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## Ask Us

Q—How many dollars worth qf food stamps were issued in Scurry County in the last 12 months?

A—Statistics for the last 12 months are unavailable. However, an amount is available for food stamps issued for the fiscal year ending Aug. 31, 1992. That figure was $1,667,026.

## In Brief

### Haitian update

MIAMI (AP) — Haitian-Americans complained that refugees from their homeland have nowhere else to turn now that the Supreme Court has upheld the U.S. government's practice of stopping them at sea and sending them home.

"We are frustrated. We don't have anybody to help us," Margaret Brown said Monday after the court's 8-1 ruling, which came months after President Clinton broke a campaign promise and continued the Bush administration policy.

"This case presents a painfully common situation in which desperate people, convinced that they can no longer remain in their homeland, take desperate measures to escape," Justice John Paul Stevens wrote for the court.

But Stevens said that the federal law barrring the government from returning any alien to a country where the person's life or freedom is in danger does not apply if the person never actually reaches the United States.

## Local

### Hermleigh

Hermleigh ISD trustees will hold a special meeting at 8 this evening in the elementary school to discuss TAAS scores.

### Library

Scurry County Library summer reading program for 10 a.m. Wednesday will be a dinosaur dig. All preschool through 6th grade children are invited.

### Explorers

Snyder Law Enforcement Explorer Post #573 will meet at 7:30 this evening at the police station.

The post is beginning a mock criminal investigation which will last several weeks. Members of the post will be studying various techniques used by law enforcement offices. Members of the police department will be participating.

## Weather

**Snyder Temperatures:** High Monday, 90 degrees; low, 66 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Tuesday, 69 degrees; .35 of an inch precipitation; total precipitation for 9.41 inches.

**Snyder Area Forecast:** Tonight, mostly cloudy with a 20 percent chance of late night thunderstorms. Low near 70. South wind 5-15 mph. Wednesday, cloudy morning becoming partly cloudy in the afternoon. High in the mid 90s. South wind 10-20 mph and gusty.

**Almanac:** Sunset today, 8:51. Sunrise Wednesday, 6:40. Of 172 days in 1993, the sun has shone 165 days in Snyder.




BILINGUAL STUDENTS — Mrs. Linda Benitez, teacher at East Elementary, shows, from left, Ray Perez, Sandra Alfaro and Juan Rivera Jr. the English alphabet. Pre-kindergarten, kindergarten and first graders are enrolled in the program, which ends July 16. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Case of plague confirmed here

## *No need to be alarmed, health officials assure*

The Abilene Health Department has confirmed a case of the plague in Scurry County.

According to Bradley Hicks, zoonosis control specialist for the Texas Department of Health, a dead cat from the Snyder area that was sent to the department was infected with the plague. He said it was not determined which type of plague.

"There are many types of the disease, for instance, Bubonic which is in the lymp nodes, Septicemic which is circulated through the blood, and Pneumonic which is in the lung tissue. It is all the same disease, just in different forms," Hicks said.

He said persons should not be alarmed. "We have found it in Scurry County before and will likely find it again."

He said the main precaution is for residents to watch for a numerous amount of dead animals.

"It's not uncommon to find a few dead rats but it is uncommon to find a good number of them dead over a short period of time."

He also suggested that animal owners watch their pets and "make sure they are not acting funny or strange."

Cases of the plague have also been confirmed in Mitchell and Kent Counties. According to Hicks, Mitchell also had an animal with the disease confirmed this month, and Kent had a resident confirmed with the disease last month.

Hicks said several cases in Taylor County have been confirmed recently.

According to local veterinarian Dr. Charles Church, the disease is contagious to humans and he reiterated what Hicks said, noting that residents should watch for a large amount of dead rodents.

Church said that if an animal gets the disease, it usually appears to have flu-like symptoms. He said dogs do get the plague but cats are more prone to the disease.

Hicks said questions could be answered by calling the Health Department in Abilene at 915 695-7170.

## *Pending board vote...*

# Unexcused absences fuel change in make-up policy

Snyder public schools students will face tougher penalties for unexcused absences if the board of trustees approves principals' recommendations Thursday.

During a workshop Monday, high school principal Larry Scott recommended that students who receive an unexcused absence be given a grade of no higher than 70 on make-up work. Under current policy, work completed by a student who has an unexcused absence is graded like any other work.

"Students know they can miss and there's no penalty for it," said Scott, who pointed out that high school attendance averaged just 93 percent last school year.

Kellye Starnes, assistant junior high principal, concurred. When questioned about grade penalties for students in in-school suspension (ISS) and out-of-school suspension, both Scott and Starnes said they would prefer a maximum grade of 70 percent on make-up work for these students, too.

Students are required by the state to attend school 80 days a semester in order to get credit. Last year, that left about six extra days in the first semester and 10 in the second semester. Under current policy, students were not penalized for unexcused absences unless they had fallen below the 80-day minimum.

"The object is to keep kids in the classroom," said Scott. "Even if they do their make-up work, it's not the same as being there."

Supt. Dalton Moseley noted that increasing attendance by 1 percent amounts to roughly $100,000 in average daily attendance (ADA) monies received from the state.

"Not only is this (current policy) not providing any deterrent for students who miss class, it's also costing the district money," said Moseley.

The superintendent also asked the board to consider hiring a truancy officer. The salary would be paid largely from Chapter I and state compensatory funds, he noted.

"I think the time has come to look at hiring a truancy officer," Moseley said.

Some trustees questioned the need for, or authority of, a truancy officer. But Scott said he supports the proposal.

"Just the threat of knowing he's there, he's checking, he's going by houses, will go a long way," said Scott. "I would think a truancy officer would pay for himself (in saved ADA funds)."

The board will consider the proposal to limit make-up grades for unexcused absences to 70 at Thursday's 6 p.m. board meeting. The proposal to hire a truancy officer will be put on hold until later in the summer.

Among other changes requested by Scott, which will go into the high school student handbook, if approved, included:

—Hats and caps will not be allowed on campus with the exception of athletics, agriculture or shop classes.

—No Walkmans, radios or music boxes will be allowed on campus.

—Students referred to the HOBBS alternative school for discipline reasons may not attend any Snyder High School related activity, function, or event.

—Prior to enrollment in correspondence courses, students shall make a written request to the principal or counselor for approval.

Junior high administrators are currently in the process of studying their campus handbook and may also make changes in the future.

Trustees on Monday also reviewed high school and junior high curriculum for the 1993-94 school year.

Changes required to comply with the UIL will be made at the junior high. According to the UIL, students cannot have more than one physical education period a day. In the past, some seventh grade students had been taking athletics in the morning and a physical education class later in the day.

Under the revamped format, all seventh and eighth grade academic classes will begin at 8:25 a.m. next year instead of 9:15 p.m. Homeroom, or the tutorial period, will be moved from 8:25-9:10 a.m. to 2-2:40 p.m.

The board also heard a summer maintenance report from Lawton Taylor, maintenance director, and reviewed plans to purchase a portable building for storage at Humble-Smith School.

# Revenues better than anticipated, SISD board told

A drop in valuations may lead to a 2-to-3-cent tax increase for Snyder Independent School District taxpayers this year, but that's a lot better than school officials feared, trustees were told during a workshop Monday.

"We were anticipating a drop in values of over $100 million, instead of the $40-to-$50 million that it appears we are going to have," said Lee McNair, SISD business manager.

The figures come from the county appraisal district, comparing the adjusted roll in 1992 of $654 million to the estimated 1993 roll of $614 million. That $40 million difference is an estimate. Chief Appraiser Ray Peveler said this morning that it will be late July before a more accurate figure can be calculated.

Based on the current combined local tax rate and County Education District (CED) tax rate of $1.36 per $100 valuation, revenues for 1993-94 come up about $348,000 short of last year, McNair noted.

Last year, SISD received $2,698,615 in district taxes, $9,701,967 in CED taxes and $1,148,033 in state revenue for $13,548,615.

Other revenues — interest, back taxes, athletics and summer school tuition — brought last year's total to $14,207,615.

The County Education Districts have been declared unconstitutional, however. Under that plan, SISD pooled tax money with 10 other districts. The money was then disbursed by a formula back to the individual districts. So-called "wealthy" districts such as Jayton got much less back than they paid in. Snyder ISD got considerably more back than it paid in.

For 1993-94, McNair projected $8,100,000 in local taxes and $5,200,000 in state revenues, for $13,300,000. Other revenues bring the total to $13,859,000, or $348,615 less than last year.

"We can make up that difference by decreasing the budget or increasing the tax rate, or a combination of the two," said McNair.

Trustees Charles Anderson and Geraldine Parker voiced opinions against any tax increase, and asked Supt. Dalton Moseley to closely scrutinize the budget as it is being prepared.

In making his presentation Monday, McNair cautioned that all figures are preliminary. He noted that the property values will change some, and pointed out that the district is anticipating another hike in health insurance costs.

"The best news is that we're not going to be as worse off as we had feared," said McNair. "If values had stayed the same, our revenues would be about the same. It's the difference in values that are the big thing."

# Clinton intensifies attack against critics of his plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton today intensified his attack against critics of his deficit-reduction plan, saying the nation will pay a heavy price "if the failed policies of the past are not abandoned."

In a slap at Republican control of the White House for the last 12 years as well as at Democratic rule of Congress, Clinton said, "We got make-believe budgets from presidents and mandates without money from Congress.

He said Washington "never was willing to take responsibility for the future of this country, leaving it to the mayors and the governors to make all the tough choices."

The president made his remarks in a speech to the Conference of Mayors, meeting in New York. He spoke as his $500 billion deficit reduction plan moved closer to a vote in the Senate.

Republican leaders have accused Clinton and his Democratic allies of an anti-business, anti-success attitude in writing a deficit-reduction plan that faces votes in the Senate later this week. The bill's biggest money-raiser would raise taxes sharply on those making more than about $100,000 a year.

"I don't buy the argument that just because we tax the rich a higher percentage, this therefore is a good bill," Sen. Bob Packwood of Oregon, senior Republican on the Senate Finance Committee, said after the panel's Democrats pushed through a version of Clinton's plan.

"I wonder what the middle class, the working poor, the old, the sick and the veterans will do if the failed policies of the past are not abandoned," Clinton said.

## The SDN Column — By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A newsman's job is to report the news, not make the news."

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For 34 years, we've made our living working in the newspaper business. It's really a people industry, and we continue to learn about things.

We've tried new ideas and new technology, and like most newspaper folks, we've worked at trying to find innovative features that appeal to an ever-changing audience.

One appeal of the Talking Newspaper was a tool that would allow reader participation and feedback. The ability to conduct an opinion poll, even an unscientific one, was one of the features that attracted us to the computerized system.

The total number of responses to our first five polls was pretty much as expected. But two recent questions resulted in three to four times the total number of responses.

We would have assumed that we would have liked the increased volume of participation. However, there is ample evidence of efforts to load the system. The computer records not only the response, but also the time of the response.

To us, it looks suspect that in one instant shortly after midnight, as many as 40 responses were made as quickly as the computer could recycle. That was one of several instances.

We've learned over the years that there are people who try and take an unfair advantage, and there are those who want to remain anonymous while wanting a newspaper to champion a personal cause.

We've been used before, and we'll be used again. It happens in the newspaper business. But in the interest of fair play, our polling will discontinue until we are satisfied that safeguards are in place to ensure a level playing field, preventing a small group of participants from trying to stack the deck by taking an unfair advantage.

# What's driving medical bills up so fast?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Ross H. Arnett III knows the Medicare program inside out and can rattle off billion-dollar budget figures without blinking.

But when the federal official is asked what drives medical costs up so fast, he thinks back to the bill his mother-in-law got from a Pennsylvania hospital after her husband was felled by a massive heart attack.

"He had been stone cold dead for two hours by the time he reached the hospital, and they still gave him $6,000 worth of care," said Arnett, director of the Office of National Health Statistics. "We give people every last treatment no matter what the cost-benefit ratio."

Decades of double-digit annual growth in the nation's medical bill has finally forced Arnett and other Americans to pay heed to where their health dollars are going.

The nation will spend $912 billion this year, 14.6 percent of its gross domestic product, on health care. That covers everything: aspirin, heart transplants, nursing homes, dental checkups, everything.

The bill was up from $832 billion last year and $675 billion in 1990. Back in 1965, when Medicare was launched, Americans spent just $42 billion on health care, or 5.9 percent of the gross domestic product.

This cost spiral, more than the plight of the nation's 37 million uninsured, has compelled President Clinton to put health care among his domestic priorities.

"All of our efforts to strengthen the economy will fail unless we also take ... bold steps to reform our health care system," Clinton told Congress Feb. 17.

Polls show that many Americans believe the problem could be solved if doctors and drug companies, hospitals and insurers would stop raising their fees so rapidly.

But most experts agree it is not greed but technology that fans the fires of medical inflation.

And they point out that most consumers have third-party insurance cushioning them from the bills, and most doctors are rewarded for ordering more tests and procedures. Fear of malpractice lawsuits also spurs doctors to do more rather than less.

"Technology in medicine is not like technology in industry," said Dr. James S. Todd, executive vice president of the American Medical Association (AMA). "If you put a robot on an assembly line, you've saved money. If you put an MRI (magnetic resonance imagery machine) in a hospital, you've added 10 people to the payroll."

A recent AMA study blames the cost spiral in part on Americans' being "overinsured." The doctors' lobby noted that health insurance is a tax-free fringe benefit for most workers and many consumers pay only 20 percent of health costs out of pocket.

That spurs demand far "beyond what it would be if consumers faced the true cost of services," the AMA said.

Dr. William B. Schwartz, a physician-economist and professor of medicine at the University of Southern California, said the polio vaccine that put iron lungs into storage was a rare advance that saved money.

"Most of the things we do add enormously to expenses," said Schwartz. "Take hip replacements. Before we treated it with aspirin and a walker. Now we do a hip replacement operation costing $20,000 or $25,000.

"We have wonderful new things that are both effective and expensive replacing old treatments that were both ineffective and cheap," he said. "We're victims of our own success."

Dr. Arnold S. Relman, the retired editor of The New England Journal of Medicine, laments that medicine has changed from a largely non-profit social service to an entrepreneurial industry driven by profits.

"Medicine for the most part now is practiced as if it were a business," he said. "Hospital administrators talk about their market share and cash flow, and the government calls them providers."

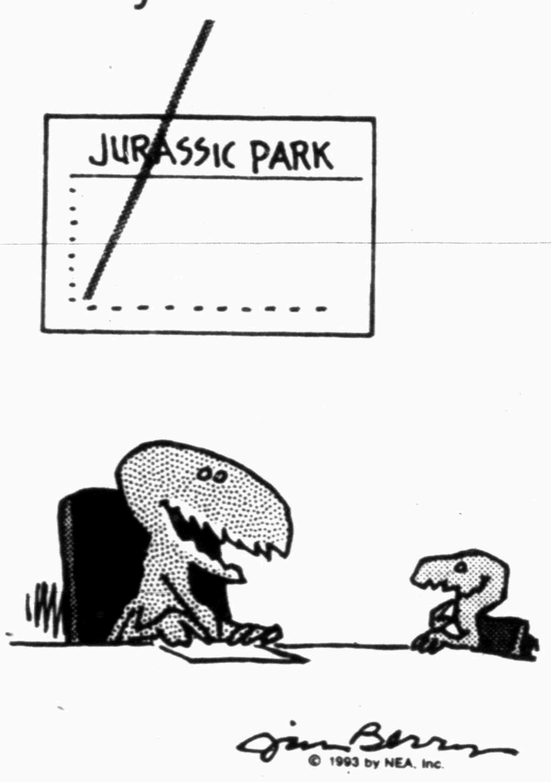



**STEAKLEY RECEIVES SCHOLARSHIP — Stan Paregien, president of Snyder Lions Club, presents a $500 scholarship to Amy Steakley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jene Steakley and this year's Lion Club Queen. She plans to attend Baylor University this fall. She represented the club in the queen's pageant in the District 2T2 meeting in Plainview. (SDN Staff Photo)**



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## Berry's World




*"Hey, baby, are we on to something, or what?"*

## Crichton objects

WASHINGTON (AP) — "Jurassic Park" author Michael Crichton has another hardback coming out, but he's not happy about it.

The publishing house Dutton has reissued "A Case of Need," an out-of-print medical mystery Crichton wrote 25 years ago under the pen name Jeffrey Hudson.

Crichton told the publisher it would be "shoddy" to reissue the book in hardcover, which implies the book is new, The Washington Post reported today.

# Three space veterans, three rookies on board Endeavour

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — Three space veterans and three rookies are flying on Endeavour:

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Commander Ronald Grabe said he was thrilled to be in charge of a mission that features a satellite rendezvous and retrieval, spacewalk and the world's first commercial laboratory module.

"This flight has aspects of everything that's ever flown before in space," he said. "Certainly, the diverse nature of the flight is what's offering the greatest reward and also the greatest challenge."

Grabe, 48, an Air Force colonel from New York City, flew 200 combat missions in Vietnam. He was teaching at the test pilot school at Edwards Air Force Base, Calif., when NASA chose him as an astronaut in 1980.

This is his fourth shuttle flight.

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Pilot Brian Duffy, an Air Force colonel, has wanted to be an astronaut ever since he was a boy growing up in Boston.

As he watched the Mercury astronauts soar into space in the early 1960s, "I thought, gosh, that would be great if I could do something like that. Then I thought, but I'm only a kid. I'd never be able to do anything like that."

Duffy, who turned 40 on Sunday, said he never thought he'd be selected, but applied anyway: "I couldn't live with myself if I didn't do that, and got lucky." He was among 13 astronaut candidates picked in 1985.

He's flown in space once before, last year.

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Payload commander G. David Low has flown in space twice before, but this is his first spacewalking mission.

While outside, he'll test tools and techniques planned for the Hubble Space Telescope repair mission in December. He also has a major role in the Eureca satellite retrieval — snagging the craft with the shuttle robot arm.

Low, 37 and a Cleveland native, grew up around the space program. His father was George Low, a key NASA official during the Apollo years.

"Becoming an astronaut was actually something I wanted to do since I was about 9 years old. Some people wanted to be cowboys or policemen ... I wanted to be an astronaut," he said. His wish came true in 1984.

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Army Capt. Nancy Sherlock loves flying helicopters but expects her first space trip to top even that.

"Honestly, I would give up anything in the world" to fly in space, she said. "It's something I've waited for all my life, and if it ever meant having to give up flying helicopters I would probably do it in a heartbeat."

She will operate Endeavour's robot arm from inside the cockpit during the spacewalk. The two spacewalkers will take turns riding on the 50-foot arm.

Sherlock, 34, joined NASA in 1987 as a flight simulation engineer on shuttle training aircraft. She became an astronaut in 1990.

In her spare time, Sherlock competes in marathons and triathlons. She considers Troy, Ohio, home.

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Aeronautical engineer Janice Voss will spend most of her first shuttle flight working inside Spacehab, a commercial mini-laboratory in the cargo bay that is making its orbital debut.

She is an avid reader of science fiction, which got her hooked on space years ago. She also enjoys ballroom dancing.

At NASA, "everybody is always so excited and looking forward to the future and optimistic about what people can do. Working in an environment like that is something that once you get hooked on can never give up," she said.

Voss, 36, worked for NASA and Orbital Sciences Corp. before being chosen as an astronaut in 1990. She considers Rockford, Ill., home.

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Physicist Peter "Jeff" Wisoff says he couldn't have asked for a better first flight. He's one of two designated spacewalkers.

"You really can't imagine a job which is more rewarding than being an astronaut," he said. "To be a part of it and to have a chance to go and fly on these maiden vehicles is just an opportunity of a lifetime."

Wisoff, 34, said he's been too busy to worry about the risks.

He was conducting laser research at Rice University when NASA tapped him as an astronaut in 1990. He still is involved in the laser field.

He is from Norfolk, Va.



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# Chief to seek special grand jury probe of 1974 slaying

ALICE (AP) — Alice Police Chief Jack Compton says he will ask that a special Jim Wells County grand jury look into the Dec 1, 1974 slaying of an Alice police officer.

Compton said Monday that he and members of a task force assigned to head another investigation into Matthew Murphy's death will meet today with District Attorney Joe Frank Garza to provide information about that investigation.

The evidence dug up in the latest investigation includes some indication of "official misconduct related to narcotics use.

"The investigation has produced some suspects. We hope to expand the investigation by the use of a special grand jury that we are going to ask the district attorney to establish shortly," Compton said. "The grand jury has subpoena powers to question (people) who might be unwilling to present themselves."

The district attorney told the Corpus Christi Caller-Times that he will decide what action to take after meeting with Compton and task force members.

"I'll make the call (today) if I feel it warrants going to the grand jury," he said. "I won't know until I talk to them and see what they've got."

Garza established the task force three months ago after police received a number of calls with information about the slaying.

The telephone calls came after the Caller-Times published a three-part series on the unsolved slaying.

Murphy, a three-year veteran of the Alice Police Department, was shot four times with a .22-caliber weapon during a midnight traffic stop at West Main and U.S. Highway 281. He had worked undercover narcotics before the shooting and had been reassigned to uniformed patrol duty.

Murphy, 33, is the only Alice police officer slain in the line of duty.

Task force members Sgts. Reyes Espinoza, Eddie Garcia and Aniceto "Cheto" Perez have devoted 90 percent of their time to the investigation since the new investigation began. Police also have contacted the FBI and the Texas Rangers for assistance with their renewed efforts to solve the slaying.

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T.E. Lawrence, better known as "Lawrence of Arabia," died in 1935 after a motorcycle accident.

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**BRIDAL COURTESY — A bridal shower was held at 10 a.m. Saturday in the TU Reddy Room for Valerie Stewart of Lubbock, bride-elect of Doug Hill, given by several hostesses. The couple plans a July 10 wedding to be held in the chapel of Snyder's First Baptist Church. From left are Cynthia Hill of Robert Lee, the prospective groom's sister-in-law; Connie Glasscock of Midland, his sister-in-law; Lana Crenwelge, his sister; Martha Hill of Sweetwater, his sister-in-law; Beverly Glasscock, his mother; the honoree; Wilma Stewart of Dalhart, mother of the future bride; Fay Eubank of Ballinger, aunt of the prospective groom; and Wanda York, aunt of the future bride. (SDN Staff Photo)**



**TWILIGHT CAMP — Norma Martinez, right, dispatcher for the Snyder Police Department, gave instruction in exercises to Girl Scouts at their badge workshop during Twilight Camp last week. From left are, first row, Kellie Dodson, Jacinda Judah, Tiffany Kubena, Amanda Greenwood, Crystal Garcia; second row, Haley Elkins, Jennifer Ruiz, Cassie Plock, Whitney Jones, Laura Greenwood; and in back, Lupe Ruiz. (SDN Staff Photo)**

# *Traditional foods for July Fourth*

By JONATHAN ZEARFOSS
For AP Special Features

Every year our nation celebrates its freedom on July 4, commemorating the signing of the Declaration of Independence in 1776. It's a day to relax, break bread and celebrate with neighbors, friends and family.

As a chef who's lived in locales steeped in history in Pennsylvania, Virginia and New York, I have a good deal of experience preparing fare for such patriotic occasions. I enjoy serving foods well-grounded in our history that have a traditional American feel but also appeal to contemporary tastes. The recipes below fill the bill and, as an added benefit, are extremely low in fat.

**BARBECUE SAUCE**

2 tablespoons corn or canola oil
1 onion, chopped
5 garlic cloves, minced
1 to 2 fresh jalapenos, seeded and chopped
1 cup tomato paste
3 tablespoons chili powder
1 cup brewed coffee (strong)
3/4 cup cider vinegar
3/4 cup brown sugar
3/4 cup apple cider
5 tablespoons Worcestershire sauce

Heat the oil in a saucepan over medium heat. Add the onion, garlic and jalapenos; stir well to coat with oil. Saute, stirring frequently, for 6 to 7 minutes, or until the onions are limp.

Add the tomato paste and chili powder; continue to saute for another 2 minutes, stirring constantly. Add the coffee, vinegar, brown sugar, cider and Worcestershire sauce; stir to mix well. Bring to a full boil over high heat, then reduce the heat to low and simmer the sauce for 5 minutes.

The sauce is ready to use at this point, or it may be stored in the refrigerator for up to two weeks. Return the sauce to a boil before using it. Makes about 4 cups sauce.

**BLUE CHEESE SLAW**

6 cups shredded green cabbage
1 cup shredded red cabbage
1 cup grated carrots
1 cup Blue Cheese Dressing (recipe below)

Stir all ingredients together, tossing until evenly blended. Refrigerate until needed. Makes 8 cups of slaw.

**BLUE CHEESE DRESSING**

1 cup part-skim ricotta cheese
3/4 cup buttermilk
1/4 cup cider vinegar
2 teaspoons ketchup
2 teaspoons Worcestershire sauce
1 teaspoon minced garlic (about 2 cloves)
1/2 cup crumbled blue cheese
2 tablespoons minced fresh chives
1/2 teaspoon cracked black peppercorns

Place the ricotta cheese, buttermilk, vinegar, ketchup, Worcestershire sauce and garlic in a food processor or blender and puree until very smooth.

Pour the pureed ingredients into a bowl and stir in the blue cheese, chives and peppercorns with a wooden spoon. Refrigerate the dressing until needed. Makes 21/2 cups.

**COUNTRY CORN BREAD**

2 cups yellow cornmeal
2 cups all-purpose flour
3 tablespoons baking powder
2 tablespoons granulated sugar
1 teaspoon salt
2 cups buttermilk
3 whole eggs
3 egg whites

Place the cornmeal, flour, baking powder, sugar and salt in a large bowl. Stir to distribute all ingredients evenly.

In a separate bowl, blend the buttermilk, eggs and egg whites until well-mixed. Add these wet ingredients to the dry ingredients; stir the batter until just evenly moistened. There should be some lumps in the batter

Pour the batter into a lightly oiled 9- by 13-inch baking pan. Bake in a 350-degree F oven for 25 minutes, or until a skewer inserted near the center of the pan comes out clean. Let the corn bread cool for 15 to 20 minutes before slicing. Makes twelve 3-inch squares.

Jonathan Zearfoss is team leader for curriculum development at the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, N.Y.

# Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 6-22-93
♠ 9 7 6
♥ A Q 10 6 2
♦ A J 7 6
♣ 10

WEST
♠ Q J 8
♥ 7 5 4 3
♦ 3
♣ A K J 7 6

EAST
♠ K 5 2
♥ J 9
♦ 9 4
♣ Q 9 8 5 3 2

SOUTH
♠ A 10 4 3
♥ K 8
♦ K Q 10 8 5 2
♣ 4

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: North

| South | West | North | East |
|---|---|---|---|
| | | 1 ♥ | Pass |
| 2 ♦ | Pass | 3 ♦ | Pass |
| 3 ♠ | Pass | 5 ♦ | Pass |
| 6 ♦ | Pass | Pass | Pass |

Opening lead: ♣ K

## Cling to 'useless' cards

Occasionally a deal will come along in which you must cling like a barnacle to a collection of low cards in one suit. Sometimes the highest card isn't as low as it looks. But today's deal exhibits a different reason.

In an international team event, only one pair reached the borderline six diamonds, via the given auction. They held only a combined 23 high-card points, but five heart tricks would be enough to bring home the slam. (Note that if North has the heart jack extra or South has three spades and two clubs, the slam is phenomenal.)

West led a top club and switched to the spade queen. South won with the ace and ran off six rounds of diamonds. West discarded four clubs and one of his "useless" hearts. Now it was easy for South to play hearts from the top and claim when the jack dropped.

Suppose instead that West defends better, keeping all four of his hearts. Even though the percentage play in hearts is to play off the king, ace and queen, South will probably be aware that West has kept four hearts. If so, there are 10 low doubletons that East could hold and only five jack doubletons. So it is twice as likely that West has jack-fourth than four low cards.

If South thinks this way, he will cash the heart king and lead a heart to dummy's 10, going down with the actual distribution.

When you have length in a suit in which an opponent is also long, always consider keeping your holding intact if you can.

*Readers are invited to send card-play questions to Phillip Alder, in care of this newspaper. They can be answered only through the column.*

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# Is your child ready for camp sleeping

TILTON, N.H. (AP) — Parents planning to send their children to sleep-away camp this summer may be concerned about homesickness.

"Are You Ready for Change?" is a list of questions for children that can help determine if they're ready to be away from home for an extended period of time. It was prepared by the Tilton School, a New Hampshire boarding school, in conjunction with Education Information Systems.

The self-assessment evaluation is based on several considerations: a child's success away from home, ability to adjust to change, social and activity interests, learning style and level of independence.

Among the questions children answer:

— Do I feel comfortable in new places?

— Do I enjoy new adventures?

— Do I have an easy time getting along with strangers?

In determining whether a child will enjoy being away from home, the "homesickness index" takes into account factors such as a child's interest in travel and faraway places, meeting and getting along with new people, and feelings about adventures.

"There's no reason to have a miserable summer and send a child who isn't ready away from home," said Pat Spead, director of Tilton's admissions. "Conversely, there's nothing better for a child's growth and development than having a positive away-from-home experience."

"From the parents and students we work with, we've found that young people with an adventurous spirit and an eagerness for new things do best away from home, whether that be camp or boarding school," she said.

# Community Calendar

**TUESDAY**

Weight Watchers; Trinity United Methodist Church; 5:30 p.m.

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

TOPS TX56; 5:30 p.m. weigh-in, and meeting from 6 to 7 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information, call Jean Yearwood at 573-9444.

Scurry Lodge 706; AF and AM degree classes; 7:30 p.m.

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-1141, 573-5867.

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave. M, 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3956, 573-2101 573-1141 or 573-8626.

**WEDNESDAY**

Martha Ann Woman's Club Salad Luncheon/Game Day; reservations need by 5 p.m. Monday by calling 573-3427; $6 per person; serving begins at 11:30 a.m. with games of choice following.

Narcotics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For more information, call 573-3961.

**THURSDAY**

Advanced Duplicate Bridge; Colorado City bridge room; 1:30 p.m.

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

Scurry Charter Chapter ABWA; MAWC; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); in Winston Park; 8 p.m. For information, call 573-3308 or 573-1141.

**FRIDAY**

Storytime for 4 and 5 year olds; Scurry County Library; 10 a.m.

Snyder Jaycees; noon luncheon; Golden Corral.

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:45-11:45 a.m.; Cogdell Memorial Hospital emergency waiting room; 1-2:30 p.m.

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

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

Al-Anon; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th and Ave M, 8 p.m. For more information call 573-1141, 573-2101, 573-8626, or 573-3956.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous (closed); Park Club in Winston Park; For information, call 573-8626, 863-2348 or 573-1141. (Last Friday of the month is the birthday meeting); 8 p.m.

**SATURDAY**

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

**SUNDAY**

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 10 a.m. For more information call 573-1141, 863-2348, 863-2349 or 573-8110.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1-4 p.m.

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

## Recommended first aid for nosebleeds

By The Associated Press

The first concern about a nosebleed is getting it to stop. Simple first-aid procedures usually can do the trick, says Dr. John K. Jones, an otorhinolaryngologist at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

Among his recommendations:

— Apply pressure to the soft part of the nose (not the hard bony portion) for several minutes.

— Soak a piece of cotton with nasal drops such as Neosinephron and pack it into the nose.

If bleeding can't be stopped in 20 minutes, consult a doctor.

Jones recommends using a humidifier during winter months when indoor air is dry to lessen the chance of nosebleeds. He says that children should be discouraged from putting their fingers in their noses — the leading cause of nosebleeds in children.

## Vacation treat

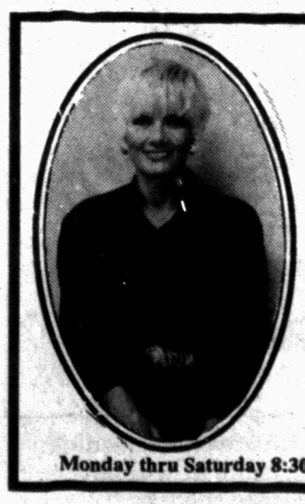
Johnny and Terrie Powell of Snyder and their son, Mat Powell, attended the NBA Finals Suns and Bulls game in Pheonix, Ariz., Sunday.

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The first newspaper cartoon appeared in America on May 9, 1754. The illustration, in Benjamin Franklin's "Pennsylvania Gazette," depicted a divided snake each representing an American colony. The caption read: "Join or Die."


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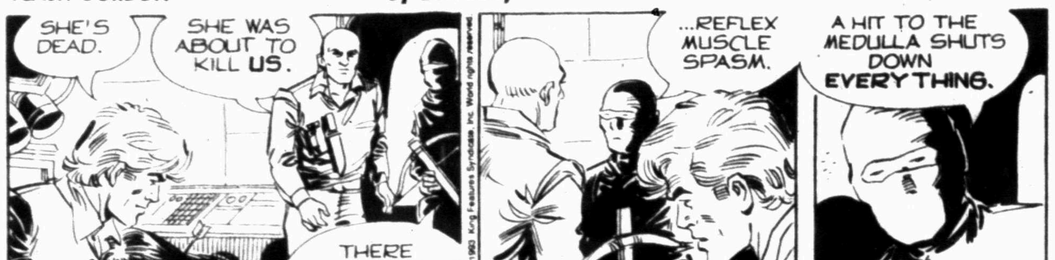
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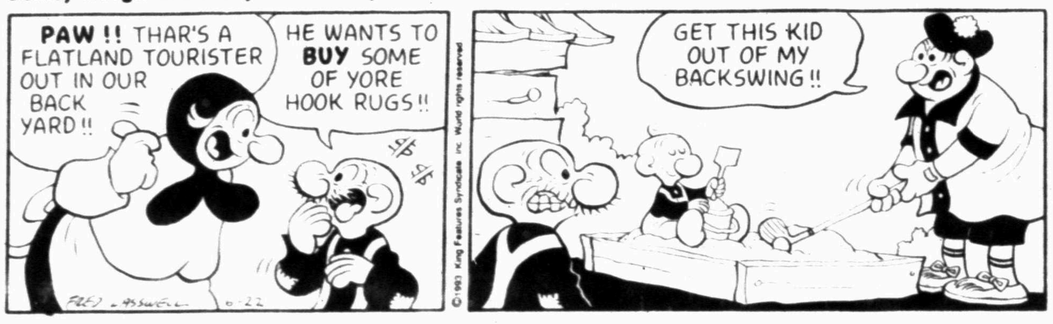

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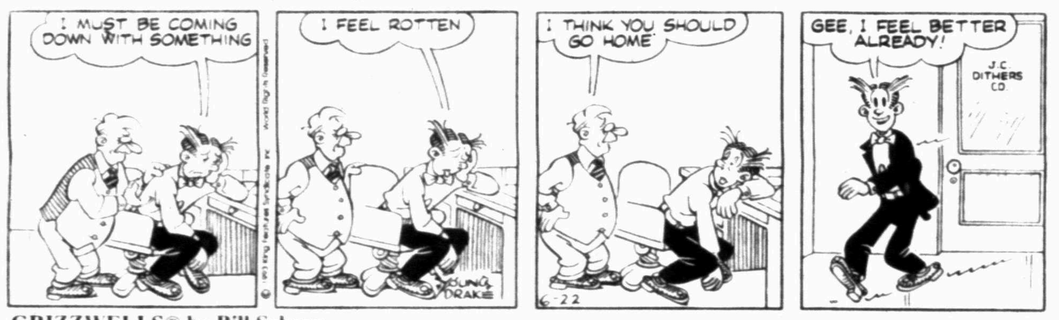

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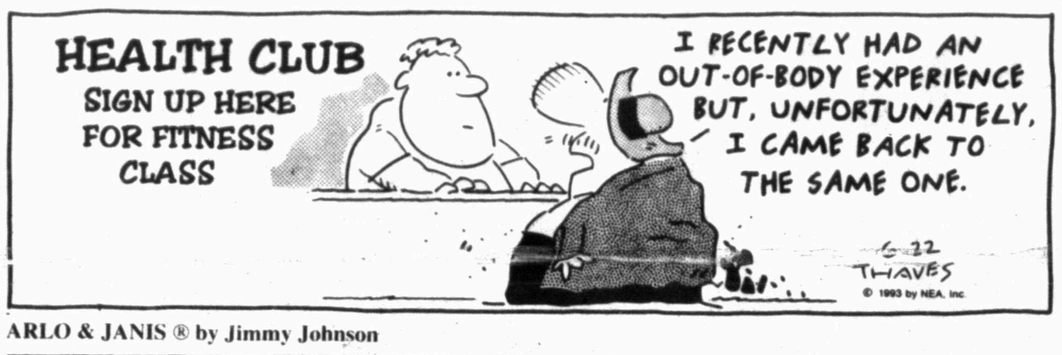



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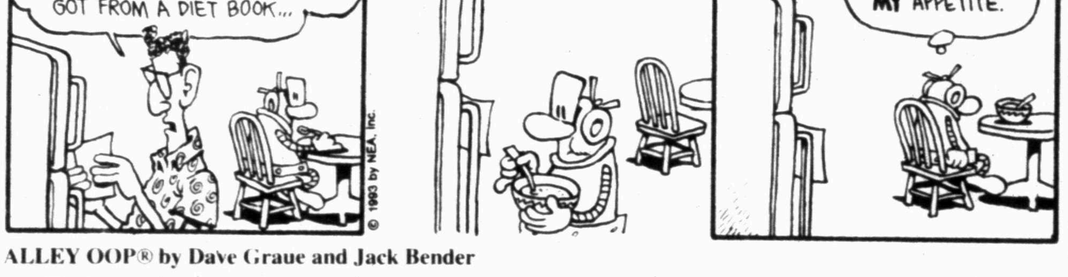

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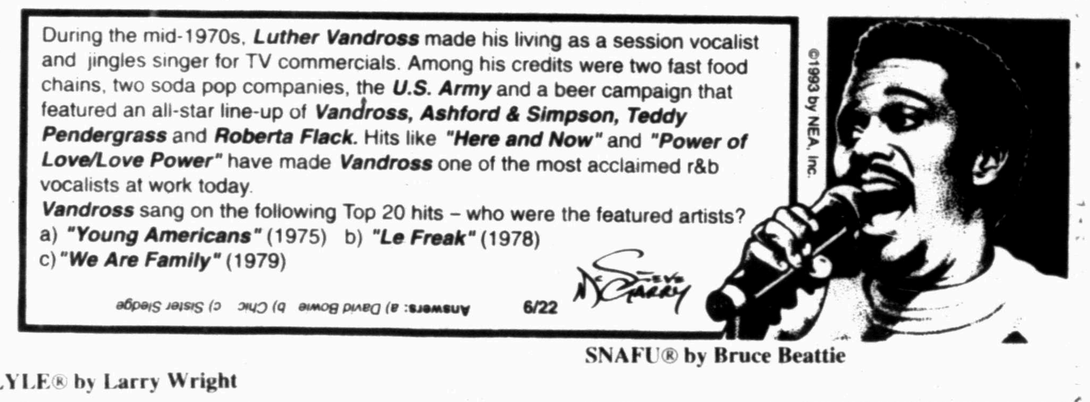

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1 Word to call attention
4 Money back — — satisfied
9 TV's — Haw
12 WWII area
13 Attempter
14 Shade tree
15 Annual gathering
17 Book of maps
19 Bird's home
20 Egg-shaped
21 Author of Picnic
23 Psychologist — Ellis
27 Rows
29 French for father
30 Atop
31 Mal de —
32 Nickels and dimes
34 Tint
35 Elec. abbr.
36 Facts and figures
37 Run away to marry
39 Lasting 12 months
42 Angers
43 Bundle
44 Beliefs
46 Adult insect
48 Monaco prince
51 — King Cole
52 Publish
54 Spire ornament
55 Observe
56 Chairs
57 Male sheep

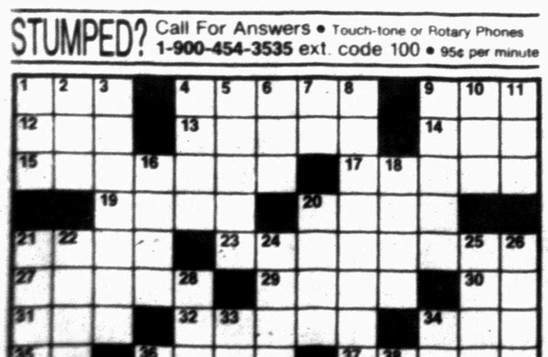
**DOWN**

1 That woman
2 French for "summer"
3 Less old
4 How sweet
5 Foam
6 Author Anais —
7 Faroe Islands whirlwind
8 Cross
9 Greeting
10 Guido's high note
11 River in Germany
16 — -do-well
18 Story
20 Part of stove
21 To whom — — concern
22 Female relative
24 Of bees
25 Two-door car
26 Leg joints
28 Shellfishes
33 Sioux Indian
34 More equine
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**Answer to Previous Puzzle**

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| New York | 41 |
| Baltimore | 35 |
| Boston | 31 |
| Milwaukee | 29 |
| Cleveland | 28 |

West Division

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| California | 35 |
| Chicago | 35 |
| Kansas City | 35 |
| Seattle | 34 |
| Texas | 31 |
| Minnesota | 29 |
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NATIONAL LEA
East Division

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| Philadelphia | 48 |
| St. Louis | 39 |
| Montreal | 36 |
| Chicago | 33 |
| Pittsburgh | 32 |
| Florida | 31 |
| New York | 21 |

West Division

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| San Francisco | 47 |
| Atlanta | 40 |
| Los Angeles | 36 |
| Houston | 34 |
| Cincinnati | 32 |
| San Diego | 27 |
| Colorado | 24 |

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Tuesday's Gam
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Atlanta (Smith 2-6) at Philad 6-3), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Wendell 0-1) at Pi 8-5), 7:35 p.m.
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Houston (Kile 6-1) at Los A 5-5), 10:35 p.m.
San Diego (Benes 7-6) at (Swift 9-3), 10:35 p.m.

Wimbledon...

# Capriati struggles in opener

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — Jennifer Capriati struggled early against an unheralded Briton before rolling to a first-round victory today as the women took center stage at Wimbledon.

Shirli-Ann Siddall, a 5,000-1 shot ranked 325th in the world, delighted Court Two fans by capturing the first set before the seventh-seeded Floridian prevailed 6-7 (7-5), 6-2, 6-1 in a match lasting nearly two hours.

Also advancing were No. 6 Conchita Martinez of Spain, winning 7-5, 6-3, over American Ginger Helgeson and No. 16 Nathalie Tauziat of France, with a 7-5, 6-4 victory over Rennae Stubbs of Australia.

The two top seeded women appeared headed for easy victories in their first-round matches against Australians. Steffi Graf, seeking her fifth Wimbledon title, faced Kirrily Sharpe, a qualifier ranked 231st, and second-seeded Martina Navratilova, seeking her 10th title, played Michelle Jaggard-Lai, ranked 89th.

No. 13 seed Mary Pierce withdrew from the tournament because of flu. Her place against American Beverly Bowes was taken by Louise Fields of Australia.

The men's top-seed, Pete Sampras, was to open today against Australian Neil Borwick after getting a one-day delay because of a sore shoulder.

Three-time champion Boris Becker, seeded fourth, also moved into action in an all-German battle with one of the tour's rising young stars, Marc Goellner. Ranked 37th in the world, Goellner has a powerful serve and a Becker-inspired nickname — "Baby Boom Boom."

# Little League tabs All-Stars

Manager Grady Gafford, coach Jay Cumbie, and players Johnny Pena, Cory Mandrell and Eric Gard, all returnees from last year's team, head this season's Snyder Little League All-Stars.

Gafford and Cumbie guided the Indians to a 17-2 season record, including the Little League title and a second-place finish at the County Tournament in Sweetwater.

Pena joins the All-Stars from the Indians, and Mandrell and Gard are selections from the Cubs.

Also on the squad are Jacob Hodges, Sam Bedell and Josh Ward of the White Sox, Trevor Thompson and Wesley Wilson of the Cardinals, Clay Berryman and Brad Roemisch of the Yankees, the Indians' Sonny Cumbie and Clint Hook, Bandy Rollins of the Braves and Eric Lang of the Athletics.

Snyder's All-Stars will host the July 5-12 Area II Tournament at Logan Field. The locals will battle Rotan in the 6 p.m. opener on Monday, July 5.

Other teams expected at the tournament include Colorado City, Hamlin and Stonewall-Kent.



TOURNEY CHAMPS — The Giants captured the Farm League tournament crown Monday with a 14-13 win over the White Sox. Team members are, back row from left, coach Terry Bowden, Landon Day, Bryson Jenkins, John Rasmus, Diego Hernandez, Matt Hammond and coach Jody Day. Front row from left, Travis Wells, Ryan Braziel, Blake Bell, Jeremy Bowden, James Corley, Johnny Munoz, Justin Cline and Jeremy Stark. (SDN Staff Photo)



TROPHY WINNERS — The White Sox came in second in the Snyder Farm League baseball tournament, falling to the Giants, 14-13, in Monday's final. The Snyder Police Department awarded the Sox trophies prior to the championship game. Pictured are, back row from left, coach David Tate, LaBow Rivers, Nicholas Barboza, Kyle McClendon, Clynt James, James Villareal and coach Luis Villareal. Front row from left, Lyndell Lee, Darrell Rivera, Mark Fields, Joey Rocha, Billy Burleson, Chris Stahl and Snyder Police Sergeant Ray Gloyd. Not pictured is coach Bill Bell. (SDN Staff Photo)

# Fisk catches No. 2,226, a 7-6 win over Rangers

CHICAGO (AP) — Things have not gone well for Carlton Fisk this season, even though he is poised to catch his 2,226th game and break the major-league record held by Bob Boone.

"It's been a long road with a lot of potholes and obstacles," said Fisk, who will be honored Tuesday on "Carlton Fisk Night" at Comiskey Park. "Hopefully, it will not be a eulogy for my career, but a celebration for the continuation of my career."

Fisk, 45, tied the record Monday night when Frank Thomas and Robin Ventura homered to lead Jack McDowell and the Chicago White Sox to a 7-6 victory over the Texas Rangers.

The victory lifted the White Sox into a first place tie in the American League West with the Kansas City Royals and the California Angels after the Angels defeated the Royals 4-3.

Thomas hit his 13th homer with two outs and two aboard to cap a four-run second inning and Ventura hit his 12th leading off the fifth inning to give McDowell a 7-2 lead.

McDowell (11-4) became the first pitcher to reach 11 victories this season and might have had an easier time had it not been for his own throwing error in a four-run seventh.

He had given up solo homers to Rafael Palmeiro, his 11th of the season in the fourth, and Gary Redus, his second in the fifth.

Doug Strange led off the seventh with a single and Redus walked. Mario Diaz singled for one run and when David Hulse bunted, McDowell threw past Ventura at third and two runs scored.

Scott Radinsky gave up a run-scoring single to Palmeiro before Terry Leach got Juan Gonzalez to hit into an inning-ending double play. That was all for Texas as Roberto Hernandez pitched the ninth for his 12th save.

"Jack wasn't quite as sharp tonight, he hung a few pitches," manager Gene Lamont said. "But it's a good pitcher who only gives up solo home runs."

Kevin Brown (5-6) suffered his third straight defeat.

## Baseball glance

By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Detroit | 43 | 25 | .632 | — |
| Toronto | 42 | 28 | .600 | 2 |
| New York | 41 | 29 | .586 | 3 |
| Baltimore | 35 | 33 | .515 | 8 |
| Boston | 31 | 38 | .449 | 12½ |
| Milwaukee | 29 | 38 | .433 | 13½ |
| Cleveland | 28 | 41 | .406 | 15½ |

West Division

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| California | 35 | 32 | .522 | — |
| Chicago | 35 | 32 | .522 | — |
| Kansas City | 35 | 32 | .522 | — |
| Seattle | 34 | 35 | .493 | 2 |
| Texas | 31 | 37 | .456 | 4½ |
| Minnesota | 29 | 37 | .439 | 5½ |
| Oakland | 27 | 38 | .415 | 7 |

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Cleveland 3, Milwaukee 0
Chicago 7, Texas 6
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Boston 6, Minnesota 3
Oakland 5, Seattle 3
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NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Philadelphia | 48 | 21 | .696 | — |
| St. Louis | 39 | 29 | .574 | 8½ |
| Montreal | 36 | 33 | .522 | 12 |
| Chicago | 33 | 34 | .493 | 14 |
| Pittsburgh | 32 | 36 | .471 | 15½ |
| Florida | 31 | 38 | .449 | 17 |
| New York | 21 | 47 | .309 | 26½ |

West Division

| | W | L | Pct. | GB |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| San Francisco | 47 | 23 | .671 | — |
| Atlanta | 40 | 31 | .563 | 7½ |
| Los Angeles | 36 | 31 | .537 | 9½ |
| Houston | 34 | 33 | .507 | 11½ |
| Cincinnati | 32 | 38 | .457 | 15 |
| San Diego | 27 | 42 | .391 | 19½ |
| Colorado | 24 | 44 | .353 | 22 |

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St. Louis 4, Florida 3
New York 8, Montreal 3
Atlanta 8, Philadelphia 1
Colorado 5, Cincinnati 4, 10 innings
Los Angeles 7, Houston 0
San Francisco 2, San Diego 1

Tuesday's Games

St. Louis (Cormier 4-3) at Florida (Hammond 7-4), 7:35 p.m.
Atlanta (Smith 2-6) at Philadelphia (Jackson 6-3), 7:35 p.m.
Chicago (Wendell 0-1) at Pittsburgh (Walk 8-5), 7:35 p.m.
Montreal (Nabholz 3-5) at New York (Young 0-8), 7:40 p.m.
Cincinnati (Smiley 3-9) at Colorado (Ruffin 3-3), 9:05 p.m.
Houston (Kile 6-1) at Los Angeles (Gross 5-5), 10:35 p.m.
San Diego (Benes 7-6) at San Francisco (Swift 9-3), 10:35 p.m.

## Youth baseball results

FARM LEAGUE

**Giants 14, White Sox 13**

Ryan Braziel had four hits for the Giants, including two triples, a double and a game-winning single in Monday's Farm League Tournament championship game.

Diego Hernandez slammed twin doubles, Matt Hammond belted a two-sacker and a base hit, and winning pitcher Landon Day, Jeremy Stark, Blake Bell and Travis Wells each tagged a single for the tourney champs.

The White Sox were led by Joey Rocha, who blasted a homer, a triple and a double. Losing pitcher James Villareal drilled an extra-base hit, and Darrell Rivera, Kyle McClendon, LaBow Rivers and Chris Stahl each singled.

## Girls' softball results

DIVISION I

**Red Hots 11, Sparklers 10**

Loryn Brown hammered two home runs and a double and teammate Jacque Alvarez doubled as the Red Hots topped the Sparklers in a Monday Division I game.

The Sparklers were led by Courtney James, who belted a homer, Kristin James, who nailed a double, and Amy Cauley, who singled.

DIVISION II

**Pink Pizazz 22, Illusions 17**

The Pizazz smacked 16 hits, including Calley Parks' homer and single, and a single, double and triple from Nicole Canales, on their way to Monday's Division II win.

Alicia Martin tripled and added a base hit, Cameron Mackey singled and doubled, Heather Shook ripped a two-bagger, Ashley Grimmett and Amanda Williams each knocked two singles, and Cary Brown, Cassie Marshall, and Kara Herrley lifted a hit apiece for the Pink Pizazz.

Whitney Webb was Monday's winner.

The Illusions' top hitters were Deidra Goebel, who tripled and singled, Christy Tomlinson and Keila Helms, who each laced two doubles and a base hit, and Michelle Dortch, who singled and doubled.

Crissida Tyler contributed two singles, and Angie Reynolds and losing pitcher Kendra Dacus each banged a hit.

**Terminators 19, Krushers 11**

The Terminators, led by two hits each by Kimberly Key and Cynthia Fennell, jumped out to a 14-2 second-inning lead, and held on to down the Krushers Monday.

Amy Brooks, Brittany Drummond and Christina Holder each chipped in a single for the Terminators.

The Krushers were paced by April Digby's double and single, a two-sacker by Cameron Mackey, two hits off the bat of Renae Trevino, and a single each from Tara Beall and Keila Helms.

**Poison II 22, Purple Pros 12**

Winning pitcher Kristin Martinez aided her own cause Monday with two triples and a single as the Poison II beat the Purple Pros.

Elicha Roberts and Angela Matthews each singled and doubled, Vanessa Jones, Mindy Thompson and Miranda Hackford punched a double apiece, and Jennifer Mayer and Amy Ricks each singled.

The Pros' leading hitters were Cristina Dunham and Bradi Johnson, who each tripled and singled, Renae Hall, who slammed a three-bagger and a double, Emily Fowler, who singled and doubled, and Starla Davis, who whipped an extra-base hit. Cassie Callaway and Sabrina Davidson each tagged a single.

Kelly Garner was the losing pitcher.

DIVISION III

**Stingers 8, Jade 7**

The Stingers scored a run in the top of the fifth inning to break a 7-7 tie.

Winning pitcher Jodi White and Brandi Bates each smacked a double and a single for the Stingers. Shanna Fisk singled twice, and Stephanie Hernandez, Sharon Gulseth, Mary Gulseth, Tiffany Martin and Cordelia Seaton each added a hit.

The Jade charge was led by Haley Ingram and Tabitha Dunham, each with two doubles. Tina Tavarez popped three singles, and Joanie Wemken, losing pitcher Edwina Brooks and Monica Harbin added a hit apiece.

# QB's instincts lead to surgery

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Many a cringe has accompanied Troy Aikman's instincts to stay in the pocket and take a hit.

But 1993 might have been a disaster for the defending Super Bowl champions if not for the intuition of their star quarterback.

Aikman probably saved his season — and that of the Dallas Cowboys — when he sought medical attention on his own after the rest prescribed by team doctors did nothing to help his ailing back.

Team physicians prescribed six weeks of rest and downplayed the need for a magnetic resonance imaging test.

But the muscle spasms and aches that prevented him from putting on his pants earlier this month continued to frustrate Aikman, who finally walked into a suburban hospital Thursday and asked for an MRI himself.

The next day, Aikman flew aboard owner Jerry Jones' private jet to consult with Dr. Robert Watkins, a renowned neurosurgeon at the Kerlan-Jobe Orthopedic Clinic in Los Angeles.

Watkins found a herniated disk, which probably had been deteriorating over a number of years before announcing itself one day last month when Aikman was squatting 300 pounds.

Watkins operated Saturday, slicing away a 1-inch-by-1/2-inch "tough piece of gristle" from Aikman's lower back.

Aikman was released from Centinela Hospital on Monday and will return to Dallas on Friday for a few days of rest before beginning rehabilitation in Los Angeles on July 5. He plans to join the team in Austin shortly after the start of training camp to continue his rehabilitation there.

Watkins said the Super Bowl MVP will miss up to 12 weeks while recovering from surgery and recuperating the muscles in his back.

That would force Aikman to miss all of training camp and two regular season games, although Aikman insists he will be ready for the season opener against the Washington Redskins on Sept. 6.

Watkins said that's certainly a possibility, but he cautioned Aikman that "willpower won't speed up the healing."

Watkins told Aikman that had he not undergone the procedure, the first good hit he took this season might have been his last. He said it was a good thing he sought a second opinion, and then agreed to have surgery.

## League sets closing ceremonies

Closing ceremonies for Snyder Junior League Baseball will be held today at 7 p.m. at Moffett Field.

All-Stars for the league, which features 13-year-old players, under the auspices of Little League, will also be named Tuesday night.

The Junior League All-Stars will play Colorado City July 5 at 8:30 p.m. in Coleman as the post-season begins.

# Martinez blanks Astros

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ramon Martinez's five-game suspension was put on hold long enough to put the Houston Astros in the deep freeze.

Several hours before beating the Astros 7-0 on Monday night with his second career two-hitter and 12th shutout, the Los Angeles pitcher learned he had been suspended for five games by NL president Bill White for his role in a bench-clearing brawl at Colorado on June 15.

"There's nothing I can say about it," Martinez said. "It was his decision. I appealed, and we'll see what's going to happen. This has never happened to me before. I didn't worry about it when I came here. I just had to concentrate on the game and pitch my game."

Dodgers catcher Mike Piazza, whose three-run homer and five RBIs made it easier for Martinez to concentrate, said his teammate did not take his troubles to the mound with him.

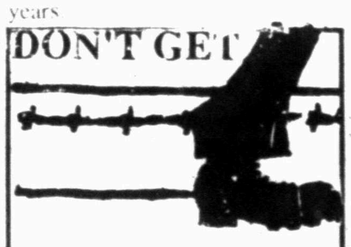
"I heard about it coming in today, but I really didn't hear him talk about it that much," Piazza said. "But he came out very aggressive, he had a great presence out there tonight and he was confident."

Martinez (6-4) did not allow a hit after Luis Gonzalez grounded a double just inside first base leading off the second inning. Craig Biggo got the other hit, leading off the game with a grounder in the hole that failed to draw a throw from shortstop Jose Offerman.

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The applicant proposes to inject fluid into the Canyon Lime, Conrad, Well number 3. The proposed injection well is located 2 miles South from Knapp, Texas, in the Diamond 'M' Field in Scurry County. Fluid will be injected into strata in the subsurface depth interval at 6820.

LEGAL AUTHORITY: Chapter 27 of the Texas Water Code, as amended, Title 3 of the Natural Resources Code, as amended, and the Statewide Rules of the Oil and Gas Division of the Railroad Commission of Texas.

Requests for a public hearing from persons who can show they are adversely affected, or requests for further information concerning any aspect of the application should be submitted in writing, within fifteen days of publication, to the Underground Injection Control Section, Oil and Gas Division, Railroad Commission of Texas, Drawer 12967, Capitol Station, Austin, Texas 78711 (Telephone 512-445-1373).

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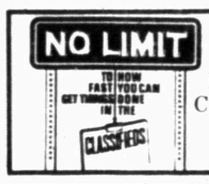
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| BellSouth | 545/8 | 541/8 | 545/8 | +5/8 |
| Beth Steel | 183/8 | 181/8 | 183/8 | +1/8 |
| Borden | 183/4 | 183/8 | 183/8 | -3/8 |
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| Chevron | 881/4 | 873/4 | 88 | -1/4 |
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The first notable nuclear accident took place in 1957, when a fire in a plutonium production reactor north of Liverpool, England, spread radioactive material throughout the countryside. In 1983, the British government said that 39 people probably died of cancer as a result.

# Former first lady dead at 81

WASHINGTON (AP) — Pat Nixon, the uncomplaining silent partner in Richard Nixon's quarter century of political triumph and disgrace, died of lung cancer today at the Nixon home in Park Ridge, N.J.

She was 81.

She had suffered from lung disease for years.

The former president and their daughters, Tricia Nixon Cox and Julie Nixon Eisenhower, were with the former first lady when she died.

Funeral services were set for Saturday at the former president's library in Yorba Linda, Calif., according to a statement from Nixon's office that announced the death.

In their 53 years of marriage — their anniversary was on Monday — through the dark years of Watergate, through the pain of his resignation from the presidency — the former Thelma Catherine Ryan was at Nixon's side, never showing in public how much it hurt.

"Pat" was only a nickname, bestowed by her father because she was born the day before St. Patrick's Day.

Mrs. Nixon's health had not been good for many years. A major stroke in 1976 left her with a paralyzed left side and Nixon suggested that the sudden illness was linked to her having read "The Final Days" a harsh account of the Watergate scandal.

The former first lady made a painful recovery through exercise and physical therapy. But that first stroke — there was another, mild[illegible] began a series of illnesses.

There were repeated hospitalizations for asthmatic bronchitis, bronchial pneumonia and lung infections and she underwent surgery in 1987 to remove a small cancerous tumor from her mouth. Nixon revealed in a 1993 interview that she also suffered from emphysema. The public didn't know, but she had been a smoker in private.

In 1982, Nixon told an interviewer: "She doesn't quite have the stamina she used to have and she doesn't like to go on faraway trips. But other than a slight, almost unnoticeable problem with her left arm, she's fine."

The Nixons had two daughters, Julie and Tricia. Julie married David Eisenhower, grandson of the 34th president, and they had three children, Jennie, Alex and Melanie. Tricia married Ed Cox, a lawyer, and they have a son, Christopher Nixon Cox.

Mrs. Nixon, a pretty, vivacious woman who met her husband when both were trying out for a part in a play, shunned public activities after they left the White House in 1974 and returned to their seaside home in San Clemente.

They lived there until 1980 when Mrs. Nixon decided she wanted to be closer to her grandchildren in the East. Moreover, Nixon could no longer stand being hidden from what he liked to call "The Arena," and moved to New York and then to Saddle River, N.J. In 1992, both near-octogenarians, they gave up the spacious house and bought a four-story condominium in nearby Park Ridge.

Pat Nixon was a steadfast helpmate to a politician whose career was the most turbulent in the nation's history.

She was at Nixon's side during all his crises — any one of which might have stopped a more resolute man: the secret fund that nearly cost him the vice presidential nomination in 1952; the stoning of his limousine in Venezuela in 1958; the bitter defeats in 1960 for president and 1962 for governor of California; the scorn heaped upon him by anti-war protesters n the Vietnam years.

Pat Nixon maintaned a dignified silence during the days of Watergate when Nixon — in his words — was "circling the wagons around the White House," when he was named an unindicted co-conspirator in the attempt to cover up the scandal, when he was denounced before a committee of the Senate and recommended for impeachment by a committee of the House.

"For her, there could be no criticism and no revelation of the despair she may have felt, only support," daughter Julie wrote. "There was no doubt in her mind that Watergate was a political witch-hunt, and that if my father would remain strong, he could withstand it ... In the face of blow after blow, she was steadfast. Never before or since has she shown so much strength."

And she stood behind her man in that dramatic hour when Nixon, the only man ever to resign from the nation's highest office, said his emotional farewell to staff and friends in the White House East Room.

Nixon later wrote of that moment:

"She was wearing dark glasses to hide the signs of two sleepless nights of preparations and the tears that Julie said had finally come that morning. I knew how much courage she needed to carry her through the days and nights of preparations for this abrupt departure.

"Now she would not receive any of the praise she deserved. There would be no round of farewell parties by congressional wives, no testimonials, no tributes. She had been a dignified, compassionate first lady. She had given so much to the nation and so much to the world. Now she would have to share my exile. She deserved so much more."

## Obituaries

### Wednesday rites

Graveside services are set for 11 a.m. Wednesday in Hillside Memorial Gardens for Melcina "Mel" Timora, 64, of Snyder who died Saturday at her home following a lengthy illness. Dr. Wylie "Buff" Hearn, pastor of the First United Methodist Church, will officiate.

# Tobacco companies sue EPA over secondhand smoke data

GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) — The tobacco industry sued the Environmental Protection Agency today, challenging the scientific evidence the agency used in reporting that secondhand smoke puts non-smokers at high risk of cancer.

The civil lawsuit filed in U.S. District Court contends that the EPA was biased in its use of scientific findings and rewrote rules for evaluating those findings to get the conclusion it wanted.

The lawsuit wants the court to throw out the findings.

"This is a little bit worse than bad science," said Daniel Donahue, vice president and lawyer for R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Co. of Winston-Salem, one of the plaintiffs.

"There's much more politics to it than there is science," he said in an interview.

The lawsuit claims that among 30 studies on environmental smoke examined by the EPA, only six supported the agency's conclusion that secondhand smoke causes cancer.

Other plaintiffs in the lawsuit are Philip Morris USA of New York; Universal Leaf Tobacco Co. of Richmond, Va.; Gallins Vending Co. of Winston-Salem; the Council for Burley Tobacco of Lexington, Ky.; and the Flue-Cured Tobacco Cooperative Stabilization Corp. of Raleigh.

The federal agency's findings will stand up to scrutiny, EPA spokeswoman Lauren Mical said.

"EPA's environmental tobacco smoke report has gone through extensive scientific review by scientists inside and outside the EPA," Ms. Mical said today from Washington. "We have faith in our scientific process."

Because the issue is now in court, she said she could not comment further.

## Police note single arrest

Snyder police made one arrest early today and responded to several complaints Monday.

Officers arrested a 40-year-old male for misdemeanor driving while intoxicated at 12:11 a.m. today in the 100 block of 37th Street.

At 11:29 p.m. Monday, officers were notified of several subjects possibly creating a traffic hazard on the Highway 180 overpass. Upon investigation, police located four subjects who were repelling from the bridge. They were advised of the complaint and left the area.

At 6:16 p.m. Monday, Houston Ballard notified police that someone had painted some of his property. A report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

At 7:01 p.m., Arlene Oliverez contacted police in reference to someone stealing some of her property. A report for Class B theft was filed.

Police worked a minor accident at 3:11 p.m. Monday at 100 37th St. Involved was a 1976 Lincoln driven by Dorothy Dean of 903 30th St., which struck a parked, unoccupied 1987 GMC pickup owned by McWilliams Pharmacy.

## Cockerell takes Lone Star course

DALLAS — Phillip M. Cockerell, a distribution manager in the Snyder office, has recently completed a training course at Lone Star's Distribution Training Center in Farmers Branch.

The course, "Regulators and Relief Valves," is designed to provide the basic skills and technical knowledge necessary to understand the selection, installation, operation, maintenance and repair of regulators and relief valves used in transmission operations.

Cockerell is a native of Haskell and has been with Lone Star since October of 1985.

## Hospital Notes

DISMISSALS: Estelle Gary, Felix Gutierrez.

Census: 48 (Med.-9, Long-Term Care-37).

# European summit ends today

COPENHAGEN, Denmark (AP) — Faced with a deepening recession, European Community leaders today ordered a new strategy for spurring economic growth by channeling billions of dollars into transportation and other public works.

Bowing to British pressure, they also agreed to scrutinize high welfare costs that have helped drive up employers' costs, making European goods less competitive with American and Japanese products.

In a communique after their two-day biannual summit, leaders of the 12-nation bloc said they were deeply concerned about "the grave dangers" of millions of people remaining unemployed for long periods.

They ordered aides to draw up specific measures by the end of the year for creating new jobs and restoring Europe's competitiveness on world markets.

They also called for reduction in interest rates, which "will be essential for economic recovery, and in order to promote investment in Europe."

European interest rates have been driven up by the cost of Germany's absorption of eastern Germany. Other EC nations are forced to keep their interest rates high too or face currency devaluations.

Language in a draft statement would have reassured workers that any attempt to create more jobs and boost economic competitiveness would not "call into question the social protection of the citizens."

But that statement was dropped from the final communique, leaving open the possibility of exploring savings suggested by British Prime Minister John Major, such as reducing expensive workers' benefits and easing burdensome restrictions on employers.

# Shuttle somersaults through space today

SPACE CENTER, Houston (AP) — Endeavour somersaulted around the Earth today as part of an experiment designed to test methods of supplying satellites with coolant.

The maneuver was part of a full day of experiments as the shuttle and six crew members closed in on their quarry, a science satellite, at a rate of about 200 miles per orbit.

Astronaut G. David Low checked Endeavour's 50-foot mechanical arm late this morning by moving it around to make sure it is in good shape for Thursday's satellite capture.

Commander Ronald Grabe conducted a series of jet firings that sent Endeavour tumbling end over end and shook up liquid helium stored in two thermos-like 55-gallon tanks in the shuttle's cargo bay.

Scientists monitored the helium's behavior while it sloshed in the tanks.

"We may put in a claim for the highest-ever loop performed," Grabe said.

"Tell Ron he certainly has the record for most consecutive loops across the Atlantic," Mission Control's Jay Apt responded after the flips were completed.

Superfluid helium is used to cool many orbiting telescopes that operate at temperatures approaching absolute zero. After the helium evaporates, the instruments are useless. Later in the flight, helium will be transferred between the tanks to study methods of refilling the satellites.

## Deputies look for young girl

Sheriff's deputies have not been able to locate a young girl who was reported missing Monday night.

At 11:10 p.m., Dr. Carl Dillaha advised deputies that his 14-year-old granddaughter, Mary Beth Dillaha, had apparently run away from home. According to reports, she was noticed missing at 10:30 last night.

She has brown hair, green eyes, stands 5'6" and weighs 110 pounds. She was last seen wearing a green sweatshirt and blue jeans. She was also carrying a purple neon bag. Deputies are investigating.

Deputies were also advised of several other incidents Monday.

At 4:55 p.m., Wenona Evans, with City Realtors, contacted the sheriff's office in reference to criminal mischief. She reported a theft of a cabinet, sink and stove from a house on Lamesa Highway.

Raymond Perez contacted deputies at 11:25 a.m. in reference to a forgery.

A caller also notified deputies of a suspicious vehicle at 7 a.m. The caller said the vehicle was a small white pickup with a camper. According to reports, the vehicle had no front license plate and the back plate was obscured by a tow bar. The caller advised that the vehicle pulls out in front of the caller every morning between the traffic circle and U.S. Highway 208.


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# In energy crisis, taxing gas is tough

By Walter R. Mears
AP Special Correspondent

WASHINGTON (AP) — For 20 years, since the first energy crisis hit home at the gasoline pump, the option of taxing gas has been on and off the table, an idea that always stirred a struggle. And still does.

In the Senate this week, and in the congressional budget bargaining that will follow, energy taxes will be a major point of contention on President Clinton's economic program.

Not with him, though. He's staying out of the way, although Democrats in the Senate scrapped his original energy tax in favor of a 4.3-cent-a-gallon tax increase on gasoline and other transportation fuels, coupled with sharper spending cuts.

"It at least is small enough so that it's not particularly unfair to people in rural areas," Clinton said in a radio interview Monday. "... I did not want just a big, old gas tax."

Indeed, he campaigned against the very idea of a gas tax, coming around after the election, and now says he was forced to that point when the Bush administration increased long-term deficit projections.

Clinton recommended and the House narrowly approved a different energy tax, based on heat content and covering virtually all sources of energy, with estimated revenues of $71.5 billion over the next five years. The president said he still thinks that was a good concept, but it was blocked by Democratic dissent in the Senate, and bargained down to the gasoline tax.

The White House said Clinton obviously would prefer his original tax plan but needs terms that can command majorities in Congress.

So the president is declining to pick a version, leaving his position on a gasoline tax purposely vague, at least until the budget bill is ready for a conference between the House and Senate on their rival energy tax provisions.

The energy tax proposals of earlier administrations, particularly Jimmy Carter's and Richard Nixon's, were aimed at conservation and at reducing U.S. reliance on imported oil. They were prompted by Arab oil embargoes, filling station lines and the economic pinch of fuel shortages. Taxes, some direct, some standby, to be triggered by excessive consumption were to be part of a long-term national energy policy.

*AP analysis*

Carter gained enactment of a windfall profits tax on oil, with revenue estimates of up to $227 billion over a 10-year period. But that was based on oil prices that never happened. Instead, prices fell, and by the time the tax was repealed in 1987, proceeds had dwindled near zero.

The energy crises eased, the oil imports flowed and later energy tax proposals were, like Clinton's, sought for the revenues they would raise to offset budget deficits. In 1983, Republicans in the Senate even considered a tax based on heat content, the kind of Btu tax Clinton proposed this year.

In one of a half-dozen radio interviews promoting his economic program on the eve of Senate debate, Clinton said his original tax plan would "restrain energy consumption," promote conservation and encourage shifts from oil to natural gas.

That harks to the days when taxes were drawn to make energy policy; it's only a fringe benefit now.

And all but unnoticed, reliance on imported oil has increased. Imports accounted for 35 percent of U.S. consumption when the first oil shock hit with the Arab oil embargo of 1973.

Forty-nine percent of U.S. oil consumption in May was imported oil, according to the American Petroleum Institute. In April, the percentage was just over 50 percent.

With the economy improving, oil demand went up 3.4 percent over one year, API said, domestic production declined 4.3 percent and imports went up by 7.2 percent.

As a candidate, Clinton said he favored conservation measures but flatly opposed higher federal gas taxes. He dismissed as unfair the proposal of Democratic rival Paul Tsongas for gas tax boosts of 3 cents to 5 cents a year over five years, let alone the phased increases totaling 50 cents a gallon advocated by independent Ross Perot.

But a gas tax boost was among the ideas suggested at Clinton's Little Rock economic conference late last year. He said he'd consider it.

Now, as he does, it is with the observation that the Senate gas tax is not nearly as onerous as the proposals he challenged in the campaign.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Walter R. Mears, vice president and columnist for The Associated Press, has reported on Washington and national politics for more than 30 years.

## Trespassers noted

WACO (AP) — Curious sightseers have flocked to the flattened site that used to be the Branch Davidian compound and some have defied the law by trespassing onto the property.

"It's amazing how people will, if they think it's a souvenir, steal other people's garbage," said attorney Gary Coker, who sought the trespassing order on behalf of eight Davidians.

The McLennan County Sheriff's Department is in charge of the land, but spokesman Sgt. Ronnie Turnbough says deputies only patrol the 77-acre property about 10 miles outside Waco.

"We've been getting a few calls and we've been running people off," he said Monday.

According to Eric Alcorn, who sells T-shirts from a tent in front of the property's entrance gate, the law isn't keeping out many people.

"One day we were setting out here and this guy came up in an orange convertible and went inside," Alcorn said. "He came out with bicycles, hubcaps and tire rims in his car. I couldn't do anything."

Alcorn says he's seen about 100 people trespassing onto the land. The complex also was quarantined as a health hazard May 14.

Violation of the quarantine is a third-degree felony, punishable by two to 10 years in prison and a fine up to $10,000.

The site gained worldwide attention beginning Feb. 28 when the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms raided the compound armed with search warrants and arrest warrants for cult leader David Koresh.

A gunbattle ensued, resulting in the deaths of four ATF agents and six cultists. It also set off a 51-day standoff that ended April 19 in a fire that killed Koresh and as many as 85 followers.

## Business Mirror

By John Cunniff
AP Business Analyst

NEW YORK (AP) — The idea of a tax increase has been accepted by so many individuals, legislators, economists, business people and others that a significant, critical question has almost faded into oblivion.

It is: Why? Why does the country need a tax increase?

The response offered most often is the political catch-all "in order to correct the budget deficit," followed by the equally automatic defense that "we need to get the economy moving again."

Since documentation is extensive showing tax increases have seldom if ever reduced budget deficits, especially in the past 30 years, and since it can be proven that tax increases slow economic growth, such answers are suspect.

Another category of responses may be closer to the answer, one led by the explanation that the president says it is necessary, wants it badly and must get his way, at least in part. The rationale is "we can't deny him entirely."

Various other defenses are offered with diminishing effectiveness, the least credible being that intelligent people, such as legislators and Cabinet officials, say the economy needs a boost, and they can hardly be wrong.

Whatever the explanation, a sense of inevitability now seems to be a factor in thinking. Momentum builds and sweeps aside rational questions and contrary evidence, such as these offered by Daniel Mitchell of the Heritage Foundation, a conservative think tank.

1. Higher taxes punish productive economic activity. High taxes depress incentives to work, save and invest. Documentation of these assertions is substantial.

2. Higher tax rates tend to mean lower tax revenues. People look for ways to shelter their income from taxes. They also tend to spend less, which means business profits decline and companies pay less in taxes.

3. Higher rates lead to more spending and bigger deficits. For every $1 that tax revenues grew in the 1970s, federal spending rose by $1.22. In the 1980s, the ratio rose to $1.29. Source: Office of Management and Budget.

4. Higher rates may reduce job creation. Almost all jobs ultimately depend on the amount of savings and investment. Since high tax rates penalize savings and investment, high tax rates tend to undermine job creation.

5. Higher taxes hurt small business. Approximately 80 percent of U.S. businesses, including proprietorships and partnerships, pay taxes through the personal income tax code. They have less left to create jobs.

6. Higher taxes are likely to reduce U.S. competitiveness.

This is only a part of Mitchell's list, and his is one of dozens prepared by academics and legislators that lead to the conclusion that waste reduction might be a happier way to cut the deficit.

"Might" is a mighty word in this regard, because waste-reduction means cuts in the bureaucracy. Prior, feeble attempts to cut the bureaucracy, with loss of jobs, have led to outrage, demonstrations and political threats.

Finding and trimming waste have both been well studied. The Grace Commission, General Accounting Office, Congressional Budget Office, Office of Management and Budget, Joint Economic Committee, foundations, legislators and scholars have all done such studies.

There is documentation sufficient to occupy a legalistic sort of reader with a busy summer, but all such studies have suffered the same fate, which is to be held in great reverence and assigned a dusty grave on a high shelf.

The answer, therefore, to the question of "why?" may not be at all complex. It may simply be that it is easier to propose tax increases, urge them through Congress and enact them into law than it is to cut spending.

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## Dear Abby



# Catastrophic Cat Tales Are Categorically Denied

By Abigail Van Buren

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**DEAR READERS: Our feline friends have had a lot of bad press in this column lately. In the interest of even-handedness, let's hear it from some readers who should know:**

DEAR ABBY: When I was an infant, we had an adult female cat. She was a short-haired Siamese named Muffy. While I remember Muffy only from my later years, my parents have told me many things Muffy did when I was an infant.

Not once was Muffy seen trying to smother or hurt me. In fact, she would sit on the floor near my cradle, and whenever I cried out, she would race out of the room to find my mother; then she would meow persistently until my mother followed her back to my room. Then, after Mother had done whatever was necessary to quiet me, Muffy would resume her "post" by my crib.

KAREN STEIMAN

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DEAR ABBY: People who insist that cats suck the breath out of babies belong in the same category as those who swear they have been guests on UFOs or "know" the earth is flat. These people may be sincere, but are confused at best.

I have known and loved hundreds of cats, and never have I seen one act out of jealousy or malice. On the other hand, dogs, whom I love equally, are often jealous, but do little more than just push the object of their jealousy aside.

Cats will always seek the warmest place in the house. Sometimes it's my chest when I'm lying down. It could be a baby's chest, so I agree, it may be best to keep cats away from sleeping babies. The cat does not know that it can suffocate an infant.

But as for sucking the breath out of a baby, or doing harm out of jealousy — utter nonsense!

THEA COLLINS,
STUDIO CITY, CALIF.

**DEAR THEA: Hundreds of readers have related stories of having caught cats in the act of sucking the breath out of the mouths of infants. An equal number of readers have written to say that cats are not malicious. However, they have a keen sense of smell, and when they smell milk on a baby's lips, cats, loving milk the way they do, go immediately for the baby's mouth. But they would never intentionally harm a baby. On the contrary, cats have been known to protect an infant should it be threatened.**

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DEAR ABBY: I was dismayed to read those letters from people who witnessed cats attempting to suck the life out of infants. What poppycock!

I have had dozens of cats over the years, and there is nothing a cat enjoys more than curling up next to a warm human. When my cats try to share my pillow, I make them move; a helpless infant would not be able to do so, and might be suffocated by a very large and heavy cat — but certainly not due to evil intent or jealousy on the part of the cat.

Abby, letters such as those you published only add to the already staggering amount of ignorance and human hatred of one of God's most misunderstood and often-abused creatures.

PAMELA J. FRIZELLE,
SULTAN, WASH.

**DEAR PAMELA, THEA AND KAREN: All right already. I'll take 20 whacks — with a cat-o'-nine-tails.**

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## Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

# Pets help produce a healing effect

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: We have an animal petting farm for handicapped children. Would you be good enough to plug this form of therapy for those affected with MS, Down's syndrome and autism?

DEAR READER: I'm glad to endorse close contact with animals. As I'm sure you know, however, the beneficial effects are not confined to the conditions you mention. Several studies have confirmed the astonishing value of pets for hospital patients and nursing-home residents. For many people — especially those with health or developmental problems — close contact with animals produces a salutary effect.

Some experts believe this is due to companionship, relief of boredom or the ability to take care of a helpless living thing. However, I believe that this touches a basic human need: to be nurtured by being in close proximity to a living creature with whom one can develop a relation. Regardless of the reason, it works.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Is there a relationship between trauma to the body and the onset of multiple sclerosis?

DEAR READER: This neurological disease, which is ordinarily progressive, is characterized by loss of the insulating material around nerves, leading to a vast array of symptoms, including numbness, weakness and visual difficulties.

Multiple sclerosis is believed to be an auto-immune disease in which the body inappropriately attacks its own normal tissues. Trauma is not considered to be a causative factor.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Multiple Sclerosis." Other readers who would like a copy should send $1.25 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 4-year-old son has been diagnosed with Henoch-Schonlein purpura. His pediatrician says it is caused by a virus, but has very little information to offer. Can you shed any light on this condition?

DEAR READER: An acute disease marked by inflammation of blood vessels (vasculitis), Henoch-Schonlein purpura (allergic purpura) is usually due to a drug reaction; however, it may follow relative innocuous upper respiratory infections in children.

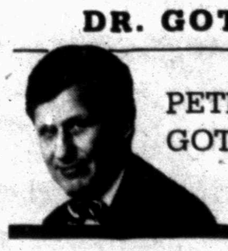
The disease causes large areas of bruising in the skin, fever, joint pains and swelling of the extremities. Some patients develop abdominal colic and blood in the urine, which can progress to renal failure.

The diagnosis is made by blood tests and biopsy of the skin lesions.

Although the disorder usually disappears within a month, doctors ordinarily treat it with cortisone drugs to shorten the duration and prevent complications; unfortunately, this therapy does not affect the kidneys. In most cases, the outlook is favorable, but the disease may recur for no apparent reason.

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## Astrograph

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### Your Birthday

**Wednesday, June 23, 1993**

In the year ahead devote your time and energies to the fulfillment of your ambitious expectations. Minimize participating in frivolous activities, because you'll have plenty of time to do that later.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)** A sure-fire way to have others come down hard on your ideas today is to first find fault with theirs. Don't be the one who introduces controversy in the relationship. Gemini, treat yourself to a birthday gift. Send for your Astro-Graph predictions for the year ahead by mailing $1.25 and a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 4465, New York, N.Y. 10163. Be sure to state your zodiac sign.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)** Be prudent and cautious in your commercial affairs today. If you make impulsive judgments, they could create a loss, regardless of whether you're buying or selling.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)** Be your own person today, but try to do so without offending others. There's a chance you might be so self-involved, you won't be cognizant of their needs.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)** Don't let your ego put you in a position today where you may feel compelled to do something you really don't know how to do. If you're honest up front this could be avoided.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22)** Someone as strong willed as yourself might try to be the dominating force in your peer group today. A collision is likely if you oppose this individual.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21)** Today you might have difficulty distinguishing between those who are in your corner and those who oppose you. Poor judgment lessens your chances for success.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)** Usually you're better equipped to deal with large ideas than you are to deal with little ones. Today, however, grandiose schemes could lead to your undoing.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19)** You are in a cycle where it might prove unwise to invest in situations or people about whom you know little. There could even be potential problems in areas where you know what you're doing.

**PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20)** Persons with whom you'll be involved today won't like it if you take them or what they do for you for granted. This is a volatile area, so be careful.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)** Any important assignments you've neglected early in the week might start popping up to haunt you beginning today. Don't pretend they don't exist.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)** Try to keep your involvements with friends today as low keyed and uncomplicated as possible. Complex arrangements might be destined to fail.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)** It won't be an accurate measurement to compare the achievements of an outsider against those of kin. Your presentation could be prejudice towards any non-family members.

## DATE BOOK

June 22, 1993

*Today is the 173rd day of 1993 and the 2nd day of summer.*

**TODAY'S HISTORY:** On this day in 1807, the U.S. frigate Chesapeake was fired on and boarded by the crew of the British man-of-war Leopard, about 40 miles east of Chesapeake Bay. It was one of the events that led to the War of 1812.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS:** Billy Wilder (1906-), film director, is 87; Anne Morrow Lindbergh (1906-), writer, is 87; Joseph Papp (1921-1991), theatrical producer; Bill Blass (1922-), fashion designer, is 71; Ralph Waite (1929-), actor, is 64; Kris Kristofferson (1936-), actor-singer-songwriter, is 57; Ed Bradley (1941-), broadcast journalist, is 52; Pete Maravich (1948-1988), basketball star; Todd Rundgren (1948-), musician, is 45; Meryl Streep (1949-), actress, is 44; Lindsay Wagner (1949-), actress, is 44; Freddie Prinze (1954-1977), comedian; Clyde Drexler (1962-), basketball player, is 31.

**TODAY'S SPORTS:** On this day in 1938, Joe Louis knocked out Germany's Max Schmeling in the first round of their bout in Yankee Stadium.

**TODAY'S QUOTE:** "By and large, mothers and housewives are the only workers who do not have regular time off. They are the great vacationless class." — Anne Morrow Lindbergh

**TODAY'S WEATHER:** On this day in 1991, an 8-year-old boy playing a video game in Fort Myers, Fla., was burned as lightning struck near his house and traveled through the handset he was holding.

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**TODAY'S MOON:** Between new moon (June 19) and first quarter (June 26).

**TODAY'S BARB BY PHIL PASTORET**

When people say they didn't sleep a wink last night, chances are they kept everyone awake with their snoring.

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**Trans-Jordan (now Jordan) became a kingdom in 1946 as it proclaimed its new monarch, King Abdullah Ibn Ul-Hussein.**

# From China to Chinatown: Li's story

NEW YORK (AP) — In his 34 years in Fujian province, Wong Li had never ventured even so far as Shanghai, the big city. But on a spring night last year he kissed his family goodbye and set off on a perilous voyage to "Meiguo" — America, the "beautiful country."

A year later — a year in which he survived kidnapping, imprisonment and torture — Wong does not use "beautiful" to describe his life in the United States.

"Ku," he says in Mandarin, shaking his head. Bitter.

The almost 300 Chinese from the Golden Venture freighter who washed ashore June 6 now know the hardship it takes to reach the United States. Wong Li knows more, that greater hardship awaits them once they arrive.

He has been beaten until he cried and locked in a basement, sleeping on a damp floor and eating meager meals of rice gruel with pickled vegetables.

One midnight, a big guard with a scarred face handed him a cordless telephone and told him to call his wife. As they began their first conversation in seven months, the guard slammed him in the stomach with a pipe. Wong gasped out an explanation of his plight, that she had to raise $30,000 or he would be killed; his wife cried hysterically.

Such stories belong to thousands of other immigrants from southeastern China, and every story has a villain, he says — the shetou, the "snakehead" or smuggler.

The term usually is reserved for the smuggling mastermind, but to Wong, the recruiter in Fujian, the ship owner in Singapore, the kidnapper at the airport, the thug in New York are all snakeheads. Like most illegal Chinese immigrants, Wong never saw the top snakehead, but he guaranteed this much:

"No matter how people get here, through the airport, on a boat, walking over the border, the snakehead always gets his money."

The snakehead's power flows from the Chinese underworld — the hei shehui, or dark society. For fear of gang reprisals, Wong agreed to tell his story only if his real name were not used.

Wong has the bright, open face of a student. But his hands, folded on a white restaurant tablecloth, are calloused by years of carpentry and other physical labor. He was kept from college because of his father's role in the Nationalist army that lost to the Communists in China's civil war.

About two years ago, he says, "the boats began to leave." A strong economic upturn in southeastern China had excited more expectations than could be satisfied by Fujian's economy, still evolving from agrarian to industrial. People looked to the United States, where, the wondrous rumors said, a man like Wong could earn enough in three years to pay off passage and send for his family.

A smuggling recruiter told Wong the $20,000 price of passage could be worked off gradually. But Wong didn't have even the $1,000 down payment.

One day, he was told a boat leaving the next night had a few unfilled spots; the usual $1,000 fee would be waived.

That very night he walked out with a small cardboard suitcase and 50 American dollars. "Daddy, don't go," his 4-year-old daughter cried. But she was the reason he had to go.

Twenty-four hours later, he boarded a beat-up coastal freighter that looked as if it would struggle to reach Hong Kong, let alone California.

For three weeks the crowded ship lurched across the Pacific. The weather was mild, but the ship was so unsteady that many of the 100 passengers were chronically seasick. Wong always felt dizzy; he spent most of his time lying on his mat, next to the engine room.

Near Hawaii, the food and water were almost done; the voyage obviously was intended to end soon. The first mate said small boats would pick them up, but when none showed in four days, panic set in and passengers fought over dwindling provisions.

Finally, the Coast Guard ordered the craft into Honolulu. Some passengers wept at being captured. Wong laughed. He was alive.

Sent to an Immigration and Naturalization Service detention center in Texas, Wong says the next six months were his best days in America. There was good food, new clothes, mail from home, inmates with whom to practice English. "The Americans treated us really well," he says, smiling.

Another pleasure was Wong's recognition that he wasn't going to be deported any time soon. A lawyer filed his request for political asylum on the grounds he'd been victimized by the Chinese government's sanctions against extra children — Wong has three. The appeal meant he could stay until a hearing in New York a year later.

Wong was released around the start of the new year. He had working papers and the name of an uncle in New York. Best of all, he thought the snakeheads had lost track of him.

But just before boarding a flight for New York, a Chinese man walked up and barked, "Come with me."

Wong says he doesn't know how the snakehead found him. But experts believe smugglers often hire lawyers to represent captured passengers, to control their every move.

At Kennedy Airport, two men with guns met Wong and the snakehead then drove them to a single-family house outside Manhattan. There, a second snakehead told Wong he owed $30,000, not $20,000, and that there would be no installment plan.

His family had to pay, Wong was told, or he would die.

Wong was locked in a dank basement with about three dozen other smuggled immigrants. The guards repeatedly made Wong kneel, then beat him. His captors forced Wong to call his wife repeatedly about his passage money; each call, he was told, would cost him $100. Finally she arranged to get about half the ransom from a relative in Japan, the rest from a loanshark at an interest rate exceeding 25 percent.

His relief was mixed with horror. "I knew it would take generations in China to earn that money," he says. "I had to stay alive and earn money, for the sake of my wife and children."

After four weeks in captivity, the money was paid. In early February, Wong was shoved in the back of a car and driven to Chinatown.

"Zou," the guard said when the car stopped at a light. Go.

After 10,000 miles, Wong had no guards. He also had no job and no place to stay. He knew less than 100 words of English. The guards had taken his $50.

In Chinatown, he saw his problems had just begun. This was no golden ghetto. Scrawny, shabbily dressed men were everywhere, hocking wares on the street or hauling backbreaking loads. Most were lined up outside employment offices. Wong had arrived on the crest of a wave of illegal immigration that had pushed wages for some menial jobs below $2 an hour.

Wong's uncle could not help him, and so he became a regular at the cluster of employment agencies under the Manhattan Bridge. He washed dishes in a restaurant and installed windows, but most of the time he was out of work.

Recently, he got a job loading seafood that pays $240 for a six-day, 60-hour week — far from the $400 a week he had assumed he could make in the United States. With more immigrants arriving by the day, neither the job nor the wage is secure.

"There are so many people who want jobs," he says. "If my boss is not happy with me one day, I'm out."

Wong pays only $100 a month for a bunk in a tiny tenement bedroom he shares with another man and eats little more than rice, but he's been able to save almost none of the $2,000 he's earned in five months.

His only balm is an occasional phone call home, courtesy of stolen credit card numbers he can buy for $15. At last, he smiles.

"My little girl tells me, 'Daddy, be sure you're getting enough to eat.'"

# Public works law fails to produce promised jobs

WASHINGTON (AP) — A massive federal public works law enacted in 1991 is helping restore America's transportation system but has not lived up to advance billing as a job-creator and has other growing pains, an Associated Press survey shows.

Across America, vast stretches of highways are being repaved and scores of bridges replaced.

In two years, the law has helped pay for new bus yards in California, bicycle storage lockers in Ohio, park-and-ride lots in New York and a pedestrian overpass spanning Las Vegas' famed casino strip.

But an AP survey of two dozen states shows many projects put on hold because the federal government has provided only about 85 percent, or nearly $41 billion, of the $48 billion Congress originally promised for 1992 and 1993. The law has four more years to run.

The economic stimulus package President Clinton sought this year would have restored the missing funding for 1993. The package was filibustered to death by Senate Republicans in April.

Transportation Secretary Federico Pena, a strong supporter of the legislation, said, "We've got to recognize it's time to invest in America" or "we will have a country in the year 2000 we may not like."

Officially called the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991, it was signed into law by President Bush who predicted it would generate 4 million jobs by 1997.

That goal apparently will not be realized.

If all the states were the same size and slated to get the same amount of money, that would average out to about 80,000 jobs per state.

Even the largest states say they will fall short of the average.

Officials in California, one of the bill's biggest benefactors, attribute only 11,000 new jobs to the spending and predict another 37,500 over the final four years of the bill.

In New York, some 36,000 jobs were created and saved last year by spending under the bill. In Florida, some 50,000 new jobs are expected over the six years.

"I can't say it will create 4 million jobs. But it will create tens of thousands," said Jerry Donaldson of the Advocates for Highway and Auto Safety, which represents consumers and insurance companies.

"It was not conceived as a jobs bill," added Jim Lewis, spokesman for The Road Information Program, a highway research and trade group. "That became the political good news. But it is a sound means of investing in our economy. It is not fluff. It is not pork."

Generally, the government picks up 80 percent of highway project costs while states pay the rest. The federal money comes from a 14-cent-a-gallon tax motorists pay at the gasoline pump.

Faced with a growing deficit, Congress decided not to give the states the full amount it promised for the program's first two years.

Politically influential Northeastern states — with key members of Congress among the chief sponsors of the legislation — were among the big winners, the AP survey found.

In New York, officials are earmarking hundreds of millions of dollars to buy buses, create park-and-ride lots, build a new subway line to relieve congestion in Queens and purchase new diesel cars for the Long Island Rail Road.

"They found a lot of money for New York," said David Murray, a spokesman for that state's transportation department. "It was obvious they had New York state in mind when they drafted the bill."

## To miss concert

NEW YORK (AP) — A broken hip will keep Cab Calloway from playing at Thursday night's JVC Jazz Festival "Jazz Connection" concert.

The program at Avery Fisher Hall will explore the contributions of Jewish and African music to jazz.


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