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Johnson gets nod as new Navy chief

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton today nominated Adm. Jay Johnson to be the new Navy chief, replacing Adm. Jeremy M. "Mike" Boorda who committed suicide last month.

Clinton called this "a crucial time" in the Navy's history. "With Admiral Johnson at the helm, I am confident that our Navy will continue to protect and advance our nation's freedom and security," the president said in a statement.

Defense Secretary William Perry had recommended Johnson to Clinton last week.

Johnson, who is 50 today, was promoted three months ago to the No. 2 spot in the Navy. The Senate is expected to confirm him to the top spot with little opposition.

Boorda's May 16 suicide shook the naval community. Aides said Clinton may meet with Johnson, the vice chief of naval operations, in an effort to boost Navy morale.

Perry had promised to get a successor in place quickly to help the Navy recover from the suicide of the popular commander. Boorda, appointed by Clinton in the wake of the Tailhook scandal that shook the Navy, expressed concern in a suicide note about media inquiries into two combat pins he wore on his uniform.

Johnson, a 1968 graduate of the Naval Academy, is one of the fastest rising stars in the Navy. He is described by colleagues as a smart, innovative officer. He won wide praise as commander of the U.S. 2nd Fleet in the U.S. intervention in Haiti, when the Navy worked more closely than ever with the Army.

Johnson and his wife have one daughter, Cullen, who was named first runner-up in the 1994 Miss America pageant while he was commanding the Navy fleet during the Haiti operation.

In a suicide note left at his residence at the Washington Navy Yard, Boorda expressed distress over what he apparently felt would become a media scandal over questions about the propriety of two combat pins he had worn.

Lady Tiger basketball coach named

Rick Archer, former assistant coach of the Texas Christian University Lady Frogs, has been named new girl's basketball coach at Snyder High School.

Players, parents and interested fans are invited to meet with Archer at 11 a.m. Thursday in the Snyder High School student center, said David Baugh, SHS athletic director.

Archer replaces Steve Qualls, who resigned in April after three years. Qualls left to take a post in Denison. Qualls had a 33-53 record at Snyder. His best year was this past one, when the Lady Tigers went 14-15 for the season and 5-5 in district play.



SMOOTH OPERATORS - P.C. Romero, front, and Joe Romero were busy Tuesday finishing concrete for a new parking lot for the First Baptist Church. The parking area is on the southeast corner of the square where several vacant buildings stood. (SDN Staff Photo)

Waldholtz enters plea

Providing false tax information to wife

WASHINGTON (AP) — Joseph Waldholtz, the estranged husband of Rep. Enid Greene, pleaded guilty in federal court today to providing his wife false information for her 1993 taxes and to falsifying federal election reports.

Waldholtz, 33, had been charged with 27 counts of bank fraud. He pleaded guilty to one felony count of bank fraud and aiding or assisting the filing of a false tax return. He admitted telling Rep. Greene, R-Utah, that he would transfer to her securities on which he took a $55,000 loss in order to prevent her from having to pay income taxes on $39,000 worth of capital gains.

Waldholtz never owned the securities in question, but his wife used that information as a basis to file her 1993 income tax return. The couple had recently been married, but decided to file their taxes separately for that year.

After the hearing, Assistant U.S. Attorney William E. Lawler III noted that Waldholtz' guilty plea on the felony income tax charge contains no information or evidence that Rep. Greene knew she was filing her taxes based on false information.

He added, "the tax area is one area we will continue to investigate."

Charles Roistacher, Greene's attorney, said he had been assured "as recently as yesterday" that his client was not a target of the ongoing probe, adding that she simply believed the tax information her husband had provided her.

Waldholtz also pleaded guilty to making false statements to the Federal Election Commission and falsifying FEC campaign-spending reports.

Those charges stem from Waldholtz' failure to accurately report the source of more than $1.8 million deposited in Greene's campaign account.

The money had come from Ms. Greene's father, D. Forrest Greene, but Waldholtz reported that the money was actually Ms. Greene's personal assets, so as to avoid the $1,000 contribution limits from anyone other than the candidate.

Ms. Greene has said she believed the funds came to her from a property transfer arranged by Waldholtz.

The tax charge — and the FEC violations — were the result of new information the government had gathered in recent weeks. It was presented to Waldholtz and his attorneys on Monday, and became the basis of today's plea-bargain agreement.

Medicare hospital fund sick

Trustees also predict Social Security will go broke by 2029

WASHINGTON (AP) — Medicare's hospital fund will be about $29 billion in the red by 2001 if the system isn't changed, according to estimates gathered in advance of the Medicare trustees report today.

The trustees also were predicting that Social Security will go broke by 2029 if that program is not adjusted.

Although the current political climate makes a long-term solution to Medicare's problems seem unlikely, bankrupcy in 2001 can be headed off despite the politics, White House spokesman Mike McCurry said today.

"It could be addressed by adopting the elements that are in common between the Republican plan and the president's plan on a balanced budget," he said. "That would get you comfortably into the next century so that you could work on the long-term problem."

President Clinton was meeting with House and Senate Democrats today to discuss how to proceed with Medicare.

By 2002, the hospital fund will owe $86 billion more than it has, and by 2006, the shortfall could be more than $400 billion, Republicans using Congressional Budget Office estimates said Tuesday.

"We, as members of Congress, and most importantly President Clinton, as president, owes real leadership on this question," said Rep. Bill Thomas, R-Calif., chairman of the House subcommittee that oversees Medicare.

The trustees' report was being issued by the six-member board, composed of the secretaries of treasury, health and human services and labor, the Social

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McDonnell Douglas machinists strike

ST. LOUIS (AP) — Union leaders stormed out of negotiations and 6,700 McDonnell Douglas machinists went on strike today, protesting the aerospace company's growing use of nonunion workers.

The plant, St. Louis's largest employer, continued to operate.

"We're ready. We'll be here for however long it takes to get a contract that we can live with," Barry Betz, an 11-year worker, said as he marched outside the plant in the pre-dawn darkness.

No new talks were scheduled.

Strikers shouted at nonunion workers arriving for work, but police reported no real problems. The biggest problem initially was traffic caused by motorists stopping to honk or wave at strikers.

Workers at the company's St. Louis headquarters build F-15 and the FA-18 fighters and the Navy's T-45 training jet. They also build part of the Air Force's C-17 cargo plane and are upgrading the Harrier strike aircraft.

Members of the Machinists union overwhelmingly rejected the company's latest contract proposal Sunday. Federal mediators had worked all day Tuesday in an attempt to broker a deal before union leaders stormed out.

The chief sticking point is outsourcing, the company's use of subcontractors and nonunion McDonnell Douglas plants for work once performed by union machinists.

While McDonnell Douglas says outsourcing makes the company more competitive — it earned $707 million in profits last year — machinists see outsourcing as a threat to their jobs and point out 1,500 layoffs at the plant in recent years.

"Our members are sick of watching their jobs go out the door while company profits go up, up, up," union local President Gerald Oulson said.

Company spokesman Tom Williams said that just a few hours before the strike deadline, the union proposed 32 changes to the company's offer, including demands for a $1,500 bonus for all union members and job guarantees for all union members.

"I'm not aware of any company in the world today that would have a job security clause for every worker on the rolls today," Williams said.

The company hasn't said whether it will hire strikebreakers.

FM 1673 construction meeting set Thursday

A pre-construction meeting for the widening of a portion of FM 1673 will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday at the Texas Department of Transportation office on U.S. Highway 84.

This portion of FM 1673, known as the prison road, extends from Highway 180 to the Camp Springs Road.

This is the only section of this road that has not be rehabiliated, TxDot officials said this morning.

"Presently, this road is 20 feet wide, consisting of two 10-foot-wide lanes," said TxDot engineering technician Joe Dan Jones.

"We will expand it to two 12-foot lanes with 8-foot shoulders," said Jones.

Construction is expected to begin as early as Monday.

Jones said two-way traffic would be maintained on the road at all times during construction.

Dulaney selected to state GOP Platform Committee

Mary Dulaney has been appointed to the Republican Party of Texas Platform Committee, according to a release from the state Republican headquarters.

Dulaney was nominated for the position by Texas GOP chairman Tom Pauken of Dallas, in conjunction with State Republican executive committee member for Senate District 30, Joe Wolf.

"I'm especially excited about this appointment since only one representative from each of the 31 state Senate districts is asked to serve on this committee," said Mrs. Dulaney.

She is the sole representative for Senate District 30, which includes 36 counties.

The Republican Convention is June 21-22 in San Antonio.

"I don't look for us to have a big platform fight," Mrs. Dulaney said this morning. "Texas Republicans are overwhelmingly conservative at the state level."

She added that the party's support for Gov. George W. Bush remains strong.

Mrs. Dulaney and her husband, Senior District Judge Gene L. Dulaney, have been active in the Republican Party for many years.

She served as an alternate delegate to the national convention in Detroit in 1980 and has served as the vice-chairman of the party on the local level for some 20 years.

She is currently an active member of the Governor Bush Committee and has recently been appointed to serve as the 17th District representative on the delegate nominating committee for the national convention.



Mary Dulaney

Child training sessions slated

Two sessions for parents with "challenging children" will be held Saturday at Trinity United Methodist Church.

The program is sponsored by the Oil Patch Foster Parent Association and provided through the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

The program will begin at 10 a.m. and conclude at 4 p.m. Those planning to attend are encouraged to bring their own lunch.

"What to Do Instead..." is the morning program. The afternoon session will deal with stress management for parents of challenging children.

Jim Palmer, post-adoption program manager of the Centers for Children and Families in Midland, will direct the sessions.

For more information, contact John Zalman at 573-4942 or 863-2276.

ASK US

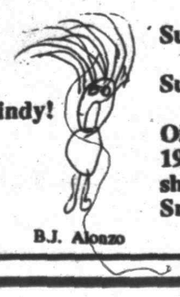
Q—When will school start this year for Snyder ISD?

A—The first day of classes is Aug. 19.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear. Low, upper 60s. S wind 10-20 mph. Thursday, mostly sunny. High, mid 90s. NW-N wind 10-20 mph.

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 92 degrees; low, 61; 7 a.m. reading Wednesday, 72; no precipitation; total for 1996, 2.87 inches.



B.J. Alonzo

Sunset: 8:46 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:39 a.m.
Of 156 days in 1996, the sun has shone 152 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Listen to counsel and receive instruction, That you may be wise in your latter days.

Proverbs 19:20

State may end surprise child-care visits

AUSTIN (AP) — Surprise state inspections of registered child-care homes are so infrequent that they may as well be eliminated, a state audit says. But others say monitoring is needed to protect children.

"The infrequent monitoring of registered family homes has questionable impact on the protection of children," says an internal program audit of the Texas Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.

The report says so few inspections are conducted that monitoring registered family homes could be eliminated to save resources, the Austin American-Statesman reported Tuesday.

The homes, which care for four or more unrelated children, are the most prevalent type of child-care facility in Texas,

State inspectors currently must pay an unannounced visit to each of the 12,769 registered family homes at least once every three years, and more frequently if problems existed in the past.

Sufficient inspections "would require a substantial funding increase because of the large number of these homes in Texas," says the February report. The agency didn't estimate the cost.

Child-care advocates oppose eliminating the state's sporadic monitoring of the homes.

If government must cut monitoring, an alternative method of protecting children in day care is needed, said Travis County District Attorney Ronnie Earle.

"I don't agree there should be no inspection of these homes," Earle said. "We have to provide for the safety of our children, and that means that these homes have to be monitored."

The discussion is highlighted by the death of 2-year-old Jayla Belton of Austin, who was fatally beaten two weeks ago. An 11-year-old girl has been charged in the May 24 incident, which occurred in the home of R.L. and Shirley Murray.

State social workers, on two visits since 1993, had found the Murrays failed to comply with the registered family home law, which requires a license for homes where more than four children are cared for.

Because it wasn't registered with the state, the home wasn't subject to periodic, unannounced monitoring as are registered family homes.

The Murrays had applied for a license in 1994, but the state had denied a registration on grounds of repeated child abuse investigations.

Suggestions in February's report, including the proposed halt to surprise inspections of registered family homes, are being reviewed, said spokeswoman Linda Edwards of the Department of Protective and Regulatory Services.



Jared Scott McArthur

Couple risks lives to save shooting victim

DALLAS (AP) — A couple who drove a wounded woman away from her attacker as he ran toward them with a gun likely saved the waitress' life, police say.

Maria Vega was hospitalized today in fair condition with four gunshot wounds following Monday night's attack.

Arthur and Dody Nieto, who witnessed Ms. Vega's shooting, unlocked their car's door and let the bleeding woman inside. As they did, her attacker was walking toward them with a gun. "She needed help," said Nieto. "I mean, she was running toward us. We were the only ones there."

Police want to question the 31-year-old Ms. Vega's husband, from whom the victim had been separated 10 days earlier.

Relatives of Ms. Vega said her husband began threatening to kill her after the separation. After that, Ms. Vega filed a complaint with Irving police.

The Nietos were driving home about 10 p.m. from a banquet at which their 12-year-old son and his soccer team had been honored.

But they saw a car stalled across two lanes of their route next to the movie theater.

As they passed the vehicle, they saw a man and woman standing in the street about 30 yards away. The man was pointing a gun at the woman and pulling the trigger. At first, the gun did not fire.

"I said, 'My God! He's going to shoot her!'" said Mrs. Nieto, 35, who was driving. "I had thoughts of, 'My God, we could be getting shot too.'"

Nieto, who heard the first and second gunshots and saw Ms. Vega double over as the gunman continued pulling the trigger, said his first reaction was to yell to his wife to back the car up — fast.

But Ms. Vega began running toward them, screaming for help.

Mrs. Nieto threw the car in reverse and was backing up when the victim began banging on the car windows, screaming, "Help me! Help me! Help me!"

Nieto told his wife to unlock the automatic door release button and let the woman inside the car, even as the assailant was by now walking toward them.

"It was one fluid motion," said Nieto. "Because he had started coming toward us. Then I realized we were in danger too. I said, 'Dody! Drive off!'"

The couple drove to their business and called 911.

Berry's World



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"Hey, you're into it, too! Incredible, how a handful of popular TV shows have sparked the VINTAGE CLOTHING fashion craze!"

McArthur graduates high school

Jared Scott McArthur was one of 360 graduates who attended commencement exercises for Leander High School May 25 at Frank Erwin Center on the University of Texas campus.

McArthur, who attended Snyder schools, will attend Texas Tech University in the fall. He plans to major in microbiology.

He is the son of Billy McArthur of Leander and the late Dixie McArthur. He is the grandson of Pauline Withers of Snyder.

Catfish kill continues along bay

HOUSTON (AP) — Thousands of dead catfish littering Galveston beaches, with their spines injuring walkers and puncturing car tires, are part of a continuing fish kill along the Texas Gulf coast.

Ecologists say they believe the die-off, which began last month, has a biological cause — not pollution.

"Right now we really don't have any information on the causative agent," said Lance Robinson, the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department's Galveston Bay ecosystem leader. "We don't think it's anything manmade that is causing it."

Wildlife experts are awaiting lab results on the exact cause of the fish kill, which began spoiling some area beaches May 15.

Some kills are associated with a lack of oxygen. But Robinson said oxygen levels of the dead fish tested are ample to sustain life.

Galveston County employees' daily jobs include ridding beaches of dead hardhead and gafftop sail catfish that are washing up along the 32 miles of Bolivar Peninsula.

"We are trying to rake some of them into the dunes and cover them with the sand," said Dennis Harris, executive director of the Galveston County Beach Park Board.

County officials warned beachgoers to be careful around the spiny fish along the peninsula and Galveston Island. Spines of the dead fish are causing some painful injuries to people walking on the beach and can also puncture tires.

Robinson said sharp spines on the dead fish puncture skin. Because the fish carry a mild poison, the wound can be painful, he said.

The head of the beach patrol on Galveston Island, Vic Maceo, said many people have been wounded by the fish — which measure from 4 inches to 16 inches in length.

But Maceo warns anyone suffering a wound from the fish to refrain from removing the spine, saying that would be like removing a serrated knife.

House urges grain release

WASHINGTON (AP) — The House urged the Agriculture Department Tuesday to release $200 million worth of grain reserves to help farmers and ranchers survive a severe drought.

Parts of the South and Southwest are seeing the worst drought in more than a century, leaving grain stocks at record-low levels and forcing the sale of livestock at disaster prices.

"It's ridiculous for the government to hold grain supplies when livestock producers desperately need feed," said Rep. Bill Barrett, R-Neb. "Livestock producers are squeezed between grain prices that are at record highs and livestock prices at record lows."

"If we do not take action to stem the liquidation of herds now, we will pay the price later," said Rep. Charles Stenholm, D-Texas.

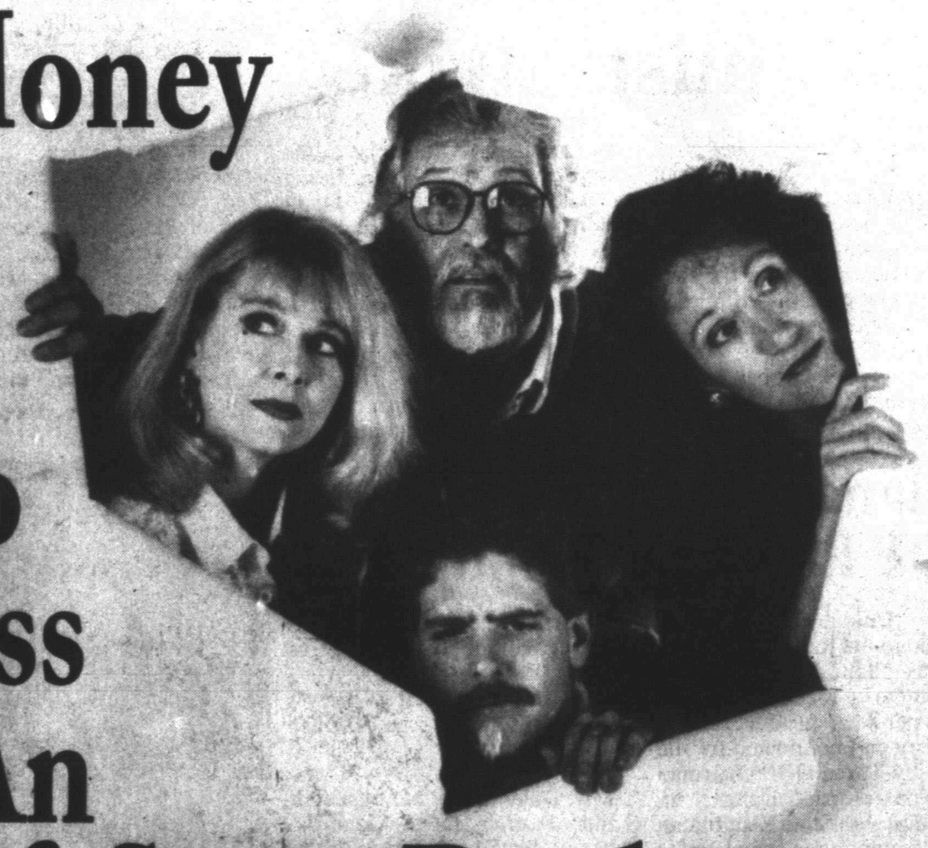
A 1970 law permits the release of commodity reserves during a state of emergency.

The resolution urging release of 45 million bushels of feed grains now goes to the Senate.

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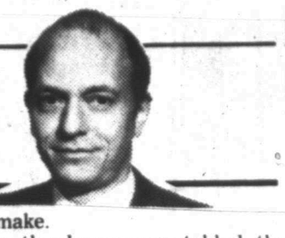
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Bridge By Phillip Alder



A long drive

By Phillip Alder

Upon leaving New South Wales, Meta Goodman and I had a long drive back to Brisbane. Once there, I transferred to Margaret Millar's car for the onward journey to Noosa. (I spent seven hours in cars that day.) Once at the picturesque town renowned for its colored sands, I ran a duplicate into which I had placed eight deals with instructive points. (The players didn't know which deals were mine.) Afterward, I discussed those deals and a few others with the players.

The Noosa Bridge Club (which used to be a church hall and was moved intact on the back of a truck — a *big* truck — to its present location) contains more ceiling fans in one room (36) than I have ever seen before.

This is one of my deals from the afternoon. Using the Law of Total Tricks as a base, West made a pre-emptive jump to three spades. When you have a combined holding of nine trumps, compete to the three-level. If West had held a high-card spade raise, he would have cue-bid three hearts.

North wanted to act, but didn't have anything comfortable to do. South, under pressure, bid what he hoped he could make.

When the dummy was tabled, the good declarers stopped to count the points. Here, only 18 were missing. So, West couldn't have both the heart king and club ace.

South led the club king from hand at trick two. When West won the trick, East was marked with the heart king. Knowing there was no point in finessing, South played the heart queen (just in case) to dummy's ace and smiled contentedly when the king dropped.

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North
♠ Q 5 3
♥ A 8 7
♦ 8 7 5
♣ Q 9 7 3

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

East
♠ K J 9 4 2
♥ K
♦ K Q J 10
♣ 10 4 2

South
♠ A
♥ Q J 10 6 5 3 2
♦ A 3 2
♣ K 6

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

South	West	North	East
			1 ♠
2 ♥	3 ♠	Pass	Pass
4 ♥	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ 6

Community Calendar

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

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

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Eubank at 573-6509.

Deep Creek Chapter ABWA; 6:30 p.m.; Rudy's.

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

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

New Horizons Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club Addition in Winston Park; for information call 863-2349 or 573-8626; 8 p.m.

FRIDAY

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

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

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

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

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

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

SATURDAY

Defensive Driving; Snyder Savings & Loan Community Room, 27th and College; 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

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

Toddler survives fourth floor fall

WINDSOR, Ontario (AP) — A 2-year-old girl fell from a fourth floor window and survived, police said. Doctors were conducting tests to determine the extent of her injuries.

The girl was conscious and alert when ambulance attendants arrived at the scene of the accident Tuesday night, police said. The girl's name was not released.

Witnesses said the girl climbed on to a window sill, lost her balance and fall backward through a window screen.

"The screen just popped out and down she came," said police Sgt. Kevin Trudell.

A six-foot tree helped break her fall.

There is a documented case of a cat falling 20 floors from an apartment building in Montreal in 1973 and surviving, suffering only a fractured pelvis.

Bank standoff ends

LAS VEGAS (AP) — A suspected bank robber who claimed to have explosives strapped to his body walked out with his shirt off and his hands up Tuesday after a 3½-hour standoff in downtown Las Vegas.

The standoff began at 9:20 a.m., when the man entered the bank and handed an employee a note demanding $500,000 cash, authorities said.

About 1,500 workers in the 17-story Bank of America building were safely evacuated. Police also evacuated other buildings nearby, including the federal courthouse one-half block away.

Heavily-armed SWAT officers took up positions around the bank as the ordeal wore on, and an armored personnel carrier was moved into place next to the bank exit.

But the suspected robber, identified as Wallace Lavonn Grettner, 57, apparently wasn't interested in taking hostages. The branch manager and others left the building about 25 minutes after he made his threat, Bank of America spokesman Paul Stowell said.

"He told them they were free to go," Stowell said.

Negotiations couldn't begin until Grettner picked up a phone authorities were calling inside the bank some time later.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Why the trial-and-error approach?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: My 61-year-old wife was recently diagnosed with high blood pressure and a high cholesterol level during examination. Her doctor placed her on blood pressure medication, and she developed a reaction to it and had to change to something else. I feel distressed at having to pay for trial-and-error diagnosis and medication. Is there any correlation between high blood pressure and a high cholesterol level? Would diet come into play here?

DEAR READER: There are, unfortunately, no consistently effective methods of determining whether a person may be intolerant of a certain medication. Most doctors will prescribe a new drug, explain the most common side effects — and then see what happens after several days of therapy.

If the patient experiences a reaction, the physician will repeat the process using a different medicine. While you may be distressed at such a trial-and-error approach, it is customary and usually works quite well. This is, I suppose, part of the art of medicine. Doctors have not arrived at — and probably never will — a sure-fire way to prevent untoward drug reactions in every patient.

There is also no way to pre-judge whether or not a medication will be effective. This is why health professionals closely monitor a patient's response, especially during the early phases of therapy.

To address the other issue you raise, there is a relation between hypertension and high blood cholesterol levels. The reason for this is not completely understood but may have something to do with the fact that cholesterol deposits affect the tension in arterial walls.

Diet could certainly help your wife. She should cut down on fats and eliminate salt. In addition, a program of regular exercise would probably lower her blood pressure and reduce her cholesterol level.

To give you more information, I am sending you copies of my Health Reports "Understanding Cholesterol," "Eating Right for a Healthy Heart" and "Hypertension." Other readers who would like copies should send $2 for each report plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title(s).

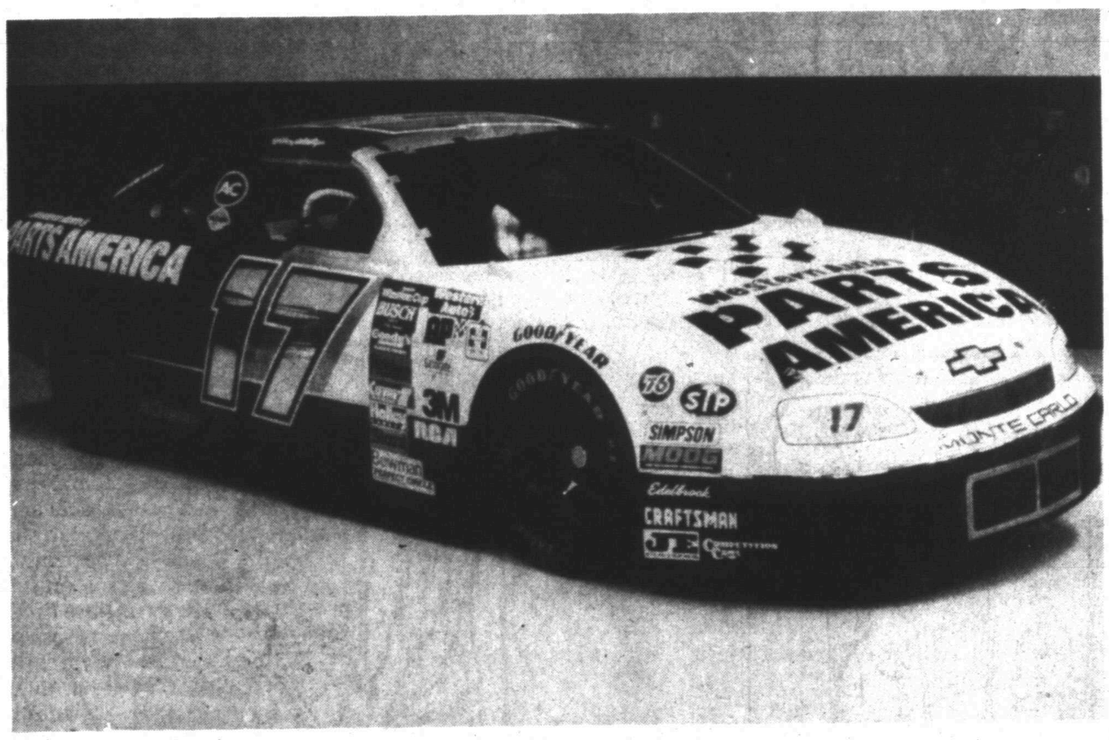
DEAR DR. GOTT: You and other doctors have written about the dramatic improvement in the lungs after quitting smoking. How about circulation? Does it improve also?

DEAR READER: You bet it does.

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June 5th and 6th

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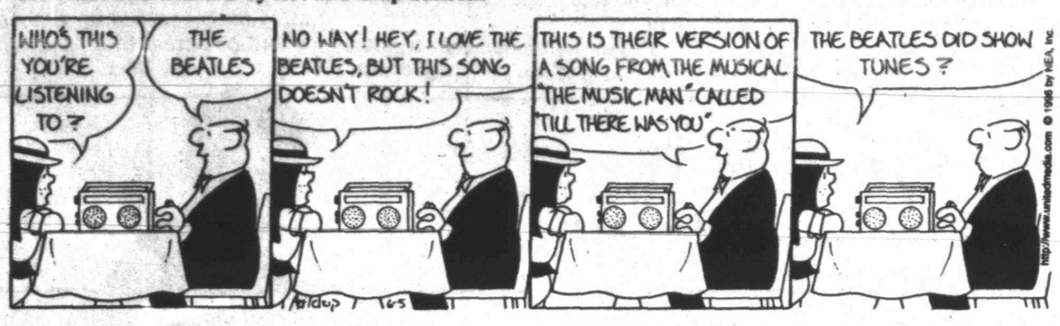
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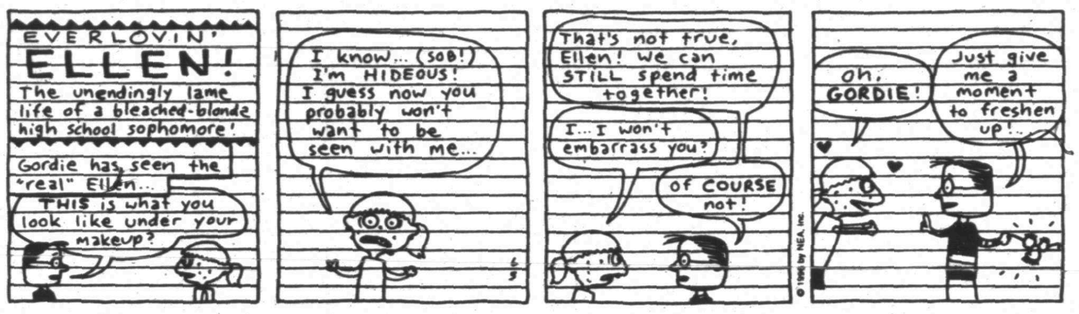
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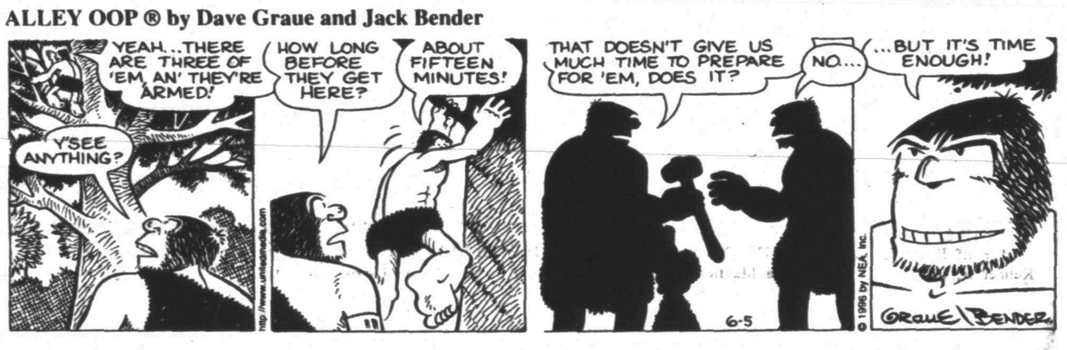
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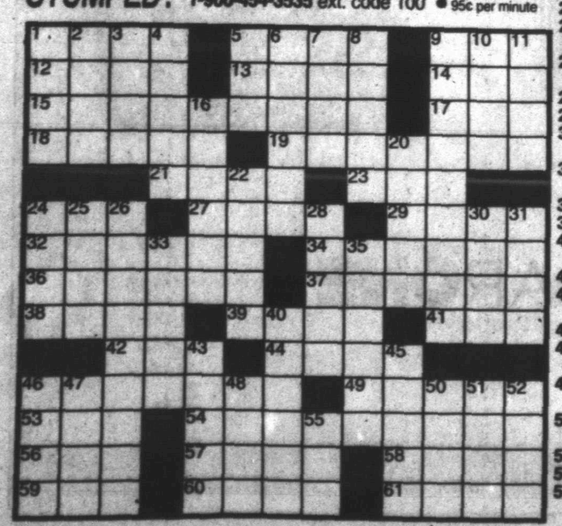
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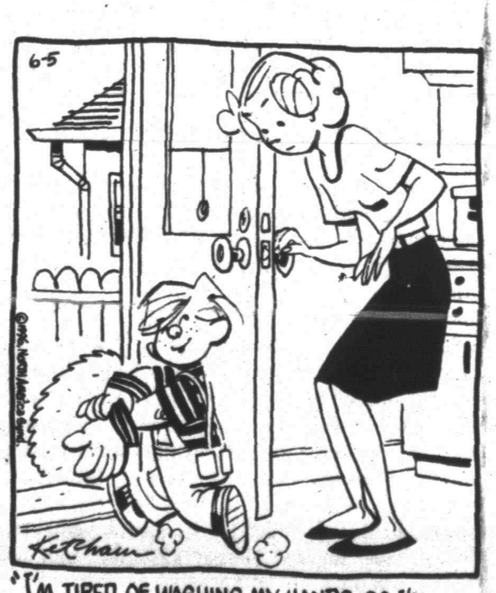


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SPORTS



PIXIE CHAMPIONS—The Snyder Stars breezed through the District 11 Pixie Tournament held over the weekend and took first place for the second year in a row. Team members include first row (L to R) Kelly Seale, Kaycee Loveall, Starla Early, Tamara Squires and Cassie Hernandez. Back row include coach Shawn Ragland, Brittani Carnes, Ashley Luecke, Terann Ragland, Lea Ann Beard, Kendra Birks, Lesa Jones, Erica Lee, coach David Lee and manager Deborah Carnes. The Stars finished the regular season with a record of 9-1 and finished the year 14-1. (Contributed Photo)

One more hurdle for rampaging Bulls

CHICAGO (AP) — They took on Pat Riley's Miami Heat, and it was no contest. They traded hard fouls with the New York Knicks, and they survived. They toyed with the team of the future, and Orlando became sweep city.

Now the Chicago Bulls try to clear the final obstacle on their course to immortality. The NBA Finals begin tonight.

So what if the Seattle SuperSonics won 64 regular-season games, 10th best in NBA history? So what if Shawn Kemp and Gary Payton give Seattle the most formidable 1-2 punch west of Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen? So what if the Sonics play relentless, confusing defense?

The Bulls are on a run for the ages.

They aren't only supposed to win, they are supposed to win handily. Best-of-7 series? Why even bother calling it that when it isn't expected to last more than four or five games?

"It's a shame when you're expected to win so easily that anything less is a disappointment," Chicago center Luc Longley said. "We certainly don't expect to walk away with it."

But they do expect to win, a perfect finish for a sensational season.

"We've played under the watchful eye of the media and fans that expect great things," Bulls coach Phil Jackson said. "And it's a mark of a great team that they have been able to meet those expectations."

Often, the expectations have been their own.

Asked if he was confident that the Bulls would win the first game, Jordan said: "The first, second, third and fourth."

His confidence is justified.

The Bulls won 72 times in the regular season, an NBA record. They were 39-2 at home. They are 11-1 in the playoffs, the lone loss in overtime.

A sweep of Seattle for their fourth title in six years would give the Bulls the best winning percentage in postseason history and would undeniably stamp them as the top team ever.

The Sonics discount all the talk of a short series as just that — talk.

They, too, have had a great season. They swept two-time defending champion Houston in the second round and survived a frantic seven-game series against Utah for the Western Conference title. In so doing, they exorcised the ghost of playoff collapses past.

"We feel like we have a good chance even though we're playing the best team in the history of the league," said Hersey Hawkins, who is expected to start Game 1 with the defensive assignment on Jordan. "We're not thinking they're going to sweep or can we push it to seven games. We're thinking we can win."

Said Seattle coach George Karl: "I'm not predicting, I'm preparing. I have to be prepared for a lot of stuff. There's a lot of greatness out there."

And he wasn't just speaking about the Bulls. He was speaking about Kemp, whom he called "a real man," and about Payton, who "has turned into one of the top five players in the NBA."

One of the marquee matchups pits Kemp against Dennis Rodman. The two power forwards tangled earlier this season, with Rodman getting ejected after the Bulls took a big lead.

"He's not going to beat me up out there. Trust me," Kemp said. "I know he's going to pull on me, hold me, try to frustrate me.

"The one thing I refuse to do is let these guys frustrate me. The thing you've got to do is keep your head and find different ways to score."

Jackson has targeted Kemp as the Seattle player most likely to burn the Bulls. The Chicago coach said Longley, not Rodman, probably will start the game on Kemp.

"Kemp is a great runner in the open floor and has such terrific speed down court," Jackson said. "He obviously has a speed advantage against a guy like Luc and we're going to have to provide some support with Dennis. We've got our matchup problems with Kemp."

Of course, the Sonics will have their own major matchup problem, the same one facing every team that tangles with Chicago.

Karl plans to use as many as five different players on Jordan — the league MVP and the NBA's career leader in scoring average.

One of Seattle's options might not be available tonight, however. Nate McMillan, the first guard off the Sonics' bench, is hampered by a nerve problem in his back and said Tuesday that he might miss the game.

SNYDER YOUTH LEAGUES

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GIRLS' SOFTBALL
12 & UNDER
DAISY DUKES 11, ACE OF BASE 10

Daisy Dukes: Valerie Hernandez 1B-2, R-2; Rachel Fritz 1B, R-2; Aaryn Jordon 1B; Shelley Fisk 1B, R-3; Lilli Valdez R; Hailey Putnam 1B, R; Shastade Hill R; Blanca Hernandez 1B-2, R.

Ace of Base: Jacque Alvarez 1B; Casey Kellner R; Ira Gonzeles R; Monica Mayfield R-2; Betsy Dominiquez R; Stacey Vaughn R-2; Tyger McClain 2B, R-2; Marcie Kruger R.

BOYS' BASEBALL
FARM LEAGUE
RANGERS 17, WHITE SOX 4

Rangers: Jacob Rodriquez 1B, R; Justin Souder 1B, R-3; Phillip Payne R; Ruben Deloera 1B, R; Tyler Rogers 1B, R-2; Chad Martin R-3; Vaughn Wiggins 1B, R-3; Justin Hertel 1B, R-3.

White Sox: Justin Taylor 1B, R; Jeremy Dias HR, R; Darrell Cook R; Zach Garcia 2B; Jeremy Lopez 1B; Cameron Boyston R.

ATHLETICS 12, BRAVES 7

Athletics: Josh Muniz 1B, R; Matt Long R-2; T.J. Cagle 1B, 2B, R-4; Nathan Hines 1B, 2B, R-2; Brock Tyrrell 1B; Joséph Perez R-3.

Braves: Jason Hook 1B, R; Jarrod Fletcher R; Hadley Hurt 1B-2, R-2; David Arizmendi 2B; Dustin Babcock 1B; Eric Kelly 1B; Paul Jackson 1B-2, R-2; Chet Dove R.

YANKEES 15, CUBS 2

Yankees: Caleb Gutierrez 1B-2, R-3; Lico Castillo 1B, HR, R-3; Henry Dominguez R; Don King 2B, 3B, R-2; Devin Gutierrez R-2; Clark Reed 1B, R; Trey Loyola R; Christopher Smauley R; Justin Rios R.

Cubs: Chris Townsend 1B; Orlando Vasques 1B; Kyle Dortch R; Jacob Macias R.

SENIOR LITTLE LEAGUE
OILERS 14, ASTROS 0

Oilers: Drew Wall R-2; Josh Ward 1B, R-3; Clint Hook 1B, 3B, R-3; Mario Gonzales R-2; David Sutton R; Derrick Rushing R; Jared McMillan R; David Digby R.

Astros: Cheyenne Robinson 1B.

OILERS 6, SUNS 3

Oilers: Drew Wall 1B, R; Sammie Aviles R; Clint Hook R; Mario Gonzales R; David Sutton 1B; Jared McMillan 1B-2, R; Derrick Rushing 1B; David Digby R; Russell Wall 1B.

Suns: Clay Preston R; Juan Arizmendi 1B, R; Joe Villa R.

Stars win District 11 Pixie tourney

The Snyder Stars won the District 11 Pixie Tournament held over the weekend. The Stars are the defending champions of the tourney.

The girls entered the meet with a 9-1 regular season record and went undefeated in five games during the tourney.

The Stars defeated Abilene Wylie Angels in the championship game, 13-0. They made it to the final game by outlasting Colorado City Starburst in extra innings, 10-8.

The third round game saw Snyder come out on top of Anson Instant Replay, 9-5. Abilene Wylie Coolcats fell victims of the Stars in the second round, 12-9. The Stars opened the district meet with a 15-13 win over Wylie Angels.

Mathis named to 7-A all-district team

Ira senior outfielder Heath Mathis has been named to the District 7-A all-district first team for this year.

Mathis is joined by three teammates which were selected to the second team all-district. They include sophomore pitcher Todd Collom, sophomore infielder Tyrel Sterling and senior outfielder Wade Wiggins.

Seniors Scott Strong and Jeremy Howard were selected honorable mention all-district.

At Hermleigh, Brad Roemisch, freshman pitcher was named second team all-district along with senior infielder Eddie Brausel. Freshman Mario Gonzales was included on the honorable mention list.

Astros double up Colorado Rockies

HOUSTON (AP) — Once again, John Cangelosi was an overachiever.

He was just trying to tie up the game and instead, Cangelosi hit a three-run homer and so did Sean Berry in the fourth inning, leading the Houston Astros to a 16-8 victory over the Colorado Rockies on Tuesday night.

"I have to enjoy those," said Cangelosi, who hit only the 10th homer of his six-year major league career. "I play on adrenalin anyway. I play hard and get excited."

The Astros' 13-hit attack broke a three-game losing streak and marked a season high for runs scored in a game, eclipsing their 13-5 victory over Cincinnati on April 19.

Cangelosi didn't expect to hit a home run.

"That was a mistake, I don't hit home runs," Cangelosi said. "I was just trying to hit something in the air and tie up the game and it was a fly ball that went a little farther than I thought."

Cangelosi made his 11th start of the season and earned more of a look from manager Terry Collins.

"John Cangelosi did what we expected him to do, get on base," Collins said. "He kind of started things off. He did a nice job in St. Louis so I thought it was worth a shot to run him out there again."

Rockies manager Don Baylor knew it was a bad night when Cangelosi homered.

"Now I know the ball's juiced," Baylor joked. "If Cangelosi can leave the park I know the ball's juiced."

The Rockies helped the Astros by committing a club record six errors, three by catcher Jeff Reed. Colorado pitchers walked eight batters.

"I'd say the key today was bases on balls and errors," Baylor said. "That's not a great combination when you're trying to play catchup.

"This was like a spring training game. After a long winter off, you wouldn't think you'd play like this after 50 games. Normally the tone of the game is set by the pitching."

Rick Wilkins started the Astros' big fourth against Mark Thompson (3-5) with a triple off the center field fence. Thompson hit Mike Hampton with a pitch and Cangelosi then homered off reliever Lance Painter.

Painter walked Craig Biggio, struck out Jeff Bagwell and walked Derek Bell prior to Berry's sixth homer of the year.

Biggio tied his own club record with five runs scored.

Bass, Dennis qualify for national TKD

Jackie Bass and Trace Dennis qualified to compete in the Junior National Tae Kwon Do championships later this month after winning first places in the 14th annual Junior State Tae Kwon Do championships held last weekend in Dallas.

Bass finished first in both forms and free style in the 15-18 yellow belt division while Dennis took the top spot in the 11-12 red belt division. The Junior National meet will be held June 25-29 in Orlando, Fla.

In the 9-10 yellow division, Justin Squires finished third in the free style and Evan Jones was a third place finisher in the 9-10 blue class. Jason Friedrich took third in the 9-10 black belt class.

Others who competed in the state meet from the West Texas Tae Kwon Do Academy in the 9-10 red class included Bradley Price, Thomas Hefner and Ryan Beale. Price pulled a muscle and had to withdraw. Brent Burleson competed in the 6-8 yellow division.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

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East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	37	19	.661	—
Montreal	32	25	.561	5½
Florida	29	28	.509	8½
Philadelphia	28	28	.500	9
NewYork	24	32	.429	13
Central Division				
St.Louis	28	29	.491	—
Houston	28	30	.483	½
Pittsburgh	24	33	.421	4
Chicago	24	33	.421	4
Cincinnati	21	30	.412	4
West Division				
SanDiego	35	23	.603	—
LosAngeles	30	28	.517	5
SanFrancisco	28	28	.500	6
Colorado	26	28	.481	7

Tuesday's Games
Philadelphia 12, Chicago 3
Florida 5, Montreal 0
Cincinnati 4, San Francisco 1
New York 12, Atlanta 6
Houston 16, Colorado 8
Pittsburgh 3, Los Angeles 0
St. Louis 11, San Diego 5

Wednesday's Games
Philadelphia (Mulholland 5-4) at Chicago (Navarro 3-6), 2:20 p.m.
Montreal (Cormier 2-3) at Florida (Rapp 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Gardner 6-1) at Cincinnati (Jarvis 0-0), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Jones 5-2) at Atlanta (Avery 6-4), 7:40 p.m.
Colorado (Reynoso 3-4) at Houston (Wall 1-0), 8:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Neagle 7-2) at Los Angeles (Astacio 3-3), 10:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Osborne 4-3) at San Diego (Ashby 7-2), 10:35 p.m.

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	32	21	.604	—
Baltimore	30	23	.566	2
Toronto	25	31	.446	8½
Boston	22	33	.400	11
Detroit	13	44	.228	21
Central Division				
Cleveland	36	19	.655	—
Chicago	35	20	.636	1
Minnesota	27	28	.491	9
Milwaukee	25	30	.455	11
KansasCity	25	33	.431	12½
West Division				
Texas	35	22	.614	—
Seattle	30	25	.545	4
California	27	29	.482	7½
Oakland	26	30	.464	8½

Tuesday's Games
Oakland 8, Kansas City 3
Chicago 6, Boston 4
Seattle 10, Cleveland 7
New York 5, Toronto 4
Baltimore 10, Detroit 7
Milwaukee 6, Texas 2
Minnesota 5, California 3

Wednesday's Games
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Seattle (Wells 4-1) at Cleveland (Nagy 9-1), 7:05 p.m.
Toronto (Hentgen 5-4) at New York (Key 2-5), 7:35 p.m.
Detroit (Olivares 1-2) at Baltimore (Wells 3-5), 7:35 p.m.
California (Langston 3-1) at Minnesota (Aldred 0-4), 8:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Haney 3-5) at Oakland (Johns 4-6), 10:35 p.m.

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NBA FINALS
(Best-of-7)
Wednesday, June 5
Seattle at Chicago, 9 p.m. (NBC)
Friday, June 7
Seattle at Chicago, 9 p.m. (NBC)
Sunday, June 9
Chicago at Seattle, 7:30 p.m. (NBC)
Wednesday, June 12
Chicago at Seattle, 9 p.m. (NBC)
Friday, June 14
Chicago at Seattle, 9 p.m. (NBC), if necessary
Sunday, June 16
Seattle at Chicago, 7:30 p.m. (NBC), if necessary
Wednesday, June 19
Seattle at Chicago, 9 p.m. (NBC), if necessary

Gross gives up five 1st-inning runs in loss

MILWAUKEE (AP) — All Ricky Bones ever seems to need to straighten himself out is a visit from the Texas Rangers.

And a five-run first-inning lead didn't hurt.

"I guess I've just been lucky," Bones said after Milwaukee's 6-2 win Tuesday night in which the first five Brewers batters scored off Kevin Gross.

Bones (4-8) surrendered two runs on seven hits in 7 1-3 innings in beating the Texas for the fourth straight time.

Since 1994, he has given up just four earned runs in 29 1-3 innings against the Rangers for an ERA of 1.23. In his career, he is 3-0 against Texas at County Stadium with a 1.46 ERA.

"It's just one of the beauties of baseball. I can do great against Texas or New York, but I can stink against Chicago or Kansas City," Bones said.

Bones benefited from the early lead.

"It was nice to be able to hit Mike Matheny's glove anywhere he wanted me to," Bones said. "I couldn't let them down after they gave me five runs. That's beautiful for any pitcher."

If only the Brewers had as much success with their efforts to build their proposed retractable-roof ballpark.

On Tuesday night, voters, angered by a lawmaker's last-minute vote to raise the sales tax a tenth-of-a-cent in four counties to fund a new stadium, threw him out of office in a recall election.

After twice voting against the stadium plan last fall, Republican Sen. George Petak of Racine changed his mind and provided the vote that clinched the deal. On Tuesday, he was unseated by Democrat Kimberly Plache.

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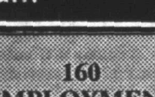
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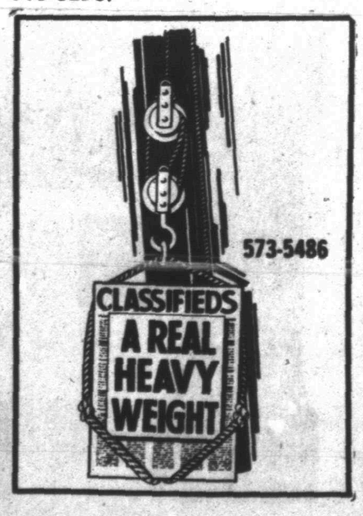
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Bone marrow recipient passes 5-year landmark

LOS ANGELES (AP) — For Anissa Ayala-Espinosa, Tuesday marked a fifth year of miracles for her family.

It was the anniversary of the day the leukemia-stricken woman received a bone marrow transplant from her baby sister Marissa-Eve, who was conceived in a bid to save her life.

Five years is considered a milestone after which cancer patients can consider they have beaten their illness.

"I've always believed that I'd make it to this day," Anissa, 24, said Tuesday. "We call it my second birthday."

Marissa-Eve, now 6, knows it is a special occasion, and the kindergartener is keenly aware of her role in it.

"She's almost like a daughter. I just have so much love for her," said Anissa.

Anissa was diagnosed at 17 with chronic myelogenous leukemia. Her parents, Abe and Mary Ayala of suburban Walnut, began a desperate two-year search for a bone marrow donor. They and their son, Airon, now 25, were not a match.

They decided to conceive a child, even though the baby would have only a 1-in-4 chance of being a compatible donor.

The decision touched off a storm of publicity and controversy, partly because the Ayalas were among the first couples to publicly acknowledge conceiving a child as a transplant donor.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Petra Villarreal, P.O. Box 324; Nina Lara, 1200 19th; Opal Watson, 2101 43rd.

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CENSUS: 47 (Med., Surg.-10, Long-term Care-35, OB-1, N-1).

Births

Randy and Sherry Burrus of Fort Collins, Colo. announce the birth of their daughter, Bethany Leigh, born at 9:02 a.m. May 23 in Poudre Valley Hospital in Fort Collins. She weighed four pounds, eight ounces.

Grandparents are Marshall and Shirley Burrus of Snyder and Jack and Diane Sanders of San Marcos.

8 booked into lockup

Three people were arrested Tuesday and Wednesday got off to a busy start for Snyder police as five people were taken into custody shortly after midnight following a report of loud music from the 2600 block of Avenue X.

Taken into custody this morning were a 24-year-old male, a 26-year-old male, a 57-year-old male and a 22-year-old female — all charged with public intoxication. Arrested for driving while license suspended and no liability insurance was a 42-year-old female.

Arrests made Tuesday included a 37-year-old female taken into custody at the justice of the peace office to lay out fines for 14 bad check warrants.

At 9:05 p.m., officers arrested a 29-year-old female in the 2600 block of Avenue Y on outstanding warrants for no driver's license, speeding, no liability insurance and failure to appear.

In other activity Tuesday, Maria Torres requested a deputy at 8:04 a.m. at 284 Cardinal St. in Hermleigh in reference to her eight-year-old daughter being bitten by a cat. An offense report for a cat bite was submitted.

Janice Manlief requested to speak to an officer at 8:06 a.m. in reference to someone breaking out a window on her car while it was parked at 2809 38th St. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted.

A person requested to speak to an officer at 4:56 p.m. in reference to her son being assaulted in the area of 3900 block of College Avenue earlier in the day. An offense report for Class C assault was submitted.

Eugene Morris requested to speak to an officer at 6:05 p.m. in reference to a theft from a residence at 1111 14th St. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

A two-vehicle minor accident was investigated at 6:25 p.m. at Austin Street and 37th Street. Involved were a 1988 Cadillac driven by Mary Hardin of 6017 Bell School Road and a 1994 Honda driven by Tracy Lewis of 2601 28th Street.

Officers also responded to two reports of domestic problems early today. No charges were filed.

Markets — Midday Stocks

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	94½	93⅜	94	+ ⅛
AT&T Corp	61⅜	61¼	61⅛	+ ⅛
AirTouch	31⅜	30⅝	30⅝	— ½
Albertsons	39½	39¼	39⅛	+ ⅛
Alldsignal	55⅜	55	55⅛	+ ⅛
Alltel	31½	31¼	31⅜	— ⅛
AmStores	38⅛	38	7-16	+3-16
Ameritech	56⅜	56¼	56⅛	+ ⅛
Amoco		72⅛	72⅛	72⅛
AndarkPtr	54	53⅜	53⅜	— ⅛
ArmcoInc	5¼	5⅛	5⅛	— ⅛
AtlRichfld	120⅛	119⅛	119⅜	— ½
ATMOS Egy	24⅛	23¾	24⅛	+ ⅛
Aviall	10	9⅞	10	+ ⅛
BakerHughes	33	32⅛	32¾	+ ⅛
BellAtl	62⅛	61½	62⅛	+ ⅛
BellSouth s		40⅛	39⅞	40⅛
BethSteel	12⅜	12⅛	12⅜	— ⅛
BritPet	105⅛	105	105⅛	— ⅛
BurlNoSFe	83⅛	83⅛	83⅜	— ⅛
Caterpillar	66	65⅛	65⅜	— ⅛
CenSoWst	27⅛	27⅛	27⅛	+ ⅛
Chevron	59⅛	58¼	59	— ⅛
Chrysler	68⅜	67⅞	68⅛	— ⅛
Coastal	40⅛	40⅛	40⅛	— ⅛
CocaColas	46⅞	46⅜	46⅝	+ ⅛
ColgatePalm	82⅜	81⅛	81⅛	— ⅛
ComclMetals	31⅛	31	31	— ⅛
CooperIn	44½	44¼	44⅜	— ⅛
CyprusAmax	24⅜	24⅛	24⅛	— ⅛
DallSemicn		20¼	20¼	20¼
DeltaAirl		82⅛	82⅛	82⅛
DigitalEq	50⅜	49⅛	50	— ⅛
Dillard	39⅛	38⅛	39	— ⅛
DowChem	83⅛	82⅛	82⅜	— ⅛
DresserInd		29⅜	29	5-16 29⅜
DuPont	80⅜	80	80⅛	— ⅛
EastmanChem	68⅜	68⅛	68⅜	— ⅛
EstKodak	74⅛	74⅛	74⅛	+ ⅛
ElJerInd	12⅛	12	12⅛	+ ⅛
Enserch	21⅛	21⅜	21⅞	+ ⅛
Entergy		26⅛	26⅛	26⅛
Exxon	85	84½	84½	— ⅜
Flowers s	16⅛	16	16	— ⅛
FordMotor	36⅜	36⅛	36⅛	— ⅛
GTE Cp	42⅜	42⅛	42⅛	+ ⅛
GenDynam		61⅛	61⅛	61⅛
GenElec	83⅜	83⅛	83⅜	— ⅛
GenMills	57⅛	57⅛	57⅞	+ ⅛
GenMotors		56⅛	56⅛	56⅛
GenMotors E	56⅜	56⅜	56⅛	+ ⅛
GaPacif	71⅛	71⅛	71⅞	+ ⅛
GlobalMar		13⅛	13¼	13⅛
Goodrichs		40	39⅞	39⅞
Goodyear s	51	50⅛	50⅜	— ⅛
GtAtlPac	33⅛	33¼	33⅛	+ ⅛
Haliburta	55⅛	54⅛	54⅛	— ⅛
Hanson ADS		14⅜	14⅜	14⅜
HarteHanks s	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	— ⅛
HoustonInd s	22⅛	22⅛	22⅛	+ ⅛
IBM	106⅛	105⅞	106	+ ⅛
IntlPapers	39⅜	39⅛	39⅜	— ⅛
JohnsnJns	98⅛	97⅞	98	— ⅛
JohnsnJns wi	49⅜	49	49⅛	— ⅛
K mart		11⅛	11⅛	11⅛
Kroger	39⅛	38⅞	39⅛	— ⅛
Litton	47⅛	46	47⅛	+ ⅛
LockhdMart	84⅛	84⅛	84⅛	— ⅛
Lowes Cos	38	37⅛	37⅛	+ ⅛
Lubys	25	24⅛	25	+ ⅛
LucentTech n	38½	37⅛	38⅛	+ ⅛
MayDeptStrs	48	47⅛	47⅛	— ⅛
Medtronics	57⅞	56⅛	56⅛	+ ⅛
Mobil	113⅛	113⅛	113⅛	— ⅛
Monsanto	156⅛	155⅛	155⅜	— ⅛
Monsanto wi	31½	31¼	31¼	— ⅛
Motorola	65⅜	65⅛	65⅛	— ⅛
Nationsbk	83⅛	82⅛	82⅜	— ⅛
Navistar	10⅛	10	10	— ⅛
NoramEngy	10⅜	10⅛	10⅛	+ ⅛
Norwest		35⅛	35⅛	35⅛
Nynex	46⅜	45⅞	46⅛	+ ⅛
OryxEngy	16⅜	16⅛	16⅛	— ⅛
PacTelesis	33⅜	33¼	33¼	— ⅛
PanEnergy	31 13-16	31⅛	31⅜	— ⅜
Penney JC	52⅜	52⅛	52⅛	— ⅛
Pennzoil	43¼	42⅞	43	+ ⅛
PepBoys	33¾	33¼	33⅜	+ ⅛
PepsiCo s	33⅜	33¼	33⅜	+ ⅛
PhelpDodge	67⅜	66⅛	66⅜	— ⅜
PhilipPet	41⅜	41⅛	41⅛	+ ⅛
PilgrmPrd	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛	+ ⅛
Polaroid	45⅛	45⅛	45⅛	— ⅛
Praxair	40	39⅛	40	+ ⅛
ProctGamble	88⅜	88⅛	88⅛	— ⅛
PubSNwMx	19	18⅛	18⅛	— ⅛
RoyalDutch		151¼	150⅞	151⅛
SBC Comm		49½	49⅛	49⅜
SaraLee	33¼	33	33	— ⅛
SearsRoebs	52	51⅞	51⅞	+ ⅛
SherwinW	45⅜	44⅞	45⅛	+ ⅛
SmthBchADS	52⅛	52⅛	52⅛	+ ⅛
SouthernCo	22⅜	22⅛	22⅛	— ⅛
SwstAirlines	28	27⅞	28	+ ⅛
Sprint	41⅜	41⅛	41⅜	— ⅛
SterlingChm	11⅛	11⅜	11⅜	— ⅛
SunCo	30½	30⅛	30⅛	— ⅛
TNP Ent	26⅜	26⅛	26⅛	+ ⅛
Tandy	54⅛	54⅛	54⅜	— ⅛
TemplInl	48⅞	48⅜	48⅛	— ⅜
Tenneco	54½	54⅜	54⅛	+ ⅛
Texaco	83⅞	83⅛	83⅜	— ⅛
TexasInd	64⅜	64⅛	64⅛	+ ⅛
TexasInsts	54⅛	54⅛	54⅜	— ⅛
TexUtil		40⅛	40⅛	40⅛
Textron	84⅛	83½	83⅜	— ⅛
Travelers s	43⅜	42⅞	42⅛	+ ⅛
TrinityInds	35⅛	34⅜	34⅛	+ ⅛
TritonEngy	49½	48⅛	48⅛	+ ⅛
US WestCm s	32½	32⅛	32⅛	+ ⅛
USWstMda n	18⅜	18⅛	18⅛	— ⅛
USX Delhi	13⅜	13¼	13¼	— ⅛
USX-Marathn	21⅜	21⅛	21⅜	— ⅛
USX-USS	30¼	29⅞	30⅛	+ ⅛
UnCarbde	44⅜	43⅜	43⅛	+ ⅛
UnPac		71	70⅞	71
UnitedTech		109⅛	108⅛	109⅛
Unocal	32¾	32⅛	32⅜	— ⅛
WalMart		26⅛	26⅛	26⅛
WstnGasRs	15⅜	15⅛	15⅛	+ ⅛
WestghEl	19	18⅞	18⅜	— ⅛
WinnDixie s		34½	34⅛	34⅛
Woolworth	22⅛	21⅞	22⅛	+ ⅛
XeroxCp	160¼	158⅛	159⅛	+1
XeroxCp wi	53⅛	53	53⅛	+ ⅜
ZenithE	14⅛	14	14⅛	+ ⅛

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Lawns Don't Waste Water, People, Do!

In recent years, much attention and controversy has surrounded the water requirement of the lawn. Misinformation and hidden agendas have fueled this controversy. However, there are some well documented facts about the American lawn.

The lawn is an integral component of the landscape. The lawn is certainly the best recreational surface for children and athletes. The lawn has a tremendous mitigating effect on the environment, reducing heat loads and noise, plus water and air pollution.

A lawn is second only to a virgin forest in the ability to harvest water and recharge groundwater resources. And as a design component, the lawn provides landscape unity and simplicity while inviting participation in the landscape.

The lawn has become a focus in reducing landscape water use because of the tremendous opportunity for abusive use of irrigation water in the name of maintaining the lawn. Within the tradtional landscape, the lawn has received the major portion of the total landscape irrigation. Lawn irrigation can be reduced, while the homeowner continues to derive the many benefits of turfgrass.

Some specific strategies to reduce lawn irrigation include:

•Place lawn areas into landscape irrigation zones based on water requirements, so that lawns can be watered separately from other landscape plantings.

•Select adapted, lower-water demand turf species and varieties

•Use irrigated lawn areas only in areas which provide function (i.e., recreational, aesthetic, food traffic, dust and noise abatement, glare reduction, temperature mitigation)

•Use non-irrigated lawn areas where appropirate

•Irrigate properly based on the lawn's true water needs

•Increase mowing heights to decrease lawn water use and stress

•Decrease fertilizer rates and properly schedule fertilizations

•By implementing these strategies, homeowners can reduce lawn irrigation requirements and still reap the benefits of a cool, green lawn.

Crop Report

COLLEGE STATION, Texas (AP) — While most Texas farmers are reporting drought-damaged yields, onion growers say they're seeing a bumper crop in a year of rock-bottom prices, the Texas Agricultural Extension Service reported Tuesday.

"The drought has not hurt the crop at all," said Larry Stein of Uvalde, Extension horticulturalist in southwest Texas. "In fact, it has helped. The dry conditions have given us some of the most beautiful onions I've seen."

Dr. Lynn Brandenberger of Weslaco, Extension horticulturalist, reported a successful onion crop in South Texas as well. He said that the lack of rain has checked diseases that normally beset the crop.

The following specific livestock, crop and weather conditions were reported by district Extension directors:

PANHANDLE: short. Pasture, range grass still nonexistent. Irrigated wheat has headed; corn stands rated fair to good. Cotton, sorghum being planted. Peanut stands good.

SOUTH PLAINS: short to very short. Pastures benefit from recent rains. Some hail damage to cotton; will require replanting. Sorghum planting continues. Wheat has completed heading.

ROLLING PLAINS: short. Pastures, ranges in poor to fair condition. Wheat harvest nearly complete, irrigated cotton in two leaf stage. Livestock in fair to good condition.

NORTH TEXAS: adequate to very short. Pastures short of moisture, growth. Corn, sorghum, wheat planting complete. Cattle in good to fair condition. Harvesting small grain, wheat harvest in full swing. Peach crop poor.

EAST TEXAS: very short. Above-normal temperatures. First hay cuttings continue; cattle in fair condition; culling continues. Stock ponds low, non-irrigated crops stressed, early vegetable harvests underway. Home spraying in pecans.

FAR WEST TEXAS: very short. Pastures extremely dry. Livestock in fair condition; some producers selling cattle. Dry planting cotton beginning; many crops stressed. Cutting and baling alfalfa; harvesting onions.

WEST CENTRAL TEXAS: adequate to very short, Pastures, ranges are poor to fair. Up to 7.5 inches rain, wheat crop very poor, sorghum needs moisture. Livestock in poor to good condition. Hay reserves depleted. Fruit outlook poor. Casebearers very high in pecans.

CENTRAL TEXAS: short. Pastures helped by recent rainfall. Supplemental feeding of livestock continues; hay supplies extremely low. Grain crops suffering from hot temperatures.

SOUTHEAST TEXAS: short to very short. Pastures in need of more rain. Irrigating cotton and grain sorghum. Hay in short supply; many cattle being sold. Some vegetables being harvested. Damage reported from casebearers on pecans.

SOUTHWEST TEXAS: adequate to short. Harvest of onions, green beans, carrots in full swing. Cabbage harvest almost complete. Dryland corn, sorghum, cotton, hay are almost nonexistent. Forage poor. Cattle being shipped.

COASTAL BEND: very short. Pastures, rangelands continue to decline. Crop irrigation occuring where possible; crop stress continues. Supplemental feeding of livestock continues. Pecan crop well below normal.

SOUTH TEXAS: very short. Pastures, ranges in very poor condition. Melons, cucumbers, carrots, cabbage being harvested. Corn 100 percent silked; cotton 100 percent squaring. Last of onions being harvested.

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WTRC sets lamb & meat goat sale

"An excellent offering of market lambs and meat goats!"

That's the prediction being made by organizers of West Texas Rehabilitation Center's Club Lamb and Meat Goat Sale scheduled Saturday, June 15 at the Wylie FFA showbarn in Abilene.

"We're expecting participating ranchers and breeders from Texas, New Mexico, Colorado and Oklahoma, said event co-chairman John Kearney of Sterling City, "and the caliber of donated livestock — rams, ewes, wethers, billies and nannies — will be superb since many of these participants are known for their champion wins at nationally respected stock shows."

Russell Kott, also of Sterling City, assists Kearney with the club lamb event while Joe Raff of Colorado City is coordinating the meat goat activities.

Although WTRC has conducted a lamb sale since 1990, a decision was made this year to add meat goats to the event since many ranchers are diversified in that area as well.

According to Kearney, lambs and goats purchased at the June 15 sale will be eligible for competition in Rehab's Jackpot Show scheduled for Dec. 14.

Anyone wishing to donate lambs or goats or needing more information may contact Kearney at 915-378-6881, WTRC Abilene at 915-691-7290 or WTRC San Angelo at 915-949-9535.

CRMWD fishing report

O.H. Elvie Reservoir: Rankin resident, Sherwin Evans, had a huge yellow catfish on his trotline Monday, May 20. the 68.5 pound catch is now the new lake yellow catfish record. Fishing conditions for yellow cats was very good. Most were caught on baited trotlines using live baits. Channel and blue catfish were also caught on trotlines around the same area. Some luck was had on rod and reels along the shorelines in water under 20 feet. Baits used were shad, minnow, stink, blood and live bait.

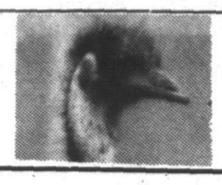
Most large black bass were going for plastic worms in the deeper water, while some were caught on topwater baits along the shorelines in water under 10 feet. The smallmouth bass were slower; plastic worms brought some results in water 10 to 30 feet deep along rocky points and shorelines. A lot of white bass continued to feed on top of the lake in water 20 to 30 feet deep. Jigs, slabs and crank baits proved best during the day; however, white bass went for minnows at night.

Crappie were biting air at night along the creeks, channels and ledges. Minnows seemed to be the favored bait. Fishing conditions for the walleye remained poor.

Elevations was 1,548.51 at Ivie Reservoir. Temperatures were recorded as 74.2 degrees at the surface and 61.0 degrees at the bottom. The main body of the lake had a clear water clarity reading and the upper-end was muddy.

E.V. Spence Reservoir: Water temperature was 71 degrees at the top. Lake elevation was 1,857.79. Wildcat Marina reported several nice stripers and catfish. Most of the stripers were in the 14-pound range and were caught on cut shad. Wayne Cason of Robert Lee landed at 19.5 pound blue cat using live bait.

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The Emu Report

By Shirley Pate, Pate Emu Farm

Exactly what is a protein? Part 2 of 2. Do you really know what's in that bag of feed?

Scientists at the University of Illinois by the use of diets designed to be otherwise adequate for the normal growth of rats, in which the sole source of nitrogen was supplied by amino acids, studied the effect of the addition or removal of each of the acids. From data of their experiment, the workers were able to classify ten as essential dietary constituents and the other ten as nonessential.

It was found that some of the amino acids can be synthesized in the digestive track, but not at a sufficiently rapid rate to meet the demands for maximum growth. Thus, an essential amino acid has been defined as one that cannot be synthesized in the body at a rate required for normal growth.

Amino acid balance is at least as important to emu diets as the percentage of the diet. Roger Haley's work indicates that the emu grower should be 22 percent protein, 1.2 percent lysine, and .45 percent methionine. The lysine is 4.45 percent of the protein (1.2/22) while methionine is 2.0 percent of the protein (.45/22).

The grains are low in protein and low in amino acids so they must be supplemented with protein sources. Feather meal is among the highest in protein (86 percent) and cheapest per unit of protein, but lysine is only 1.9 percent of protein and methionine is 48 percent of protein. Fish meal is 60 percent protein, and very expensive but lysine is 8.3 percent of protein and methionine 3.1 percent of protein. Dehulled soybean meal is 47.5 percent protein with lysine and medthionine being 6.5 percent and 1.5 percent of protein. None of the other protein sources come close to balancing the lysine and methionine deficiencies in grain, even though they all can increase the protein content of a diet.

The only protein source that can raise lysine and methionine adequately is fish meal; however, large amounts make the feed less palatable (but limited amounts increase palatability). A mixture of several sources of protein (like soybean meal, meat and bone meal, and fish meal) is best but will still be short of methionine. Synthetic methionine must be used to raise the methionine level in these higher protein diets. Synthetic lysine may also be used. Both of these are used regularly in poultry and swine diets.

One man (not a nutritionist), has suggested that ratites have a problem with soybean meal, even though no other species has this problem; however, the other plant protein sources are all of poor quality (amino acid balance) and many also have problems with toxins of various kinds.

If your ratite feed tag does not guarantee the lysine and methionine levels, it probably does not meet the above specs. If the tag indicates plant protein products, then in all likelihood the feed is being cheapened up with cottonseed meal, peanut meal or sunflower meal. If the tag has animal protein products listed, it may well have feather.

With this information we should be able to not only judge feed by percentage of protein and price. The slaughter market is upon us and we need to buy feed that will produce the best birds for the least amount of money. Pate Emu Farm 573-5340.



Town & County Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

A recent outbreak of botulism food poisoning in El Paso connected to an ethnic potato based dip has caused increased emphasis on preventing this serious foodborne illness.

Botulism-causing Clostridum botulinum bacteria are everywhere, being very prevalent in soil and marine sediments worldwide. Their spores are often found on the surfaces of fruits and vegetables and in seafood. The bacteria are dangerous because they produce a toxin as they grow and reproduce. Botulinum toxin is one of the most dangerous poisonous substances known.

Once in the body, the toxin binds to nerve endings at the point where the nerve endings join muscles. This prevents nerves from signaling the muscles to contract and results in weakening and paralysis. This paralysis starts from the cranium down, affecting many vital body systems, including the muscles that regulate breathing.

The condition in which C botulinum spores grow and produce toxin is absence of oxygen, low acidity and temperatures between 40 and 140 degrees F. This toxin producing situation can easily occur in improperly preserved home canned foods or improperly stored prepared foods.

In the United States, one of the most common culprits in foodborne botulism is home canned food, especially vegetables such as asparagus, green beans and peppers. These are all low-acid foods that must be canned in a pressure canner, as should all vegetables, meats, poultry and seafood.

The basic recommendation from the U.S. Department of Agriculture is to can these foods in a pressure canner because the pressure in the canner creates a high enough temperature to kill the spores of the bacteria. County Extension agents throughout the state have specifics of these recommendations for home canning of low acid foods.

Also, foods cooked at home should not be left at temperatures between 40 and 140 degrees F. This is the temperature danger zone at which most bacteria grow rapidly. An extra precaution is to boil home canned low-acid foods for 10 minutes (at sea level) before consuming.

Commerical foods also have been implicated in outbreaks of botulism. Another precaution that consumers should take is reading labels and being careful to refrigerate foods that indicate so on the label.

Finally, consumers should always be wary of any canned items that are rusty, swollen or otherwise damaged. The best advise is "If in doubt, throw it out."

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 802 head of cattle for the Thursday, May 30, sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and Calves were $1 to $2 cheaper. Trading and demand were fair.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 26 to 32; Canner and low cutters 20 to 27; Slaughter bulls 35 to 40.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 55 to 60; 400 to 500, 50 to 57; 500 to 600, 48 to 55; 600 to 700, 48 to 53.50; 700 to 800, 48 to 53.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 40 to 47.50; 400 to 500, 40 to 47.50; 500 to 600, 42 to 48; 600 to 700, 43 to 51; 700 to 800, 45 to 50.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 43.50 to 47.50; 700 to 800, 40 to 46.

Cow and calf pairs: good 300 to 425 grade 275 to 345

Springers: 200 to 425; baby calves 45 to 110; doodlers 50 to 110.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 987 head of cattle at the Saturday, June 1, sale. Stocker and feeder heifers were $3 to $6 higher. Packer cows and bulls were $1 to $2 lower. Pairs were in good demand and sold about $10 to $20 higher. One choice load of Black baldy feeder heifers wieghing 845 pounds at $51.80 per cwt.

Stocker and feeder steers: 200 to 300, 55 to 64; 300 to 400, 56 to 64; 400 to 500, 48 to 61; 500 to 600 48 to 64; 600 to 750, 47 to 54.

Stocker and feeder heifers: 200 to 300, 44 to 58.50; 300 to 400, 42 to 59; 400 to 500, 45 to 55; 500 to 600, 42 to 53; 600 to 800, 46 to 57.

Springer cows: 250 to 310.

Pairs: 385 to 505.

Packer cows: 19 to 35.

Packer bulls: 28 to 38.50.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market at Sweetwater had a run of 688 head of cattle for the Wednesday, May 29, sale. All stocker and feeder cattle were steady with pairs and bred bows lower. Packer cows and bulls were steady.

STEERS
300-400: 54-61
400-500: 50-60
500-600: 48-60
600-700: 48-58

HEIFERS
300-400: 40-50
400-500: 42-48
500-600: 44-51.50
600-700: 42-52

BRED COWS
Good: 300-350
Older and Plainer: 200-300

PAIRS
Good: 350-425
Older Plainer: 275-350

PACKER COWS
Good: 24-28
Low Yielding: 18-24

PACKER BULLS
Good: 34-37.50
Low Yielding: 30-34

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His System: 2 to 3 Quick Picks per week.

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Where He Bought His Ticket: Corner gas station.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

OPEC mulls Iraq's return to oil market

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — OPEC ministers need to figure out how to make room for Iraq to return to the oil market, but they gathered for just a few minutes today before saying they would meet again Thursday.

The ministers started late and quit early, presumably to discuss Iraq's resumed oil sales in private bilateral sessions during the night.

OPEC is hoping to let Iraq back into the market without disrupting recent high prices, but analysts say this will be tricky. Iraq, however, is lobbying for the day when it can once again become a major force.

Iraq's oil minister, Amer Mohammed Rasheed, came to town talking big, saying he's ready to be back in business by the end of the month, pumping 1.5 million barrels of crude a day.

That's about 400,000 barrels more than other ministers hinted they might like to see in a new production quota for Iraq, which has been banned from exporting any oil since it invaded fellow OPEC member Kuwait in August 1990.

Iraq says it already has customers lined up, and Rasheed said today the Iraqis are discussing a deal with the Philippines.

Rasheed may have been touting an unrealistic timetable, as Iraq and the United Nations have yet to finalize the fine print on their oil-for-food deal signed last month.

At current prices, Iraq would need to sell about 700,000 barrels of oil a day to gain the $2 billion that the United Nations is offering over a 180-day period to provide food and drugs for Iraqis who have been suffering since their defeat in the Persian Gulf War.

Several Gulf sources indicated they might be willing to add 700,000 barrels a day to OPEC's overall ceiling of 24.5 million barrels to accommodate Iraq. Rasheed, however, says he plans to export 800,000 barrels a day. Other ministers declined comment on the higher figure.

If prices collapse, Iraq would have to sell even more oil to meet its dollar targets, which could push prices lower.

All this talk about numbers could be nothing more than grandstanding. Ministers discuss the situation this afternoon.

Analysts say the Iraqis are seeking to set down a marker for future talks, when the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries must face the more delicate task of finding a way to make room for more crude sales from Iraq.

Iraq has the world's second-largest oil reserves, after Saudi Arabia, but has been sidelined since the war, producing oil only for domestic consumption. It was pumping about 3.4 million barrels a day before the war, but now is down to an OPEC quota of 400,000 barrels a day, although Rasheed said the actual number is 700,000 barrels.

Despite the sensitive nature of handling Iraq's return, OPEC is lucky this is happening at a time when prices are about $2 per barrel higher than they were a year ago, thanks to strong demand after a cold winter.

"The volume is there, the market is there, so it's no problem," Nigerian oil minister Dan Etete said Tuesday. "Everybody's prepared to accept Iraq."

OPEC members are: Algeria, Gabon, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Kuwait, Libya, Nigeria, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Venezuela.

Stockman campaign contributions questioned

HOUSTON (AP) — Republican U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman, who has been accused of accepting illegal campaign contributions by the Democratic Party's Harris County chairman, contends the money was only an unpaid debt.

Democratic chief David Mincberg formally complained to the Federal Election Commission on Tuesday. But a Stockman spokesman said the accusation is false and based on a misreading of campaign records.

Mincberg said an Ohio company's listing of more than $82,000 as an uncollectible debt makes it a contribution from a corporation, which is illegal.

A spokesman for Stockman, now running for re-election in the 9th Congressional District, told the Houston Chronicle the lawmaker's campaign is still negotiating the amount, which it contends is only $44,226, so no rules have been broken.

But the company that was hired by Stockman to provide services in an earlier campaign, for which payment was not made, said it wanted the money.

Suarez Corp. lawyer Steve Baden said Stockman has acknowledged owing the company money and has never paid, so the debt is listed as uncollectible

But Baden said Suarez Corp. did not intend for its work to become a contribution.

The FEC has examined the campaign finance case, Mincberg said, but has been unable to take action against Stockman's campaign because no one filed a formal complaint.

"It's taken us until now to get all the facts together," he said.

Stockman's first election bid, in 1990, for the seat then held by U.S. Rep. Jack Brooks followed an Ohio mail advertising firm's search for a challenger against Brooks, who had proposed taxing out-of-state mail catalogs.

Officials of a subsidiary, Suarez Corp., eventually said it was hired by Stockman to provide $82,138 worth of advertising and other campaign services, but was never able to collect payment.

Stockman, R-Friendswood, lost in 1990 and 1992, but rode an anti-incumbent fever to unseat the 42-year incumbent Brooks, D-Beaumont, in 1994. He is seeking re-election in November.

Mincberg acknowledged that his action is timed with Democratic efforts to unseat Stockman in the 9th District, which covers parts of east Harris County and all of Galveston, Chambers and Jefferson counties.

Challengers include Democrat Nick Lampson, the former Jefferson County tax assessor-collector who counts union members among his supporters.

"We want to bring this to the public's attention; we've got a campaign coming up," said Mincberg.

EU relaxes 9-week ban on British beef exports

BRUSSELS, Belgium (AP) — The European Commission relaxed the nine-week ban on British beef exports caused by fears over mad cow disease today by allowing Britain to export bull semen and two cattle by-products.

The 20-member commission, the European Union's executive agency, decided at its weekly meeting to allow Britain to resume exporting the semen as well beef fat and beef-based gelatin. The exports can resume as soon as Monday but officials say in practice it will be weeks before that happens.

Britain set off the mad cow crisis on March 20 when it announced a likely link between the cattle disease, bovine spongiform encephalopathy, and an equally deadly human variant, Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease.

EU nations banned British beef exports a week later in a bid to prevent the disease, common in British herds, from tainting their own meat.

Britain had been demanding today's action for weeks as it has struggled to persuade its EU partners to end the ban.

The plan approved by the Commission requires Britain to enforce a range of new production methods and strict licensing procedures for companies to be allowed to export their goods.

The decision could help ease a tense standoff between Britain and its EU partners. British officials said in recent days a relaxation of the ban by itself would not lead London to end its policy of obstructing EU business.

Britain is also demanding a timetable for removing the ban completely before it will end its pressure tactics.

Britain has blocked some 40 EU decisions since Prime Minister John Major announced two weeks ago that London would veto all EU decisions requiring unanimity until the timetable was approved.

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Court rejects bid to exhume Booth's remains

ANNAPOLIS, Md. (AP) — Relatives of John Wilkes Booth will not be allowed to open his grave to determine if soldiers who tracked down President Lincoln's assassin shot the wrong man.

Maryland's second highest court ruled Tuesday that Green Mount Cemetery in Baltimore had the right to keep Booth's grave from being disturbed by family members who wanted to test an old theory that someone else was buried there.

"I'm very disappointed," said Lois Rathbun of Hopkinton, R.I., Booth's great-great-grandniece. "Being the family, I think we should have a right to know that the proper person is in the grave."

The Court of Special Appeals opinion, by Chief Judge Alan Wilner, said there is little doubt Booth was buried in Green Mount Cemetery.

Booth shot Lincoln in 1865 as the president watched a performance in Ford's Theatre in Washington.

Coalition with defeated Labor Party suggested

JERUSALEM (AP) — A candidate to become Israel's new foreign minister said today that Prime Minister-elect Benjamin Netanyahu should consider forming a coalition with the defeated Labor Party.

Such an alliance would help Israel in peace talks with the Arabs and foreign relations, said David Levy, a leading member of Netanyahu's Likud Party.

Netanyahu, who narrowly defeated Prime Minister Shimon Peres on May 29, has until July 20 under Israeli law to form a coalition. Levy's comments fueled speculation that Netanyahu would welcome Peres' party into his government as a junior partner.

A Likud-Labor coalition could ease fears among Israel's Arab negotiating partners that Netanyahu, who ran on a hard-line platform, would renege on peace promises made by Peres.

Levy, who broke from Likud last year after a bitter fight with Netanyahu and returned in the spring, said today that having Labor as a coalition partner would ease relations with the Arab world and the West.

"There is no reason to rule it out, it should be examined," Levy told Israel radio. "In this period, in light of the difficult missions we face, internationally, regionally and everything connected to that, it demands consideration."

Medicare

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Security commissioner and two members of the public.

"For the president to miss this opportunity to step forward and lead is simply a repetition of the last year of playing politics with Medicare," Thomas said.

Clinton last year vetoed the balanced budget bill passed by Republicans, which would have saved about $226.7 billion from Medicare through 2002. About half the savings would have been in Medicare Part A, which is the fund in trouble.

Under the GOP plan, the program would be restructured to move more senior citizens away from fee-for-service plans into managed-care programs and set up medical savings accounts that would include a high-deductible catastrophic insurance plan.

Congressional Democrats, meanwhile, accused the Republicans of trying to unfairly strip senior citizens of the coverage they now enjoy under Medicare.

"Their goal has been to raid Medicare, not to save it, to lavish more tax breaks on the very people who don't need them," said House Democratic Leader Dick Gephardt of Missouri.

Medicare Part A pays for care for senior citizens in hospitals, nursing facilities and hospices and at home. It receives money primarily from employers and employees, who each pay a 1.45 percent payroll tax.

Medicare's hospital fund actually started spending more last year than it took in through the payroll tax, but it had a $134.3 billion surplus to dig into.

Rabbit, llama good friends

EUGENE, Ore. (AP) — Beethoven has found a warm, snugly friend in the Sundance Kid, the llama next door.

Beethoven, a rabbit, has built a nest in the matted brown and white wool on the Sundance Kid's broad back.

Beethoven sleeps in the nest when it's cold, and even goes for morning rides when there's a nip in the air that makes getting out of bed just dreadful.

Llama farmer David Alldridge notes that llamas tend to get along with other farm animals, and are miserable when left alone.

"I've seen the rabbit in the evening come over and stand up on (Sundance's) leg, like he's saying, 'Come on, lie down so I can climb on, I'm ready to go to bed,'" Alldridge said.

Beethoven was a pet for three years until his owners, who live next door to Alldridge's llama farm, set him free. The rabbit started going for rides on the Sundance Kid in November.

What's Up?

Prayer Breakfast Committee

The Fourth of July Prayer Breakfast Committee will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday at 2308 32nd St.

Model airplane club to meet

Snyder Area Model Airplance Club will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday at the club flying field, 2½ miles south of Western Texas College on Round Top Road. Visitors and guests are welcome.

Youth fund-raiser set

Primera Iglesia Bautista Church youth will hold a carwash at the Kmart parking lot from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday. Donations will be accepted.

Class of 1951

The Snyder High Class of 1951 will have a reunion Saturday. All friends are invited, especially classes from 1949-54. A brunch at 10:30 a.m. will be hosted by Billy Huddleston. Dinner is set for 8 p.m. at Snyder Country Club.

Bowhunters meet slated

Snyder Bowhunters Association will have its fifth annual 3D invitational Saturday and Sunday at Sheperd's Crossing near Ira. For information, call 573-0024.

Dickerson reception planned

Trinity United Methodist Church invites everyone to a reception for the Rusty, Connie and Caleb Dickerson from 2-4 p.m. Sunday in the fellowship hall. Pastor Dickerson has been assigned to the First UMC in Dimmitt.

School for school personnel

Snyder ISD is offering summer computer technology training for Snyder school personnel. Six hours of technology will be given for each session. Classes are: Beginning Macintosh Basics for Teachers, June 10-11; Computer Gradebook, June 12-13; Internet & Tenet, June 18-19; CD-ROM/Multimedia, June 24-25; PageMaker, June 26-27; and Windows '95, July 10-11. Times for all sessions are 1-4 p.m.

For registration information call 574-6016.

Barbed wire help needed

Scurry County Museum is looking for collectors of barbed wire who would be willing to lend their collections to the museum from June 18 through July 18.

The museum plans to display the barbed wire during the Western Swing Festival in June and into the following month.

Help is also needed in presenting the history of barbed wire and telling of its importance on the range. Anyone who has a collection or who can help is asked to call 573-6107.

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Kingdom of the Son, a prayer safari. June 10-12, 9:30 a.m. to noon. For more information, call 573-3583.

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Jesus, God's Prophet. June 17-21, 9-11:30 a.m., Age 3 through 6th grade. Bible study, prayer, crafts, recreation, refreshments, fellowship and fun.

•TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
Kingdom of the Son, a prayer safari. June 17-21, 8:30 a.m. to noon. Games, crafts, songs, snacks, Bible Stories.

Charlotte's Web performances

There will be five performances of Charlotte's Web, a Ritz Theatre production involving 31 children. Performances are June 15-16. Thursday though Saturday performances are at 7:30 p.m. There will be matinees on Saturday and Sunday at 2:30.

The general public can make reservations beginning today by calling the Senior Center at 573-4035 between 2 and 5 p.m.

Volunteers are still needed for sets, costumes, props and other staff duties.

American Legion to meet

American Legion Post 181 and the Ladies Auxiliary will hold election of officers Monday at 7:30 p.m. at the post home.

Pick 3

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

7-5-2
(seven, five, two)

Cash 5

AUSTIN (AP) — Ten tickets matched all the numbers drawn in Tuesday's Cash 5 lottery game.

State lottery officials said the tickets are each worth $32,063 and were purchased in Alice, Beaumont, Estelline, Goliad, Houston, Lubbock, Rockwall, Skidmore, Sweetwater and Tyler.

There were 1,124 tickets sold with four matching numbers. Those tickets are worth $427. Some 36,517 tickets, each worth $22, had three winning numbers.

Cash 5 numbers drawn Tuesday night from a total of 39 numbers were 1-7-8-21-26. The next drawing is Friday.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Sending Balloons Into Sky Is a Bust for Environment

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DEAR ABBY: I was surprised when it was announced in my church newsletter recently that an event was to conclude with the release of hundreds of balloons into the sky. It took some doing to explain that what goes into the sky eventually comes back down to earth.

I'm not an active environmentalist, but I have been involved with my daughters' Girl Scout troops for 10 years. We teach the girls to recycle, conserve and take care of Mother Earth.

Balloons released into the air often travel many miles before returning to earth, and their effect on wildlife can be deadly. Animals eat the balloons, which cause intestinal blockage and eventual starvation. They also get tangled up in the strings and, unable to free themselves, die a slow and painful death because they can't reach food or water. Also, balloons are not biodegradable. Those colored bits of shriveled plastic you see littering the beaches are going to be there for a long time, if they don't get caught in some fish's throat first.

I read in my local newspaper that some states — New York, Connecticut, Florida, Louisiana, Tennessee, New Jersey Kentucky, Virginia and California — have enacted laws specifically to curb or eliminate the release of balloons.

Abby, if you print my letter, you will be educating many readers who do not realize the potential harm they are causing when they release those pretty balloons. It would be so much better to keep them, and deliver them to a nursing home instead.

FRIEND OF THE ENVIRONMENT, BURNSVILLE, MINN.

DEAR FRIEND: I'm delighted to help you spread the word to my many readers who are committed to preserving our environment. We all should be.

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DEAR ABBY: I am a semiprofessional photographer. I charge for some of my work, but most of it is done for fun.

Recently I attended the wedding reception of some close friends, and I shot four rolls of film (about 100 photos) at the event. I had the film processed and printed, and I printed labels for the backs of the pictures giving the date and names of those in the photos. I put them in a wedding album and gave it to the bride and groom as a wedding gift.

A friend of theirs invited me to her wedding reception. It was unspoken, but understood, that I would take pictures there. I paid for four rolls of film. However, since the bride works for a photo lab, I thought she could get the film processed and printed free (or at a discount), so I simply gave her the rolls of film.

She had assumed that I would pay for processing the film, and now she's upset with me. I think she was expecting too much for nothing and should have been happy to pay for her own developing costs. Am I wrong?

OHIO PHOTOGRAPHER

DEAR OHIO PHOTOGRAPHER: Unspoken messages are frequently misunderstood. Without words to clarify the details, how could either of you know what the other expected or assumed? In the future, reach an agreement (in writing) before committing to any photography assignments — even with friends.

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For everything you need to know about wedding planning, order "How to Have a Lovely Wedding." Send a business-sized, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Wedding Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Chrysler will fight recall of seat belts

WASHINGTON (AP) — Chrysler Corp. plans to fight every step of the way as the government makes an unprecedented attempt to force the automaker to recall 91,000 vehicles for failing a federal seat belt safety test.

Chrysler lawyer Lewis Goldfarb insists the seat belt system on the 1995 Chrysler Cirrus and Dodge Stratus cars is safe. He believes the real issue is whether the government's highway safety arm, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, should spell out its exact test procedures so automakers know the standards they must meet down to the last detail.

"You can't expect a manufacturer to comply with standards that are not specific," said Goldfarb, Chrysler's lead lawyer on the case. "A manufacturer must know what it has to do to comply and how it has to design its vehicles to comply."

The government went to court Tuesday to enforce its order that Chrysler recall the cars because of what it deems to be unsafe seat belt systems.

Chrysler had told NHTSA months ago that it would fight a recall, so the Justice Department filed a federal civil lawsuit to force the company to notify owners and fix the cars for free.

This is the first time the government has taken such action based on its own safety tests, although the safety agency has taken manufacturers to court to recall autos it believes are defective based on engineering analyses and accident data. The agency has lost only one case.

In January, the government determined the cars' rear seat belt system was not strong enough because a weld nut anchoring the belt pulled out of the floor of a 1995 Chrysler Cirrus during a routine test. The same system is used in the Dodge Stratus.

The agency is particularly sensitive about seat belt quality because the seat belt is the main safety device to protect motorists in crashes.

"This is an important standard, and all new passenger cars must meet it," said NHTSA Administrator Ricardo Martinez.

The government standard requires a seat belt system to sustain a 3,000-pound load for 10 seconds.

The agency and Chrysler are arguing over the position of the government's testing equipment. The government positioned the equipment several inches farther away from the seat back than the automaker did.

Government documents said Chrysler duplicated the highway safety agency's test and the belt still failed. However, Chrysler said the anchor system passes the test if the equipment is placed closer to the seat.

Agency officials said it is well known that they can test the seat belt system from several different positions. They cited language to that effect published by the government nearly five years ago.

Lobbying groups for both domestic and foreign automakers have issued statements supporting Chrysler's position. Goldfarb said the company was committed to a long court battle if necessary.

"We're taking a huge public relations hit. This has to be real important to this company," Goldfarb said from Chrysler's headquarters in Auburn Hills, Mich.

Auto safety groups commended NHTSA for taking Chrysler to court.

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Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, June 6, 1996

In the year ahead, you may make several significant changes in order to advance your personal goals. These moves will be well-founded, but you must give them enough time to work.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) You might have to deal with an annoying individual today. Even though you know you can do something that would embarrass him or her, restrain yourself. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You should not use a close friend's belongings without his or her permission today. Bad feelings could result if what you borrow is misused or broken.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) If you and your mate disagree today, try to resolve it in private. If your problems are aired in public, everyone present will feel uncomfortable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Strive to be a positive thinker today. If you anticipate negative results, you might ensure failure. Avoid self-fulfilling prophecies.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Today, a nosy friend might try to probe into an issue you wanted to keep secret. She will be a skilled investigator, so take care not to get caught off guard.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) You and your mate will agree on major issues today. However, differences over trivial matters could provoke an angry exchange.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Occasionally, you treat life with more indifference than you should. Playing it loose has advantages, if it's not carried to an extreme.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Today, a desire for personal gain might tempt you to take chances or risks you would normally avoid. Long shots are called long shots for a good reason.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You cannot be all things to all people today, so don't knock your head against the wall trying. Do not waste time on people who will not appreciate your efforts.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) When driving around town today, keep one eye on the speedometer and the other one on the drivers who share the race track with you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In order to avoid petty squabbles with colleagues today, don't jump to conclusions. You can resolve disagreements if you maintain your composure.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Appropriate self-esteem will be essential today. Do not feel superior, but you should not think you are inferior either.

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Date Book

June 5, 1996

Today is the 157th day of 1996 and the 78th day of spring.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1752, Benjamin Franklin first flew a kite in a thunderstorm.

On this day in 1968, Sen. Robert Kennedy was assassinated while campaigning for the Democratic presidential nomination.

On this day in 1981, the first case of AIDS was reported.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: John Maynard Keynes (1883-1946), economist; Federico Garcia Lorca (1898-1936), poet; Dennis Gabor (1900-1979), physicist; Tony Richardson (1928-1991), director; Bill Moyers (1934-), journalist, is 62; Spalding Gray (1941-), monologist, is 55; Kenneth Follett (1949-), writer, is 47; Laurie Anderson (1950-), composer-singer, is 46.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1993, Julie Krone rode Colonial Affair to victory at the Belmont St[illegible] becoming the first woman to [illegible] the prestigious horse race.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "'Long run' is a misleading guide to current affairs. 'In the long run' we are all dead." — John Maynard Keynes

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1987, strong thunderstorms struck California's Los Angeles County, leaving a half-million people without power for up to a day.

SOURCE: 1996 Weather Guide Calendar, Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (June 1) and last quarter (June 8).

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