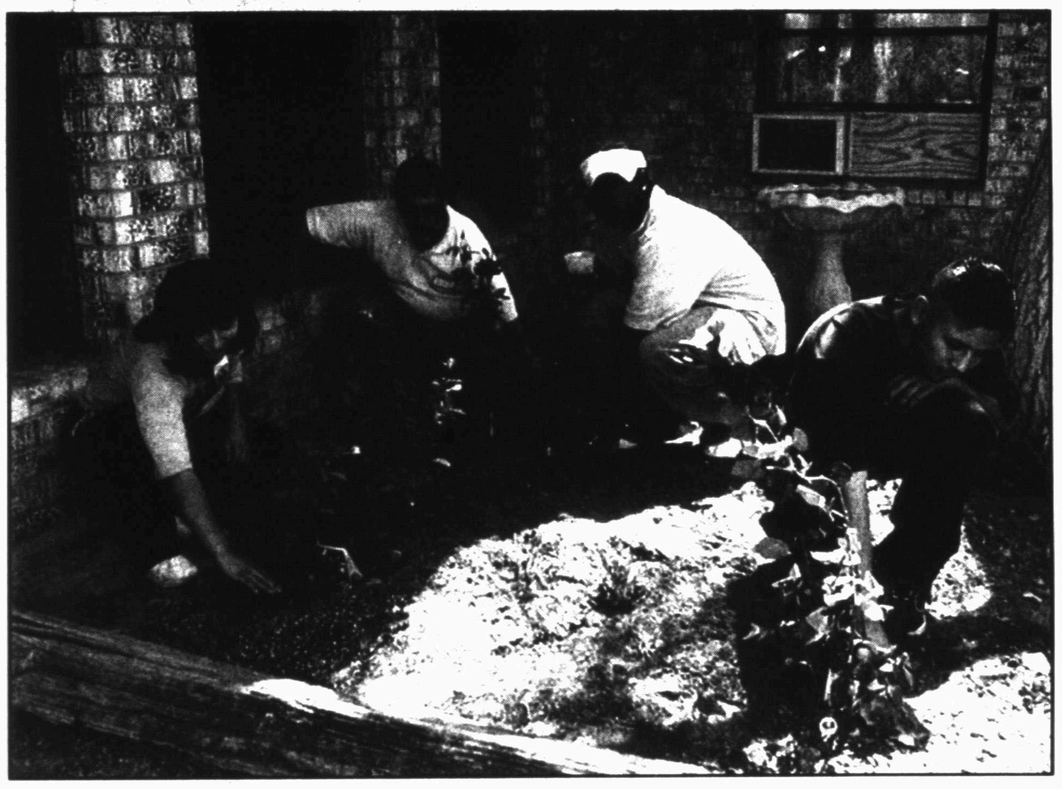
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The name of the halibut fish comes from the word *holy* since it was widely used as a food on Christian holy days.



STUDENTS LEARN BY HELPING — Hobbs Alternative School students are doing service projects and were at Snyder Oaks Care Center Thursday. They also took their service learning program to Sweetwater Hoyt House and the group plans to go to the Rotan Nursing Home this week. In the top photo Gladys Rigsby was given a manicure by Veronica Martinez, right. Other students giving manicures were, from left, Rudy Duckworth Jr. and Priscilla Gonzales. Planting rose bushes in a flowerbed at the entrance were Bonnie Pesina, Charles Almond, horticulture instructor, Tory Green and Edward Arellano. In the top right photo Daniel Gutierrez placed a bird feeder in a tree that can be viewed by residents. Students are interviewing residents and keeping a journal for an English class. (SDN Staff Photos by Jo Ann Nunley)

Community Calendar

TUESDAY

Weight Watchers meeting; Colonial Hill Baptist Church; for more information call Kathy at 573-1289 during the evening; weigh-in is at 5:30 p.m.

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

Snyder Fire Dept. Auxiliary; Central Fire Station; 7 p.m.

Beginners' AA open meeting; Snyder Park Club, 1212 37th Street; 573-8268, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M; for more information call 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

TOPS TX56 (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information call Phillis Leatherwood at 573-6105.

WEDNESDAY

NA Just For Today, open meeting; Park Club; for information, call 573-1438; 8 p.m.

THURSDAY

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

Deep Creek Cloggers lesson; at the coliseum annex; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

AA Big Book Study; closed meeting; contact numbers are 574-8015, 574-1292 or 573-1141; 7 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

Cornelius-Dodson House; open by appointment, call 573-0538 or 573-0770.

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

Al-Anon open meeting; Park Club; 573-3733, 573-2101 or 573-1141; 8 p.m.

SATURDAY

NA-Just For Today open meeting; Park Club; for information call 573-1438; 7 p.m.

SUNDAY

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

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2002	.39	1.09	3.89	3.13	2.95	2.24	2.80	0.77	1.22	5.82	0.31	0.98	25.59
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Avg.	.85	.85	.97	1.87	3.12	2.62	2.10	2.17	2.48	2.35	1.02	0.84	21.04

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



	North	
	♠ 9 8 7 3	
	♥ J	
	♦ A K Q	
	♣ A Q 8 7 4	
West		**East**
♠ K J 10		♠ Q 4
♥ 10 9 8 7		♥ 5 4 3 2
♦ 4 3 2		♦ 10 8 7 6 5
♣ J 10 2		♣ 9 3
	South	
	♠ A 6 5 2	
	♥ A K Q 6	
	♦ J 9	
	♣ K 6 5	

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
1 ♦!	Pass	3 ♣	Pass
3 NT	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	4 ♠	Pass
5 ♣	Pass	7 ♦	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 10

Tuesday, April 1, 2003

It could occur only in fiction

By Phillip Alder

Bizarre deals do occur in real life, but most come from the imagination of writers. This layout was dreamed up by one of the most creative, Victor Mollo.

Sitting South was the Hideous Hog, Mollo's alter ego. He opened one diamond, bidding his weaker minor in an effort to stop that lead against his anticipated final contract of three notrump. However, the auction ran out of control when North had a powerhouse. Still, I cannot help thinking that the Hog would have converted to seven notrump, a contract with 13 top tricks that even the Rueful Rabbit, who was sitting North, would have made one time in three!

The Hog needed one spade, four hearts, five diamonds and three clubs. The last part seemed impossible until he recalled S. J. Simon's Gasper Coup. (A gasper is English slang for a cheap cigarette.) After winning with dummy's heart jack, the Hog played a spade to his ace, and cashed his three top hearts, pitching dummy's remaining spades. Now the Hog had to feign a club finesse. However, he was confident that West would give the game away by reaching across the table, expecting his partner to win the trick. So, when the Hog led a low club, he simultaneously thrust a packet of cigarettes into West's free hand.

After the club "finesse" won, the Hog cashed dummy's club ace, and pulled a low club. East, thinking there was no reason to ruff, discarded his spade queen. With the club king safely in the bank, the Hog crossruffed the last five tricks.

April foolishness!

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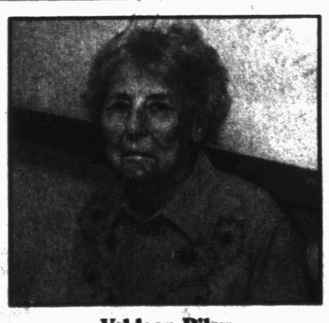
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Snyder Oaks Corner



Valdean Riley

The resident of the week is Valdean Riley. She will be 86 years old this year and has been a resident of Snyder Oaks for two years. She was born here in Scurry County and was a telephone operator for 30 years. She has two brothers and they are very close and her niece and nephew come and carry her out each Saturday and Sunday. Valdean is a Baptist and her religion is very important to her. She enjoys the music activities and bingo. Valdean almost always has a smile on her face and is a joy to have as part of the Snyder Oaks Community.

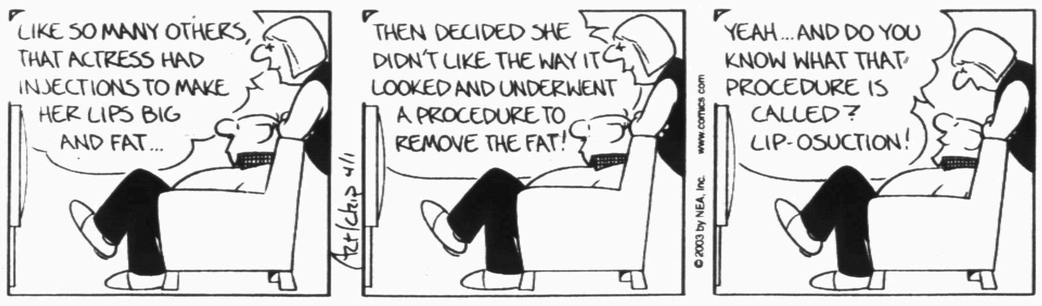
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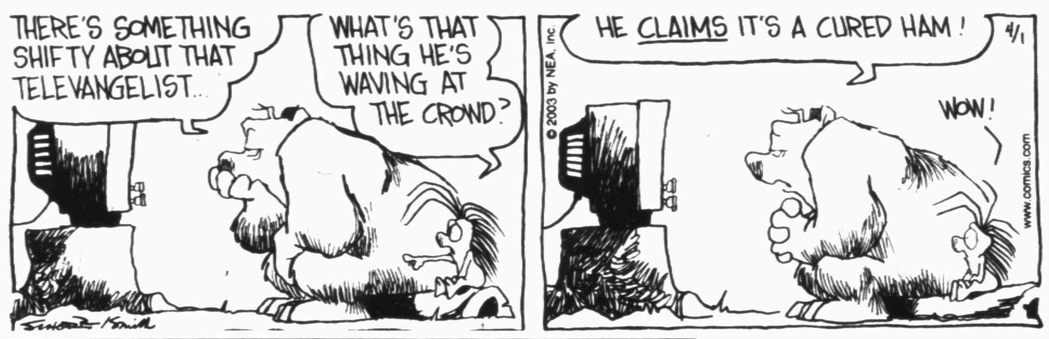
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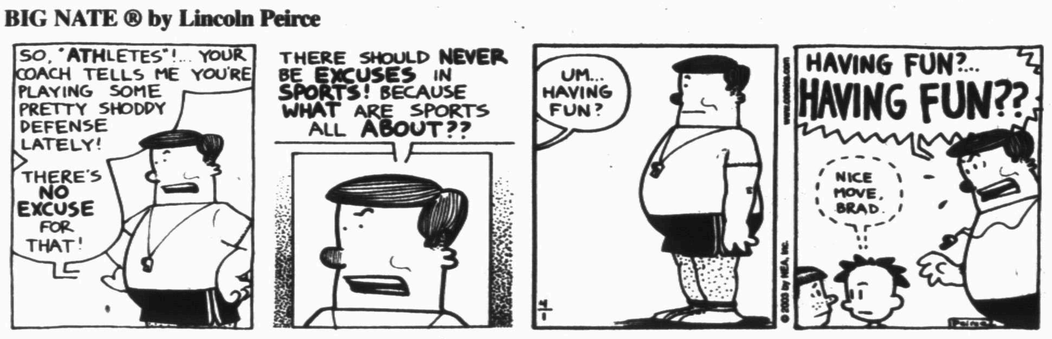
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1 Near the ground
4 Tramp
8 Elec. measure
11 Hard water?
12 Constantly
13 Layered cookie
15 High pt.
16 Othello's foe
17 Knock flat
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20 Sharp tugs
21 Apple seed
23 Joke
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27 Sinister
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32 Screenwriter James —
33 Circuit
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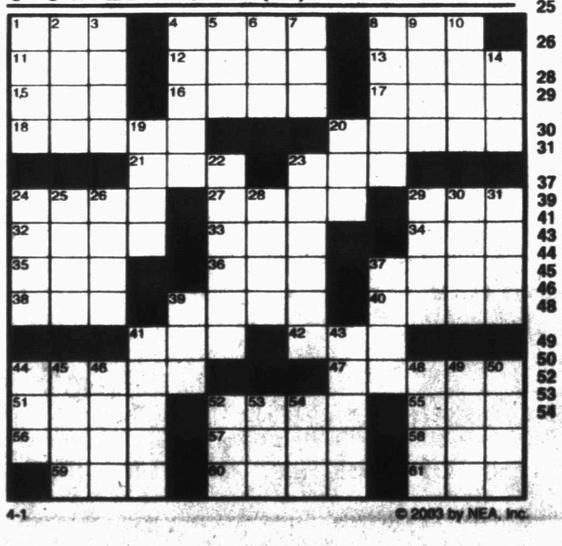
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1 Arm or a leg
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3 Proceed
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5 Eggs
6 Implore
7 Sierra Madre gold
8 Eastman invention
9 Small bird
10 "Aw, shucks"
14 Approves
19 Fencing weapon
20 "Westworld" name
22 Threw rocks
23 Shout of glee
24 Spear, as a fish
25 Chills and fever
26 What banks do
28 Immense
29 PC screen image
30 Stand up
31 Boyle and Kyser
37 Carol
39 Aug. and Feb.
41 New Zealander
43 Batman's alias
44 Scale notes
45 Rents out
46 Estrada of TV
48 Moby Dick's foe
49 Whit
50 Call for
52 Bump hard
53 Ms. Thurman
54 Step on the gas

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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Snyder Daily News Comics

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KIT 'N' CARLYLE ® by Larry Wright



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SPORTS

Duke ends Lady Raiders' run

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Alana Beard's Duke teammates are no longer surprised by the way she can take over a game, and neither are their opponents.

"Alana is an All-American, and it showed tonight," Texas Tech point guard Erin Grant said. "She's the type of player that will put her team on her back and take them where they want to go."

Bard scored 28 points as the top-seeded Blue Devils rallied to beat No. 2-seeded Texas Tech 57-51 in the Midwest Regional final Monday night.

"That's her game. It's not even a matter of stepping up," Duke center Iciss Tillis said. "We expect that from her day-in and day-out because that's what she's been doing since she's been at Duke."

Duke (35-1) will take its 15-game winning streak to Atlanta, where it will play Tennessee (32-4) in the national semifinals Sunday night. The Lady Vols advanced to their 14th Final Four with a 73-49 win over Villanova in the Mideast Regional final.

Duke continues to struggle on offense and still hasn't scored more than 66 points. But the Blue Devils, who are 35-0 in Monday night games during the last five seasons, made up for it with defense and Beard's court savvy and clutch scoring.

Besides scoring nearly half of Duke's points, Beard had eight rebounds, four blocks and three steals.

"It's all about being patient and looking for open shots," she said.

Her three-point play with 1:55 left broke a 51-51 tie, and Duke forced three turnovers by Texas Tech (29-6) in the final minute. With Duke ahead 54-51, Tillis blocked a shot by Tech's Plenette Pierson with 30 seconds left and ensured the Blue Devils' third trip to the Final Four in five years.

Duke's Michele Matyasovsky hit two free throws with 23.9 seconds left, and Beard made a free throw with 14 seconds remaining for the final points.

Pierson, who missed two free throws with 40.5 seconds left, led Texas Tech with 17 points and 17 rebounds. But the Red Raiders missed 23 of their 31 shots in the first half and shot 34.4 percent for the game.

Duke couldn't find the basket early on either, missing 10 of its first 11 shots, and the Lady Red Raiders led most of the first half. But Duke slowly got back in it and erased a 21-17 deficit by closing out the half with a 9-0 run.



JV GOLFERS — The Snyder JV Lady Tigers moved into second place in district behind the varsity Tigers with a 375 in Monday's second round in Snyder. The team is, from left, Cami Trout, Wendy Reed, Meggan Minor, Christi Williams, Kendra Martinez and coach Matt Glenn (Contributed Photo)

Jr. high runs well at Sweetwater

The Snyder Jr. High boys and girls track teams had strong showings at the Sweetwater meet Wednesday.

Although official team finishes are not yet tabulated for the girls, the Snyder eighth-grade boys were fourth, and the seventh-graders took third.

A host of individual jr. Tigers earned first place in several events.

Eighth-grader Ryan Mitchell raced to a first-place victory in the 110M hurdles in the eighth-grade division, one of four events in which he competed.

He also took third in the 300M hurdles, fourth in the long jump and earned a top-five finish in the high jump.

Seventh-grader Joseph Hefner won the 110M hurdles in his division, while Cody Burney paced the field in the 400M dash. Hefner also placed second in the 300M hurdles.

Will Clay won the triple jump and was the runner-up in the 200M sprint.

Several girls earned first-place medals as well.

For the eighth-grade squad, Jordan Stansell took the top spot in both the 100M and 300M hurdles, and Candace Chandler won the 400M dash.

Kaitlyn Greenlee captured first in the shot put, and Whitley Fulford jumped to first place in the long jump.

Lady golfers breeze past field in round 2

After taking the opening round by 55 strokes last Tuesday, the Lady Tiger golfers couldn't outdo themselves Monday in Snyder in the second round of district play.

Instead, they did just as well.

The Lady Tigers again finished 55 strokes ahead of the next team in the field, topping the surprising second-place Snyder JV team, which moved into second in district play with a round two total of 375. The JV team has fired a 754 through two rounds.

The varsity girls fired a 320, two shots better than their opening round total of 322. The team's score of 642 through two rounds is 112 strokes ahead of the field.

Katie Kerley and Lauren Day each carded a 79 at the Western Texas College course, and Kellie Dodson posted an 80.

Hailey Putnam shot an 82, and fifth-player Catherine Whitworth recorded an 83. Although only the top four scores are recorded, the five varsity Lady Tigers fired the five best scores of the round.

JV leader Cami Trout stroked an 86 Monday, good enough for the sixth best total in the round, while Christi Williams had the seventh-best score with a 90.

Kendra Martinez carded a 94, Wendy Reed shot a 105 and Meggan Minor fired a 115 for the JV team.

District 3-3A
Team Totals (through Round 2)

1. Snyder 322-320 642; 2. Snyder II 379-375 754; 3. Sweetwater 377-394 771; 4. Seminole 408-390 798; 5. Lamesa 406-414 820; 6. Denver City 479-445 924; 7. Sweetwater II 504-485 989; 8. Seminole II 538-491 1029.

Individual Totals (through Round 2)

1. Katie Kerley, Snyder, 79-79 158; 2. Kellie Dodson, Snyder, 82-80 162; 3. (tie)Catherine Whitworth, Snyder 80-83 163, Hailey Putnam, Snyder, 81-82 163; 5. Lauren Day, Snyder 85-79 164; 6. Cami Trout, Snyder II, 89-86 175; 7. Christi Williams, Snyder II, 86-90 176; 8. Kelly Rainbolt, Sweetwater, 86-92 178; 9. Megan Harris, Merkel, 91-93 184; 10. Brittany Mercer, Sweetwater, 88-97 185.

JV baseball crushes SA Lake View

Snyder JV baseball club improved to 10-7 over the weekend, pounding Lake View, 18-5, Saturday.

Michael Ford pitched four innings and Lico Castillo threw 2 2/3 innings of relief. Dustin Williams recorded the last out.

Blaine Minton homered for the junior Tigers, and coach Brock Rumfield said the entire team did a great job of hitting.

The team will host Sweetwater in a Saturday doubleheader at the SHS practice field. The opener will get underway at 1 p.m.

Lady Tigers host D-City

The Lady Tigers will put their perfect district record on the line today, when they tackle Denver City at Cates Field at 4.

Kelsi Johnson (10-1) will get the start today for Snyder (29-3, 4-0), which crushed Lamesa, 15-2, Friday.

Jacque Alvarez upped her record to 10-1 after the five-inning triumph Friday. Val Hernandez delivered a three-run homer, Johnson was two-for-three and Chaelyn Robinson returned from a thumb injury to belt a two-run triple.

Jarvis to coach against idol in NIT semifinal

NEW YORK (AP) — Mike Jarvis was a high school coach in Massachusetts when he first met Bob Knight.

After watching Knight run a clinic, Jarvis decided he wanted to pursue a career in coaching. The two square off in a rare meeting tonight in the National Invitation Tournament semifinals, when Knight's Texas Tech team plays against Jarvis and St. John's. Georgetown plays Minnesota in the other semifinal.

"There's not a better teacher of basketball, particularly defense, than Bobby Knight," Jarvis said. "To have an opportunity to coach against Bobby Knight, it's real special. It's a real gift."

Knight is no stranger to the NIT. He took Army to the tournament four times and Indiana three times, winning the championship in 1979. And he also won three NCAA titles with the Hoosiers.

St. John's (19-13) has played well at the end of the season. After upsetting Duke 72-71 on March 2, the Red Storm reeled off six wins in seven games to make the NIT semifinals.

The Red Raiders (21-12) also finished the season strong. After ending the regular season 16-11, Knight said he didn't want his base salary of $250,000.

Tigers host Indians at Moffett tonight

The Snyder Tigers will look to improve to 3-0 in District 3-3A, when they host the Seminole Indians tonight at 7 at Moffett Field.

Chance Greenwood (3-1) will be looking for his third win in district tonight. Greenwood has a 2.82 ERA with 39 strikeouts in 27 1/3 innings.

The Tigers are coming off a 7-4 victory over Merkel Friday, rallying for four runs in the fifth in the come-from-behind win. Logan Hill got his fourth win of the season in that contest, striking out six in the complete-game triumph.

The Tigers are in first place in District 3-3A, sitting a game up on Sweetwater and a half-game up on Seminole, which pounded Denver City, 13-3, in six innings Friday.

Little Dribblers

Minor League
Suns 16, Hornets 14
Suns: Delinda Dacus 10, Kryston House 2, Jacinda House 2, Mindy Warren 2. **Hornets**: Justin Terrazas 6, Vanessa Ornales 6, Towry Bigham 2.

Junior League
Rockets 22, Sharpshooters 18
Rockets: Rebecca Jones 14, Kenna Scott 5, Jentri Driggers 3. **Sharpshooters**: Ashton Burton 12, Staci Kenner 2, Randi Sanchez 2, Blaire Toombs 2.

Major League
Storm 37, Fastbreak 25
Storm: Shaquita Sneed 21, Tasha McGloughtin 14, Heather Newton 2. **Fastbreak**: Jessica Sandoval 13, Veronica Solano 8, Lindsey Urias 4.

Major League Baseball

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Montreal	1	0	1.000	—
Philadelphia	1	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	0	1	.000	1
Florida	0	1	.000	1
New York	0	1	.000	1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	1	0	1.000	—
Pittsburgh	1	0	1.000	—
St. Louis	1	0	1.000	—
Houston	0	0	.000	½
Cincinnati	0	1	.000	1
Milwaukee	0	1	.000	1

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	1	0	1.000	—
San Francisco	1	0	1.000	—
Colorado	0	0	.000	½
Arizona	0	1	.000	1
San Diego	0	1	.000	1

Monday's Games
Montreal 10, Atlanta 2
Chicago Cubs 15, N.Y. Mets 2
Philadelphia 8, Florida 5
St. Louis 11, Milwaukee 9
Pittsburgh 10, Cincinnati 1
Los Angeles 8, Arizona 0
San Francisco 5, San Diego 2

Tuesday's Games
Colorado (Jennings 16-8) at Houston (Oswalt 19-9), 7:05 p.m.
Los Angeles (Od.Perez 15-10) at Arizona (Schilling 23-7), 8:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Schmidt 13-8) at San Diego (Eaton 1-1), 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Montreal (Day 4-1) at Atlanta (Ramirez 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia (Wolf 11-9) at Florida (Pavano 6-10), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Clement 12-11) at N.Y. Mets (Leiter 13-13), 7:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Wells 12-14) at Cincinnati (Dempster 5-5), 7:10 p.m.
Colorado (Cook 2-1) at Houston (W.Miller 15-4), 8:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Rusch 10-16) at St. Louis (Williams 9-4), 8:10 p.m.
Los Angeles (K.Brown 3-4) at Arizona (Dessens 7-8), 8:35 p.m.
San Francisco (Moss 12-6) at San Diego (Ol.Perez 4-5), 10:05 p.m.

American League
East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	1	0	1.000	—
New York	1	0	1.000	—
Tampa Bay	1	0	1.000	—
Boston	0	1	.000	1
Toronto	0	1	.000	1

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	1	0	1.000	—
Minnesota	1	0	1.000	—
Chicago	0	1	.000	1
Cleveland	0	1	.000	1
Detroit	0	1	.000	1

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	1	0	1.000	—
Oakland	0	0	.000	½
Seattle	0	0	.000	½
Anaheim	0	1	.000	1

Sunday's Game
Texas 6, Anaheim 3

Monday's Games
Minnesota 3, Detroit 1
Baltimore 6, Cleveland 5, 13 innings
Kansas City 3, Chicago White Sox 0
Tampa Bay 6, Boston 4
N.Y. Yankees 8, Toronto 4

Tuesday's Games
N.Y. Yankees (Pettitte 13-5) at Toronto (Lidle 8-10), 3:35 p.m.
Boston (Wakefield 11-5) at Tampa Bay (Zambrano 8-8), 7:15 p.m.
Texas (Park 9-8) at Anaheim (Callaway 2-1), 10:05 p.m.
Seattle (Garcia 16-10) at Oakland (Hudson 15-9), 10:05 p.m.

Wednesday's Games
Chicago White Sox (Colon 20-8) at Kansas City (Affeldt 3-4), 2:05 p.m.
Texas (Thomson 9-14) at Anaheim (Ra.Ortiz 15-9), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Mays 4-8) at Detroit (Bonderman 0-0), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Mussina 18-10) at Toronto (Hendrickson 3-0), 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland (Rodriguez 2-2) at Baltimore (Daal 11-9), 7:05 p.m.
Boston (Lowe 21-8) at Tampa Bay (Parque 0-0), 7:15 p.m.
Seattle (Moyer 13-8) at Oakland (Zito 23-5), 10:05 p.m.

Area Sports Calendar

TODAY
Baseball: Snyder vs. Seminole, 7 p.m.
WTC vs. Lubbock Christian, 2 p.m.
Ira at Loraine, 4 p.m.
Softball: Snyder varsity vs. Denver City, 5 p.m.
Snyder JV vs. Denver City, 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY
Golf: Snyder boys at Merkel.

FRIDAY
Baseball: Snyder at Sweetwater, 7 p.m.
WTC at Howard JC, DH, noon.
Ira at Westbrook, 4 p.m.
Softball: Snyder varsity at Lubbock Cooper, 5 p.m.
Snyder JV at Lubbock Cooper, 6:30 p.m.
WTC vs. Howard College, DH, 4 p.m.
Tennis: Amarillo tournament.
Track: Snyder varsity at Colorado City.

SATURDAY
Baseball: WTC at Howard JC, DH, noon.
Snyder JV vs. Sweetwater, DH, 1 p.m.
Softball: WTC vs. Howard College, DH, 2 p.m.
Tennis: Amarillo tournament.

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A MESSAGE FROM THIS NEWSPAPER AND THE DPS TROOPERS

Some passengers, including children, leave hijacked plane

HAVANA (AP) — More than a dozen passengers whose Cuban Airlines flight was hijacked by a man claiming to have grenades left the aircraft early today after a night of negotiations. Some of those leaving the plane appeared to be children.

The passengers, including a woman carrying a small child, started leaving the plane shortly after 9 a.m. EST, jumping from the open back hatch of the craft into the arms of emergency workers below.

A bus pulled up near the plane to take away at least 15 people, including some who appeared to be children. Cuban authorities originally reported six children among the 46 people aboard the hijacked craft.

It was not immediately clear what led to the passengers' release almost 12 hours after a man claiming to be armed with grenades demanded to be flown to Florida.

The Cuban Airlines AN-24 was hijacked late Monday on a flight from Cuba's small Isle of Youth to Havana but was forced to land in the capital because it lacked sufficient fuel to make it to the United States, Cuban authorities said.

Shortly after daybreak, a tank with a hose was rolled out onto the tarmac and appeared to be refueling the craft. The plane was surrounded by several dozen uniformed police officers, and two fire trucks and numerous ambulances were parked nearby.

It would be extremely difficult for an average citizen to get access to grenades in communist-run Cuba, where such weapons are heavily guarded by the military.

It was also unclear how anyone would get a pair of grenades through the heavy security checks at Cuba's airports, especially less than two weeks after a successful hijacking on the same route of a passenger plane to the United States.

All incoming and outgoing air traffic at Havana's Jose Marti International Airport appeared suspended during the negotiations. An Iberia Airlines flight to Madrid was grounded and photographers and cameramen at the scene said that they had seen no takeoffs or landings for several hours.

A government statement said the Soviet-made Cuban Airlines plane was on a regular passenger flight from the Isle of Youth's main city of Nueva Gerona when the pilot reported that the craft was being hijacked to the United States by a man armed with grenades.

"The Cuban authorities, for their part, will undertake the maximum effort to find a solution that preserves the safety and lives of passengers and crew members," said the statement.

The statement blamed the hijacking attempt on what Havana says is the lax treatment that six other suspected hijackers received last month after successfully forcing another plane from Cuba to Key West, Fla., at knifepoint.

The suspects in the earlier successful hijack were charged with conspiracy to seize an aircraft by force and violence and face a minimum of up to 20 years in federal prison. They were granted bond, but remain behind bars because they have been unable to come up with the money.

Cuban authorities were pleased that American officials decided to charge the six but were enraged last week when a federal judge decided to set bond over the objections of prosecutors.



Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Urine sugar needs investigation

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 32-year-old daughter was found to excrete small amounts of glucose in her urine. Will kidney damage invariably result?

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If your daughter's urinary sugar persists (and she isn't pregnant), she should have appropriate blood sugar tests to check for diabetes. Similarly, if she is overweight, she may have a low-grade form of diabetes that will disappear if she follows a weight reduction diet.

Sugar in the urine will not, by itself, cause kidney damage. Diabetes, on the other hand, will produce long-term renal impairment if the disorder is not discovered and aggressively treated.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Diabetes Mellitus." Other readers who would like a copy should send a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope and $2 to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a healthy and fit male, age 35. This year I committed myself to a strenuous exercise program. As a result, I've lost 35 pounds in four months and now weigh 150 pounds. I eat well and feel physically great. The problem is that I am in a period of depression, notice a lack of self-esteem and ignore the things that used to be important to me. Could this change in my emotional state be related to the exercise and weight loss, or is the timing coincidental?

DEAR READER: The timing is probably coincidental. Ordinarily, taking control of your life by eating prudently and exercising regularly will help alleviate depression; trimming down and feeling physically fit should improve your attitude and self-esteem. Your loss of interest may be a consequence of depression.

I suspect that your depressive symptoms may have been masked by your previous, unhealthful habits, such as overeating.

While I endorse your new lifestyle, I would like to caution you about becoming "addicted" to strenuous athletics. The problems stemming from obsessive exercise are now becoming widely recognized. People with this syndrome come to depend on endorphins, naturally occurring substances in the brain that are released by exercise and make us feel good. With this addictive pattern, people feel sullen and fatigued if they are deprived of even one day of exercise. The treatment is to moderate physical activity.

Because I believe your feelings are independent of your new, healthful lifestyle, I recommend that you check with your doctor for an exam — to make sure that a physical ailment, such as diabetes or a thyroid disorder, isn't causing your problem — and for further advice. For example, you might be helped by some short-term counseling or you may need prescription anti-depressant medication to relieve your symptoms.

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Markets

Midday Stock$

NEW YORK (AP) -Morning stocks:

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	3.03	2.50	2.82	+ .72
AOL TimeWrn	11.03	10.80	10.81	—.05
AT&T Corp rs	16.70	16.21	16.21	+ .01
Albertsons	19.25	18.73	18.96	+ .11
Alltel	45.15	44.64	44.74	—.02
AmEl Pw	23.25	23.00	23.12	+ .27
AndarkPtr	46.40	44.77	45.96	+ .46
ATMOS Egy	21.45	21.20	21.21	—.05
Aviall	7.80	7.59	7.75	+ .01
BP PLC	39.48	39.20	39.41	+ .82
BakerHughes	30.38	29.84	30.28	+ .35
Bank of Amer	67.65	67.20	67.27	+ .43
BellSouth	22.35	21.80	21.91	+ .24
BurlNoSFe	25.00	24.60	24.90	
Caterpillar	50.00	48.98	49.19	—.01
CenterPoint	7.50	7.20	7.23	+ .18
ChevronTex	65.45	64.75	64.89	+ .24
Citigroup	35.02	34.46	34.81	+ .36
CocaCola	40.58	40.02	40.16	—.32
ColgatePal	55.01	54.00	54.75	+ .31
CmclMetals s	14.08	13.87	14.06	+ .11
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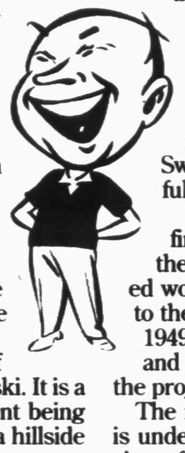
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Today's chuckle

Crazy Horse statue recovered by museum

STILLWATER, Minn. (AP) — A bronze statue of Crazy Horse that was stolen from a South Dakota museum a decade ago has been recovered, authorities said Monday.



An investigator for the Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation told the Washington County Sheriff's Office that the statue, valued at more than $40,000, was in Stillwater Township, said Capt. Don McGlothlin.

Authorities found the 3-foot, 90-pound statue last week.

The statue is one of 10 by Korczak Ziolkowski. It is a model for the monument being carved out of stone on a hillside in the Black Hills.

The Crazy Horse Foundation had received anonymous information in July that a Stillwater Township man who attended an artists workshop stole the statue. Washington County authorities were notified, and the statue was recovered from the suspect last Tuesday.

"They were extremely happy to find we found it," Sgt. Gary Swanson said. "It's a beautiful piece of art."

Ziolkowski, who won a first prize in sculpture at the 1939 World's Fair, started working on the monument to the storied Indian leader in 1949. The artist died in 1982 and his children took over the project.

The man who had the statue is under investigation on suspicion of possessing stolen property, Swanson said.

Museum moving to Branson, Mo. by Memorial Day

VICTORVILLE, Calif. (AP) — Well-wishers bid "happy trails" to the Roy Rogers-Dale Evans Museum, which is moving to Branson, Mo.

The museum, which closed its doors Sunday, hopes to open in Branson for the Memorial Day weekend.

House committee restores some funding

AUSTIN (AP) — Deep budget cuts proposed earlier this legislative session to education, prisons and health care were reduced early today when the House Appropriations Committee updated recommendations to include billions in additional funding.

The restoration came as the committee raced against the clock in a marathon meeting that began early Monday to get its budget bill completed and sent to the printer. Chairman Talmadge Heflin, R-Houston, hopes to have the budget to the full House by May.

At one point, Democrats on the panel walked out after raising concerns about cuts to health and human services.

After the committee reconvened, it voted to approve $350 million in additional funding for the Texas Department of Criminal Justice, which would allow for probation programs to be restored in the 2004-05 budget cycle.

Substance abuse treatment programs previously axed also were brought back, as were some 2,000 probation officer jobs.

Rep. Sylvester Turner, chairman of the panel's criminal justice subcommittee, said the $350 million should assure judges and other Texans that the state's prison system will be mostly intact over the next two years.

"In large part, our criminal justice system is restored," said Turner, D-Houston. The committee has "taken a major corrective step in ensuring the safety of our citizens."

There are still $250 million in proposed cuts at TDCJ, including layoffs at the department's Huntsville unit.

The budget committee also restored about $1.2 billion to education, including millions for master math, reading and science teacher programs lauded by President Bush and Gov. Rick Perry.

Community colleges and some four-year universities saw funding increased in certain areas, including money to promote research.

"The children of Texas appreciate this money," said Rep. Jim Pitts, R-Waxahachie, chairman of the panel's education subcommittee that had previously proposed $3 billion in cuts.

On Monday, 11 of the committee's 12 Democrats walked out of a tense budget hearing just before a vote on a controversial motion that would restore $2.75 billion in health and human services funding was to be taken.

The committee recessed for more than two hours while behind-the-scenes discussions occurred.

"It's a very difficult process," said Rep. Jose Menendez, D-San Antonio, one of the members who briefly emerged from a closed meeting with Heflin and House Speaker Tom Craddick, both Republicans.

Menendez said the Democrats were trying to work out their concerns about proposed budget cuts with the leadership.

The move came after a long weekend of passionate debate over recommendations to chop funding for services for the elderly, disabled and other needy Texans.

Rep. Arlene Wohlgemuth, R-Burleson, was attempting to make official the additional money found late last week to restore deep cuts that had previously been discussed, including eliminating the politically popular Children's Health Insurance Program.

But even with that money, lawmakers are $3 billion short of what is projected to be needed to keep services such as Medicaid, help for the disabled, elderly and mentally ill the way they are now.

Throughout the day, some Democrats complained that the restoration was a public relations ploy by the GOP to make cuts look less severe.

At the hearing, Democratic members said they disagreed with the way the new money was being spent, but did not believe it was a ploy.

For example, they said, changing the guidelines for determining who gets care in a program that provides help with bathing, cooking and other tasks to avoid nursing home care would cut some 55,000 low-income elderly and disabled Texans now getting services.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Wednesday, April 2, 2003

Ambition may be accentuated in you in the year ahead. Once you develop your plans, you'll set a course for yourself that might not be an easy one, but one you know you have the tenacity to see through to completion.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — Again today, you're quite capable of achieving a number of your hopes and wishes, so long as they are structured upon realistic premises. Be a pragmatic visionary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You usually keep your intentions to yourself and will probably do so today, as well by being very adept at accomplishing several unrelated objectives without help from anybody.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Even though the advice or counsel that comes your way today may be unsolicited, what is being suggested could contain excellent recommendations. It would be a mistake to turn a deaf ear.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Although the focus of your attention today may be a trifle difficult to attain, you're not likely to have any problems zeroing in on it and steering a steady course for yourself.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Take all the time you need today to analyze an important issue or matter so that you won't have to admonish yourself later for overlooking a critical detail.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Reconstructing situations or projects others have left in a state of disarray will be your cup of tea today. Deliberately look for endeavors that need this type of talent to succeed.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — If your better judgment keeps telling you that this is not the day to move ahead too rapidly in a case where an old issue is still unsettled, don't ignore it and feel pressured by time to do so.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — A past performance may have earned you some special form of compensation and today may be the day on which it will be forthcoming. Take your bows — you deserve them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Because you won't take life too seriously today you'll have the ability to handle a critical situation and get everyone singing off the same song sheet. Put your choir together.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Concentrate your serious efforts today on financial matters that you feel should be improved upon. The aspects indicate you can make great inroads is this area.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Even though you may be a bit more talkative than usual today, your listeners will find what you have to say very informative and useful and be very attentive to what you tell them.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Although you may not know from whence they came, some possibilities for adding to your resources look better than usual. Chances are, your gains will be also.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Residents of nursing homes are excited by family affairs

DEAR ABBY: I just read the letter from "Undecided in St. Paul," regarding her son's wedding and asking what to do about inviting relatives who reside in a nursing home. You advised that instead of sending them invitations, send a chatty letter or card bringing them up-to-date on the happy news — and an announcement after the wedding — so they remain "in the loop."

As an RN with years of employment in a nursing home setting, I know from experience that residents become very excited about being included in family affairs instead of being told after the fact. My suggestion would be to send them an invitation, arrange for transportation, and enclose a small note that states, in a tasteful manner, "No gifts, please."

If friends and family only knew how these people felt sitting in their rooms or in hallways with nothing to do. Nursing homes try hard to keep their residents happy and entertained, but nothing replaces family. — **A NURSE WHO KNOWS IN THE SOUTH**

DEAR NURSE WHO KNOWS: Sometimes I should pay less attention to my brain and more attention to what my heart tells me. I responded the way I did because I did not want the recipient of the invitation to feel obligated to provide a gift, if it would be physically or financially impossible. **Read on:**

DEAR ABBY: My husband's grandmother was in a nursing home when we were married. It was nearby, so we arranged for our wedding party to visit her after the ceremony and before the reception. The nursing staff was excited because that's all his grandma talked about for weeks beforehand. And it was such a special day for the residents! When we arrived, they were all dressed in their "finest" to meet the new bride and groom. The looks of happiness on their faces still makes my eyes tear up! The ladies all wanted to touch my gown and told us about their weddings. Smiles and laughter resounded through the halls. We arranged for a "wedding" cake to be delivered so they could have a piece after dinner.

We were only there for about an hour, but the nurses told us how much everyone appreciated our "gift," and the residents talked about our visit for a long time afterward. Of course, we gave his grandma a photo. She kept it by her bed until she died. — **MARTY FROM EASTLAKE, OHIO**

DEAR MARTY: Several readers shared stories similar to your own.

DEAR ABBY: Our daughter was married in June. The groom's elderly grandparents who raised him are both in a nursing home. This was the last wedding they expect to see. Our children's friends volunteered to transport them. It took some arranging because they are both in wheelchairs, but they had a wonderful time. Their gift was their presence. — **MOTHER OF THE BRIDE, EAST BROOKFIELD, MASS.**

DEAR MOTHER: I'm sure they were as thrilled to be there as you were to have them.

DEAR ABBY: If the only consideration is obligating the folks for a gift, send the invitation! Better to be engaged in life than disengaged. I want to make my own decisions, don't you? — **GOOD LUCK TO ALL, MELVILLE, N.Y.**

DEAR G.L.T.A.: You're right, and I stand corrected!

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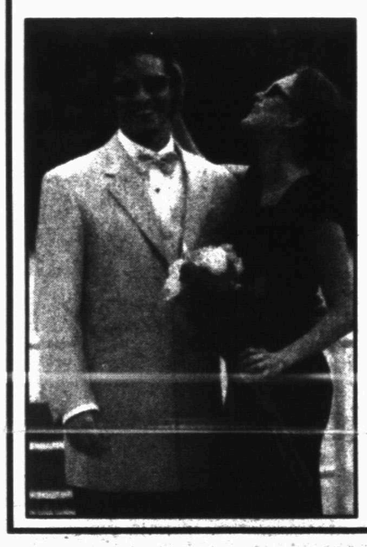
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The Nations God Blesses

The God revealed in the Bible is involved in international affairs. He raises up kingdoms and nations and he brings them down. His greatest desire, as He looks at the world, is that all men and women be saved, I Timothy 2:4. The details of His plans of providence are beyond our knowledge, but his purposes are clear. He wants people to hear about Jesus Christ, to believe, be baptized into Christ and live obedient lives. When this happens to any degree villages, towns, cities and nations change. Proverbs lays down a principle that is good to remember in these days:

Righteousness exalts a nation,
But sin is a disgrace to any people.
Proverbs 14:34

Nations sometimes get confused about the blessings of God. It is an easy thing for a nation that has been blessed by God to think that those blessings are given because they are good, mighty and powerful. This was what Israel thought as they reached the promised land of Canaan. The book of Deuteronomy records the preaching of Moses to the people of Israel at this time. What he told them sounds important for us to hear as well. Moses told them that God did not choose them to bless them because they were bigger and more numerous. Deuteronomy 7: 7 makes it clear to Israel that God chose them because he loved them, period. Nor did God choose them to bless them because they were more righteous than other nations. Deuteronomy 9:4 emphatically tells the Israelites that it was not because of their righteousness that they were blessed with a new land. There is one thing, however, that God makes clear in Deuteronomy. If the Israelites are to continue to receive the blessing of God, they must love Him, serve Him obey Him and pursue righteousness, Deuteronomy 10: 12, 13.

God has blessed America abundantly over the years. At this time we ask Him to bless us again as we send young men and women to defend our country. For our part, the most important thing that we might do is to be a people who truly love God, serve Him and seek to be righteous. God raises and lifts those kind of nations up. May He help us to be a people more worthy of the sacrifice that so many are making for our lives.

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AMERICA AT WAR

Civilians killed at Iraqi checkpoint

By The Associated Press

American soldiers on the road to Baghdad fought bloody street-to-street battles with militants loyal to Saddam Hussein while tense troops in southern Iraq shot and killed seven women and children when the driver of a van failed to stop at a checkpoint.

The civilian deaths, following days of ambush attacks, may damage coalition efforts to win over the Iraqi people.

U.S.-led forces launched missiles today toward Baghdad and the holy Shiite Muslim city of Karbala to the southwest, and circling warplanes bombed targets in the area. Buildings in the capital shuddered in some of the strongest blasts since the air war began March 20. Smoke billowed from the capital's Old Palace presidential compound.

Among the targets, U.S. officials said, was a complex that serves as the office of the Iraqi National Olympic Committee, where Iraqi dissidents say Saddam's son Odai ran a torture center.

The coalition has relentlessly targeted Republican Guard positions in and around Baghdad in preparation for the war's likely decisive battle. U.S. forces battled some of these fighters Monday in the Euphrates River town of Hindiyah, about 50 miles south of the capital.

To the south, Marines said they captured some Republican Guard officers and killed dozens of Iraqi fighters today during a lengthy battle on the outskirts of the town of Diwaniyah. Other units fought to isolate the holy Shiite city of Najaf in an ongoing effort to protect U.S. supply lines. A series of ruse attacks by militants in civilian clothes have made the trek north increasingly dangerous for coalition troops.

Monday's fatal shooting happened at a U.S. Army checkpoint near Najaf, about 20 miles north of Saturday's suicide attack. Coalition officials said soldiers motioned for an approaching van to stop, but the driver ignored them. Troops first fired warning shots, then shot into the engine and then the passenger compartment as a last resort, according to a statement from U.S. Central Command, which oversees the war in Iraq.

The van was carrying 13 women and children, and seven were killed, the statement said. But The Washington Post, whose reporter is embedded with the Army's 3rd Infantry Division, said 15 people were in the vehicle and 10 were killed, including five small children.

The newspaper described the vehicle as a four-wheel-drive Toyota crammed with the Iraqis' personal belongings. In its account of the shooting, the Post quoted an Army captain as saying the checkpoint crew did not fire the warning shots quickly enough.

Central Command said initial reports indicated the soldiers had acted properly. Spokesman Brig. Gen. Vincent Brooks attributed the discrepancy in the number of dead to "the fog of war."

He said the coalition has tried to avoid harming civilians and blamed the deaths on the Iraqi regime's guerrilla tactics and its practice of using women and children as shields.



STANDING 'O' FOR THE PRESIDENT — President Bush receives a standing ovation as he delivers remarks on Homeland Security at the United States Coast Guard MSO/Group Philadelphia Monday in Philadelphia. (AP Photo)

Iraq war: as it unfolds

By The Associated Press

Key developments in the war:

—U.S. Marines waged a firefight against Iraqi forces in and around Diwaniyah and took at least 20 prisoners. American planes hammered defensive positions south of Baghdad overnight and dropped bombs on an Iraqi presidential yacht and another ship in the southern port of Basra, Navy officials said.

—Iraq claimed that a coalition bombing attack near the Jordanian border targeted two buses carrying "human shields," including Americans and Europeans. The U.S. Central Command and peace groups in Jordan both said they had no information about any such attack.

—A Kuwaiti Patriot missile battery shot down an Iraqi missile before it reached Kuwait. Kuwaiti military officials said it was the 17th missile that Iraqi fired at Kuwait since coalition troops entered Iraq on March 20.

—Iraq publicly denied a report that Saddam's family had fled the country. A statement on Iraqi TV called the report "a rumor circulated by the U.S. Defense Department."

—A plane veered off the USS Constellation's flight deck and slipped into the water during a landing. The two pilots ejected into the water and were rescued. Military officials said the S-3B Viking malfunctioned, and it was unclear whether efforts would be made to recover it.

—A communique read on Iraqi Satellite Television said members of the 11th Division, which fought in Nasiriyah, would receive medals and their families would immediately receive 2 million dinars — about $670.

Allied planes continue barrage of Baghdad

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — Allied warplanes and missiles blasted targets in Baghdad overnight, including Iraq's Olympic headquarters, one of Saddam Hussein's palaces, and what was believed to be an Air Force officers club.

The attacks Monday night and this morning produced some of the strongest blasts in the Iraqi capital since the war began in March. Explosions also rumbled south of the city overnight in attacks apparently aimed at Republican Guard units defending Baghdad.

Iraqi Information Minister Mohammed Saeed al-Sahhaf said 56 people were killed and 268 wounded overnight, including 24 dead in Baghdad. He said nine children, including an infant, were killed this morning in the town of Hillah, about 50 miles south of the capital.

"They are racist. So they are indiscriminately killing people. Hillah is my hometown. It is a civilian place," he said.

A modern building in the city's central al-Karada district that was believed to have been used as a club for Air Force officers and their families was destroyed late Monday. The building had been hit earlier in the air war on Baghdad but sustained only minor damage.

Today, nothing was left except heaps of gray rubble, a few pillars and an outside wall. A statue of Saddam just outside the building was intact.

The air strikes also sent smoke billowing from the Old Palace presidential compound.

U.S. military officials said allied aircraft bombed a complex that serves as the office of the Iraqi National Olympic Committee, where Saddam's son Odai is said to run a torture center. Human rights activists have accused him of jailing and brutalizing athletes who failed to please him.

The lower four floors of the nine-story Olympic building were severely damaged. Walls were blown out, and mangled wire and steel protruded. The building sits in a big complex of housing units, and they appeared unscathed.

During the overnight attack, the 18-story Palestine Hotel, where many foreign journalists are staying, shuddered as if it had been struck by an earthquake.

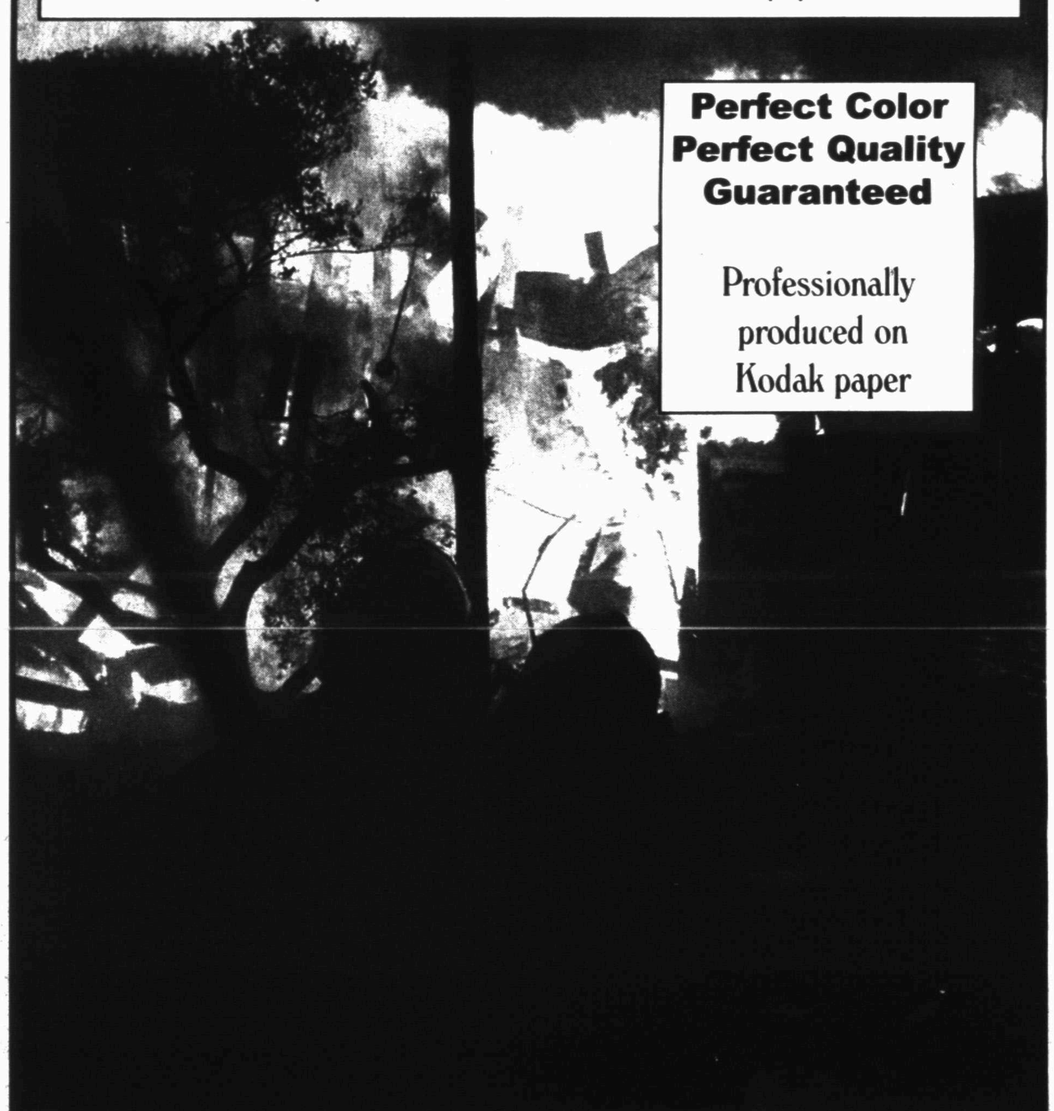
On Monday night, Saddam and sons Odai and Qusai appeared on Iraqi television, with the station showing video footage of a meeting of top military commanders. There was no way of determining when the video was shot.



ACCIDENT — U.S. medical personnel carry on a stretcher one of the S-3 Viking pilots that slipped off the USS Constellation's deck during a landing attempt in the Persian Gulf today. The pilots were rescued by swimmers from HS-2 Gold Falcons. (AP Photo)

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High court to rule on affirmative action

WASHINGTON (AP) — Public universities must not use race to pick students, a lawyer for a rejected white applicant told the Supreme Court, in a much-anticipated courtroom showdown today on affirmative action.

Kirk Kolbo said the goal of promoting diversity on campuses is not a compelling reason to justify giving preferential treatment to minorities. But he was immediately challenged by the justices, hearing two cases that could rewrite rules for affirmative action.

Justice Sandra Day O'Connor said law schools make many choices in picking students, and wondered aloud why they could not therefore also consider race.

The college's attorney, Maureen Mahoney, said that a diverse student body is a worthy goal. "The education of all students will be enriched," she said.

"That is not a quota," she said, in response to a question from Justice Antonin Scalia.

The case involves challenges to admissions policies at the University of Michigan and its law school.

A crowd estimated by authorities at 5,00 to 7,000 demonstrated outside as the legal arguments ensued in the ornate courtroom.

Solicitor General Theodore Olson, the Bush administration court lawyer, told justices that the law school program "is a thinly disguised quota. They're using stereotypes in an effort, they say, to break down stereotypes," he said.

Justice Stephen Breyer said there were arguments that schools should reach out to people of all races, to make schools more diverse and to train minorities to be leaders in law, military, government and other fields.

Administrative costs decrease trust funds

WASHINGTON (AP) — The federal agency that pays retirement benefits of workers enrolled in bankrupt pension plans increasingly is dipping into those trust funds for its administrative costs, congressional investigators say.

The skyrocketing expenses at the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corp. are occurring just as an increasing number of employer-provided pensions go broke, the General Accounting Office said.

"The pension trust funds should be protected for the benefit of the millions of retirees that PBGC is, by law, expected to protect," said Sen. John Breaux of Louisiana, the top Democrat on the Senate Special Committee on Aging, who requested the report.

"The trust fund is not for unnecessary or inappropriate administrative operating expenses that have no relation to termination of pension plans," he said.

Today, the PBGC said it has assumed control of US Airways pilots' pension plan, which is underfunded by about $2.5 billion. The agency will make up only about $600 million of the losses, meaning the airline's 6,000 pilots face significant cuts in their retirement benefits.

PBGC receives no funds from taxpayers, and is financed by insurance premiums set by Congress and paid by employers. The agency also gets its funding from the pension plans it takes over, recoveries from companies that were responsible for the plans and investments.

The agency in 2002 rang up a record $3.6 billion deficit after exhausting its entire $7.7 billion surplus, for a net loss of $11.37 billion. It assumed control over a record 144 pension plans covering 187,000 people. It also paid a record $1.5 billion in benefits, nearly 50 percent higher than 2001.

PBGC, which in 1985 used no extra money from pension funds for operating costs, now relies on those funds to cover 95 percent of such expenses. The report did not detail administrative expenses or give examples.

PBGC said congressional investigators failed to consider that the agency incurs numerous indirect costs when it terminates a pension plan. Also, PBGC's expenses have grown in relation to the pension plans it controls.

In 1985, PBGC had responsibility for 171,000 pensioners in 1,300 plans. At the end of 2002, that grew to 783,000 pensioners in more than 3,100 plans.

"More termination work meant more work in information technology, procurement, human resources and most other areas of administration," said the response letter by John Seal, PBGC's chief management officer.

Congress in 1985 began setting annual limits on PBGC's administrative costs, but a few years later granted some exceptions that were funded by pension trust funds.

House committee approves radioactive waste dump bill

AUSTIN (AP) — West Texas lawmakers are pressing for legislation that would set up a low-level radioactive waste dump to hold Department of Energy waste and environmentalists are putting up a fight.

"Why do we feel the need to become the nation's dumping ground in order to manage our own waste?" said Erin Rogers of the Sierra Club. "Every radioactive waste dump in the country has leaked."

A House committee on Monday approved a bill by Sen. George "Buddy" West, R-Odessa, that would allow the Texas Department of Health to issue a license to a private company to handle the disposal of the waste. Sen. Teel Bivins, R-Amarillo, has filed similar legislation in the Senate.

Low-level radioactive waste is a byproduct of medical, research and industrial activities. It also is produced through the operation of nuclear power plants.

The bills would allow for two facilities to be set up. One would handle the waste under a compact that requires the state to dispose of Texas and Vermont waste. The compact is part of a nationwide plan to store low-level radioactive waste regionally.

A separate but adjacent facility would take Department of Energy waste, a provision that caused lawmakers some concern last legislative session. Then, the bill died in the House.

The risk of exposure to low-level radioactive waste, "I am told by scientists, is very low in terms of harming the human health and the environment," Bivins said.

While the bills do not say where the waste site could be set up, both Bivins and West say Andrews County residents support setting up a facility there.

Global AIDS bill faces tough obstacles in U.S. Congress

WASHINGTON (AP) — In trying to agree on how to spend the billions of dollars President Bush promised for a global fight against AIDS, Congress can't get past the basic questions like whether it's more important to advise people to abstain from sex or to give them condoms.

The House International Relations Committee, set to vote Wednesday on a five-year, $15 billion AIDS package that should win support from both parties, is at odds with the White House on where the money should go. The Senate was still searching for a consensus approach, and AIDS funding advocates were not optimistic for success.

In his State of the Union address to Congress in January, Bush asked for $15 billion over five years, including $10 billion in new money, to fight AIDS, particularly the epidemic in Africa. "Seldom has history offered a greater opportunity to do so much for so many," he said.

White House differences with Congress, however, have resulted in postponed votes in both the House International Relations Committee and its Senate counterpart in recent weeks.

The House, led by committee chairman Henry Hyde, R-Ill., is seeking $3 billion a year and would funnel up to $1 billion of that in the 2004 budget year to the Swiss-based, U.N.-backed Global Fund to Combat AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria.

The White House has questioned the efficiency of the fund, even though it recently picked Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson as its chairman, and wants to give it $200 million a year. Conservative groups contend the Global Fund gives money to the U.N. Population Fund, which is mistrusted by some conservatives because it supports groups that carry out or advise women about abortion. AIDS groups deny that any Global Fund money goes to the Population Fund.

Hyde, a leader of anti-abortion lawmakers, has avoided that controversy so far by not including language, appearing in other foreign aid bills, that restricts aid to health and family planning groups that promote abortion.

Governor repeats stance against expanding gambling categories

AUSTIN (AP) — Republican Gov. Rick Perry said Monday he considers the addition of video gaming at horse and dog race tracks to be an expansion of gambling, which he opposes.

But he stopped short of saying he would veto a video gambling proposal if it was contained in a "sunset" bill that provides for the continued existence of the Texas Lottery Commission.

"Stand-alone bills that we see across our desk that expand gambling, I've made it abundantly clear I'm not for the expansion of gambling in the state of Texas. Vetoing a bill that would not allow the lottery commission to continue its work is another thing altogether," Perry said. "I would be very hard-pressed to veto a sunset bill."

Speaking with news reporters, after an announcement about a missing child alert system, Perry also said he considers it an expansion of gambling to add video keno games at bars or restaurants and to have Texas join a multistate lottery.

But he said he doesn't expect legislators to stop debating those topics.

"The Legislature, by and large, has never let the governor or lieutenant governor or speaker slow them down much," he said.

If gambling proposals are passed by the Legislature, Perry said he favors letting voters weigh in. "I always like to see things go to the voters," he said.

Sheriff arrests Fort Worth woman on felony warrants

Arrests

Sheriff Darren Jackson arrested Twana Lashon Pounds, 27, of Fort Worth Monday afternoon on felony warrants for failure to appear before a judge on charges of delivery of a controlled substance.

Snyder officers arrested an 18-year-old man in the 1300 block of 17th Street at 5:30 p.m. Monday on numerous outstanding warrants.

A 27-year-old woman was arrested at the sheriff's office Monday evening for failure to maintain liability insurance and failure to appear before a judge.

Deputies arrested a 37-year-old man at 7:20 p.m. Monday on a warrant for motion to revoke probation.

Burlgary

Officers are investigating a burglary at Snyder Junior High that was reported at 10:20 a.m. A small quantity of ice cream was reported missing.

Accident

Officers were dispatched to the alley in the 3000 block of 39th Street at 3 p.m. Monday for a one-vehicle accident. Involved was a 1980 Ford F-150 driven by Cassandra Johns, 19, of 3006 Ave. E. The fire department and Oncor representatives also responded, but no injuries were reported.

Criminal trespass

A woman requested an officer at her residence Monday evening because another female subject was harassing her. Officers responded and gave the female a verbal criminal trespass warning to stay away from the residence.

Noise complaint

A man in the 100 block of Browning reported loud music in the area. Officers contacted a subject and he agreed to lower the volume of his music.

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Births

Kinney and Theressa Mabry of Snyder announce the birth of their son, Collin McGuyer Mabry. Collin was born at 2:57 a.m. on April 1 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed six pounds, 10 ounces.

Paternal grandparents are Gary and Dixie Mabry of Abilene and maternal grandparents are Clyde B. Jr. and Joan Foster of Abilene.

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Sandy Torres announces the birth of her daughter, Saraiah Jocelynn Torres, at 5:43 a.m. on April 1 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital. She weighed six pounds, 11 ounces.

Grandparents are Elsa and Lionel Torres of Snyder.

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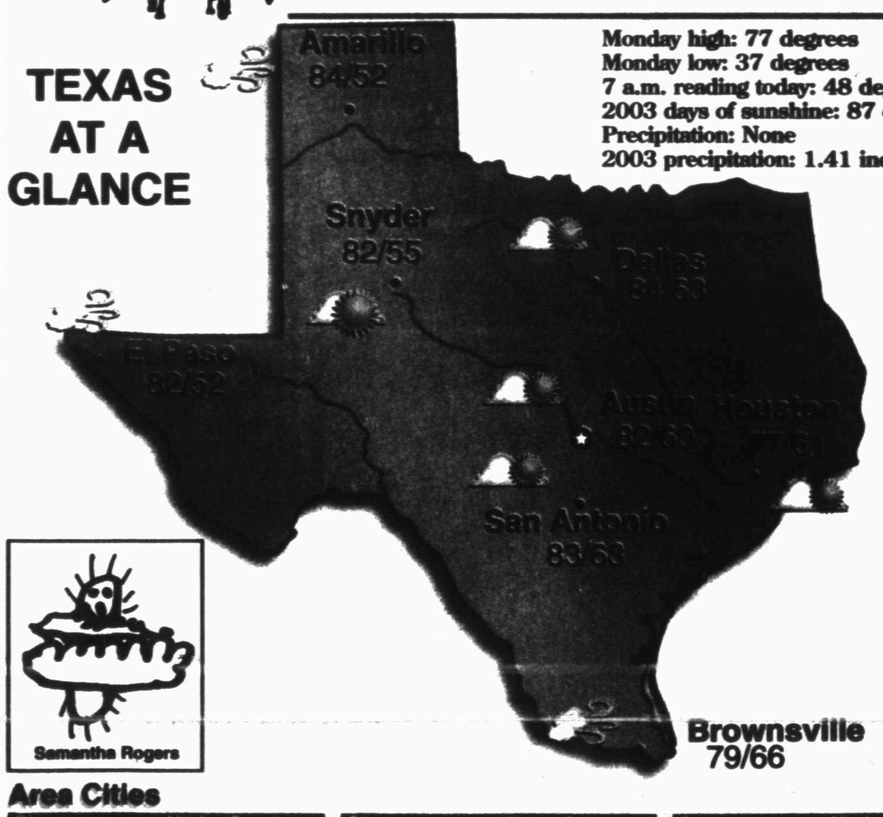
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Samantha Rogers

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Abilene	85	61	pt sunny	El Paso	82	52	windy	Midland	86	57	mst sunny
Amarillo	84	52	windy	Fort Stockton	87	57	mst sunny	Raymondville	81	63	windy
Austin	82	60	pt sunny	Gainesville	82	58	mst sunny	Rosenberg	77	60	pt sunny
Beaumont	76	59	pt sunny	Greenville	82	58	pt sunny	San Antonio	83	63	pt sunny
Brownsville	79	66	windy	Houston	77	61	pt sunny	San Marcos	82	60	windy
Brownwood	87	60	pt sunny	Kingsville	80	63	windy	Sulphur Springs	82	58	windy
Corpus Christi	80	64	windy	Livingston	77	56	pt sunny	Sweetwater	84	59	mst sunny
Corsicana	83	61	windy	Longview	82	58	pt sunny	Tyler	82	61	windy
Dallas	84	63	pt sunny	Lubbock	87	54	windy	Weatherford	83	58	pt sunny
Del Rio	85	63	pt sunny	Lufkin	81	58	pt sunny	Wichita Falls	87	60	windy

National Cities

Atlanta	73	47	sunny	Houston	77	61	pt sunny	Phoenix	81	54	pt sunny
Boston	54	43	cloudy	Los Angeles	62	48	drizzle	San Francisco	56	45	rain
Chicago	72	46	pt sunny	Miami	80	67	pt sunny	Seattle	48	36	rain
Dallas	84	63	pt sunny	Minneapolis	45	35	rain	St. Louis	80	59	pt sunny
Denver	70	35	windy	New York	63	48	cloudy	Washington, DC	73	53	pt sunny

Moon Phases

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Apr 1	Apr 9	Apr 16	Apr 23

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High	High	High

The UV Index is measured on a 0 - 11 number scale, with a higher UV index showing the need for greater skin protection. 0 — 11

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