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Terrorist strike kills 19 Americans, wounds hundreds

DHAHRAN, Saudi Arabia (AP) — Jagged chunks of concrete, mattresses and shattered glass today littered the military complex where a huge truck bomb killed at least 19 American soldiers and wounded hundreds — the deadliest terror strike ever against a U.S. target in the Persian Gulf.

American officials said 270 people were injured, all American, but Saudi officials said there were 386 people injured, 149 of them Saudis.

Saudi security forces kept the area cordoned off this morning as investigators and rescue teams aided by five bulldozers moved what had been the facade of an eight-story building, searching for possible survivors.

A parked fuel truck blew up just outside the U.S. military housing complex Tuesday night, leaving a crater four times as deep and three times as wide as the federal building bomb left in Oklahoma City.

The blast struck at the heart of the United States' military presence in the Persian Gulf.

President Clinton dispatched an FBI team to investigate what is suspected to be the work of Muslim militants opposed to Western military presence in the kingdom. Secretary of State Warren Christopher interrupted his schedule today to fly to Dhahran to visit the wounded and offer condolences to victims' families.

No group has claimed responsibility for the bombing in Al-Khobar, a Dhahran suburb in eastern Saudi Arabia. But less than a month ago, the Saudis beheaded four Muslim militants convicted of setting off a car bomb Nov. 13 at a U.S.-run military training facility in Riyadh. Five Americans and two Indians died.

Underground extremists had threatened to attack U.S. interests in Saudi Arabia if the four were punished.

The Saudi government resolved to "punish the perpetrators" and today offered a $2.7 million reward for information leading to arrests.

A U.S. airman in a security observation tower had reported a suspicious fuel truck stopped outside the compound, about 35 yards from the nearest building. When a Saudi officer approached, two men jumped out and drove off in a white car, a senior Defense Department official said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Authorities tried to evacuate two nearby apartment buildings, the official said. But the bomb went off a couple of minutes later, at 10:30 p.m. (3:30 p.m. EDT), before people could get out.

"I heard a deafening noise and then the windows shattered and the walls fell in," said Staff Sgt. Tyler Christie, 31, of Fort Walton Beach, Fla., who was slightly injured.

The source of the explosion was believed to have been a fuel truck parked outside a fence about 35 yards away and packed with 2½ tons of explosives. It left a crater 35 feet deep and 85 feet wide.

Master Sgt. William Sine was walking down a hallway toward the elevator when the force of the blast knocked him to the ground.

"The lights went off ... and I realized the whole side of the building was falling," said Sine, 39, of Warren, Ohio.

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Home Of Rebecca May

Music festival swings into Snyder today

Everything from faded jeans to "Faded Love" could be found on the floor at Scurry County Coliseum as the Legends of Western Swing Music Festival got underway just after noon today.

From the first notes of "South," chosen by Jody Nix and the Texas Cowboys to open the festival today, through the closing number at midnight Saturday, the event promises four full days and nights of fiddlin', strummin', dancin' and singin'.

Lawn chairs of all styles and sizes lined the coliseum floor, filled with country swing fans from across the United States.

Among the top performers are Hank Thompson, Johnnie Lee Wills, Tommy Allsup and the Texas Dance Band, Leon Rausch - Tommy Morrel and the Time Warp Top Hands.

The festival runs from noon until midnight daily through Friday and from 10 a.m. to midnight on Saturday.

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Wednesday, June 26
HOYLE NIX DAY
MC Mike O'Daniel, KBEC, Waxahachie

12:00	Opening Ceremonies
12:10	Jody Nix & The Texas Cowboys
1:30	Buddie Hrabal & Memory Lane
3:00	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
4:30	Don McCallster Jr. & The Texas Rhythm Band
5:30	Dinner Break
6:30	Buddie Hrabal & Memory Lane
8:00	Terry Sneed & Up The Creek
9:30	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
11:00	Don McCallster Jr. & The Texas Rhythm Band

Thursday, June 27
JOHNNIE LEE WILLS DAY
MC Mike O'Daniel, KBEC, Waxahachie

12:00	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
1:30	Fiddlers Two and Friends
3:00	King of Swing
4:30	Johnnie Lee Wills Band
5:45	Dinner Break
6:45	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
8:00	Fiddlers Two and Friends
9:30	King of Swing
10:45	Johnnie Lee Wills Band

Friday, June 28
HANK THOMPSON DAY
MC Larry Scott, KWKH, Shreveport

12:00	Herby Wallace, Roy Rosetta & Co.
1:35	Dave Alexander & Legends
3:00	Hank Thompson & Brazos Valley Boys
4:30	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
5:30	Dinner Break
6:30	Herby Wallace, Roy Rosetta & Co.
8:05	Dave Alexander & Legends
9:30	Hank Thompson & Brazos Valley Boys
11:00	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados

Saturday, June 29
BOB WILLS DAY
MC Larry Scott, KWKH, Shreveport

10:00	Peewee Whitewing, Bob White & The Heart 'O Texas Band
12:00	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
1:30	Tommy Allsup & The Texas Dance Band
3:00	Terry Sneed & Up The Creek
4:30	Leon Rausch, Tommy Morrell & Timewarp Tophands
5:30	Dinner Break
6:30	Ted Scanlon & The Desperados
8:00	Tommy Allsup & The Texas Dance Band
9:30	J.D. Barham and Cowjazz
10:45	Leon Rausch, Tommy Morrell & Timewarp Tophands

DCOS to mull request for incentive package

A request for incentives, the 1996-97 budget and updates on various projects are among the agenda items for Development Corporation of Snyder Inc. directors when they meet at 4 p.m. Thursday.

The first order of business will be introduction of new board member Bill Wilson III.

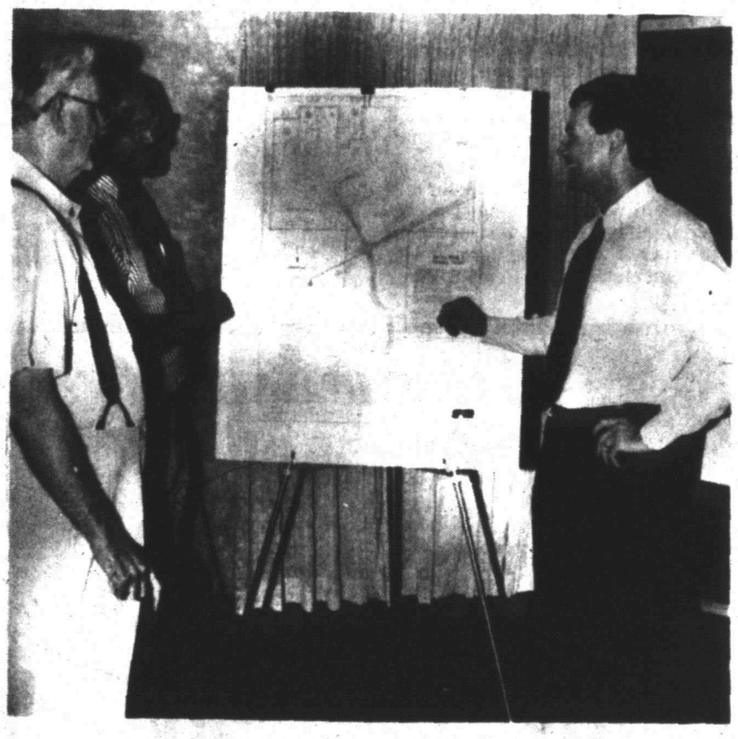
Directors will consider a request by John's Pump & Supply Inc. for DCOS incentives, specifically sales tax development, employment creation and the scholarship program.

Consideration of the conveyance of land to Midwest Electric Cooperative for an electrical substation to serve the industrial park is on the agenda, as are payment of bills and approval of minutes.

Other items include the disposition of a thermal paper fax machine and the executive director's attendance at Economic Development Finance Training Program courses.

The board will also hear reports on the progress of the conversion to a new accounting system, information from the prospect committee, and the status of grant applications.

Following regular session, the board will enter into executive session to consider litigation involving General Medical Products.



PLANNING SESSION — Mike Gruener, right, vice-president and chief operating officer for Lorber Industries, looks over a map of the industrial park with Roy Baze and Doug Hutchinson. Baze is president of the Development Corporation of Snyder while Hutchinson serves as the executive director. Lorber will be the first tenant at the newly developed industrial park. (SDN Staff Photo)

For county clerk...

Bunch chosen GOP nominee

Joan Bunch, deputy district clerk, was selected Tuesday as the Republican Party nominee for county clerk.

She will run against Denise Beck, a former county worker and current Price Daniel Unit mailroom employee, in the November general election. Mrs. Beck was named Monday evening as the Democratic Party nominee.

"I am thankful and blessed to receive the Republican nomination, based upon my experience in both the county clerk's office and the district clerk's office for the last 16 years," said Mrs. Bunch. "I believe I am well-qualified to carry on the good works of Frances Billingsley."

Mrs. Bunch has been associated with Scurry County since 1978 when she began employment with Beverly Ainsworth in the county clerk's office. She served as deputy clerk until 1982. After leaving to rear her family, she returned to work part-time in the county clerk's office for Mrs. Ainsworth and Ms. Billingsley, the present county clerk, until 1991.

Mrs. Bunch is presently employed with Scurry County as a deputy clerk for Elois Pruitt, district clerk. She is in charge of all domestic cases and child support. She has also served as both absentee voting judge for the county and the Republican Party for a number of years.

She has lived in Snyder since 1971 and graduated from Snyder High School. Mrs. Bunch attended Western Texas College and Texas Tech.

She is married to Travis Bunch, who is self-employed as a distributor for Exxon products. They have three children, 13-year-old Lindsey, 11-year-old Stacy, and 6-year-old Dylan, who attend Snyder schools.

Mrs. Bunch is actively involved in the Parent Council and as a volunteer.

The family attends First Baptist Church where Mrs. Bunch teaches fifth grade and serves on the King's Kids committee.

Mrs. Bunch was one of two applicants for the Republican nominee. The other was Laurie Cowan, Development Corporation of Snyder secretary.

Anyone else interested in becoming a candidate for county clerk may file as an independent. To do so, they must notify the county judge and present a petition which must be signed by 257

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Joan Bunch

Summer school enrollment 386

Summer school enrollment for Snyder ISD is 386, including 230 elementary students.

Summer school for all grades is being held at the junior high.

Enrollment numbers include 48 in high school grades and 108 in junior high grades.

Summer school for elementary and junior high students ends July 16. The first high school session ends Thursday, with a second to follow July 1-25.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "You can always tell a man who does all his work sitting down. That's where he shines."

Think More Rain!

Ole what's-her-name doesn't always understand our need to frequent the coffee shop. We assure her it's strictly business.

It's part of the professional requirements — picking up tidbits that you can't learn anywhere else. Besides, most beauty shops would frown on our collecting data there.

Think More Rain!

Here's an example of some valuable information we learned just last week.

A guy walked up and told us he was celebrating his 81st birthday. Guys at the table were considerably younger and started to question him about his general health and energy level. He assured us all we would soon be on the downhill side and riding the brake. Tell me," asked one guy, "As far as romance is concerned, what's the first thing to go when you get older, the desire or stamina?"

"Well," said the birthday fella, "to tell you the truth, in my case it was the memory."

The coffee drinkers eagerly waited for an explanation.

"Yeah," the man sighed. "After I passed 65, every time I mentioned it, my wife she said 'forget it.'"

Think More Rain!

That caused another coffee drinker to tell about his old spinster aunt who sold her king-size bed and installed twin beds in its place.

She explained her action at a family reunion:

"Because every night I look under the bed to see if a man is there. With two beds, my chances are double."

Think More Rain!

Another coffee sipper told about his 87-year-old uncle who liked to play tricks on the nursing home staff.

He asked a nurse if she could guess his age. She told him to drop his drawers and he complied.

Looking at the elderly gent's posterior, the nurse answered, "87."

The old man was amazed and asked, "How'd you know?"

"You told me last night," said the nurse.

God & Country program slated

The public is invited to "A Celebration of God and Country," a program of praise and worship, planned for 6 p.m. Sunday at First Baptist Church.

Guest speakers will include U.S. Rep. Charles Stenholm, State Sen. Tom Haywood, State Rep. David Counts and 132nd District Court Judge Ernie Armstrong.

Guest musician will be Jim Jordan, keyboard specialist with Jent's House of Music.

The purpose of the program is to give thanks to God for the United States and religious freedom.

ASK US

How do you reserve a dump truck from the city to haul off trash?

A—Go to the water department at City Hall and fill out a form to reserve a specific date.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 92 degrees; low, 74; 7 a.m. reading Wednesday, 75; .07 of an inch precipitation; total for 1996, 4.96 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy, 50% chance of storms. Locally heavy rain possible. Low, lower 70s. SE wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, partly cloudy, 30% chance of storms. High, mid 90s. SE wind 10-20 mph.



Rain Possible

Racheal Herrera

Sunset: 8:52 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:41 a.m.
Of 177 days in 1996, the sun has shone 173 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Diverse weights and diverse measures, They are both alike, an abomination to the LORD.

Proverbs 20:10

Boston police seeking Swedish nanny's killer

BOSTON (AP) — A winning $1,500 Swedish lottery ticket gave Karina Holmer the spending money she needed to go to America. The headstrong woman had always dreamed of seeing the world.

A job as a nanny in a Boston suburb would give her that chance — for just three months.

Now, police are looking for a killer who strangled Holmer, 19, cut her body in half and threw the top part in a trash bin behind a Boston apartment building. The lower half of the body hasn't been found.

She was last seen alive early Saturday morning, leaving the trendy Zanzibar nightclub with "an older man," her friends said. Another Swedish nanny who had been at the club said Holmer and the man were "going to an after-hours party."

"The next time I saw her was to identify her body," the woman, who was not identified, told The Boston Globe.

A man scavenging for cans discovered Holmer's remains early Sunday in a black plastic trash bag behind a building not far from the club.

The killer may have been trying to cover up a sex crime, said police sources, speaking on condition of anonymity. Police would not say if the body was clothed.

Holmer had landed a job as a nanny in March with the family of Frank Rapp in Dover, a wealthy community about 15 miles outside Boston.

Rapp, 43, was questioned by police, but said he had been cleared of suspicion. "I am definitely not a suspect," he told the Globe. "My family is completely devastated."

Police on Tuesday searched the Boston building where Rapp, a commercial photographer, had an office and Holmer spent her weekends.

And Dover police said Tuesday they were investigating a Monday night fire in a trash bin near the condominium where the Rapps live and Holmer worked.

"Because of what happened with the nanny's torso being found in the Dumpster ... it seemed a little different, a little odd," said Dover Police Sgt. Jerry Adams.

Adams said three bags of evidence, including some clothing but no body parts, will be turned over to Boston police. It was not immediately clear whether the cloths belonged to Holmer or where the evidence was found.

Neighbors said they often saw Holmer playing with the first-grade boy and toddler girl she had been hired to watch.

"She was friendly," said Atabak Roushanaei. She would wave and say hello but "she was very quiet. I never saw her socializing with the neighbors."

Her father, Ola Holmer, told the Boston Herald that his daughter was "a wonderful girl, a beautiful girl."

Holmer had always wanted to see the world beyond Skillingaryd, about 150 miles southwest of Stockholm. She was chairman of her pony club and was a member of the Swedish equivalent of the Girl Scouts.

"Karina was a tough girl who knew what she wanted to be," said next-door neighbor Iris Hannson.

The scratch lottery ticket was as good as a ticket to America, giving her spending money to socialize, friends said. But friends said the young woman had already decided to return to Sweden in August because she was homesick.

Gerber eliminating starch and sugar from most items

NEW YORK (AP) — Gerber is offering new food it says babies will drool over: a starch- and sugar-free menu intended to help the giant of strained peas and mashed bananas break into the growing "healthy" market.

With the change, 121 of Gerber's 190 products won't contain starch or sugar, giving it the widest variety of baby food without the additives. Some foods for older children will retain starch and sugar; Gerber foods for the youngest babies have never contained the additives.

Gerber Products Co., one of the nation's oldest baby-food processors, developed recipes that not only cut out the unwanted ingredients but "met our high taste and nutrition standards," said Tracy Baker, director of product development. The change will take place over the next six months.

Research shows a growing number of parents want foods for their babies that don't contain the additives, Gerber spokesman Van Hindes said.

He denied the move is related to complaints by the Center for Science in the Public Interest, a consumer advocacy group, that the company deceived the public about the nutritional value of some of its baby foods, which were diluted with water, sugar and chemically modified starch.

Michael Jacobson, the group's executive director, said it was possible Gerber made the change partly to resolve those complaints. Nonetheless, he said, the change is "very good news for babies, and it would be even better if Gerber improved the nutritional content of all of its baby foods."

Gerber, which formally announced the change today, was founded in 1901 and introduced baby food in 1928, building business with the familiar slogan: "Babies are Our Business ... Our Only Business."

After dominating the baby-food section at grocery stores for years, Gerber has lost ground to competitors with "healthy" baby-food lines, including Beech-Nut, a unit of Ralcorp Holdings, Inc.; H. J. Heinz Co.; and Earth's Best, a line of organically grown baby foods Heinz bought this year.

Despite demand for all kinds of so-called healthy foods, baby-food makers have stumbled entering the market.

Beech-Nut dropped its Special Harvest line of organic baby foods in 1993, two years after launching it. Growing Healthy Inc., which produces frozen health food for babies, has never challenged Gerber's dominance.

Part of the problem is price. Organically grown food and food without fillers are more expensive to produce.

While some of Gerber's new food will be more expensive to produce, the company will not pass along the price increases to consumers, Hindes said.

Gerber, based in Fremont, Mich., was acquired by the global healthcare and nutrition company Sandoz of Basel, Switzerland.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Thursday, June 27, 1996

Improvements in your financial affairs could be in store for you in the year ahead, especially if you open a secondary channel to supplement your present income.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Members of the opposite sex may find you even more appealing than usual today. Someone you've tried to impress might go out of his way to help you. 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.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) This will be a good day to tie up the loose ends of a project that has never been completed. You will feel better after you finish what you started.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Your powers of concentration will be more acute than usual today. You will have success when participating in activities which require you to use your mind.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Watch for financial opportunities today. Your chart indicates that you may have a chance to add something significant to your assets.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Pay extra attention to your appearance today because you will attract attention wherever you go. If you make a good impression, you will not be forgotten.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) You can achieve your goals today of you let your companions think that your ideas are theirs. The final result will be all that matters.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Several friends might lean on you a bit more than usual today. Prepare to help them do things they can't accomplish on their own.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you find yourself in a challenging, competitive situation today, don't be intimidated. In fact, you will have an edge over others.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Do everything in your power to profit from experience today. Do not lapse into unproductive patterns that caused problems for you previously.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Today your best asset will be your ability to handle commercial affairs. Profit will be highly probable if you use your insights effectively.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) A loyal and forceful friend will say nice things about you to others today. When this individual speaks, everyone will sit up and take notice.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) The tasks you usually avoid can be managed with relative ease today. Roll up your sleeves and try to get an early start instead of making excuses.

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Date Book

June 26, 1996

Today is the 178th day of 1996 and the seventh day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1918, the "velocipede" was patented; we know the contraption as the bicycle.

On this day in 1945, the United Nations Charter was signed in San Francisco by representatives of 50 nations.

On this day in 1977, Elvis Presley made his last concert appearance, at Market Square Arena in Indianapolis.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Abner Doubleday (1819-1893), U.S. soldier-sportsman; Pearl S. Buck (1892-1973), writer; Peter Lorre (1904-1964), actor; Babe Zaharias (1914-1956), athlete; Claudio Abbado (1933-), conductor, is 63; Greg LeMond (1961-), cycling star, is 35; Jerome Kersey (1962-), basketball player, is 34.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1959, Ingemar Johansson knocked down Floyd Paterson seven times in the third round and won the world heavyweight boxing championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Our society must make it right and possible for old people not to fear the young or be deserted by them, for the test of a civilization is the way that it cares for its helpless members." — Pearl S. Buck

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1969, 19,000 half-pound trout were killed when lightning struck a Minnesota fish hatchery pond.

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TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (June 24) and full moon (June 30).

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Singer's brother found slain

OAK PARK, Mich. (AP) — Police were searching for a couple who had rented the home where the bodies of Diana Ross' brother and a woman were discovered.

Arthur Ross, 47, a songwriter for Marvin Gaye, Madonna and stars from his sister's Motown record label, was found Saturday after neighbors called police to report a foul odor, Lt. John McNeilance said.

Arthur Ross and the woman, who has not been identified, were suffocated, McNeilance said. The bodies were believed to have been in the home since about June 1. Three emaciated pit bulls also were found, police said.

Police wanted to question Ricky Vernon Brooks, 44, and Regina Smith, 36, who rented the suburban Detroit home. Brooks' car was missing, police said, and neighbors said they last saw Brooks and Smith three or four weeks ago.

Arthur Ross was identified by a fingerprint match. His family did not report him missing. He had been scheduled to appear today at a hearing on three charges of possessing a controlled substance.

In a statement released Tuesday, Diana Ross said: "I am shocked and devastated by the loss of my brother, Arthur. I loved him very, very much."

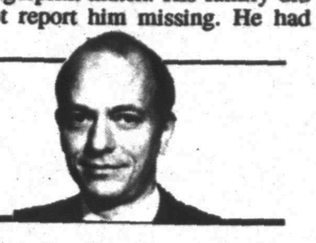
According to the biography "Call Her Miss Ross," Diana Ross got her brother a job as a songwriter with Motown in the 1970s. He wrote songs for the Miracles and Marvin Gaye and recorded his own album in 1978, which sold 12,000 copies.

Madonna also recorded several of Arthur Ross' songs on her latest album, "Something to Remember."

"I know it will just devastate the family," said Mary Wilson, formerly of The Supremes, the Diana Ross-fronted group that had numerous hits in the 1960s.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 06-26-96
♠ 3
♥ 6 4
♦ K Q 7 4
♣ K J 8 7 4 2

West
♠ Q J 10 8 6 2
♥ 9 2
♦ A 10 2
♣ A 3

East
♠ K 7
♥ 8 7 5
♦ J 9 6 3
♣ Q 10 9 5

South
♠ A 9 5 4
♥ A K Q J 10 3
♦ 8 5
♣ 6

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♥	1 ♠	2 ♣	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♥	All pass

Opening lead: ♠ Q

Slowly up, quickly down

By Phillip Alder

What was English poet Lord Byron's full title?

In "The Deformed Transformed," Byron wrote, "What's drinking? A mere pause from thinking!"

Well, at the bridge table, when the dummy has appeared, you should pause to drink in the cards. Don't "wine" if you go down, like today's declarer, because you played too quickly.

Both teams in a match reached four hearts by South. The speedy declarer won the spade lead with his ace, ruffed a spade in the dummy and then paused for thought — too late! He was destined to finish one down.

The second declarer took a long pull on his soda before playing from the dummy at trick one. After winning in hand, he led his singleton club.

If West had won with the ace and switched to a trump, declarer would have won in hand and played a diamond, reaching the 10-trick port one way or another. So, West withheld his ace, hoping declarer would misguess. However, after West's overcall, this wasn't likely. South called for dummy's club king, ruffed a club back to hand and led a diamond to dummy's queen, West correctly playing low. Declarer ruffed a club high in hand, ruffed a spade in the dummy, drew trumps and was gin with one spade, six hearts, one diamond, one club and one spade ruff in the dummy.

A final point: If West leads a trump at trick one, the contract can be defeated. Suppose South wins and plays his club. West goes in with the ace and leads his second trump. As long as West ducks the first diamond, nine tricks are South's limit.

Lord Byron's full title was George Noel Gordon, 6th Baron Byron of Rochdale.

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Inhaler helps identify thief

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — Police say a local man huffed, and he puffed, and he blew his chance at a clean getaway after robbing another man of $37.

William Thomas Luster, 41, might have succeeded at a late Thursday night crime if he hadn't left his shiny asthma inhaler on the victim's dashboard, police said.

According to a police report, Luster flagged down a motorist and offered to sell him a VCR. The unwanted salesman's pitch changed when he presented a "shiny object" and demanded cash.

The driver, expecting the object to be loaded with bullets instead of breathing medication, handed over some money. The robber got the cash, but left behind his puffer.

Police found Luster sweating and breathing heavily at a nearby apartment about a half-hour later, the report continued. The victim identified Luster, who was carrying a spare inhaler similar to the one the motorist found in his car.

Luster was charged with robbery. He was being held Tuesday at the Wichita County Jail on $10,000 bond.

To make 8 songs

NEW YORK (AP) — The artist formerly known as Prince and wife Mayte are preparing for their first child in a very creative way.

The couple plans to record eight children's songs to celebrate the birth of their baby, due in November, the singer's New York-based publicist said Tuesday.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Clotting disorder linked to disease

DEAR DR. GOTT: Many years ago, my father, a very strong and healthy man, died suddenly of purpura hemorrhagica. At that time the doctors were unable to tell us much about it. Can you enlighten me? Is it an hereditary disease and is there a cure?

DEAR READER: In order for blood to clot properly, it must contain millions of little blood cells called platelets, as well as a complex collection of special proteins. A deficiency of one or more of these constituents may lead to uncontrolled hemorrhage. Such was your father's case. His hemorrhagic purpura (bruising) was a manifestation of a severe clotting disorder that eventually caused fatal internal bleeding.

The causes for such a life-threatening reaction are legion: drug reactions, leukemia, AIDS, overwhelming infection, kidney failure, cancer, and many others.

At this stage — so many years after the event — it would be impossible to identify the cause of your father's illness.

Clotting deficiencies are diagnosed by special blood tests.

In many cases, the cause cannot be discovered. However, in this situation, immediate treatment must be provided. Therefore, to buy time and save a life, doctors often use transfusions of clotting factors and platelets.

By supplying the missing constituents, transfusions prevent disseminated hemorrhage and enable physicians to salvage a patient who would have surely died. Once the situation has stabilized, appropriate long-term therapy, such as cortisone or other drugs, is employed.

Some types of clotting disorder may be inherited, but most are acquired as a result of a serious underlying disease. For example, uncontrolled hemorrhage can be associated with bloodstream infection (septicemia).

Once antibiotics have attacked the infection, the coagulation problems disappear. However, until the antibiotics have had time to act, clotting-factor transfusions must be given.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: What happens physiologically in the case of essential tremor? It appears there is a short-circuit somewhere between the brain and the muscles. What progression and deterioration can I expect? Would chiropractic adjustment help?

DEAR READER: No one knows the cause of benign essential tremor, a harmless hereditary condition marked by fine-to-coarse, slow shaking of the head, hands and voice that is often accentuated by stress and the performance of skilled acts.

The affliction is probably not due to a "short-circuit" in the central nervous system, as are many, more serious neurological disorders, such as multiple sclerosis.

Although essential tremor tends to increase with age, it does not lead to deterioration. Small amounts of alcohol or beta-blockers may suppress the tremor, which is not affected in any way by chiropractic manipulation.

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To stand trial

BURBANK, Calif. (AP) — A former clerical officer for the Los Angeles Police Department must stand trial on charges he stalked Richard Lee Jackson of NBC's "Saved By The Bell."

A judge on Monday ordered Eric Lee Purvis to return to court on July 9 for arraignment.

Purvis, 25, is accused of posing as a police officer while visiting the home of the 16-year-old actor in March. Prosecutors said Purvis claimed to be investigating an assault that involved Jackson, but there was never such an assault.

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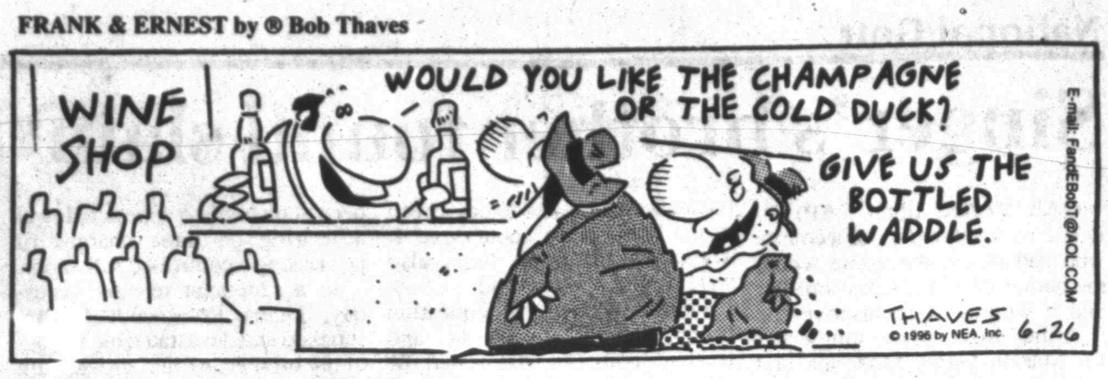
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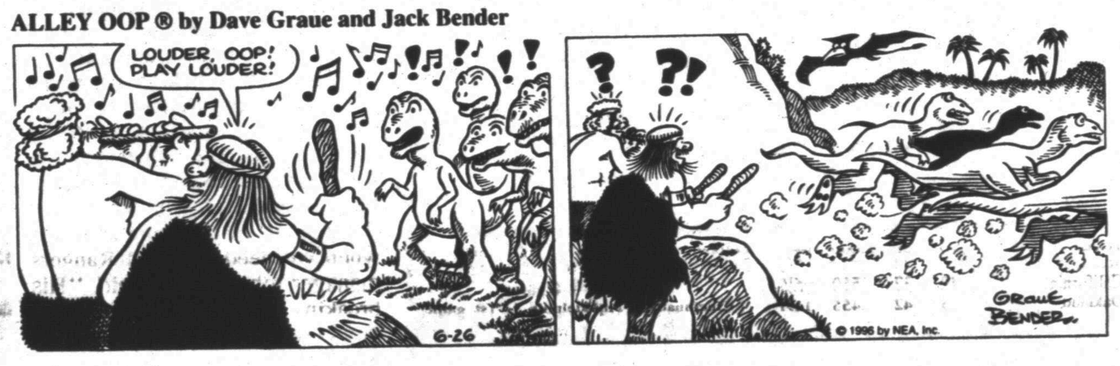
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ACROSS

1 Dec. holiday
5 North Atlantic bird
9 Christian monogram
12 Actress-playwright Gordon
13 Merry tune
14 Caustic substance
15 Utah ski resort
16 Grafted, in heraldry
17 Mimic
18 Pined
20 Stratum
22 Zest
23 Roman 3
24 Eyed amorously
27 Forced
31 Before long
32 Not sweet
33 Lemony drink
34 Illuminated
35 Seven deadly —
36 Winter moisture
37 Not at sea
39 Judges
40 — de France
41 Crusted dessert
42 Lubricated
45 Jewish language
49 Picture licenses, e.g. (abbr.)
50 Press
52 Melancholy
53 Grazing land
54 Deserve
55 Ireland
56 Nevertheless
57 She played Carla
58 Proof of ownership

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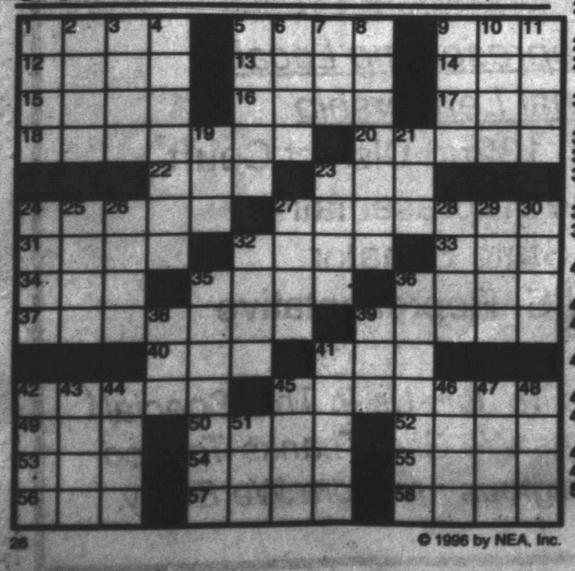
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3 Leaf-cutting ant
4 What

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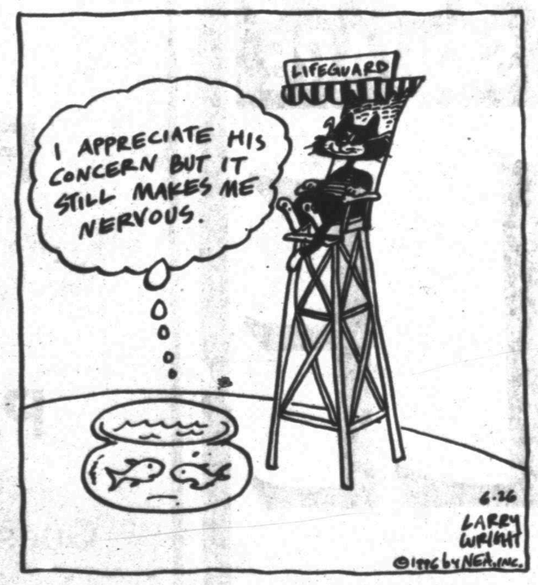
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9 Now — — me ...
10 Exaggerated promotion
11 Fortuneteller
19 Comedian Sparks
21 Sprightly tune
23 Adjective ending
24 European capital
25 Enter (2 wds.)
26 Oodles
27 Ice cream holder
28 Walking stick
29 Esau's country
30 Morning moistures
32 Male parent
35 Warrior
36 Place for planting
38 Move quickly
39 Brought about
41 Portion of the outer ear
42 Slippery
43 — fixe (obsession)
44 Future LL.Bs.' exam
45 Days of —
46 Tennis player Nastase
47 Confident
48 Obey
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SPORTS



SENIOR CHAMPIONS — The Oilers took first place in the Snyder Senior Little League regular season this year. Team members include, front row (L to R), Jared McMillan, Samuel Aviles, Drew Wall and Duane Allred. On the back row are coach Morris Allred, David Sutton, coach David Sutton Sr., Russell Wall, Clint Hook, Josh Ward, David Digby, coach Leon Ward, Mario Gonzales and manager Joel Loper. (Contributed Photo)

Texas continues mastery of Orioles

ARLINGTON (AP) — After tonight's game, the Baltimore Orioles won't miss the Texas Rangers.

"Since we're 9-3, I'd say we've had enough of them," said Orioles manager Davey Johnson, whose club actually slumped to 3-9 against the Rangers following Tuesday night's 5-2 loss.

Kevin Gross and Ivan Rodriguez led the AL West-leading Rangers as they continued their mastery of the Orioles this season. Gross allowed seven hits over 8 1-3 innings and Rodriguez hit two homers.

Gross (8-5) used a sharp breaking ball and spotted his fastball to win for the third time in four starts. Last season, Gross got off to a slow start en route to a 9-15 season, and did not record his eighth victory until his 26th start on Sept. 9.

Early in the summer of 1995, Gross was pitching so poorly that he considered retirement until he was talked out of it by his wife and teammates.

"He has really come around when we needed him," Rangers manager Johnny Oates said. "His breaking ball was his best pitch. He kept it down pretty well all night."

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

By The Associated Press

American League
All Times EDT

East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
NewYork	44	30	.595	—
Baltimore	40	33	.548	3½
Toronto	34	41	.453	10½
Boston	30	44	.405	14
Detroit	22	55	.286	23½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	47	28	.627	—
Chicago	44	32	.579	3½
Milwaukee	37	37	.500	9½
Minnesota	36	39	.480	11
KansasCity	32	44	.421	15½

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	46	30	.605	—
Seattle	39	34	.534	5½
California	40	37	.519	6½
Oakland	35	42	.455	11½

Tuesday's Games

Detroit 10, Oakland 8
Minnesota 6, New York 1, 1st game
New York 6, Minnesota 2, 2nd game
Cleveland 4, Boston 0
Toronto 8, Seattle 7
Chicago 3, California 2
Milwaukee 5, Kansas City 3
Texas 5, Baltimore 2

Wednesday's Games

New York (Key 3-6) at Minnesota (Aguilera 1-2), 1:15 p.m.
Cleveland (Nagy 11-1) at Boston (Clemens 3-6), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Wagner 1-1) at Toronto (Hentgen 7-5), 7:35 p.m.
Milwaukee (Givens 1-2) at Kansas City (Haney 4-6), 8:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Coppinger 2-0) at Texas (Hill 8-5), 8:35 p.m.
Only games scheduled

National League
East Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	48	27	.640	—
Montreal	45	31	.592	3½
Florida	36	40	.474	12½
NewYork	35	41	.461	13½
Philadelphia	31	44	.413	17

Central Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	39	39	.500	—
St.Louis	37	38	.493	½
Chicago	36	40	.474	2
Cincinnati	33	38	.465	2½
Pittsburgh	35	41	.461	3

West Division

	W	L	Pct.	GB
LosAngeles	41	36	.532	—
SanDiego	39	38	.506	2
Colorado	37	37	.500	2½
SanFrancisco	36	38	.486	3½

Tuesday's Games

Cincinnati 9, Philadelphia 1, 1st game
Cincinnati 3, Philadelphia 1, 2nd game
Florida 5, San Francisco 4, 10 innings
Montreal 8, Pittsburgh 2
New York 3, Colorado 2
Atlanta 4, St. Louis 3
Chicago 2, Los Angeles 0
Houston 9, San Diego 4

Wednesday's Games

San Francisco (Watson 6-7) at Florida (Brown 6-5), 1:35 p.m.
Colorado (Reynoso 4-6) at New York (Harnisch 4-4), 1:40 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Darwin 5-7) at Montreal (Cormier 3-4), 7:35 p.m.
Philadelphia (Williams 1-5) at Cincinnati (Salkeld 3-2), 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Alan Benes 6-4) at Atlanta (Avery 6-6), 7:40 p.m.
Chicago (Navarro 5-7) at Los Angeles (Candiotti 5-6), 10:35 p.m.
Houston (Wall 5-0) at San Diego (Tl.Worrell 5-2), 10:35 p.m.

Seeded players continue to fall at Wimbledon

WIMBLEDON, England (AP) — The wipeout of men's seeds resumed at Wimbledon today, with No. 9 Thomas Enqvist ousted in the second round by MaliVai Washington.

The 20th-ranked American, playing some of his best grass-court tennis, beat Enqvist 6-4, 7-6 (7-5), 6-3 to reach the third round for the first time in seven appearances at Wimbledon.

It was the second straight early Grand Slam exit for Enqvist, a Swede ranked ninth in the world. He lost in the first round of the French Open to Richey Reneberg.

"He hits such big shots," said Washington, who finished the match with an ace. "I was just hoping he wasn't going to get on a roll and start a big comeback."

Enqvist undermined his own chances by serving 14 double faults.

"On grass the key is to serve well," he said. "I played all right from the baseline but my serve was terrible."

Enqvist's elimination means only four of top 10 seeds remain. No. 3 Andre Agassi, No. 5 Yevgeny Kafelnikov, No. 6 Michael Chang and No. 8 Jim Courier all lost in the first round, while No. 7 Thomas Muster withdrew before the tournament with an injury.

Two other U.S. players joined Washington in the third round today, both at the expense of fellow Americans.

Todd Martin, the 13th seed, beat Jim Grabb in straight sets, 6-2, 6-4, 7-6 (7-5). And Doug Flach, the 281st-ranked qualifier who stunned Agassi in the first round, continued his run with a 2-6, 6-3, 6-3, 6-4 win over Jared Palmer.

"After beating Andre, I felt as much pressure to play well today to show that it wasn't a fluke," Flach said. "I got off to a slow start but ended up playing a really good match."

In women's play, fifth-seeded Anke Huber routed Pam Shriver 6-2, 6-1 on Centre Court. It may have been the last Wimbledon singles match for the 33-year-old Shriver, a wild-card entry playing here for the 17th time.

Odessa College bans athletic scholarships for foreign students

ODESSA (AP) — Odessa College regents have banned athletic scholarships for foreign athletes.

The decision Tuesday night frustrated OC president Vance Gipson, who went to the board because foreign athletes have participated for the past 18 years at Odessa College under stricter guidelines than required by the National Junior College Athletic Association.

By a 7-1 vote, regents approved administrators' request for a limited participation by foreign students at OC, but the board then added three more stipulations and finally amended the motion to forbid any athletic scholarship money to a foreign athlete.

"What was asked of the board was for it to give us some clarification on the issue since NJCAA policy has changed over the years," Gipson said.

"What we were doing was allowing foreign students to participate if they had graduated from a U.S. high school, but that was actually somewhat against the policy that was passed so many years ago.

"What we're going to have to do now is to sit down and scratch out the amendments to the amendments and iron out exactly what our policy is. We would have liked to have had about 30 more minutes to discuss the policy in full so that we could iron out all the stipulations."



BASE RUNNING INSTRUCTION — Fifteen baseball players were attending the Ray Burris School of Baseball clinic taking place Tuesday at Moffett Field. Talking to the players is Burris, far right, on the fundamentals of base running. Burris pitched 15 years in the majors for Oakland, New York Yankees and Chicago Cubs. He was the Texas Rangers pitching coach in 1992 where he coached Nolan Ryan. The camp concluded today. (SDN Staff Photo by Brent Taylor)

Western Texas MGA winners

There were 10 winners in Monday's Western Texas College Men's Golf Association play.

Winners in each group of the Skins game format were Curtis Fletcher, Tommy Baker and Don Johnson, Wayne Monroney, Mike Rodriguez, Tommy Hunter, Harley Bynum, Max von Roeder, George Clark and Mark Harless.

XXVI COUNTDOWN TO ATLANTA

VII Olympiad 1920, Antwerp

The Olympic quadrennial, scheduled for Berlin in 1916, was interrupted by World War I—the so-called "War to End All Wars," which had involved 28 countries and killed nearly 10 million troops in four years.

The four-year cycle of Olympiads—Berlin would have been the sixth—is still counted, however, even though the Games were not played.

Less than two years after the armistice, the Olympics resumed in Belgium, a symbolic and austere choice considering it had been occupied for four years by enemy forces. Still, 29 countries (one more than participated in the war) sent a record 2,600 athletes to the Games. Germany and Austria, the defeated enemy of Belgium and the Allies, were not invited.

The United States turned in the best overall team performance, winning 41 gold medals, but the talk of the Games was 23-year-old distance runner Paavo Nurmi of Finland. Nurmi won the 10,000-meter run and 8,000-meter cross-country, took a third gold in the team cross-country and silver in the 5,000-meter run. In all, Finland won nine track and field gold medals to break the U.S. dominance in the sport.

Elsewhere, Albert Hill of Britain made his Olympic debut at age 36 and won both the 800 and 1,500-meter runs. World record holder Charley Paddock of the U.S. won the 100 meters, but was upset in the 200 by teammate Allan Woodring, who was a last-minute addition to the team.

In swimming, the U.S. won 11 of 15 events, led by triple gold medalist Norman Ross and Ethelda Bleibtrey, defending men's 100-meter freestyle champion Duke Kahanamoku and 14-year-old springboard diving champion Aileen Riggin.

The Antwerp Games were also noteworthy for the introduction of the Olympic oath—uttered for the first time by Belgium fencer Victor Bion—and the Olympic flag, with its five multicolored, intersecting rings.

Team USA led the medal hunt with 95 (41 gold, 27 silver and 27 bronze) while Sweden was second with 64 (19 gold). Two Americans, Willis Lee and Lloyd Spooner each won seven medals in the shooting competition. Lee brought home five golds, a silver and a bronze while Spooner captured four golds, a silver and two bronze.

Americans set seven world records and tied an Olympic record. In team sports, America was victorious in Rugby.

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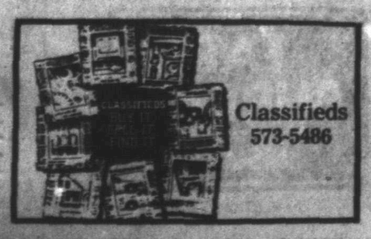
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New York's finest log twin victories

NEW YORK (AP) — Not since the arrest of "Son of Sam" gunman David Berkowitz in the mid-1970s have New York police solved a string of cases that gripped the big city with such a combination of fear and fascination.

Relying on a combination of science, investigative skills and surprise confessions, the NYPD cracked two major cases in a week, charging one man in a murder-assault spree and another in the "Zodiac" attacks of several years ago.

The successes came in part because New York cops are "becoming more proactive, rather than reactive," said Thomas Reppetto, executive director of the Citizens Crime Commission, a private watchdog group.

New Yorkers were typically blase. Some questioned on the street Tuesday said the arrests were impressive, but didn't increase their feeling of security.

"I figure that for every two (arrested) there's 102 more out there," said a city worker who identifed herself only as Barbara.

"I'm pleased that they solved the crimes, but it doesn't make me feel safer. They didn't threaten my security," said Howard Harrington, an aide to a city council member.

Like Berkowitz, who was nailed through a parking ticket, the latest culprits drew attention when they were accused of lesser deeds than murder. Their fingerprints became their undoing.

John Royster had been arrested and his prints taken in March when he jumped a subway turnstile. Experts matched his fingerprints to one found at a dry cleaners where owner Evelyn Alvarez had been beaten to death June 11.

On June 13, a detective questioning Royster about that crime steered the conversation toward a similar assault one week before Mrs. Alvarez' death, in which a woman was sexually assaulted and beaten into a coma.

The detective bluffed, mentioning that Royster's prints might have been found at that scene. "How do you know about that?" Royster answered, according to police.

After kneeling down to pray, Royster abruptly confessed to the Alvarez slaying as well as three other brutal beatings of women during an eight-day rampage, authorities say.

For Mayor Rudolph Giuliani and former Police Commissioner William Bratton, his arrest validated their theory that cracking down on "quality of life" crimes — begging, graffiti, turnstile jumping — would lead to bigger things.

Bratton also credited the "just ask" policy under which detectives routinely expand questioning of suspects beyond the immediate crime.

The case was still in the headlines June 18, when police responding to a shooting in Brooklyn became involved in a three-hour siege that ended with the arrest of Heriberto Seda, 28.

His case seemed routine until Detective Sgt. Joseph Herbert, a one-time member of a Zodiac task force, happened to get a look at Seda's written statement.

Scrawled words and symbols — especially a cross ringed by numbers — "jumped right off the page," said Herbert, one of three detectives promoted Monday for their work on the case. The symbols resembled those on letters written by "Zodiac," the mysterious gunman who had terrorized the city in 1990 by killing three people and wounding five, claiming he chose his victims by their astrological signs.

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	High	Low	Last	
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AT&T Corp	62	61⅛	61⅛	— ⅛
AirTouch	28⅛	28⅛	28⅛	+ ⅛
Albertsons	41⅞	41⅜	41⅜	+ ⅛
Alldsignal	57⅞	56⅞	57⅛	+ ⅛
Alltel	29¾	29¼	29⅝	— ⅛
AmStores	38⅛	37	37⅛	— ⅛
Ameritech	58⅜	57⅛	57⅜	— ⅛
Amoco	73¼	73⅛	73½	+ ⅛
AndarkPtr	55⅛	53¾	55⅛	+1¼
Armcolnc		5	4⅞	5
AtlRichfld	120⅞	120⅛	120⅜	— ⅛
ATMOS Egy	26⅛	26⅛	26⅛	— ⅛
Aviall		9	9	9
BakerHughes	32¼	31⅛	32¼	+ ⅛
BellAtl	61⅜	61⅛	61⅜	+ ⅛
BellSouth s	40⅛	40	40⅛	— ⅛
BethSteel		11⅛	11⅛	11⅛
BritPet	105⅛	104⅛	105⅛	+1
BurlNoSFe		80⅛	80⅛	80⅛
Caterpillar	68⅛	68	68⅛	+ ⅛
CenSoWst	28	27⅛	27⅛	+ ⅛
Chevron	60⅛	59⅞	60⅛	— ⅛
Chrysler	64⅛	63⅜	63⅞	+ ⅛
Chrysterwi	32¼	32⅛	32⅛	+ ⅛
Coastal	41⅛	41⅜	41⅜	— ⅛
CocaColas	49⅛	48¾	49⅜	+ ⅛
ColgatePalm	85⅛	85⅛	85⅜	— ⅛
ComclMetals		32⅛	32	32⅛
Cooperln	42⅜	42⅛	42⅛	— ⅛
CyprusAmax	24⅛	23⅞	23⅞	— ⅛
DallSemicn	18⅛	18⅛	18⅛	— ⅛
DeltaAirl	82½	82⅛	82⅛	— ⅛
DigitalEq	42⅜	41⅞	42⅛	—1⅛
Dillard	36	35⅛	35½	— ⅛
DowChem	79¾	79¾	79⅜	— ⅛
DresserInd	28⅛	28⅜	28⅛	+ ⅛
DuPont	80	79⅜	79½	+ ⅛
EastmanChem	61⅛	61⅛	61⅜	+ ⅛
EstKodak	78⅛	78	78⅛	— ⅜
EDS Corp		54⅜	54⅜	54⅜
ElijerInd		11	10⅞	11
Enserch	21⅛	21⅛	21⅛	+ ⅛
Entergy		27⅛	27⅜	27⅛
Exxon	87⅛	86⅜	86⅛	+ ⅛
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FordMotor	32⅛	32⅛	32⅜	— ⅜
GTE Cp	44	43⅜	43⅛	+ ⅜
GenDynam	64	63¼	63⅜	— ½
GenElec	87⅛	87⅛	87⅜	— ⅜
GenMills		54	53½	53¾
GenMotors	53⅛	52⅜	52⅜	— ⅛
GaPacif	74	73¼	73⅛	— ⅜
GlobalMar	15	14⅜	15	+ ⅜
Goodrichs	37⅛	37⅜	37⅛	+ ⅛
Goodyear s	47⅛	47⅜	47⅜	— ⅛
GtAtlPac	33⅜	33¼	33⅜	— ⅛
Haliburtn	55	54⅝	55	+1
Hanson ADS	13⅜	13⅜	13⅛	+ ⅛
HarteHanks s		26⅛	26⅜	26⅛
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IBM	100⅛	99⅝	99⅛	— ⅛
IntlPapers		38⅛	38⅛	38⅛
JohnsnJn s	49⅝	49⅛	49⅛	— ⅛
K mart		12⅜	12	12⅛
Kroger	40⅛	40	40⅛	+ ⅛
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Medtronics	55⅜	53	53⅜	—2⅛
Mobil	114⅝	113⅜	114⅛	+ ⅛
Monsanto s	32	31⅛	31⅜	— ⅛
Motorola	62⅛	61⅛	61⅜	—1

Midday Stocks

Nationsbk	81⅛	81	81⅛	+ ⅛
Navistar		9⅛	9⅛	9⅛
NoramEngy		10⅛	10⅛	10⅛
Norwest	34⅛	34⅛	34⅛	— ⅛
Nynex	46⅛	45⅞	46⅛	+ ⅛
OryxEngy	16⅛	15⅞	16⅛	+ ⅛
PacTelesis		33⅛	33⅛	33⅛
PanEnergy	32⅛	32⅛	32⅛	— ⅛
Penney JC	51⅛	51⅛	51⅜	— ⅛
Penzzoil	45⅛	45	45⅛	— ⅛
PepBoys	34⅛	34	34	— ⅛
PepsiCo s	35	34⅞	34⅞	— ⅛
PhelpDodge	64⅛	63⅜	63⅜	— ⅛
PhilipPet	41⅜	41⅛	41½	+ ⅛
PilgrmPrd	8¼	8⅛	8⅛	— ⅛
Polaroid	45⅛	45⅛	45⅜	— ⅛
Praxair	40⅜	40⅛	40⅜	— ⅛
ProctGamble	93⅜	92⅛	93⅜	+ ⅛
PubSNwMx	19⅜	19⅛	19¼	+ ⅛
RoyalDutch	153⅜	152⅛	153	+ ⅜
SBC Comm		49⅛	48⅜	48⅛
SaraLee	32⅛	32⅛	32⅜	— ⅛
SearsRoebs	49	48⅛	48⅛	— ⅜
SherwinW	46⅜	46	46	— ⅛
SmthBchADS	54⅛	53⅜	54⅛	+ ⅜
SouthernCo		23⅛	23⅜	23⅛
SwstAirlines		29⅜	29	29⅛
Sprint	40⅜	40⅜	40½	— ⅛
SterlingChm	11⅛	11⅛	11⅛	— ⅛
SunCo		29⅛	29⅜	29⅜
TNP Ent	27⅛	26⅛	27⅛	+ ⅛
Tandy	46⅛	46⅜	46⅜	— ⅛
TempIni		47⅞	47⅞	47⅞
Tenneco		50⅛	49⅜	50⅛
Texaco	85⅛	84½	85⅛	+ ⅛
TexasInd	65⅜	64⅛	65⅜	+ ⅛
TexasInsts	51	50⅛	50⅜	— ⅛
TexUtil	41½	41¼	41½	+ ⅛
Textron	80⅛	79⅛	79⅛	—1
Travelers s		45	44¼	45
TrinityInds	34	33⅛	33⅜	— ⅛
TritonEngy	47⅞	47⅞	47⅞	— ⅛
Tyler		2⅛	2⅛	2⅛
US WestCm s	31⅛	31⅛	31⅛	+ ⅛
USWstMda n		17⅝	17¼	17⅜
USX Delhi		11⅛	11⅛	11⅛
USX-Marathn	20½	20¼	20⅜	+ ⅛
USX-USS	29¼	28⅛	29	+ ⅛
UnCarbde	42⅞	42⅛	42½	+ ⅛
UnPac	69⅞	69⅛	69⅜	— ⅛
UnitedTech	116⅛	115⅛	115½	+ ⅛
Unocal	32⅛	32	32⅛	+ ⅜
WalMart	25⅛	25⅛	25⅜	— ⅛
WstnGasRs	15⅜	15⅛	15⅜	+ ⅛
WestghEl	20	19⅛	19⅛	— ⅛
WinnDixie s	35⅜	34⅜	35⅛	+ ⅜
Woolworth	21⅞	21⅛	21⅜	— ⅛
XeroxCp s	52⅛	51⅜	51⅜	—1⅛
ZenithE	12⅛	11⅜	12	— ⅛

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Amy Patton, 2209 27th; Jose Rosas, P.O. Box 522.

DISMISSALS: Mary Sands and baby; Dorothy Broker, Jonathan Tate.

CENSUS: 47 (Med., Surg.-12, Long-term Care-35).

CONGRATULATIONS
Rudy & Anniece on your First Anniversary at "Rudy's" May you have many more. You're #1 in my books.
"Mrs. Uppity"

Scurry County Country



Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Those who eat together also must plan and organize to make it happen. For families used to grab-bing food and taking off, freeway dining, or dinners in front of the television, a return to the family table requires renewed priorities and commitment by all members.

These suggestions can help families plan meals together:

•Start with one meal each week. Make it the top priority whether it is brunch on Saturday or a traditional Sunday dinner. Make sure it is a planned event. Once the family becomes accustomed to one shared meal each week, gradually add a second or third mealtime together.

•Hold a family meeting each week, deciding on the days and times that will work around children and parents activities and meetings. Write down meals on the family calendar like any other scheduled event.

•Build creativity and flexibility into your mealtime plans. At times you may have to replace the "6 p.m. supper" with dessert around the table at 8 p.m. Or eat cold sandwiches on the grass at the ballpark.

•Establish rules about proper topics and appropriate conversation to keep mealtime positive. Negative discussions will inevitably lead to conflict.

•Focus on each other, not the food. Allow children to eat until they are full without forcing "one more bite" or a clean plate. Most experts agree that children develop healthy eating attitudes when they can choose from a variety of nutritious offerings — and not by force or coercion.

•Make mealtime fun. Laugh together, share funny stories, wear quirky clothes, celebrate your cultural/ethnic heritage, or start your own silly traditions.

Aside from the joy that mealtime sharing brings today, parents also will fill their child's memory with the special thoughts that only family togetherness can bring.

Diversified

By Terry J. Millican, Extension County Agent.

Irrigation Systems For Xeriscape Landscape

There are two types of irrigation systems for use in landscapes — sprinkler irrigation and drip irrigation. Within a Xeriscape, use a combination of these two systems in watering lawns, trees, shrubs, ground-covers and flowers.

The goal of an irrigation system is to give the plants a sufficient amount of water without waste. In addition, by zoning the irrigation system, higher water requirement plantings can be watered separately from lower water requirement areas.

Sprinkler irrigation is the most commonly used method of watering. The two kinds of sprinkler irrigation systems are the hose-end sprinkler and the permanent underground system with raised sprinkler heads.

The differences in these two sprinkler systems are in the cost, convenience and efficiency. Permanent, sprinkler systems are much more expensive than hose-end sprinkers. Yet the permanent system is much more convenient and can be much more efficient in applying the water.

The major advantage for sprinkler irrigation is in lawn watering. A sprinkler system, hose-end or permanent, is the most widely accepted way to water a turfgrass area.

However, there are some drawbacks to sprinkler irrigation. First, sprinklers wet the plants, as well as the soil. Water which remains on a plant through the night increases disease susceptibility. Therefore, sprinkler irrigation should be used early in the day to allow time for the plant leaf surface to dry before nightfall.

Another disadvantage of sprinkler irrigation occurs on windy days. Watering in as little as a five mile per hour wind will distribute the water unevenly over the soil surface and cause a great deal of evaporation.

Perhaps the most efficient way to water the home landscape is with a properly designed and well-maintained drip irrigation system. Drip irrigation slowly applies water to soil. Water flows under low pressure through emitters laid alongside the plants.

Water applied by drip irrigation has little chance of waste through evaporation or runoff. The water is applied directly to the plant's root zone. This also eliminates waste from applying water to unplanted or weedy areas.

Overall irrigation requirements will vary according to plant species, soil type, rainfall and temperature. Established, well-adapted plants require less frequent watering than newly planted trees and shrubs. A minimum length of time to operate a drip irrigation system is three hours. However, it may take six to twelve hours to thoroughly wet the root zone of an established large shrub or small tree.

Covering the drip system with mulch is often recommended to hide the drip tubing from view and add to the life expectancy of the system.



TOP 4-H STUDENTS — Niki Claborn, Mark Cave and Jenise Judah, left to right, were among the local students who participated in the Texas State 4-H Roundup earlier this month. Also attending was Will Collier, not pictured. (Contributed Photo)



The Emu Report

By Shirley Pate, Pate Emu Farm

LOW MORTALITY PERIOD

Dr. Bradley described the period between ten days and three days before hatch as a period of very low mortality.

"At this time, there is very slow growth and the embryo is putting on weight, size and fat but without a lot of changing," explained Dr. Bradley. "Any mortality that occurs can be picked up during the second candling, it is often diagnosed as a nutritional problem."

LATE MORTALITY

In the last three days of incubation there are many changes taking place in the embryo. Dr. Bradley says this is the period during which the embryo must take the remaining yolk into its body and form a good seal, pull its head up from between its thighs and get in the proper position, and pip into the air cell and begin breathing with its lungs for the first time.

At this point, the real work begins when the chick begins breaking out of the confinement of the shell. While the chick is doing all of these embryonic gymnastics, there are a lot of things that can go wrong.

"We see an elevated amount of mortality during these last three days," confirmed Dr. Bradley. "Evaluations during this period can again be associated with environmental problems within your machine. It could be due to a failure to turn the eggs during the first part of incubation, or the mistake of continuing to turn the eggs during the last three days. Or, it could be an infection in your breeder stock."

By candling and breaking out those eggs, you will be able to get a head start on combating any problems that may arise on your operation. Dr. Bradley encourages producers to maintain detailed, accurate records to serve as a reference in future seasons.

Producers strive to produce the largest quantity of high quality stock and the potential problems that might interfere with those goals can be eliminated and often prevented with good management practices.

With the information in this series of articles by Dr. Bradley and a candler maybe we can improve our hatch and utilize our incubator better. For further information call Pate Emu Farm, 573-5340.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 759 head of cattle at the Saturday, June 22, sale. Feeder, stocker steers and heifers were $1 higher. Packer cows were $1 to $2 higher. Bulls were $2 to $3 higher. Pairs were steady.

Stocker and feeder steers: 200 to 300, 50 to 67; 300 to 400, 48 to 65; 400 to 500, 48 to 66; 500 to 600 46 to 61; 600 to 750, 48 to 58.

Stocker and feeder heifers: 200 to 300, 43 to 59; 300 to 400, 42 to 56; 400 to 500, 44 to 52; 500 to 600, 42.50 to 55; 600 to 750, 43 to 56.50.

Packer bulls: 35 to 46.

Packer cows: 25 to 37.50.

Pairs: 275 to 510.

Bred cows 6 to 8 mo.: 275 to 390.

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 546 head of cattle for the Thursday, June 20, sale. Cows were $1 to $2 better. Yearlings and calves were $1-$2 cheaper. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows High dressing, cutters, utility 28 to 37; Canner and low cutters 24 to 29.50; Slaughter bulls 35 to 46.

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 55 to 62.50; 400 to 500, 55 to 60; 500 to 600, 52 to 58; 600 to 700, 53 to 57; 700 to 800, 52 to 57.

Feeder heifers choice: 300 to 400, 45 to 55; 400 to 500, 46 to 50; 500 to 600, 46 to 50; 600 to 700, 45 to 51; 700 to 800, 45 to 50.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 45 to 55; 700 to 800, 43 to 50.

Cow and calf pairs: good 300 to 450 grade 250 to 300

Springers: 200 to 425; baby calves 50 to 100; doodlers 50 to 125.

Sweetwater cattle auction

The market at Sweetwater had a run of 602 head of cattle for the Wednesday, June 19, sale. All stocker and feeder cattle were steady with packer cows and bulls 2 to 3 cwt higher. Pairs and bred cows steady.

STEERS

300-400: 58-66
400-500: 54-61
500-600: 52-62
600-700: 51-59

HEIFERS

300-400: 45-54
400-500: 45-54
500-600: 42-53.50
600-700: 46-54

BRED COWS

Good: 300-350
Older and Plainer: 225-350

PAIRS

Good: 450-520
Older Plainer: 300-450

PACKER COWS

Good: 31-38
Low Yielding: 22-31

PACKER BULLS

Good: 38-41
Low Yielding: 32-38

Gene Tunney, the heavyweight boxing champion of 1926-1928, was well-versed enough in Shakespeare's works to present a lecture on that subject at Yale University.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

High court: VMI must admit women

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today said the all-male Virginia Military Institute must admit women or give up its state funding, ruling 7-1 that a separate program offered to women does not provide an equal education.

"Women seeking and fit for a VMI-quality education cannot be offered anything less, under the state's obligation to afford them genuinely equal protection," Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote for the court.

The ruling also will affect The Citadel, South Carolina's state military school, which has a similar all-male policy and a similar alternative program for women.

The Citadel was ordered by a federal court last year to admit a woman, Shannon Faulkner, but after less than a week in the school's cadet corps, she dropped out, citing stress and isolation.

The state-supported VMI's all-male policy violates women's constitutional right to equal protection, the high court said.

"Neither the goal of producing citizen-soldiers nor VMI's implementing methodology is inherently unsuitable to women," Ginsburg wrote.

"There is no reason to believe that the admission of women capable of all the activities required of VMI cadets would destroy the institute rather than enhance its capacity to serve the more perfect union," she said.

Justice Antonin Scalia, the lone dissenter, wrote, "Today the court shuts down an institution that has served the people of the commonwealth of Virginia with pride and distinction for over a century and a half."

"I do not think any of us, women included, will be better off for its destruction," he said. Scalia said he believed today's ruling could shut off all government support for single-sex education.

"It's not surprising," Gov. George Allen of Virginia said on his monthly radio show. "We will comply with the opinion."

"It's a great tragedy," said Robert Patterson, a VMI graduate and one of the attorneys who represented VMI.

Even though it ruled against VMI's all-male tradition, the court turned down the Clinton administration's bid for a ruling that sex-discrimination cases must be judged by the same strict legal standard used in race-bias cases.

FBI memo: prosecutor eyed indicting staff of travel office

WASHINGTON (AP) — An FBI electronic mail message released today by congressional investigators suggests federal prosecutors were interested in indicting fired White House travel office head Billy Dale before the 1994 elections.

Dale was acquitted of charges he embezzled money from the White House travel office in what Republicans have repeatedly portrayed as a political prosecution aimed at justifying the Clinton White House's bungled May 1993 firings of the entire travel office staff.

The White House has acknowledged the firings were improper and President Clinton has apologized.

The episode, however, has been rekindled by the recent revelation that the White House gathered hundreds of FBI background files on many Republicans and former employees, including Dale.

Weeks before Dale's indictment in the fall of 1994, an electronic mail message between two FBI employees quoted, fourth-hand, the lead Justice Department prosecutor suggesting he wanted the indictment.

"I contacted Jane who advised that she was advised by SA (FBI special agent) Pam Bombardi, that (Department of Justice) trial attorney Stuart Goldberg had stated that she was to 'do the indictment before the elections, probably on Oct. 4, 1994," the E-Mail from FBI employee Gregory Meacham said.

Later the memo states that "it may be that DOJ intended to fix the time of the indictment for early October" after giving Dale's new defense team 60 days to review the case. It added that prosecutors were "ready to indict in August, and nothing has happened to change their position."

Goldberg's office referred calls to the Justice Department's public affairs office, which had no immediate comment.

Dale was not indicted until Dec. 7, 1994, a month after the elections.

The chairman of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee opened a hearing into the FBI files search mishap today by raising concerns about the language in the memo.

On Tuesday, the White House staved off another potentially embarrassing episode: a contempt-of-Congress vote over travel office documents.

House Republicans called off the threatened vote after the White House agreed to let some lawmakers view 2,000 pages of the subpoenaed documents concerning the 1993 travel office firings, for which President Clinton had claimed executive privilege.

Festival

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Tickets are $15 per person per day at the coliseum box office. Children under 15 are admitted free with an adult.

There is no charge for festival-goers who want to join in on the impromptu jamming outside in the parking lot each evening. There will be a lot of that, organizers say.

Some 13 booths are open to festival-goers, featuring arts and crafts, clothing, stringed instruments, memorabilia and other items.

Among the artists performing will be Peewee Whitewing and the Heart O' Texas Band, Dave Alexander and the Legends of Western Swing, Buddie Hrabal and Memory Lane, Don McCalister and the Texas Rhythm Kings, Ted Scanlon The Desperados, King of Swing, J.D. Barham & Cowjazz, Terry Sneed & Up The Creek and Fiddlers Two & Friends.

Nomination

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registered voters within the county. Those wishing to file as an independent have until mid-July to do so.

Whomever is elected will serve the remainder of the term vacated by Ms. Billingsley, who has announced that she is resigning effective Dec. 31.

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Obituaries

Carmel Castillo

1907-1996

Service is set for 2 p.m. Thursday in Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church for Carmel Gonzales Castillo, 89, who died Monday, June 24, in an El Paso hospital.

Officiating will be Fr. Patrick Maher. Burial will follow in the Snyder Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born in Fredericksburg, she married Antonio Castillo on Aug. 1, 1933 in Fredericksburg. He died in 1972. Mrs. Castillo was a housewife and a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Snyder.

Survivors include a daughter, Manuela Juanita Castillo of El Paso, and a grandson and his wife, Roger and Bealissa Vallez of El Paso.

Mrs. Castillo was preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

Rosary is set for 7 tonight in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Chapel.

Tuesday, today...

Six booked into jail

Four people were arrested Tuesday while two others were taken into custody early this morning by local law enforcement agencies.

Following a disturbance call at 8:44 p.m. Tuesday, officers arrested two people in the 1100 block of 28th Street. Taken into custody were a 64-year-old male for public intoxication and a 53-year-old male for public intoxication and outstanding warrants for public intoxication and failure to appear.

Two males, age 21 and 31, were arrested at 11:33 p.m. in the 800 block of 32nd Street on misdemeanor possession of marijuana charges. The 31-year-old was also charged with public intoxication.

Two people were arrested at 2:51 a.m. today at the American Motor Inn for public intoxication. Taken into custody were a 26-year-old male for public intoxication and a 36-year-old female for public intoxication and failure to identify.

In other activity Tuesday, officers were notified at 9:10 a.m. of two purses being found behind a building in the 4200 block of College Avenue. An offense report for burglary of a vehicle was submitted as the purses were removed from a parked vehicle at the Dairy Queen on South College Monday night. The vehicle belonged to Tracie McDowell.

A case was reported cleared at 9:35 a.m. in reference to a scanner being taken from the J.W. Chamness residence on June 20. A subject has been identified and the case has been forwarded to the county attorney.

At 9:47 a.m. Tuesday, officers were notified of a shoplifter at the Lawrence IGA at 30th Street and College Avenue. An offense report for Class C theft was submitted.

At 11:01 a.m., Elias Torres reported the theft of a tire from his pickup while it was parked at 3722 Avenue U. An offense report for Class B theft was submitted.

A burglary of a vehicle report was submitted at 11:10 a.m. Tuesday in reference to someone breaking into a vehicle owned by Regina Gutierrez while it was parked at the Pizza Hut.

Frank Pinkerton, 708 27th St., notified officers at 11:40 a.m. that someone had broken into his vehicle sometime Monday night.

An offense report for family violence was submitted at 5:49 p.m. in reference to an incident that occurred on Friday.

Chris Denson notified officers at 6:07 p.m. of the theft of a mobile telephone. He said the telephone had been taken about a month ago.

An offense report for Class C theft was submitted at 6:18 p.m. in reference to Heidi Castro reporting the theft of two compact discs from her residence at the Kingswood Apartments. She said the incident occurred three or four weeks ago.

Tommy Hull reported the theft of a bicycle from 1801 Avenue I at 6:20 p.m.

An officer was requested at 7:45 p.m. at Tommy's Place, 3501 Ave. M, in reference to a disturbance. A warning ticket was issued for criminal trespass.

A report of juveniles popping firecrackers in the 3000 block of 39th Street was made at 8:10 p.m.

An offense report for criminal mischief was submitted at 11:50 p.m. in reference to tires being cut on a vehicle at 200 26th Street.

Eradication meeting set for Thursday

Cotton growers in the Rolling Plains who have questions about assessments and the status of the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Program can have them answered here Thursday.

The Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation has scheduled an information session for 7 o'clock at the Senior Center.

Because of recent extreme weather conditions in many areas of the 19-county Rolling Plains Zone, the Foundation's board of directors has approved a plan to offer refunds for failed acres and discounts for early payments, said Frank Myers, Foundation executive director.

Program personnel will answer questions about the assessment plan, including an explanation of refunds and discounts and to offer a general update on program operations.

What's Up?

Cogdell board to convene

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will meet at 8 a.m. Thursday to consider routine items. A medical staff report, May financial report, transfer report and accounts payable are on the agenda, as is a board orientation concerning performance improvement activities.

Kmart exes slate meeting

All Kmart ex-employees are invited to a meeting at 7 p.m. Thursday at Rudy's to plan for the annual picnic-reunion.

Bake sale is planned

AARP Chapter 2063 will have a bake sale Satuday at Wal-Mart, beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Ira cheerleaders raising funds

Ira cheerleaders are offering chances for a $100 prize. For more information or tickets, call cheerleader sponsor Tracy Dickerhoff at 573-0258.

HHS seniors selling ice cream

Hermleigh High School seniors will be selling homemade ice cream and drinks at the Fourth of July Celebration at Towle Park from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on July 4.

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: PageMaker, June 26-27; and Windows '95, July 10-11. Times for all sessions are 1-4 p.m.

SHS Class of 1986

Snyder High School Class of 1986 will hold its reunion on Aug. 17. Current addresses are needed. Call Amy Wilson Hodges at 573-1944.

Hearts on Fire youth rally

The Hearts on Fire youth rally has been scheduled for July 12-13 in Scurry County Coliseum. A variety of speakers and music will be offered.

Anyone interested in making a donation to help with the rally may do so by writing P.O. Box 111, Gail, Tex. 79738. For more information, call 806 756-4319 or 573-7794.

Cash 5

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

8-9-19-20-23

(eight, nine, nineteen, twenty, twenty-three)

Pick 3

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

3-8-3

(three, eight, three)

Houston-area man among casualties

By The Associated Press

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A Houston-area man is among the 19 Americans who were killed when a huge truck bomb exploded just outside a U.S. military housing complex in Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, the Air Force said today.

Sgt. Millard D. "Dee" Campbell of Angleton, who was based at Eglin Air Force Base in Florida, is among the fatalities in Tuesday night's bombing — the deadliest terror strike ever against a U.S. target in the Persian Gulf.

Campbell played baseball at Angleton High School and after graduating in 1984 attended Blinn Junior College in Brenham.

His wife, Marie, was too upset to come to the telephone this morning, a friend with her at Eglin said.

But a secretary at the high school remembered Campbell fondly.

"He was just a sweet kid. He was just a real nice man," Patsy Langham said. "That just makes me sick."

American officials said 270 people were injured, all American, but Saudi officials said there were 386 people injured, 149 of them Saudis.

In North Richland Hills, Charlie Rogers got a reassuring telephone call Tuesday night from his son, Lt. Charles Rogers. "All I could do was breathe a sigh of relief," the father told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram.

Status of Texans in military given

By The Associated Press

Air Force Bases in Texas with personnel assigned to Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, where a truck bomb killed at least 19 Americans on Tuesday:

Brooks, San Antonio — five people stationed at Khobar Towers reported safe, according to base spokesman Maj. Peter Kirk.

Dyess, Abilene — 22 airmen, status undetermined, according to Staff Sgt. Jeremy O'Bryan.

Goodfellow, San Angelo — 9 unhurt, one treated for minor injury and released, according to Lt. Kris Gifford.

Kelly, San Antonio — 59 people in southwest Asia, number at Dhahran undetermined, no immediate word of injuries or deaths, according to base spokesman Warren Domke. One reservist from 433rd Airlift Wing uninjured, according to Lt. Col. Meade Warthen.

Lackland, San Antonio — 12 safe, one whose status is undetermined, according to base spokeswoman Irene Witt.

Randolph, San Antonio — 17 people from various units, status undetermined, according to base spokesman Sgt. Steve Smith.

Sheppard, Wichita Falls — several people, exact number and status undetermined, according to spokesman Gary Emery.

Reese, Lubbock — some personnel in Southwest Asia, decline to say if any at Dhahran, according to spokesman Bill Tynan.

Coca-Cola fixing an embarrassing typo on 12-packs

ATLANTA (AP) — Coca-Cola is fixing an embarrassing typo in the word "disk" in copyright information on about 2 million 12-packs of the drink.

In the misprint, the "s" is replaced by a "c." The error appeared on boxes of Olympic promotional packages of Coca-Cola Classic distributed in the Atlanta area.

The company is putting a small sticker to cover the typo but only on boxes still in warehouses.

An undetermined number of the packs were delivered to stores three weeks ago, Coca-Cola spokesman Bob Baskin said Tuesday. Those boxes should be sold by the end of the week and packs with the correct spelling have already begun appearing on shelves, he said.

Normally, the small type under the copyright information states that the "red disk icon and contour bottle are trademarks of the Coca-Cola Co."

A consumer called the company last week about the typo.

"Everybody recognizes that it was an innocent mistake," said Baskin, who wouldn't say how the error occurred. "It's obviously a misprint."

Pattern of errors cited in ValuJet's woes

WASHINGTON (AP) — Like connecting the dots in a puzzle, federal regulators decided to ground ValuJet when the series of seemingly unrelated incidents began to form a pattern of errors.

Although Federal Aviation Administration inspectors had been taking a close look at the airline since January, it was only in the week before the FAA grounded ValuJet on June 17 that officials uncovered "a thread of problems ... examples of systematic rather than isolated incidents," Anthony Broderick, the FAA's associate administrator, told lawmakers Tuesday.

The FAA intensified its oversight of ValuJet after its Flight 592 crashed in the Florida Everglades on May 11, killing all 110 aboard. The number of investigators looking at the airline increased from 20 to about 60.

Without the crash, the investigation would have continued and problems it uncovered would have been corrected, Broderick told the House Transportation Committee.

"Whether or not we would have turned up the same systematic issues that caused us to ground ValuJet is something you can never answer," added Broderick, who has resigned from the agency following criticism of its supervision of airline safety.

FAA administrator David R. Hinson admitted to the committee that his agency acted too slowly to recognize the problem of rapidly growing airlines like ValuJet that contract out most of their work.

"It is apparent now that the extraordinarily rapid growth of this airline created problems that should have been more clearly recognized and dealt with sooner and more aggressively," said Hinson, who also confirmed what he said were longstanding plans to leave office by the end of the year.

Sloppy maintenance by Atlanta-based ValuJet and lax supervision by the FAA have emerged as major issues following the crash, though investigators have not tied maintenance to the accident itself.

Broderick said the type of problems that led to the shutdown were the discovery of about 25 planes that had contractor inspections by people who did not appear to be qualified and a finding that the airline was unable to accurately keep track of critical parts.

ValuJet President Lewis Jordan told the committee that prior to the grounding he had been negotiating to keep 37 of his 51 planes flying while correcting problems, but the FAA wouldn't agree to that compromise.

Instead, the FAA grounded ValuJet until it can satisfy FAA concerns about the airline's maintenance, training and personnel policies.

"We will be presenting a schedule, very soon, to the FAA, as to how we will comply with the consent order, item by item," he said. "Our emphasis and effort is on getting ValuJet back up as soon as possible."

Investigators have indicated that the May 11 crash may have been caused by a fire, resulting from the presence of a cargo of hazardous oxygen canisters on the plane. ValuJet was not authorized to carry such materials.

Transportation Department Inspector General Mary Schiavo said she had complained for some time both about ValuJet and about lax standards at the FAA.

Penicillin was discovered by accident by an English medical corpsman during World War I.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Mom Fears Girlfriend's Past Will Trouble Son's Future

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DEAR ABBY: I have cried and practically worried myself sick and would appreciate some advice.

My 25-year-old son told us that he and his girlfriend, "Nancy," are getting married this summer. I have met her and she's very nice. Nancy says she wants to finish college and get her degree in business before they marry. (My son hasn't finished college either.)

Nancy is divorced and has a 2 1/2-year-old daughter. I worry that the little girl's father may give my son trouble. I wanted him to have his own child first. My husband says it's our son's decision, not ours.

Abby, I want to feel close to Nancy, but I'm having trouble doing so. My son has always been very good to me, and I am afraid he'll get hurt. The rest of the family approves of this marriage, but I don't. Your advice would be very much appreciated.

DEPRESSED IN DIXIE

DEAR DIXIE: Our children's choices are not always what we would wish for them, but as adults, they have the right to make their own decisions. If Nancy's ex causes problems, they will be your son's problems, not yours. Sometimes parents must step aside and allow the children to live their own lives.

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DEAR ABBY: The letter from "Hair-Splitting" caused me a smile and some concern. The reader wanted to know how to tell a friend that his hairpiece is the "worst imaginable." I have no suggestions for how she might break the news, but I do have a message for the man wearing the hairpiece.

I began wearing a hairpiece when I was only 14, and just like "John," I was afraid — afraid of being seen without it, getting it wet, getting it dirty, affording a new one, etc. In short, I was afraid of living.

At 39, I finally found the courage to discard it. I had the complete support of my family, co-workers and members of my church. Getting rid of my hairpiece has given me freedom for the first time in my life. I have been told that I look much better, even by casual acquaintances. That was almost 15 years ago.

I would never recommend that a man who is losing his hair start wearing a hairpiece. He will become a slave to it, just as I was.

I have more fun, feel better and am more relaxed than I ever was when I had that hairpiece stuck on my head. I am upset with the media for implying that one is less of a man without hair. You missed a chance to educate, Abby.

HAPPILY HAIRPIECE-LESS IN WASHINGTON STATE

DEAR HAPPILY: Perhaps I did, but the man with the "worst imaginable" hairpiece was not the person writing for advice. He may someday come to the realization that you did — that the key to being accepted is to accept ourselves as we are, even if we do not conform to Hollywood's or Madison Avenue's ideal of beauty. True freedom comes from being comfortable with who we are and being able to live without pretense. But until that day arrives, I still think his friends would be doing him a favor if they leveled with him.

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Legal woes mounting for former pathologist

LUBBOCK (AP) — A ruling that Dr. Ralph Erdmann must pay $250,000 to the family of a Childress woman that claims he botched her autopsy could mark a new era of woe for the jailed pathologist.

State District Judge William Shaver issued a default judgment on Monday in favor of the husband and children of Terri Trosper, who was killed in 1991. The family sued in January 1993 claiming negligence in Erdmann's handling of the case, in which the former West Texas pathologist concluded Mrs. Trosper choked on her own vomit.

After officials later exhumed her body, a second coroner determined the mother of four daughters was smothered in a vicious assault. In April 1992, a Panhandle, Texas, jury sentenced Mrs. Trosper's former lover, Ricky Bradford, to life in prison for the murder.

Shaver made the default ruling because Erdmann, who has been convicted of botching seven autopsies in northwest Texas and is serving three concurrent sentences at the Lubbock County Jail, failed to respond to the suit. Mrs. Trosper's autopsy was not one of the seven.

Notification was sent to Erdmann's former address in Kirkland, Wash., where he was convicted last year of illegally owning an M-16 assault rifle as part of a 122-gun cache.

That conviction caused the revocation of two Texas probations for bungling several autopsies in the 1980s and early 90s. A third judge revoked his probation in May for failing to pay restitution to his court.

Additionally, Erdmann faces 10 civil suits similar to the Trospers' in Lubbock County alone. An investigation of 300 Erdmann autopsies found problems in about 100, so the civil toll could begin to mount.

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