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Clinton hails joint Arab statement about Iraq

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration today hailed a statement by eight Arab foreign ministers criticizing Iraq as evidence of "near unanimity" that Iraq's refusal to comply with U.N. resolutions would have serious consequences.

"The U.S. feels this is a pretty good indicator of where the key Gulf countries stand on the latest crisis," said State Department spokesman James P. Rubin.

At the same time, Deputy Secretary of State Strobe Talbott hinted if President Clinton decided to use force it might involve a series of attacks on Iraq.

"We have thought well beyond hour one, day one and week one," he said during an appearance at the Brookings Institution, a Washington research group. "There are lots of ways we can make sure he loses on day one and thereafter."

Talbott said Clinton had not made a final decision. "This crisis can end peacefully," said the State Department official and former classmate of the president.

Defense Secretary William Cohen told a group of Navy officers: "We're not playing games any longer with Saddam Hussein. We're saying comply. A failure to comply could result in a military operation and we're hoping that doesn't take place."

Cohen added: "He wants to get inspectors out so they can't delve into what they're doing behind closed doors."

The Pentagon chief said, "We're not seeking to go to war. We're seeking to avoid it. All he has to do is comply. The choice is his."

On Capitol Hill, where support for military action is strong, Sen. Richard Lugar, R-Ind., said strikes are likely. He encouraged the White House to consider an all-out follow-up campaign to remove Saddam, the Iraqi president, from power.

He said Saddam should be removed "from effective leadership." And if that couldn't be achieved without targeting Saddam and killing him? "I suspect then he will have to be killed," Lugar said.

In a joint statement, Egypt, Syria, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates, Bahrain, Kuwait, Oman and Qatar declared: "The Iraqi government is held responsible for any consequences that might arise from its refusal to back down from its decision to expel the U.N. weapons inspectors."

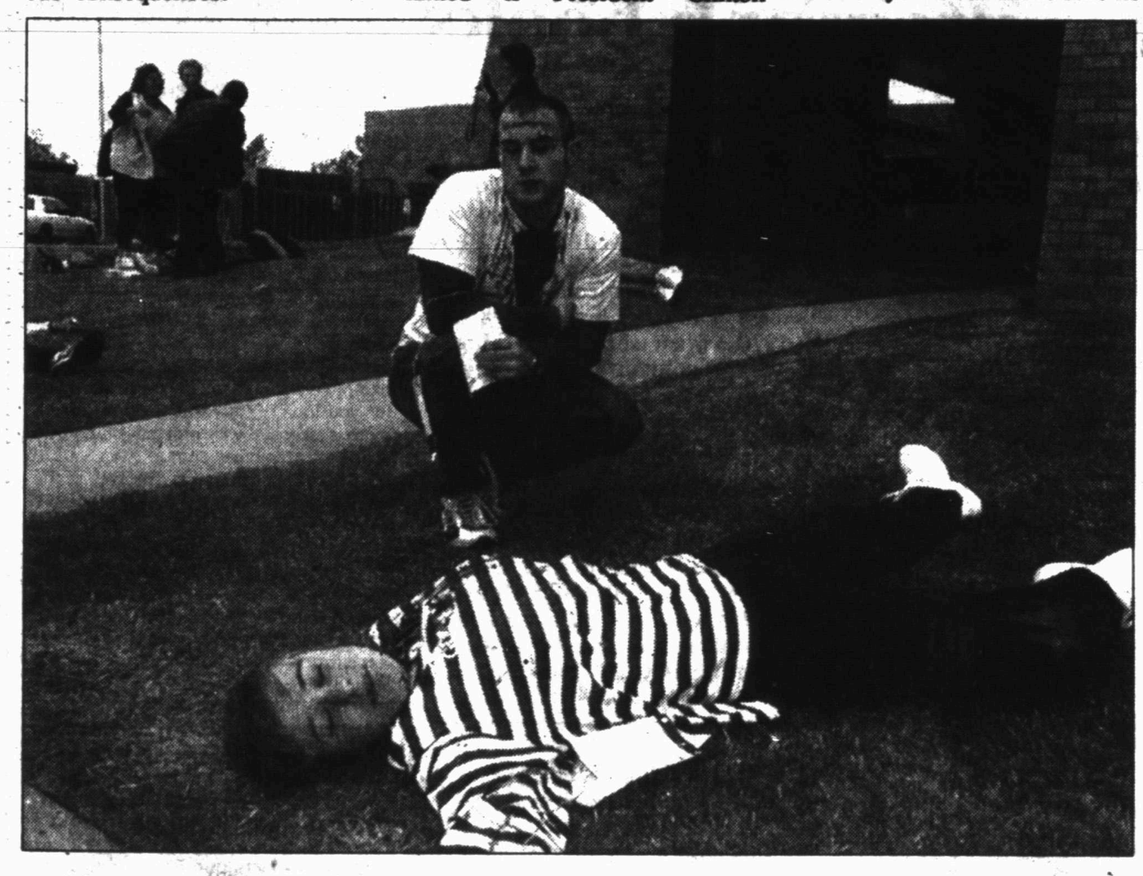
And, the communique said, continued refusal "will expose the innocent Iraqi people to more miseries and tragedies."

The eight countries are a grouping that oversees Iraq's actions. The declaration was agreed to at a conference in Doha, the capital of Qatar.

Rubin said the statement "reflects the growing and near unanimity, especially in the Arab world, that Iraq is responsible solely for the consequences."

As Clinton weighed a decision on whether to authorize military action and new U.S. forces moved to the region, White House spokesman Joe Lockhart said he was "not aware that anyone has put an artificial timetable" on it.

"The president has a variety of options available to him," Lockhart said. "His national security team has worked hard over the last few days to provide him the maximum flexibility in pursuing the options by taking prudent and precautionary steps."



DEAD ON ARRIVAL — Western Texas College vocational nursing student Jody Benitez was "dead on arrival" this morning at Cogdell Memorial Hospital during a mock disaster drill. Pictured "mourning" her death is fellow student Kyle Lomax. Nursing students of Diane Beard and Carol Watkins along with CMH employees participated in the drill. The scenario was a three-vehicle accident that injured nine and killed three. (SDN Staff Photo by Joyce May)

At 6 p.m....

Local school board faces light agenda

Snyder Independent School District trustees will have a short agenda this evening when they meet at 6 o'clock in the administration building.

As part of the process for the Dec. 5 school bond election, trustees will consider the approval of election clerks.

Four persons have agreed to serve as clerks — Phyllis McGinnis, Sammie Jarrell, Jo Ashley and Julie Sentell.

Anita Felan will be considered as the alternate presiding judge.

Last month, the board selected Frank Miller to be the presiding judge and Francene Noah to be the alternate.

However, Mrs. Noah will be unavailable the day of the election and a replacement had to be named.

The trustees will also consider the resignation of two instructors.

Sharon Doty, who taught high school English and journalism, has submitted her resignation as has Betsy Griffin who teaches psychology, sociology and U.S. History, also at SHS.

The contract of Katie Henson, an August, 1998 graduate of Angelo State Universiy, will be formally considered by the board for the English and journalism position.

The district will also consider the appointment of the textbook committee for this school year.

Trustees will also meet in executive session to begin the yearly evaluation of Supt. Gayle Lomax.

U.S. to sign global-warming agreement at United Nations

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States was signing the Kyoto global-warming accord today, hoping to spur further progress on details of the treaty in negotiations under way in Argentina, officials said.

The agreement, which calls for sharp reductions in heat-trapping greenhouse gases by the United States and 37 other industrial nations, was being signed at the United Nations in New York by Peter Burleigh, acting U.S. ambassador.

"I am pleased to announce that today in New York the United States will sign the Kyoto protocol," Stuart Eizenstadt, head of the U.S. delegation, told delegates to the 160-nation climate talks in Buenos Aires.

Signing the accord will be largely symbolic since it must still be ratified by the Senate, something that is not likely anytime soon.

The signing of the treaty "blatantly contradicts the will of the Senate," declared Sen. Chuck Hagel, R-Neb., who has been one of the fiercest treaty opponents. He said the Senate made clear last year the treaty should not be signed unless it includes developing countries.

Treaty opponents earlier this week cautioned the administration against signing, saying that would further galvanize opposition in Congress.

Under the treaty, the United States had until March to sign. Agreed to in Kyoto, Japan, last December, the climate pact has been signed by 57 countries, including every major industrial nation except the United States. It has been ratified by only one country, Fiji.

The administration has said it won't ask the Senate to consider the treaty until developing countries such as China agree to participate — and that could take several years.

U.S. officials wanted to use the treaty signing to energize the negotiations at the climate conference concluding this week. They hoped it would help convince delegates from developing nations and Europe that the United States is taking the climate change seriously.

On Wednesday, Argentina said it would take voluntary action to curb greenhouse gases, a move seen as a breakthrough by U.S. officials because Argentina would be the first developing nation to make such a commitment. China and India, two of the biggest contributors of heat-trapping carbon, however, have steadfastly refused to participate.

The United States has been criticized by developing countries and Europeans for failing to curb greenhouse gases, mainly carbon dioxide from burning fossil fuels.

The signing is expected to add fuel to the congressional debate over global warming.

In a letter to President Clinton this week, Sen. Robert C. Byrd, D-W.Va., urged against a high-profile signing of the accord at this time.

Bi-district pep rally is Friday

All Tiger fans are invited to the bi-district pep rally at 8:15 a.m. Friday in the Snyder High School gym.

Fans traveling to the game in San Angelo will have a chance to receive a free "growl towel" as the first 100 people entering the Snyder stands wearing black or gold will receive a towel from the Quarterback Club.

Snyder is the home team for the game and will occupy the west side of San Angelo Stadium.

Advance tickets for the game against Brownwood will be on sale until noon Friday at the Snyder ISD administration building at 2901 37th St.

Adult tickets are $6 and student tickets are $3.

At the gate, all tickets will be $7.

Borden County will battle Wellman-Union Friday at 7:30 p.m. in Klondike in a Six-man bi-district tilt.

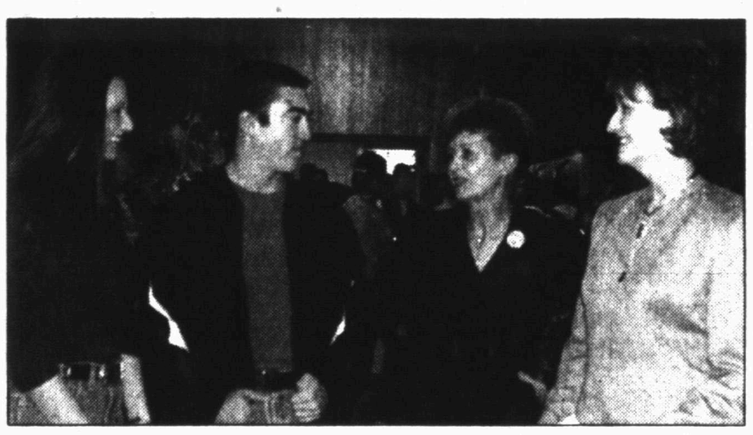
Auditor to be selected by Ira ISD trustees

Ira ISD trustees will meet at 7:30 this evening to consider four items of new business and to discuss several other items.

The trustees will consider a contract to conduct the district's 1998-99 audit with Carol McDonald, a certified public accountant from Abilene, and make amendments to the 1998-99 budget.

The board will also consider the acquistion of property adjacent to present school property, and consider resolutions honoring two students in the district who participated in cross country track and the Punt, Pass and Kick competition.

Besides the regular monthly reports from Supt. Rick Howard and principal Rodney Schneider, the board will hear the financial report and get a report on possible technological problems related to the year 2000.



CAREER DAY — Snyder High School's annual Career Day was held this morning. Dr. Jessie Teddlie, of North Texas State University, spoke to students before the career sesssions began. Pictured are, from left, Tessa Hildebrand, junior; Colin Jones, junior; Dr. Teddlie; and Charlene Light, counselor. (SDN Staff Photo)

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Just about the time you can read her like a book — the library card expires."

Kids have it so easy these days.

And we're not just talking about riding to school in snow up to the sporty hubcaps.

In the ole days, a slip of the tongue with a bad word would mean a trip to the bathroom. And the kid was lucky if the dirty-mouth was washed out with store-bought soap instead of that home-made lye variety.

We came across an item that was likely invented by a guy who made frequent trips to the bathroom for saying "bull corn" and gee-whizz" too often in front of company.

Now available is the electric tongue cleaner. It was pictured in one of those merchandise catalogs next to the barf bag on the airplane.

Actually, the description mentioned nothing about an alternative for washing out foul mouths with soap. The ad read:

"It may sound odd, but daily tongue cleaning can help prevent gum disease, tooth decay and even reduce breath odors by 85 percent. This battery-operated unit vibrates at 8,000 rpm to comfortably and effectively clean your tongue without causing a gag reflex. Use it after brushing and flossing for optimal oral hygiene."

The Oralgiene electric tongue cleaner is yours for a mere $29.95.

Don't know the origin, but here's a few "Things I Really Need to Know I Learned from Noah's Ark:"

--Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the ark.

--Stay fit. When you're 600 years old, someone might ask you to do something really big.

--Don't listen to critics — do what has to be done.

--Build on high ground.

--For safety's sake, travel in pairs.

--Speed isn't always an advantage. The cheetahs were on board, but so were the snails.

--If you can't take flight or flee, float.

--Remember that the a was built by amateurs and the Titantic was built by professionals.

--Follow directions.

--Don't forget that we're all in the same boat.

--Don't miss the boat.

ASK US

Q—I heard if a person wants to donate to the victims in Honduras through the Red Cross, it must be specified on the donation. Is that correct?

A—Yes. A donor must specify the location, otherwise it will go into the agency's general fund. You may call 1-800-378-6614 for more information.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 68 degrees; low, 36; 7 a.m. Thursday, 52; no precipitation; total for 1998, 9.90 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, showers likely. Cloudy, low, 40-45. E wind 10-20 mph. Rain chance: 60%. Friday, showers likely. Cloudy, high, mid 50s. NE wind 5-15 mph. Rain chance: 60%.

Gerek Preston
Rain chance

Sunset: 5:47 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:09 a.m.
Of 315 days in 1998, the sun has shone 312 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Problems are only opportunities in work clothes."

Henry Kaiser

Says TU Electric, Lone Star Gas...

Now is the time to check heating unit

Today's forecasted high of 60 degrees might lull one into not preparing for the colder weather that is on its way.

And while the first annual freeze day in the county passed last Wednesday and the lowest recorded temperature has been 34 degrees, it's still important to winterize your home.

It has been cool, and some homeowners probably have switched their furnaces on, said Daryl Thomas, TU Electric/Lone Star Gas manager.

"There are some very important procedures to ensure a safe and energy-efficient winter," said Thomas.

The utility company recommends contacting a certified heating and air conditioning contractor to check heating equipment prior to the heating season.

The utility company also offers several safety tips for the cold winter months ahead:

—If the pilot light of an appliance goes out, turn off the gas at the appliance for several minutes before attempting to re-light it. Instructions can usually be found attached to the appliance.

—When re-lighting a pilot light, first strike the match and hold it to the opening. Slowly turn on the gas.

—Pilot lights and main burners on gas appliances should always produce a blue flame. If the flame is yellow or red, a certified heating and air conditioning contractor should be contacted immediately.

—Use a gas appliance only for its intended purpose. For example, an oven should never be used to heat a room.

—Never store or use gasoline or flammable liquids (such as paint, paint thinner, cleaning fluids, etc.) in the same room with any gas appliance.

—Never store rags, paper or other combustibles near floor or wall furnace grilles.

—Never store combustibles near an appliance with a pilot light or open flame.

—Have qualified service people install and maintain all gas appliances.

—Always follow the manufacturer's instructions for the installation and operation of each appliance. If a gas water heater is in the garage, be sure it is installed at least 18 inches off the floor.

—Before digging in a yard between the gas meter and the property line, residents can call toll-free to the company at 1-800-344-8377, or to 1-800-545-6005 to have the gas line located and marked.

—Have a certified plumber make periodic inspections of gas lines in your home and on your property.

—Change filters on heating equipment every 30 days.

—The clothes dryer's lint screen should always be clean so air can flow efficiently.

—Seal air leaks around doors, windows or other openings, such as pipes or ducts, with caulking or weather-stripping. (To ensure proper oxygen flow, a home should not be insulated to the point that every source of oxygen is interrupted.)

—Open blinds and draperies on sunny days to help heat the home during the day, but close them at night.

—Fireplace dampers need to be tightly closed when not in use.

—Consider installing a natural gas fireplace insert, which reduces heat loss by recirculating heat into the room.

—Put in storm or thermal windows and doors or double-pane glass. (A less expensive alternative is plastic sheeting.)

—Make sure the vent is operating properly on all space heaters.

—For space heaters that are not equipped with a vent or oxygen cut-off switch, slightly open a window to provide ventilation.

GETTING READY — Sterling Williams, of A-1 Air Conditioning, prepares a heating unit for winter operation. TU Electric/Lone Star Gas recommends units be checked by professionals before each heating season. (SDN Staff Photo)

Two local authors to autograph books

Two book signings are scheduled at Scurry County Museum from 1 to 2:30 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 22. Both Aline Parks and Jean Everett will be at the museum to sign their latest books.

Parks' "Snyder Scrapbook: Hidetown to Boom Town" captures the Snyder of 50 years ago. The November 1948 boom transformed Snyder into a fast-paced oil boom town which over-extended the businesses, school systems, housing and other services.

As a result, new facilities had to be constructed to accommodate the new people, and Snyder changed. To present these changes, Mrs. Parks researched newspaper accounts and drew people from her memories. The readable book includes photographs of people and places linked to the area's past.

Everett's "Pioneer Profiles" is about ordinary men and women who settled and developed the lands below the caprock. The time period is between 1890-1920.

She tape recorded the stories of these early settlers during the 1970s when she was writing a weekly column for the Snyder Daily News. Jess, Jean's husband, provided numerous drawings to accompany the stories.

The museum is located on the southwestern corner of the Western Texas College campus. The museum is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. Appointments can be made for other times. Call 915-573-6107.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, Nov. 13, 1998

Partnership arrangements could be the greatest source of achievement for you in the year ahead. So don't hesitate to team up whenever possible. In fact, there is a probability you might establish at least four productive alliances.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) A least expected source may step forward today and assist you with a problem you might have otherwise hired professional help. The savings will be impressive. Astro-Graph year ahead predictions make great Christmas stocking stuffers for all signs of the zodiac. Mail $2 and self-addressed stamped envelope for each to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state all zodiac signs you desire.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Just because there may not be any aches or pains related to something that comes very easily for you today, it doesn't mean it is of little worth. On the contrary, it could be of great value.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Because of your effectiveness to harmoniously blend your inner drives with your mental capabilities, something propitious and extraordinary could develop for you today.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) The size of a project should not be a consideration for you today. You're actually apt to be more successful with projects grander in scope than the small ones.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) This is the day to go after a meaningful objective you've been reluctant to pursue. Brush aside any doubts you may have had, and go after the project with vigor. You'll succeed.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) This is good day to contact persons who can be of assistance in supporting your efforts. Your positive attitude today could awaken their belief in your plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Although you may normally prefer to work alone when tackling personal tasks, you could experience greater success in achieving your aims today by soliciting the help of a friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your input will prove to be a great asset for accomplishing a goal involving a group today. You might not even realize it, but it will be recognized by others.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Remain hopeful and let events unfold as they will today. This is because Lady Luck wants to do what she can to assist you. Be aware that she needs to do things her way, not yours.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Through two of your more influential social contacts, something propitious could develop for you today. Be attentive when those who have clout offer some inside information.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Not one, but several things of a commercial or financial nature that you've been previously unable to accomplish could be concluded today to your satisfaction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Your gift for taking the ill defined ideas of others and remolding them into something more constructive will be in full force today to the benefit of everyone involved.

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West Awards

Second six weeks

Citizenship

Self-contained: Jessica Verduczo, Rebekah Brown.
Early childhood: Andrew Breshers, Monica Torres.
Kindergarten: Taran Clemmons, Taylar Presley, Sarah Cearly.
First grade: Cassandra Benitez, Riley Wood, Mary Guerra.
Sixth grade: Austin Hackfeld, Patrick Jones, David Martin, Brooke Jackson, Amanda Alaniz, Hope Cole, Annie Martinez, Kim Cooper, Nikki Timora, Amanda Ballard, Sarah Carpenter, Blake Robertson, Candace McClintock, Michelle Johns, Cynthia Morin, Jesus Cosio, Kristen Salazar, Jammie Treat.

Most Improved

Self-contained: Jonnie Porter, Alex Hancock.
Early childhood: Mark Garcia, Bobby Martinez.
Kindergarten: Chase Gaines, Christopher Richburg, Lieren Tindol.
First grade: Aubrey Castillo, Michael Strong, Matthew Rios.
Sixth grade: Eric Guadarrama, Alicia Wagner, Kelly Moore, Billy Christensen, Leslie Dean, Eder Borrego, Brooke Jackson, Devin Chandler, Nathan Graves, Jesus Cosio, Bobby Rangel, Lexi Loveall, Esme Estrada, Kolter Bartels, Sandra Alfaro, Marissa Munoz, Francisco Ornelas, Yvonne Garcia, Logan Martin.

Outstanding

Self-contained: Heath Green, Marc Fisk.
Early childhood: Steven Seale, Christopher Brasher, Catherine Witte.
Kindergarten: Logan Tabor, Blake Thompson, Baylee Lewis.
First grade: Devyn DeLoera Rachael Dupree, Kelsi Fulford.
Sixth grade: Paul Jackson, Jammie Treat, Whitney Warner, Blake Robertson, Jeffrey Stanfield, Whitney Warner, Erin Hackfeld, Heather Thomas, Paul Haines, Jason Hook, Kelly Moore, Karen Taylor, Matthew Morris, Jerrica Gutierrez, Jessica Davis, Devin Chandler, Heather Polk, Erin Hackfeld, Karen Taylor, Danisha Akins, Paul Jackson.

Highest AR points: Devin Chandler, Blake Robertson, Matthew Kerr.

Participation and citizenship in PE: Kayla Guerrero and Darrell Cook.

Radar systems report failures

CHICAGO (AP) — The air traffic radar systems for Southern California and at O'Hare International Airport temporarily failed, but officials said no passengers were put at risk.

The main radar system at O'Hare went down from about 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday and may have been caused by this week's strong winds and changing temperatures, said Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Don Zochert.

A remote antenna called into action as a backup also experienced "minor technical problems," although no passengers were ever at risk, Zochert said.

Air traffic controllers said the switch to Midway Airport's system left a 20-mile blind spot on their scopes as they directed aircraft within 40 miles of O'Hare.

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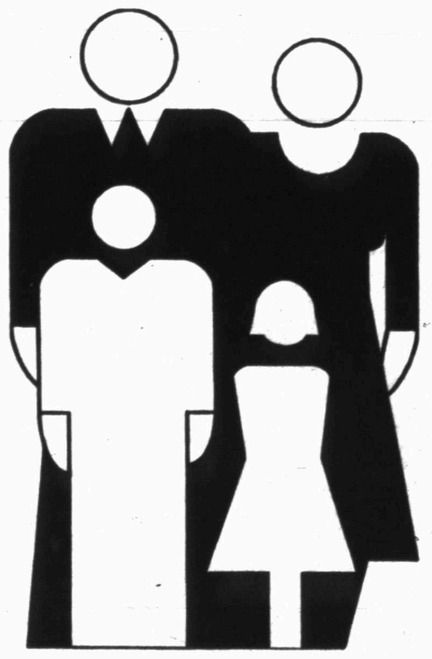

Disaster, family crisis, domestic violence, youth programs, needs here needs there.

These aren't just front page news stories. They are issues that affect the day-to-day quality of life for ourselves, our children and our neighbors. And trying to solve all the many needs facing our nation today is not an easy task.

That's why there is United Way of Scurry County. It's agencies helping local people. It's neighbors helping neighbors, families caring for families and friends helping friends.

It's also a way for you to put your money where your heart is. We hope you'll consider making an investment in your community once more during the 1998 United Way Campaign.

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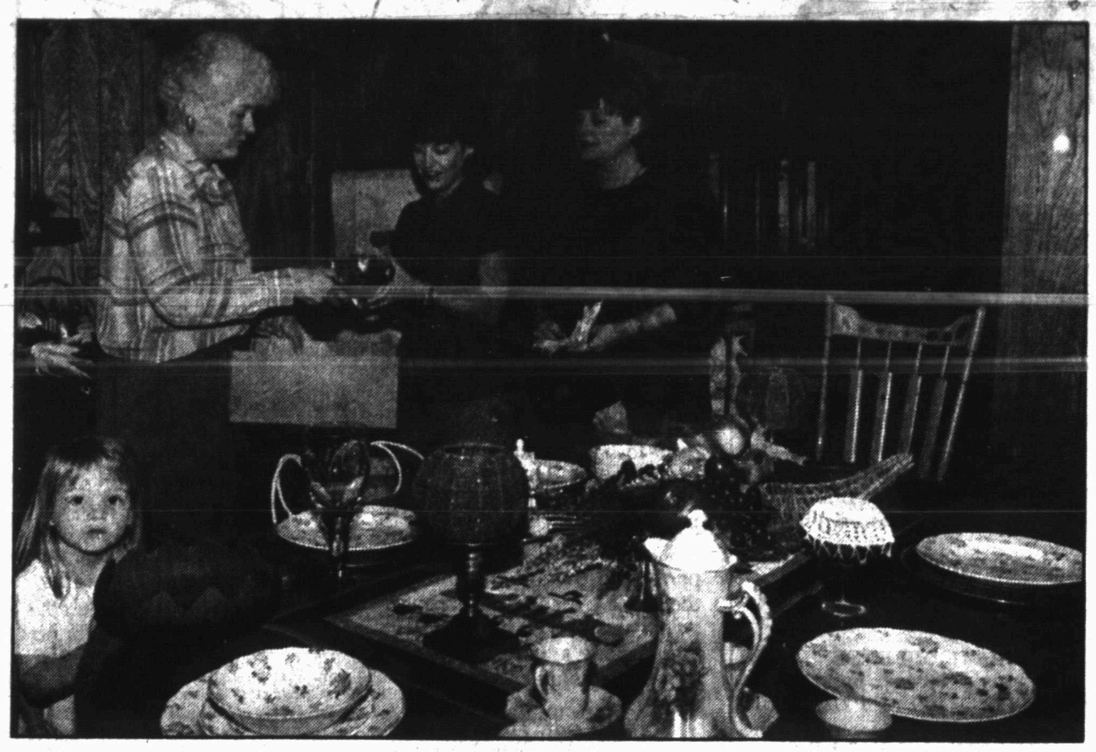

GATHERING COORDINATING PIECES — Holiday Elegance will be held Saturday at the Martha Ann Woman's Club. Admission is $10 and a luncheon will begin at 11:30 to include chicken casserole, squash, glazed carrots, salads, desserts and drinks. Many tables, set in holiday elegance, and decorated Christmas trees will be displayed. A $100 gift certificate by Wadleigh Studio and $50 gift certificate by Billye Robinson's Simply Silver will be door prizes. Janelle Pollard, Marsha Lovelady and Lea Ann Shields were pictured as they discussed decorations for their tables. Also pictured seated is Courtney Pollard. Tickets may be purchased from board members or by calling 573-3427, 573-6443 or 573-6717. Reservations are needed by this evening. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

MAWC board names two to honorary membership

Roy Baze and Frank Miller were given honorary memberships to the Martha Ann Woman's Club at Monday's board meeting. This is in appreciation of the many hours Baze and Miller have devoted to the needs of the club.

The club's renovation is nearing completion according to treasurer Francene Noah. The cookbook committee reported that the revised edition is ready for proof reading and will probably be for sale after the first of the year.

Plans were culminated for Holiday Elegance set for Saturday. Admission is $10 and a luncheon, catered by Shirley McMillan, will begin at 11:30 to include chicken casserole, squash, glazed carrots, salads, desserts and drinks.

Many tables, set in holiday elegance, and decorated Christmas trees will be displayed. These will be done by individuals, club members and some businesses.

A $100 gift certificate by Wadleigh Studio and $50 gift certificate by Billye Robinson's Simply Silver will be door prizes.

Tickets may be purchased by board members or by calling 573-3427, 573-6443 or 573-6717. Reservations are needed by this evening.

The board will not meet during December and the monthly game day and luncheon will not be held in November and December. The next scheduled board meeting will be at 4 p.m., Jan. 11, 1999 at the clubhouse and game day will resume the fourth Wednesday in January.

Community Calendar

THURSDAY

Three support groups — Divorce Recovery, Cancer/Grief, and Caring for Aging Parents; First Baptist Church, enter east side; for more information call the church at 573-2631; anyone is welcome to attend and child care is provided; 6:30.

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 7 p.m.

Just for Today NA; Park Club; for information call 573-0949, 573-4238 or 573-8018; 6 p.m.

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

New Horizons AA; closed meeting; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Nuestra Nueva Esperanza AA; Park Club; for information call 573-8626, 573-9458 or 574-1292; 8 p.m.

Packages fail sulfur dioxide preservative warning

FOWLER, Calif. (AP) — The National Raisin Co. has recalled golden raisins sold in 14 states for failure to warn consumers about a sulfur dioxide preservative that can cause life-threatening allergic reactions.

The company began removing the 15-ounce Champion GOLDEN Raisins Tuesday. No illnesses had been reported by Wednesday.

The mislabeled canisters were being removed from shelves in Arizona, California, Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, Missouri, Nevada, New York, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont and Wisconsin.

Anyone who bought the product can return it to the place of purchase for a refund.

The raisins being recalled have the following lot numbers: 07-01-00N, 07-28-00N, 08-18-00N, 08-24-00N, 09-04-00N, 09-21-00N, 10-09-00N, 10-21-00N, 10-27-00N.

The president with the most children was John Tyler. He had 15.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 11-12-98
♠ 8 7
♥ A 10 3
♦ 7 5 4
♣ A Q 10 9 4

West
♠ 10 9 5 2
♥ K
♦ J 9 8 3 2
♣ 6 5 2

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

South
♠ A K Q 6 4
♥ J 7 4 2
♦ A 10
♣ 7 3

Vulnerable: Neither
Dealer: West

South	West	North	East
	Pass	Pass	1 ♥
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
2 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♥ K

Never mind the size, feel the quality

The third magazine from England is the best for the less capable player. Bridge Plus comes in 68 small-sized pages with articles intended for the improving player. It is well produced by editor Elena Jeronimidis.

This deal from the magazine was described by Freddie North. What do you think of the auction? How should South plan the play after West leads the heart king in answer to his partner's opening bid?

North is rightly critical of North's (sorry!) two-club advance. (The partner of an intervenor — an overcaller or takeout doubler — is called the advancer.) Yet he thinks North should pass. I disagree with that too. He has a good 10 points with an excellent five-card suit. North-South could easily have a game. True, the doubleton spade is a drawback, but what's wrong with bidding one no-trump? It looks automatic to me. South presumably passes, and North's declarer-play wouldn't be tested.

A diamond lead from West would kill two no-trump. But with no guaranteed entry and a weak suit, West is probably right to lead the heart king.

Now declarer has a pretty play available. He should win with dummy's heart ace and call for the heart *three*. How does East defend? If he wins with the queen, declarer has eight tricks via three spades, three hearts, one diamond and one club. And if East ducks, South switches to spades, getting home via four spades, two hearts, one diamond and one club.

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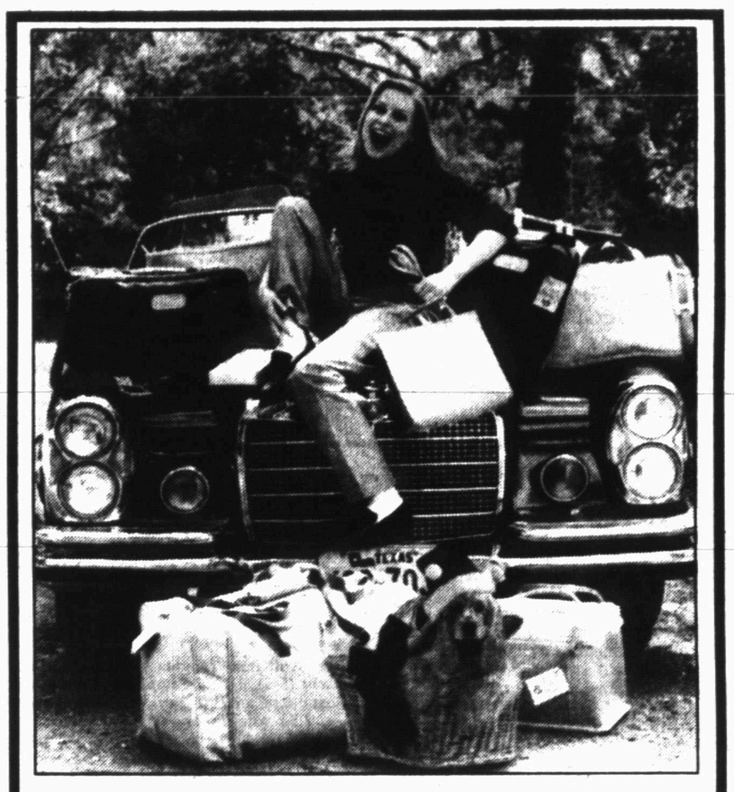
Activists pay tribute to chimpanzees

SOUTHBORO, Mass. (AP) — Men and women who served in the armed forces weren't the only ones being honored on Veterans Day.

Animal rights activists in several cities used the holiday to pay tribute to chimpanzees that were used as military research subjects.

In Southboro, about a dozen protesters marched to a federally funded primate research center to call attention to the fate of 111 chimpanzees the activists say served their country before being abandoned by the Air Force.

The Air Force gave the chimps to the Coulston Foundation in Alamogordo, N.M., in August for use as lab animals. Some of the chimps served as research subjects in space program experiments in the 1950s, while others are descended from test animals.



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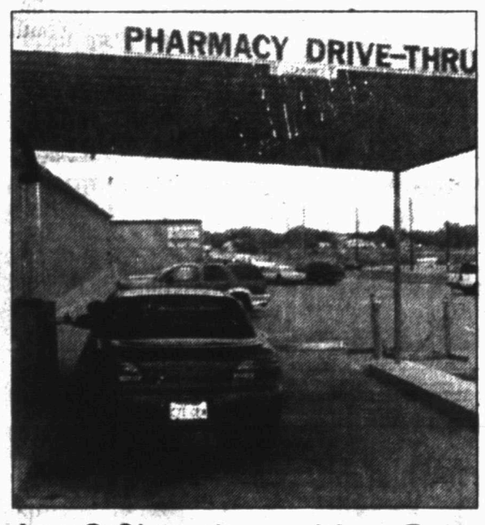

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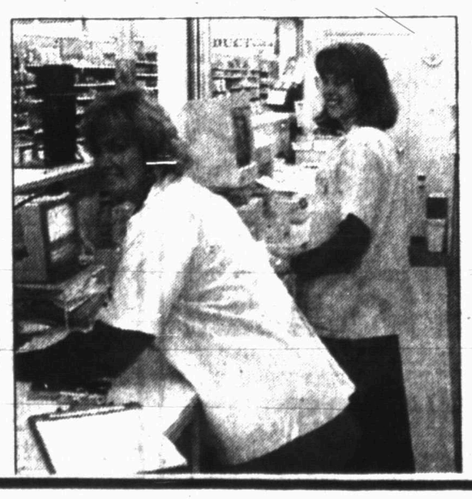

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SPORTS

Tigers, Lions will finally meet again; Snyder takes aim at No. 6 Brownwood

They haven't met on the gridiron since the '70s.

But when the Tigers and Lions lock up Friday night, reminiscing about old times won't be the focus.

Snyder, the District 5-4A runner-up with a record of 7-3, takes on sixth-ranked Brownwood (9-1) at 7:30 Friday night in a bi-district contest at San Angelo Stadium.

The Lions' state ranking comes as nothing new to the Tigers.

"We're kind of used to playing top-10 teams by now," Snyder coach David Baugh said. "This will be the third one we've faced this year."

The Tigers fell to third-ranked Andrews in the district opener, before knocking off No. 8 Sweetwater two weeks later in the Mustang Bowl.

For the Tigers to advance into the seond round of the playoffs, they must control the running and passing of Brownwood quarterback Colby Freeman. The 6-3, 207-pound senior QB was third in his district in passing yards, while leading the league in rushing.

Freeman gained most of his rushing yards off the option from the Lions' wishbone and stack-I formations.

"He's probably a better runner than he is a passer," said Baugh. "We've got to play assignment football and get the job done against the option."

When the Tigers have the ball, controlling Brownwood's defensive ends could be the key. Jason Barron (6-2, 227) and Derek Mularkey (6-3, 224) spearhead the Lions' run-stopping efforts.

"They have really good defensive ends," Baugh stated. "But if we can get oustide of them, I think we can make some yards on the corner. Or, if we can get their ends playing oustide, then we can run the ball back inside."

The Tigers passing game, which has produced some big plays for SHS in the past few weeks, will face a secondary which guards against long gains.

"Some teams have thrown on them this year," Baugh remarked. "Their secondary likes to play soft and guard against the big play. We'll have to mix it up and keep them off balance."

The winner of the contest faces the winner of the Springtown-Wichita Falls Hirschi game in the area round.

In other action involving District 5-4A teams, Andrews battles Stephenville at 1 p.m. Saturday in Sweetwater, while Big Spring takes on Cleburne at 7:30 Friday night in Brownwood.

TEAM OFFENSE

	pts	rush	pass	avg
Snyder	228	2083	1062	315

TEAM DEFENSE

	pts	rush	pass	avg
Snyder	182	1609	1002	261

INDIVIDUAL LEADERS

Rushing	Car	Yds
Robinson, Cheyenne	133	754
Camp, Paul	98	587

Pass	Comp	Att	I	TD	Yds
Cumbie	37	75	2	8	713
McNair	20	51	1	2	349

Receiving	Yds	Rec
Grimmett, Matt	285	12
Camp, Paul	162	10
Cobb, Brady	187	8
Robinson, Cheyenne	91	6

Scoring	Pts
Robinson, Cheyenne	60
Parker, Andy	46
Grimmett, Matt	30
Camp, Paul	18

High School Playoff Pairings

DIVISION I
Region I
El Paso Ysleta (7-3) vs. Canutillo (6-4), 8:30 p.m. Friday, Hutchens Stadium, El Paso
Hereford (8-2) vs. Plainview (8-2), TBA, Saturday, Hereford
Big Spring (4-6) vs. Cleburne (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Gordon Wood Stadium, Brownwood
Wichita Falls Rider (2-8) vs. Weatherford (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls
Region II
FW O.D. Wyatt (9-1) vs. Cedar Hill (3-7), 1 p.m. Saturday at TCU's Amon Carter Stadium
Grapevine (6-4) vs. South Oak Cliff (5-5), 1 p.m. Saturday at Carrollton's Standridge Stadium
Spruce (6-4) vs. Mesquite Poteet (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Mesquite Memorial
Greenville (9-1) vs. Ennis (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday Richardson's Eagle-Mustang
Region III
Jacksonville (7-3) vs. Caney Creek (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lufkin Martin
Beaumont Ozen (3-7) vs. Nederland (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Beaumont Cardinal
Houston Forest Brook (9-1) vs. Waltrip (4-6), 6 p.m. Saturday, Aldine Thorne
Texas City (5-4) vs. Bay City (8-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Houston Tully
Region IV
Belton (7-3) vs. Austin Travis (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Burger Stadium Austin
Hays Consolidated (9-1) vs. Alamo Heights (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Bobcat Stadium, San Marcos
San Antonio Lanier (7-2) vs. San Antonio Memorial (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Alamo Stadium, San Antonio
Los Fresnos (8-2) at Alice (8-2), 8 p.m. Friday

DIVISION II
Region I
El Paso Riverside (10-0) vs. Clint (5-5), 8:30 p.m. Friday, El Paso Riverside
Pampa (8-2) at Wolfforth Frenship (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Frenship
Andrews (10-0) vs. Stephenville (9-1), 1 p.m. Saturday, Sweetwater
Denton (8-1) vs. Brewer (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Coppell
Pecos (6-4) vs. El Paso Burges (3-7), 8:30 p.m. Friday, El Paso Burges
Canyon (8-2) vs. Borger (7-3), TBA
Brownwood (9-1) vs. Snyder (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Angelo Stadium
Springtown (9-1) vs. Wichita Falls Hirschi (5-5), 2 p.m. Saturday, Memorial Stadium, Wichita Falls
Region II
FW Arlington Heights (7-3) vs. Waco Midway (5-5), 1 p.m. Saturday at Glen Rose
Southlake Carroll (8-1) vs. Dallas Roosevelt (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Duncanville
Samuell (6-4) vs. Sherman (4-5), 2 p.m. Saturday at Mesquite Memorial
Sulphur Springs (7-3) vs. Terrell (7-3), 7 p.m. Saturday at Mesquite Memorial
Waxahachie (7-3) vs. FW Eastern Hills (8-2), 1 p.m. Saturday at Bedford's Pennington Field
Pinkston (5-5) vs. Colleyville Heritage (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday at Grapevine's Mustang-Panther
Highland Park (8-2) vs. Seagoville, 7:30 p.m. Friday at Garland's Homer B. Johnson
Lancaster (8-2) vs. Mount Pleasant (4-6), 8 p.m. Friday at Garland's Williams
Region III
Kilgore (8-2) vs. Navasota (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Nacogdoches Bryce
Dayton (10-0) vs. Port Neches-Groves (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Beaumont Cardinal
Crosby (7-3) vs. Jones (3-7), 8 p.m. Saturday, Houston Rice
La Marque (8-0) vs. Brazosport (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Alvin
Carthage (7-3) vs. Waller (8-2), 8 p.m. Friday, Diboll
Silsbee (6-4) vs. West Orange-Stark (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Port Arthur Memorial
C.E. King (8-6) vs. Kashmere (3-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aldine Thorne
Friendswood (6-4) vs. El Campo (7-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Crump Stadium, Alief
Region IV
Marble Falls (8-2) vs. Austin Lanier (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Marble Falls
Kerrville Tivy vs. Smithson Valley, 7:30 p.m. Friday, East Central
Clemens (10-0) vs. Pleasanton (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Harlandale Stadium
CC Calallen (9-1) vs. Pharr-San Juan-Alamo (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, PSJA
Lampasas (4-6) vs. Austin Reagan (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lampasas
Fredericksburg vs. New Braunfels Canyon, 7:30 p.m. Friday, Boerne
Floresville (7-3) vs. San Antonio Fox Tech (6-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Alamo Stadium, San Antonio
Edcouch-Elsa (8-2) vs. Rockport-Fulton (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Saturday, Javelina Stadium, Kingsville

Coyotes begin trek for second crown

The Borden County Coyotes begin their quest for back-to-back state titles Friday night when they take on Wellman-Union at 7:30 in Klondike.

The Coyotes, who posted a perfect 15-0 mark en route to their first ever football crown a year ago, carry a mark of 9-1 into Friday's contest, while the Wildcats enter with a 7-3 record.

Borden County has been led offensively this season by the play of quarterback Colt McCook and running back Fernando Baeza.

Baeza, hampered much of the year by injuries, is back to full strength for the playoff run.

After garnering all-state recognition as a junior, McCook is once again pacing the Coyotes' attack through the air and on the ground. McCook also takes care of the kicking duties for Borden County.

The winner of the contest will face Grandfalls-Royalty in the second round. The Cowboys drew a bye for this week's action.

The Coyotes finished runner-up in District 6 to Sands. The Mustangs square off with Meadow at 7:30 tonight in Loop.

Region I-II
Groom (10-0) vs. McLean (5-5), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Clarendon
Whitharral (9-1) vs. Rule (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Crosbyton
Wellman-Union (7-3) vs. Gail Borden County (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Klondike
Grandfalls Royalty (9-1), bye
Samnorwood (6-4) vs. Miami (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Lefors
Rochester (8-2) vs. Amherst (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Crosbyton
Ackiery Sands (5-5) vs. Meadow (6-4), 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Loop
Regions III-IV
Blackwell (7-2), bye
Newcastle (7-2) vs. Gordon (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Clyde
Mullin (9-1) vs. Cherokee (9-1), 7:30 p.m. Friday, San Saba
Trinidad (10-0) vs. Calvert (8-2), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Abbott
Roscoe Highland (7-1), bye
Woodson (3-6) vs. Strawn (10-0), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Woodson
Blanket (8-2) vs. Panther Creek (9-1), TBA
Milford (6-4) vs. Jonesboro (7-3), 7:30 p.m. Friday, Whitney

K-State QB has made his mark with 'Cats

MANHATTAN, Kan. (AP) — Less than 14 months ago, Kansas State quarterback Michael Bishop made his debut at home.

Now, he's already preparing to step onto the field at KSU Stadium for the final time when No. 2 Kansas State (9-0, 6-0 in Big 12) plays No. 11 Nebraska (8-2, 4-2) on Saturday.

Bishop's run with the Wildcats has been quick. He transferred from Blinn (Texas) Community College and didn't redshirt. Despite the brevity of his stay, though, he's produced results that will be remembered at Kansas State for years to come.

When he arrived, the Wildcats were the third-best team in the Big 12 North, trying to shake off Colorado and Nebraska.

But he led Kansas State to two victories over the Buffaloes, a team the Wildcats hadn't beaten since 1984, when Bishop was a second-grader. And on Saturday, a Kansas State victory over the Cornhuskers would not only end a 30-year drought for the Wildcats, but give them legitimate national title hopes as well.

"Last year, we made a decision whether we would redshirt Michael Bishop or not, and I think that probably was the defining factor that we would have a chance to be a pretty good football team this year," Kansas State coach Bill Snyder said.

So far, the Wildcats have been better than pretty good behind Bishop. Kansas State is off to the first 9-0 start in school history; last year, the Wildcats played to their first-ever 11-win season.

Bishop has a 44-1 record as a starter in college, losing only to Nebraska last year.

He can't talk about what makes him a winner — Snyder has held him out of interviews since the Wildcats took on Colorado in their fifth game of the season. However, those who surround him say there's no mystery to why he doesn't lose.

"He's the kind of guy who just wants to go, go, go. He can't stand being stopped. He's a winner," wide receiver Gavin Peries said. "Every time we get the ball, he wants to score. That's his attitude. When we don't, sometimes he gets really upset. That's just how he is. He's a winner."

His list of accomplishments reads as long as a career criminal's rap sheet.

He's Kansas State's all-time leading rushing quarterback. He holds the school record for total offense in a game. He's a candidate for the Davey O'Brien Award and the Heisman Trophy. He's led the Wildcats to a school-record 17 consecutive wins. He has rushed for more touchdowns than any other quarterback in Kansas State history. He won national championships during both of his two seasons at Blinn. Now, he's fighting for a third with the Wildcats.

"I have never played with a player or seen an athlete that wants to win as bad as he does," offensive guard Jeremy Martin said. "His emotion is tremendous. It's a tremendous uplift for this team.

"When things aren't going well or when things aren't happening quite the way we want them to, you see that confidence and his ability — it gives us all confidence."

Palmer, Bonilla sign big-dollar deals

NEW YORK (AP) — Bobby Bonilla returned to the New York Mets on Wednesday as baseball's marketplace started heating up. Dean Palmer struck it rich, getting a $36 million, five-year contract from the Detroit Tigers.

Bonilla, largely a bust during 3½ seasons with the Mets before they exiled him to Baltimore, was traded by Los Angeles along with cash for reliever Mel Rojas, another Mets bust.

The switch-hitting Bonilla, hampered by injuries last year, hit .249 with 11 homers and 45 RBIs in 100 games. He was traded to the Dodgers on May 15 along with Gary Sheffield, Charles Johnson, Jim Eisenreich and a minor league pitcher for catcher Mike Piazza and third baseman Todd Zeile as part of the Florida Marlins' payroll purge.

Palmer, 30 next month, will be getting a lot of cash. After Ken Caminiti didn't accept the Tigers' offer, Detroit gave Palmer a deal that includes a $10 million signing bonus payable over five years, $3 million in 1999, $5 million in 2000, $5.5 million in 2001, $6 million in 2002 and $6.5 million in 2003.

He made $5.75 million this year, hitting .278 for Kansas City and leading the Royals in homers (34) and RBIs (119).

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SPORTS

Cowboys can lock up NFC East title

IRVING (AP) — The Dallas Cowboys know what's at stake Sunday in Arizona: win and virtually lock up the NFC East title; lose and they're tied for the division lead.

If the Cowboys (6-3) beat the Cardinals (5-4), they'll hold a two-game lead with six to play. Arizona actually would need to be three games better than Dallas the rest of the way to win the NFC East because the Cowboys would have the edge in all tiebreakers.

"This is a great chance for us to create separation in our division race," defensive tackle Chad Hennings said Wednesday.

A loss wouldn't devastate Dallas' playoff chances, but it would break up a lot of momentum.

The Cowboys are seeking their first three-game winning streak since 1996, and a victory would be their fifth in six weeks. That would put them closer to the big streak coach Chan Gailey repeatedly says a team must have in order to be championship material.

"This is the biggest challenge we've had this year," Gailey said. "No doubt about it."

The Cowboys beat the Cardinals 38-10 in the season opener, extending their dominance in the series to 15 victories in 16 meetings. The lone Arizona victory in that span came the last time the teams met in Sun Devil Stadium, when the Cardinals rallied from a 22 7 deficit to win 25-22 in overtime last September. Some fans celebrated by tearing down the goal posts, something usually seen only at college games.

"It was a big win for them," safety Darren Woodson said. "And a hard loss for us."

"That is a motivation for us," Hennings said. "We realize we can't let that happen again. When we have opportunities, we've got to take advantage of them."

The desert has been the site of close games in this series since the Cardinals moved there in 1988. Of the 10 games in Sun Devil Stadium, eight have been decided by eight points or less. Seven points have decided the last two games.

Another interesting aspect of Cowboys-Cardinals games in Arizona has been the crowd. There's always been more than 64,000 fans, but the majority usually root for Dallas.

"It's almost like a home-field advantage," Hennings said.

The Cowboys could be in for a shock this time, though, because the Cardinals are having their best season since 1988, when they opened the year 7-4 before losing their last five games.

"This week, I expect a lot more red and white and very little blue," said running back Emmitt Smith.

This will be the Cowboys' third straight game against a division foe since their bye week. They won the first two over Philadelphia and New York, upping their record against East teams to 5-0. A victory over Arizona could pave the way to the first perfect record in division history as Dallas' remaining games are against the Eagles and Redskins, which have one win each.

Snyder's Pigskin Prognosticators

STANDINGS	WALT FLOYD Roe's Furniture	MARK CYPERT Bell-Cypert-Seale	CHON RODRIGUEZ Spanish Inn	ERIC DRENNAN SDN Sports Editor
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Andrews vs. Stephenville	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews	Andrews
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Missouri at Texas A&M	Missouri	Texas A&M	Texas A&M	Texas A&M
Oklahoma at Baylor	Oklahoma	Oklahoma	Baylor	Baylor
Arkansas at Tennessee	Arkansas	Tennessee	Tennessee	Tennessee
Nebraska at Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.	Kansas St.
Notre Dame at Navy	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame	Notre Dame
UCLA at Washington	Washington	UCLA	UCLA	UCLA
North Carolina at Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia	Virginia
Wisconsin at Michigan	Wisconsin	Wisconsin	Michigan	Michigan
Washington St. at Stanford	Stanford	Washington St.	Washington St.	Stanford
Dallas at Arizona	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas	Dallas
San Francisco at Atlanta	Atlanta	Atlanta	San Francisco	Atlanta
New England at Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo	Buffalo
Pittsburgh at Tennessee	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh	Pittsburgh
Seattle at Oakland	Oakland	Seattle	Seattle	Oakland
Tampa Bay at Jacksonville	Tampa Bay	Jacksonville	Jacksonville	Tampa Bay

In college football action...

Schedule features top-ranked battles

By RICHARD ROSENBLATT
AP Football Writer

With winter closing in, it's time to turn up the heat on the college football season.

The chase for the national championship reaches its first crucial stage Saturday, with the top three teams — Tennessee, Kansas State and UCLA — facing top-notch talent.

The Volunteers (8-0), No. 1 for the first time in 42 years, play host to surprising No. 10 Arkansas (8-0). It'll be the first time two undefeated SEC teams have met this late in the season since Nov. 27, 1971, when Alabama beat Auburn 31-7.

Kansas State (8-0) plays perhaps the biggest game in school history when No. 11 Nebraska (8-2) brings its 29-game winning streak over the Wildcats to Manhattan, Kan.

And then there's No. 3 UCLA (8-0), which visits Washington (5-4), a dangerous team at home led by quarterback Brock Huard. The past two weeks, the Bruins narrowly escaped against Stanford and Oregon State, teams with losing records.

Anyone feeling stressed out?

"Pressure?" asks Michigan coach Lloyd Carr, whose defending national champions are poised for a Rose Bowl return with wins over No. 8 Wisconsin on Saturday and Ohio State on Nov. 21. "You can look at it as a burden or an opportunity. If you prepare the best you can, you have a good chance to handle it, and if you're not, you won't be able to."

Tennessee has handled things quite nicely after the departure of state hero Peyton Manning.

So far, they've been perfect, including an overtime thriller over Florida and Tee Martin's near-perfect passing against South Carolina a few weeks ago. Not even the loss of star running back Jamal Lewis last month has slowed them down. The defense is doing its job, too, allowing just 14.3 points per game.

The Wildcats, meanwhile, are well aware of what it would mean to beat the Huskers. All season, K-State has been criticized for its weak schedule. Now, the Wildcats have a chance to make their title statement.

"We'll have our hands full," K-State coach Bill Snyder said.

So will Nebraska, a rare double-digit underdog. With Bobby Newcombe still injured, Eric Crouch starts at quarterback as the Huskers get to play national title spoilers.

K-State is led by the versatile Michael Bishop. His only loss in two seasons at K-State was to Nebraska, 56-26 in '97, and Snyder said that gives his quarterback even more incentive.

"It's become and extremely important game for him, but that's only one of the reasons," Snyder said.

Asked if the game is the most important in school history, Snyder said: "I don't know if that's necessarily the case but it is certainly important and vital to us. We understand the importance of the game."

No. 10 Arkansas (plus 11) at No. 1 Tennessee

Vols QB Tee Martin getting better and better; Bring on Couch and Kentucky! ... TENNESSEE, 30-17.

No. 11 Nebraska (plus 10) at No. 2 Kansas State

Wildcats planning to end 29-game losing streak against Huskers. ... NEBRASKA, 24-21.

No. 3 UCLA (minus 7½) at Washington

Can Bruins survive another close call? WASHINGTON, 35-34.

South Carolina (plus 31½) at No. 4 Florida

Gators look like title contenders under QB Doug Johnson. ... FLORIDA, 49-10.

No. 5 Florida State (minus 26) at Wake Forest

Seminoles wrap up seventh straight ACC crown without QB Chris Weinke. ... FLORIDA STATE, 45-10.

No. 13 Missouri (plus 5½) at No. 6 Texas A&M

Aggies looking for 10th straight win, but Mizzou QB Corby Jones is healthy again. ... MISSOURI, 27-24.

No. 7 Ohio State (minus 16½) at Iowa

Buckeyes take out frustrations on Hayden Fry's Hawkeyes. ... OHIO STATE, 42-14.

No. 8 Wisconsin (plus 3½) at No. 15 Michigan

Wolverines are 8-0 vs. Top 10 teams under coach Lloyd Carr. ... MICHIGAN, 24-20.

No. 9 Arizona (minus 11) at California

'Zona won in double OT in '97; Cal in four OTs in '96. ... ARIZONA, 41-21.

No. 12 Notre Dame (minus 20½) at Navy

Irish have won 34 in a row over Midshipmen. ... NOTRE DAME, 31-17.

No. 14 Tulane (minus 15½) at Army

Green Wave's Shaun King makes the difference. ... TULANE, 35-21.

No. 16 Virginia Tech (plus 4½) at Syracuse

Hokies heap of trouble as Orangemen look to bounce back. ... SYRACUSE, 31-24.

No. 17 Georgia (minus 3) at Auburn

'Dawgs out to avenge only home loss of '97. ... GEORGIA, 34-24.

No. 18 Texas (minus 2½) at Texas Tech

Longhorns need a win to stay alive in Big 12 race. ... TEXAS, 27-24.

Northwestern (plus 24) at No. 19 Penn State

Lions are 5-0 under JoePa the week after being shut out. ... PENN STATE, 35-14.

Arizona State (plus 8½) at No. 20 Oregon

Shootout looms between Sun Devils' Ryan Kealy and Ducks' Akili Smith. ... OREGON, 45-42.

North Carolina (plus 10) at No. 21 Virginia

Tar Heels' last win in Charlottesville was 1981. ... VIRGINIA, 37-21.

No. 22 Georgia Tech (minus 7½) at Clemson (Thursday night)

ACC title hopes still alive for Yellow Jackets ... GEORGIA TECH 31-17.

No. 23 Air Force (minus 4) at No. 25 Wyoming

Falcons' versatile QB Blane Morgan too much for Cowboys. ... AIR FORCE, 27-24,

No. 24 Miami (minus 23) at Temple

Hurricanes' QB Scott Covington could have a big day. ... MIAMI, 41-13.

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY

Basketball: WTC vs. Temple College, Texas JUCO Round-up, 4 p.m., Wichita Falls.

FRIDAY

Football: Snyder vs. Brownwood, bi-district, 7:30, San Angelo Stadium.

Football: Borden County vs. Wellman-Union, bi-district, 7:30, Klondike.

SATURDAY

Basketball: Lubbock Monterey at Snyder varsity boys, scrimmage, 1 p.m.

Basketball: Estacado at Snyder JV & varsity girls, scrimmage, 6 p.m.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
Miami	6	3	0	.667	165	123
N.Y.Jets	6	3	0	.667	220	151
Buffalo	5	4	0	.556	200	196
NewEngland	5	4	0	.556	201	179
Indianapolis	1	8	0	.111	142	241
Central						
Jacksonville	7	2	0	.778	233	176
Pittsburgh	6	3	0	.667	164	161
Tennessee	5	4	0	.555	216	179
Baltimore	3	6	0	.333	134	189
Cincinnati	2	7	0	.222	164	243
West						
Denver	9	0	0	1.000	300	169
Oakland	6	3	0	.667	156	158
Seattle	5	4	0	.556	196	142
KansasCity	4	5	0	.444	160	167
SanDiego	3	6	0	.333	113	166

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
Dallas	6	3	0	.667	224	121
Arizona	5	4	0	.556	154	197
N.Y.Giants	3	6	0	.333	166	189
Philadelphia	2	7	0	.222	89	205
Washington	1	8	0	.111	141	270
Central						
Minnesota	8	1	0	.889	296	167
GreenBay	6	3	0	.667	239	193
TampaBay	4	5	0	.444	143	176
Chicago	3	6	0	.333	164	198
Detroit	2	7	0	.222	171	219
West						
Atlanta	7	2	0	.778	253	176
SanFrancisco	7	2	0	.778	273	186
NewOrleans	4	5	0	.444	162	201
St.Louis	3	6	0	.333	174	216
Carolina	1	8	0	.111	182	241

Sunday's Games

Cincinnati at Minnesota, 1:01 p.m.
Miami at Carolina, 1:01 p.m.
New England at Buffalo, 1:01 p.m.
New York Jets at Indianapolis, 1:01 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 1:01 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Tennessee, 1:01 p.m.
St. Louis at New Orleans, 1:01 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 1:01 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 4:05 p.m.
Baltimore at San Diego, 4:05 p.m.
Dallas at Arizona, 4:15 p.m.
Green Bay at New York Giants, 4:15 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Jacksonville, 4:15 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 8:20 p.m.

Monday's Game

Denver at Kansas City, 8:20 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 22

Arizona at Washington, 1:01 p.m.
Chicago at Atlanta, 1:01 p.m.
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 1:01 p.m.
Green Bay at Minnesota, 1:01 p.m.
Indianapolis at Buffalo, 1:01 p.m.
Jacksonville at Pittsburgh, 1:01 p.m.
Philadelphia at New York Giants, 1:01 p.m.
Seattle at Dallas, 1:01 p.m.
Carolina at St. Louis, 4:05 p.m.
Kansas City at San Diego, 4:15 p.m.
New York Jets at Tennessee, 4:15 p.m.
Baltimore at Cincinnati, 4:15 p.m.
Oakland at Denver, 4:15 p.m.
New Orleans at San Francisco, 8:20 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 23

Miami at New England, 8:20 p.m.

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
NewJersey	8	5	0	16	28	26
Pittsburgh	6	3	4	16	35	34
N.Y.Islanders	7	8	0	14	36	38
Philadelphia	5	5	4	14	34	33
N.Y.Rangers	4	7	4	12	35	42
Northeast Division						
Toronto	7	6	2	16	44	46
Boston	6	6	3	15	36	26
Montreal	6	6	2	14	34	36
Buffalo	5	3	4	14	32	25
Ottawa	6	5	1	13	39	36
Southeast Division						
Carolina	6	6	3	15	38	34
TampaBay	6	7	2	14	38	49
Florida	5	5	3	13	31	36
Washington	4	6	3	11	28	35

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	8	6	0	16	43	32
St.Louis	6	4	4	16	37	34
Nashville	5	7	1	11	34	39
Chicago	4	8	2	10	30	44
Northwest Division						
Edmonton	8	6	0	16	48	37
Calgary	6	6	2	14	39	40
Vancouver	6	6	1	13	40	34
Colorado	4	8	2	10	33	45
Pacific Division						
Phoenix	7	2	2	16	30	16
Dallas	7	3	2	16	29	25
LosAngeles	5	7	3	13	34	38
Anaheim	4	5	4	12	31	31
SanJose	2	7	4	8	30	35

Wednesday's Games

New Jersey 3, Montreal 0
Florida 4, N.Y. Rangers 1
Detroit 6, St. Louis 2
Toronto 3, Edmonton 2
Anaheim 5, Carolina 4, OT
Phoenix 2, Dallas 0

Thursday's Games

Buffalo at Washington, 7 p.m.
Edmonton at Ottawa, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at N.Y. Islanders, 7:30 p.m.
Florida at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Calgary, 9 p.m.
Nashville at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Carolina at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.

Friday's Games

Pittsburgh at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
Boston at N.Y. Rangers, 7:30 p.m.
Dallas at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Anaheim at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

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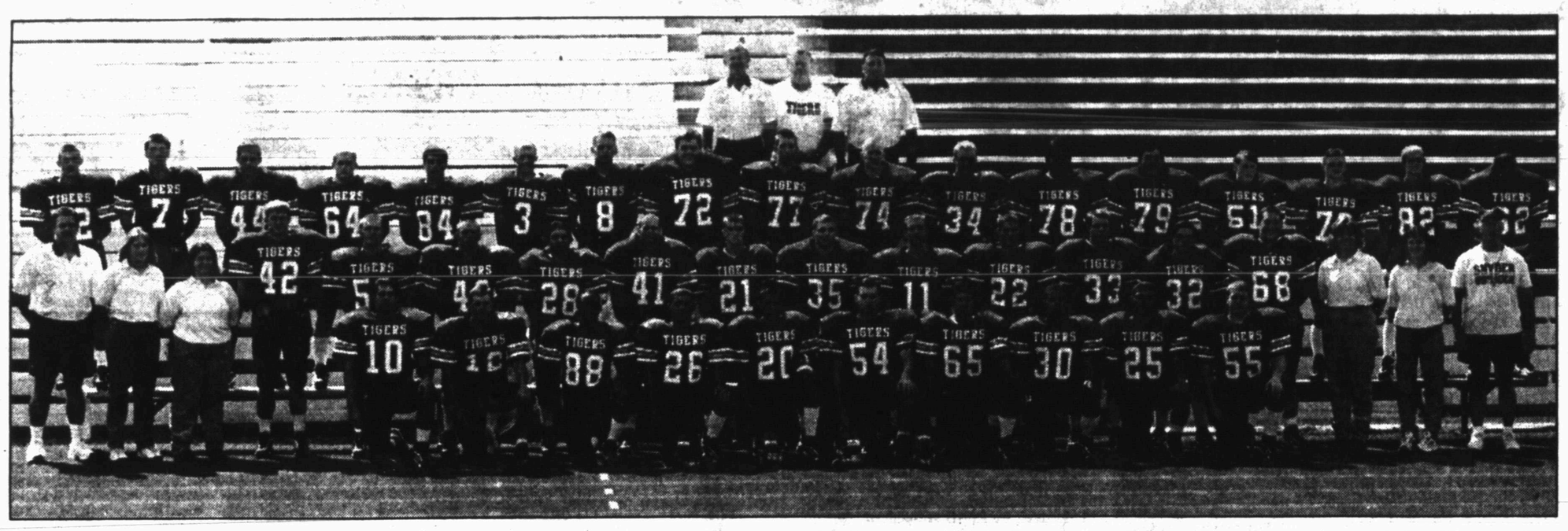

SNYDER TIGERS — Members of the 1998 Snyder Tigers football team are, front row from left, Brady Hackfeld, Justin McNair, Brady Cobb, Bebos Martinez, John Ortegon, Toby Zalman, Juan Olvera, Juan Arizmendi, Josh Arizmendi and Mark Medley. On the second row are asst. coach Bob Wood, mgr. Ashley Herrera, mgr. Brandi Wolf, Adam Beck, Jeremy Nelson, Sam Bedell, Nick Barboza, Paul Camp, Jamie Hoyle, Jacob Hodges, Brad Roemisch, Rad Eicke, Cheyenne Robinson, Chris Covey, Chase McJimsey, mgr. Katy Cooper, mgr. Britney Canada and asst. coach Joe Granato. On the third row are Randy Green, Cory Mandrell, Justin Phillips, Max Blackwell, Joe Salinas, Andy Parker, Sonny Cumbie, Corey Knipe, Aaron Stansell, Jeff Knowles, Michael Loper, Joe Esparza, Jeff Fuentes, Aron Stanley, Joe Dan Davenport, Matthew Grimmett and Tremaine Johnson. On the back row are head coach David Baugh, asst. coach Steve Medley and asst. coach Matt Gutierrez.

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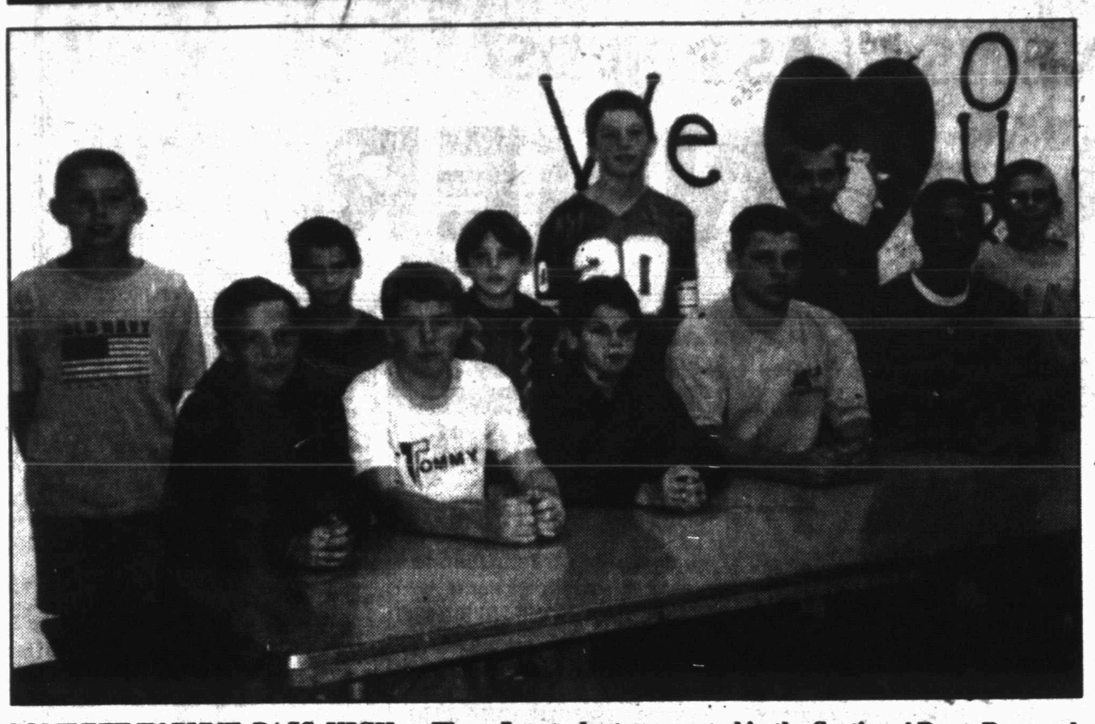

COMPETE IN PUNT, PASS, KICK — These Ira students competed in the Sectional Punt, Pass and Kick Contest last month in Lubbock. From left, back row: Corbin Clements, Kirk Krop, Gerald Shearer, 8-9 years old; Wesley Kellner, Justin Taylor, Travis Frey, ages 10-11; Eric Dickerhoff, Jeff Fine, Kerry Jamison, 12-13 year-olds; Jerry Jamison, Jase Olvera, 14-15 age group. (Contributed Photo)

Wesley Kellner wins at Dallas

Wesley Kellner of Ira placed first in the 10-11 age division of the Team Champions Punt, Pass and Kick contest held Sunday at the Dallas Cowboy football game.

His total score was 283.7. To advance to the national contest, Kellner's score has to be in the top four of all the teams' contestants in his age division. That won't be announced until the end of December.

Kellner also placed first in the Sectional Contest held in Lubbock in October. His total score in the 10-11 age group was 254.2. Two other Ira students also placed in that age group. Justin Taylor was second with 176.5 points and Travis Frey finished in third place with 107.82 points.

Several other Ira students also placed in the sectional contest.

In the 8-9 age group, Corbin Clements was first with 165.3 points; Kirk Krop, second with 119.8 points and Gerald Shearer, third with 108.2 points.

In the 12-13 age group, Eric Dickerhoff was first with 227.6 points; Jeff Fine, second with 187.5 points; and Kerry Jamison was third with 107.7 points.

In the 14-15 age group, Jerry Jamison was second with 291.1 points and Jase Olvera placed third with 137.6 points.

Unexpected bacterium discovered

LOS ANGELES (AP) — An unexpected bacterium found in the brains of Alzheimer's patients could offer the possibility that the dementia-producing disorder has an infectious basis.

Scientists who examined brain tissue of Alzheimer's patients after autopsy found that a bacterium called Chlamydia pneumoniae had invaded brain cells in regions where Alzheimer's damage can be detected.

Researchers were surprised to find the presence of the bacterium because it had penetrated the protective blood-brain barrier, traveling far beyond its common entry point into the body, the sinuses and lungs.

The finding is important to "our potential understanding of how an infectious agent could lead to the neurodegeneration observed in Alzheimer's disease," according to Brian J. Balin, a researcher at Allegheny University of the Health Sciences in Philadelphia.

Balin and a team of colleagues found DNA segments from the bacterium in post-mortem brain samples of 17 of the 19 Alzheimer's patients he analyzed. Conversely, 18 of 19 brain samples from people without Alzheimer's showed no signs of the organism.

"At this time, we do not know if the presence of this organism is causative or if it is a risk factor for the disease," Balin wrote. "However, we believe that our findings support those of others suggesting that inflammation, which can be stimulated by this bacterial infection, is a very important aspect of late-onset Alzheimer's disease."

When cells become infected with the bacterium, they make chemicals to fend off the infection. Those inflammatory chemicals, called cytokines, can damage surrounding nerve cells.

"The damage may cause changes in an individual's ability to recall information such as people and places and the ability to think coherently — common clinical features which are seen in Alzheimer's disease," Balin wrote.

A top Alzheimer's expert said Balin's report — which was presented Wednesday at the annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience — was a "provocative, exciting finding."

"I think that it's something that's really worth taking seriously because of the issue of what's triggering the degeneration process," said Zaven Khachaturian, a consultant to the Alzheimer's Association.

Khachaturian said the critical question is to identify the trigger, which he suggested might be some sort of trauma or other incident that creates damage to the blood-brain barrier and lets the bacteria in.

"Now you have a break in the pipe all of a sudden setting the stage for other events to occur," Khachaturian said. "I think this is a likely scenario."

Khachaturian said it's also important to find out whether the bacteria has set the stage for Alzheimer's in the patients who died, or whether the Alzheimer's damaged the brain, letting in the bacteria.

Stem cell made from cow egg, human cells

NEW YORK (AP) — Scientists at a Massachusetts company say they have made a human cell revert to the primordial state from which all other cells develop by fusing it with a cow egg, The New York Times reported today.

Although the research announced by Advanced Cell Technology has yet to be published or confirmed, the company said the method eventually could be used to grow replacement body tissues.

Dr. Michael West, Advanced Cell Technology's chief executive, said he announced the feat to gauge its acceptability, so the privately held company can decide whether to commit money to developing the process.

The hybrid cell is made by removing the nucleus of a cow egg and inserting a human cell's nucleus. The research, which was conducted three years ago using cells donated by one of the scientists involved in the research, showed that the cow proteins were displaced by human proteins, the company said.

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Schooner's owner faces lawsuits

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Relatives of the victims, all crew members, have filed five lawsuits in Miami-Dade County Circuit Court seeking in excess of $1 million per family from Windjammer Barefoot Cruises Inc.

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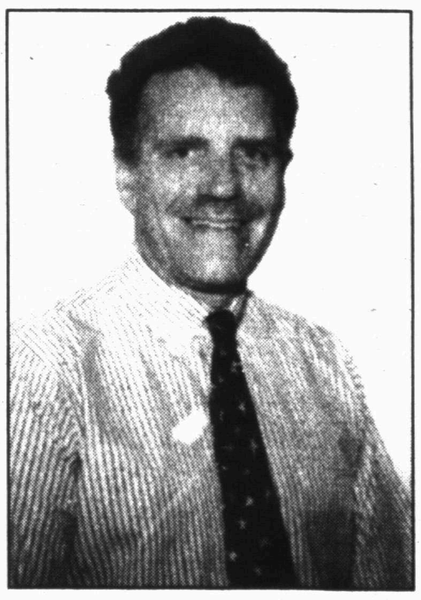

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Of November blizzards past...

Midwest storm brings back memories

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Witch of November is back, the latest in a type of violent storm that can sweep across the Great Lakes early in the cold season, leaving death and destruction in its wake.

This week's incarnation has paralyzed travel on hundreds of miles of highway and killed at least eight.

Previous versions have been far deadlier.

Best remembered is the famed Edmund Fitzgerald storm of Nov. 9-10, 1975, that sent the giant ore carrier of that name to the bottom of Lake Superior, killing all 29 aboard.

November storms are common on the Great Lakes, prompting mariners to coin the term November Witches, said meteorologist Mace Bentley, who detailed the Edmund Fitzgerald storm in an article in the November issue of Weatherwise magazine.

The current storm is surprisingly similar to that 1975 disaster, even a bit stronger, he said in a telephone interview.

"It was kind of ominous to see that repeat of history," said Bentley, a former Weather Channel meteorologist now working on his doctorate at the University of Georgia.

But even the Edmund Fitzgerald storm wasn't the deadliest November Witch.

More than 250 died as eight Great Lakes ore carriers sank during the Great Storm of 1913, sometimes called the "Freshwater Fury."

"No lake master (ship's captain) can recall in all his experience a storm of such unprecedented violence with such rapid changes in the direction of the wind and its gusts of such fearful speed," said a report on the storm issued by the Lake Carriers Association in the wake of the storm.

The storm struck Nov. 8-9, taking its greatest toll in Lake Huron and eastern Lake Superior. More than 50 vessels were damaged, wind was clocked at 62 mph at Buffalo, N.Y., and snow totaled 22 inches in Cleveland.

The Nov. 11, 1940, Armistice Day storm in the region left 49 dead in Minnesota, while 13 died in Illinois and four in Michigan. There were 59 sailors killed in shipwrecks, primarily on Lake Michigan.

The storm of Nov. 25-26, 1950, was a prolific snow producer, becoming known as the "Great Appalachian Storm." It deposited 57 inches of snow in West Virginia; seven inches of rain fell at Slide Mountain, N.Y., and Newark, N.J., experienced a wind gust of 108 mph. But it didn't stop the Ohio State Buckeyes from eking out a 3-0 football victory over Michigan in Columbus, Ohio.

"Invariably the big storms occur in November, which has always been a stormy month on the Great Lakes," reported Val L. Eichenlaub in his book, "Weather and Climate of the Great Lakes Region."

Indeed, the first storm warning was issued Nov. 8, 1870, by the U.S. Army Signal Service, which eventually became the National Weather Service. Prof. Increase Latham, based in Chicago, issued the warning for the Great Lakes region.

At this time of year, Eichenlaub explains, the atmospheric circulation speeds up and great temperature contrasts exist between the cold expanses of Canada and the lingering warmth of the Gulf States. That combination can produce the season's first major snows, often an unpleasant surprise for people enjoying autumn leaves and not yet mentally prepared for a real taste of winter.

Other major November storms of the past include:

—Nov. 5, 1894: The "Election Day Snowstorm" struck New England, dumping nearly 12 inches of snow in Connecticut.

—Nov. 15, 1900: Watertown, N.Y. experienced 45 inches of snow in 24 hours as a storm swept moisture off Lake Ontario and turned it into frozen precipitation as the wind came ashore.

—Nov. 19, 1921: A severe storm swept into the Pacific

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Universal can't finish 'Babe' sequel in time for premiere

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Universal Studios can't bring home the bacon just yet.

"Babe: Pig in the City," the most important movie of the year for the beleaguered company, is taking longer to complete than expected. As a result, the studio has been forced to cancel its star-studded benefit premiere and a weekend publicity event, officials said Wednesday.

But Universal insisted the sequel to 1995's Oscar-nominated film "Babe" will be ready for its critical Nov. 25 opening over the five-day Thanksgiving weekend. It also said the film should be available for reviewers a few days before the opening.

"It's due to the extraordinary amount of special effects in the film," Universal said of the delay. "The editing process has taken longer than we had anticipated."

Returning James Cromwell as Farmer Hoggett, "Babe: Pig in the City" brings the sweet-hearted swine to the urban jungle. The film features wide use of computer-generated effects to make the barnyard animals appear to talk and required an unusually long nine-month shooting schedule, which wrapped up in June.

The follow-up to the $63.6 million-grossing "Babe" has been seen as Universal's strongest film of the year, and the studio built an ambitious merchandising campaign around it. The movie also has the potential to do stellar business when it comes out on video.

Because of the film delay, Universal canceled its Sunday's world premiere at Universal City to benefit the Children's Defense Fund, a leading nonprofit child advocacy group. The benefit committee included Robin Williams, John Travolta and Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Universal is refunding money to people who bought tickets and making a donation to the fund, the studio said.

"We are very sorry we have to cancel the 'Babe: Pig in the City' benefit premiere," Universal said. "Unfortunately, we were unable to make this deadline in order to prepare for the nationwide release."

Universal also canceled this weekend's media event in which reporters could interview the film's stars. Such events typically generate mountains of free publicity for films.

Universal is badly in need of a hit. The studio has struggled this year with a slate of disappointing films such as "Primary Colors," "Out of Sight" and "BASEketball," placing Universal next to last among major studios in market share, ahead only of troubled MGM. Universal has yet to have a film this year grossing more than $40 million.

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AT&T Corp	62⅝	61 13-16	62⅝	— 7-16
AirTouch	54 3-16	53⅜	53⅜	— 9-16
Albertsons	57	55⅝	56 13-16	+ 1
AlldSignal	41 15-16	41 5-16	41 15-16	+ 5-16
Alltel	50	49⅝	49⅝	— ⅜
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AmOnline wi	70 1-16	68⅝	69 13-16	+11-16
AmStores	34 7-16	33 11-16	34⅝	+11-16
Ameritech s	53⅝	53⅜	53⅜	— ⅜
Amoco s	57⅝	56 7-16	57⅝	+ 1
AndarkPtr s	32	30⅝	31 15-16	+1 11-16
ArmcoInc	4⅝	4 11-16	4 11-16	— 1-16
AtlRichfld	68 13-16	67 3-16	68⅝	+ 2⅝
ATMOS Egy	31	30⅝	30 13-16	+ 5-16
Aviall	12⅝	12⅝	12⅝	+ 3-16
BakerHughes	21	20⅝	20⅝	+ ⅜
BankAmerica	56⅝	55⅝	56 1-16	—15-16
BellAtl s	55 3-16	54⅝	54 11-16	— ⅜
BellSouth	79⅝	78 13-16	79 5-16	— ⅜
BethSteel	9 7-16	9 5-16	9 5-16	— ⅛
BritPet	89⅝	88⅝	89⅝	+1 5-16
BurlNoSFe s	31⅝	31	31⅝	+ 9-16
CBS Corp	27⅝	27 3-16	27⅝	— 9-16
Caterpillar	45 15-16	45 7-16	45⅝	+ 3-16
CenSoWst	28 7-16	28 1-16	28⅝	+ 1-16
Chevron	82 15-16	80 7-16	82⅝	+ 2⅝
Chrysler	48⅝	47⅝	48⅝	+1 3-16
Citigroup	42 5-16	41⅝	42 5-16	— 1-16
Coastal s	36 13-16	35⅝	36 9-16	+ ⅜
CocaCola	70 15-16	70 3-16	70⅝	— ⅜
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ComclMetals	27 15-16	27⅝	27⅝	+ 5-16
CooperIn	49⅝	48 13-16	49	+ 3-16
CyprusAmax	12 11-16	12 7-16	12 11-16	+ 3-16
DellComputer	38⅝	37 9-16	37⅝	— ⅜
DeltaAirl	103	99⅝	102 11-16	+ 2⅝
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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Gas-sniffing can cause brain damage

DEAR DR. GOTT: My teen-age nephew sniffs gasoline, inhaling it until he passes out. He won't listen to anyone who tries to help him. Our local mental health agency says the problem is not their territory. What physical harm could result from my nephew's habit?

DEAR READER: Sniffing gasoline, glue or other hydrocarbon derivatives is a dangerous form of substance abuse that can cause brain damage, liver failure and suffocation, not to mention death from other reasons. The habit is certainly within the province of mental health professionals, because it is a behavioral abnormality related to drug addiction. I don't understand why your mental health agency abdicated its responsibility; this is reprehensible.

Successful therapy for this type of drug habituation is similar to that for alcohol or other substance abuse: namely, avoiding the drug, seeking counseling and participating in support groups. As a first step, your nephew should be evaluated by a physician to make sure that his habit hasn't caused physical problems. Then the doctor can refer your nephew for appropriate counseling and/or treatment that could literally save his life.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Help II: Substance Abuse and Mental Health." 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: I have been prescribed Zoloft for depression, and it has made a remarkable difference in my life. How long do I have to take it? Is St. John's Wort an appropriate substitute? Can I have a glass of wine when I go out for dinner?

DEAR READER: Depression is a major health problem in this country today. Many depressed patients attribute their happier and more productive lives to prescription antidepressants, including Zoloft and others.

As a general rule, the medicine is taken for years. I cannot give you an exact figure; some patients take it for a month or two, others require a lifetime of therapy.

St. John's Wort, an herbal remedy, has been reported to be an effective antidote for mild depression. You can try it, but I believe the Zoloft will be more effective.

If your physician agrees, I see no reason to prohibit you from having an occasional glass of wine. Remember that alcohol is a depressant and can interfere with many medications, so go easy.

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7 Complete units
13 Certain charity sponsor
14 Constellation between Perseus and Gemini
15 One-celled animal
16 — of Capricorn
17 Casual top
18 Soak (flax)
20 Draft agcy.
21 Folded
25 Most wealthy
28 Stiller's partner
32 West Indies religious belief
33 Unless (2 wds.)
34 Large house
35 Waiting for —
36 Colorado park
37 Frighten
39 Mathematical proposition
41 Type of pick?
44 Roman dozen
45 Zero
48 Large cat
51 Musical interval
54 Bullfighter
55 Slacken
56 Toughen
57 City in Texas (2 wds.)

DOWN

1 Tiff
2 Not wild
3 Plains Indian
4 Crude metal
5 High tennis shot
6 Traps
7 Units of electrical energy
8 Ben- —
9 Gold (Sp.)
10 Gloss targets
11 Protection
12 Pouches
19 Dine
21 Alpine cottage
22 Go over again
23 Certain exile
24 Distort
25 Ramble
26 Large wading bird
27 Welshman, e.g.
29 The King — —
30 Housetop
31 ABA member
37 — polloi
38 Brightly colored bird
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43 Shore bird
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49 Director Spike
50 . . . man — — mouse?
52 Mil. rank
53 Spinning toy

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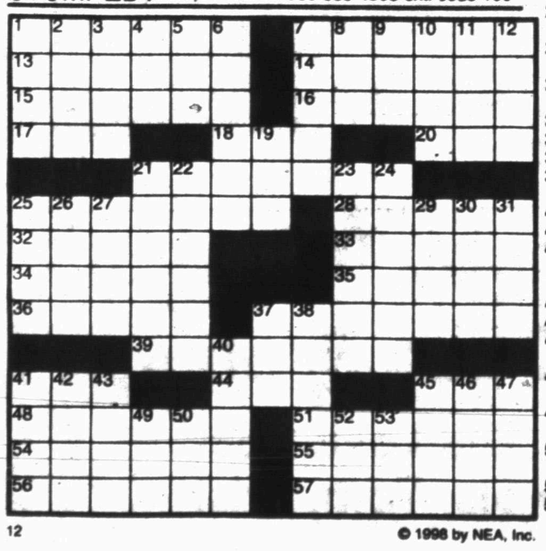

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"YOU JUST *SIT* HERE ALL DAY LONG? I THOUGHT YOU SAID YOU WORKED?!"

Gingrich in 2000: Can a fallen speaker rise again?

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Speaker Newt Gingrich is leaving Congress, but that's no reason to count him out of the presidential sweepstakes.

Gingrich isn't saying whether he will run for president in 2000. His closest advisers say he won't decide for weeks or months. But as he ponders his future, picking up the pieces from disappointing midterm elections, Republicans are debating whether Gingrich could be a serious contender.

Supporters argue that Gingrich is still one of the party's best fund-raisers and a leader with "big ideas" who energizes audiences like no other Republican, including poll-topping Gov. George W. Bush of Texas.

"I'm a big fan of George W. Bush, but it's a long way to go between now and ... 2000," said longtime Gingrich adviser Rich Galen.

Gingrich "has such incredible energy and intellect that he would have the ability to drive the race by his very presence," said Tom Rath, a New Hampshire party leader who is helping former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander position for the 2000 race.

But others say Gingrich is too scarred by the wars of Washington to make a serious run.

"It would defeat everything he's achieved with his graceful exit from the House," said Republican media consultant Alex Castellanos of Alexandria, Va. Gingrich has been the GOP "point man" for too long, he said.

"The good news is the point man gets to blaze the trail. The bad news is you get shot full of bullet holes doing it," Castellanos said.

Exit polls Nov. 3 showed that nearly six of every 10 voters nationwide viewed Gingrich unfavorably. Even in his home state of Georgia, he could muster only a 47 percent favorable rating.

"His negatives are just too high," said Tom Slade, chairman of the Florida GOP, though he called Gingrich the party's most articulate spokesman and fund-raiser.

Gingrich's chances also might be hurt by perceptions among conservatives that he capitulated too often in negotiations with President Clinton.

"I think Newt did a lot of good things early on, but as a leader he got away from our message and that resulted in what happened in the elections," said Tim Lambert of Texas, a leading conservative voice among Republican National Committee members.

As for the midterm elections, Steve Grubbs, chairman of the Iowa Republican Party, said, "I think the loss of five House seats was a very serious setback for a Gingrich presidential run. ... There is a lot of disappointment among the rank and file."

Yet critics and supporters alike say Gingrich's chances might be helped by his decision to leave the House. He could soon begin retooling his political image, free of the bickering that helped cement his reputation as a Washington firebrand.

"The run is easier, if he decides to make it, by not being burdened with the responsibility of speaker," said Slade, the Florida GOP chairman. "But the fact that he had to resign as speaker in order to prevent a very divisive situation in the House kind of speaks for itself. ... He's a polarizing figure."

Said Gingrich ally Galen: "He's got more time to think about what he wants to say and how he wants to say it because he's not spending 18 hours a day in meetings ... in the Capitol."

Advisers say that while being House speaker was his lifelong goal, Gingrich may be looking for a new place in history as president. Yet some say their best bet is that he won't try this time, perhaps waiting until 2004.

Raising 'good' cholesterol can save lives

DALLAS (AP) — Millions of Americans who have lowered their levels of so-called bad cholesterol might benefit from increasing their levels of the good kind, a study says.

In a Veterans Administration study released Wednesday, doctors found that the generic medicine gemfibrozil slightly increases good cholesterol levels, lowering the risk of a heart attack or death from heart disease by 22 percent.

"It works. It's cheap. It's well-tolerated," said Dr. Hanna Rubins, who directed the study at the VA Medical Center in Minneapolis.

Doctors often recommend cholesterol-lowering drugs for people whose so-called bad cholesterol, or LDL, is off the charts. However, about one-quarter of all people with heart disease have ordinary amounts of LDL, while their HDL — or good cholesterol, the stuff that keeps arteries clean — is low.

The study used a drug called Lopid, known generically as gemfibrozil. This medicine has been overtaken in recent years by a newer class of medicines, called statins, that are available only in more expensive brand-name versions.

The study was presented at a meeting in Dallas of the American Heart Association, along with another report showing that unusually aggressive treatment with one of the statin drugs can forestall the need for angioplasty.

The statins typically cost $900 to $1,800 a year. In her study, Rubins said gemfibrozil cost the VA $48 per patient annually, although the typical drugstore cost is likely to be several times higher.

In the study, 1,264 men were randomly assigned to take gemfibrozil, while 1,267 others got placebos. At the start, average LDL levels were an unremarkable 111, while HDL was 31.5 — well below the healthy level of 45 or higher.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Man Feeling Low on Birthday Is Lifted by High-Tech Cards

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: I usually get a bit depressed around my birthday, and this past year was especially hard. Two years ago, I lost my grandmother, my father and a girlfriend shortly before my birthday. Also, my new girlfriend dumped me a year ago, just before my birthday. Now I associate my birthday with the loss of people for whom I cared deeply and I become depressed weeks before the occasion.

This year I received two cards in the "snail mail" — one from my stepmother (which reminded me that my dad can never send me a card again) and one from my oldest sister. I was, however, surprised to receive an e-mail card from another sister and her two small children, another e-mail card from my younger sister and several from Internet buddies. The real kicker was an e-mail greeting from my mother! One of my sisters had shown her how to create a card on the computer and send it to me online.

Because of the snail mail and e-mail cards I received, I didn't feel quite so alone this year. In fact, it was the most loving birthday I've had in years.

KEN IN GROVE CITY, OHIO

DEAR KEN: Congratulations on having overcome the birthday blues. Thirty years ago, who would have believed that so many people would own personal computers and use them for greetings and personal messages? This age of sophisticated communications technology is a marvel to behold, isn't it? Belated happy birthday, Ken.

DEAR ABBY: This is my first letter to you, but after reading about the woman's husband who urinates in their front yard, I just had to write. When I read your answer I laughed out loud even though I was alone in the house. I was reminded of a solution to a problem that we have here in the desert Southwest.

It isn't unusual for critters from the desert to cruise through town looking for food. The javelina (wild boar) especially can be a nuisance because it travels in family packs, and a group of at least six was checking out my porch every evening to see if my cats had left any food. I'd chase them away, but that deterred them only for a little while. I needed a more permanent solution.

Someone told my daughter about a group of beer drinkers who usually drank outside the house. Instead of going inside to urinate, they'd just do it in the yard — and they had no problem with javelinas. Other people who were bothered by the pesky creatures tried it, and it worked. I finally talked my grandson into marking his territory in various spots around my yard.

It worked at my house, too. It has to be repeated every so often, but it's such an inoffensive way to be rid of the pests. I'm signing my letter, but do not use my name. It's a small town and I don't need that kind of notoriety.

ARIZONA READER

DEAR ARIZONA READER: Thank you for an intriguing letter. Several readers wrote to tell me that urine is a pest repellent. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I don't know if you're aware of this or not, but according to the master gardener, Jerry Baker, urine can be very beneficial in the garden to control pests. I can tell you from experience that urine seems to have eliminated the pack rats that were around our home for years. Since pack rats can be very damaging to one's house, my theory was, "If a little urine gets rid of them, whatta deal!"

TOM IN TUCSON

DEAR ABBY: Since those of us over the age of 60 are referred to as "senior citizens," that must mean that people in their 40s and 50s are "junior citizens." And if that's the case, it would follow that those in their 30s are sophomore citizens and adults in their 20s are freshman citizens.

If this is true, we would have a new age grouping system that eliminates "elderly" from our vocabulary. For those who ask what comes after "senior," the answer is, "Graduation, of course. We don't die. We graduate."

GEORGE TIPPEN, SENIOR CITIZEN

DEAR GEORGE: That makes sense to me. And our post-graduate education depends upon the course we take here on Earth.

"I'm happy for you that you have been able to get in touch with your inner nerd."

Date Book

Nov. 12, 1998

Today is the 316th day of 1998 and the 51st day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1903, tenor Enrico Caruso recorded an aria from Verdi's "I Pagliacci." It became the first million-seller in recording history.

On this day in 1920, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis was elected commissioner of the American and National baseball leagues in the wake of the Black Sox scandal.

On this day in 1981, astronauts Richard Truly and Joe Engle rode Columbia, the first space shuttle, into orbit around the Earth.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Elizabeth Cady Stanton (1815-1902), reformer; Baha'u'llah (1817-1892), religious leader; Auguste Rodin (1840-1917), sculptor; Harry A. Blackmun (1908-), U.S. jurist, is 90; Grace Kelly (1929-1982), actress-princess of Monaco; Neil Young (1945-), singer-songwriter, is 53; Nadia Comaneci (1961-), gymnast, is 37; Tonya Harding (1970-), figure skater-conspirator, is 28.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1966, Dick the Bruiser pinned Mad Dog Vachon to win the American Wrestling Association championship.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men and women are created equal." — Elizabeth Cady Stanton

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1962, the damage on Guam from Typhoon Karen was described as being like a "near miss by a nuclear bomb."

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TODAY'S MOON: Between last quarter (Nov. 10) and new moon (Nov. 18).

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France seeking Pinochet's extradition

LONDON (AP) — Prosecutors wrapped up their appeal today of a court ruling allowing Gen. Augusto Pinochet immunity from arrest in Britain, arguing that the crimes against humanity he is charged with "unequivocally" violate international law.

An attorney for the former Chilean dictator argued before a five-judge tribunal in the House of Lords, Britain's highest court, that any acts committed by Pinochet were "in exercise of governmental power" and thereby immune from prosecution.

At the conclusion of the six-day hearing, Lord Justice Gordon Slynn gave no indication of when the tribunal would rule in what he called "this important and very difficult case."

Pinochet was arrested Oct. 16 in London on a Spanish extradition warrant citing charges of genocide, torture and kidnapping during his 17-year rule, which began in 1973 when he toppled Salvador Allende, an elected Marxist.

England's High Court rejected the arrest, saying Britain's 1978 State Immunity Act granted him immunity from arrest here as a former foreign head of state.

A report by Chile's government says about 3,000 people were killed or disappeared at the hands of secret police under Pinochet. Chile, however, has protested his arrest, saying it strains the country's democracy, carefully built since the general stepped down in 1990.

Christopher Greenwood, an attorney representing Spain, argued today that Pinochet has no right to immunity and that Britain has no obligation to Chile to allow him to return home.

"Torture, hostage-taking and crimes against humanity are conduct which international law has forbidden unequivocally throughout the period that we are looking at," Greenwood said.

Obituaries

Lola Bayless

1906-1998

Service for Mrs. Bayless, 92, a lifetime resident of Scurry County, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Homer Anderson, minister of the 37th Street Church of Christ, and the Rev. Rex Reynolds, pastor of Hermeligh's First Baptist Church, will officiate.

Burial will follow in the Hermleigh Cemetery.

Lola Dee Bayless died Tuesday, Nov. 10, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Born on Nov. 1, 1906 in Hermleigh, she married A.K. Bayless on Oct. 14, 1922 in Hermleigh. He died on June 8, 1982. Mrs. Bayless was a homemaker.

She was also preceded in death by two sons, Richard Wayne Bayless and D.R. Bayless; one daughter, Margie Marie Bayless; and one sister, Ruby Vernon.

Survivors include three sons, Bill Bayless of Odessa, Kiah Bayless of Whittier, Calif., and Carl Bayless of Houston; one sister, Lilly Atchley of Ivanhoe, Calif.; seven grandchildren; 12 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family will greet friends at the funeral home from 6 to 8 p.m. today.

Charles Wood

1925-1998

Charles W. Wood, a resident of Snyder for the past two years, died Wednesday, Nov. 11, at his home.

Funeral service for Mr. Wood, 73, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in the First Baptist Church in Post. The Rev. Darryl Smith, pastor, will officiate. Burial will follow in the Terrace Cemetery under the direction of Justice-Mason Funeral Home of Post.

Born July 28, 1925 in Post, he graduated from Post High School in 1942 and entered the Marine Corp in 1943. He served in the South Pacific with the 2nd Marine Raider Battalion during World War II.

Mr. Wood married Myra Waggoner on Dec. 3, 1949 in Clovis, N.M. He was a member of the Post volunteer fire department. He also lived in Odessa and worked for Armco-Union as a warehouse manager for 37 years. After retirement, he lived in Lubbock prior to moving to Snyder in November, 1997.

Survivors include his wife, Myra Wood of Snyder; four sons, Richard Warren Wood of Snyder, Jim William Wood of Denison, Charlie Luther Wood of Midland and Kevin Ray Wood of Arlington; three brothers, W.L. Wood Jr. of Satellite Beach, Fla., Harry Wood of Odessa and Bobby Wood of Lubbock; eight grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Big Spring Hospice or to the Grace Lutheran Church in Snyder.

Thomas Pierson

1931-1998

PROCTOR — Thomas F. Pierson, a former teacher and coach at both Ira and Hobbs, Tex., died Monday, Nov. 9, in a Temple hospital.

Military graveside service for Mr. Pierson, 67, is set for 10 a.m. Friday in the Fort Sam Houston National Cemetery in San Antonio. Arrangements are under the direction of Stevens Funeral Home of Coleman.

Born in Junction, Mr. Pierson attended school in Kimble County and married Audrey Lapier in 1951 in Manassas, Va. A member of the U.S. Marine Corp from 1946-61, he served three tours of duty with the First Marine Division during the Korean War.

A graduate of Tarleton State University, he also taught and coached at Gordon, Carbon, Olden, Mozelle and Blackwell. Mr. Pierson moved to Proctor in 1984. He was a member of the Disabled American Veterans, the Exclusive Fraternity of Honor of the Chosen Few and a Baptist.

Survivors include his wife, Audrey Pierson of Proctor; four sons, Rodney Pierson of Santa Anna, Thomas Pierson of Weatherford, Mark Pierson of De Leon and Wade Pierson of Fort Worth; a daughter, Renee Williams of Coleman; 13 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

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Gonzales appointed by Bush

AUSTIN (AP) — Gov. George W. Bush appointed Republican Al Gonzales to the Texas Supreme Court today, giving his party control of the last statewide office held by Democrats after last week's elections.

Gonzales, the Texas secretary of state, replaces Justice Raul Gonzalez, the first Hispanic elected to statewide office in Texas. Gonzalez announced in September that he would retire at the end of the year because of financial considerations and "burnout" from a 20-year career on the bench.

With Al Gonzales' appointment, Republicans control all 27 top Texas offices. Raul Gonzalez was the only statewide Democratic officeholder whose seat wasn't up in the Nov. 3 election, which saw Republicans take the 26 top state jobs that were up for grabs.

Raul Gonzalez was one of only two Democrats on the nine-member court. Rose Spector, who six years ago made history by becoming the first woman elected to the court, lost her bid for re-election to Republican Harriet O'Neill, a Houston appeals court judge.

Al Gonzales will serve out Raul Gonzalez' term, which expires on Dec. 31, 2000, and can run in 2000 for a full term. The annual salary is $113,000.

Microsoft's trial still on

WASHINGTON (AP) — Trying to counter claims it wielded undue influence, Microsoft sought to portray an Intel executive today as a disgruntled employee reprimanded for shoddy work.

Microsoft tried to assail Steven McGeady's credibility through notes the Intel vice president scribbled to himself during a mid-1995 meeting with his supervisor, Frank Gill.

The notes focused on an Intel lab where McGeady was working on a new technology called Native Signal Processing software, or NSP.

McGeady wrote that the lab made a major mistake with the software, which was why it was being merged with another Intel group headed by Gill. The mistake centered on the fact that NSP was structured to work with Microsoft's Windows 3.1 system, rather than the upcoming Windows 95.

Officers respond to theft, burglary

While activity was light for local law enforcment personnel Wednesday, officers did respond to reports of theft, criminal mischief and a burglary.

Tracy Wolfe, manager at McDonald's, requested an officer at 2:15 p.m. in reference to a theft. An offense report for Class B theft was filed.

At 9:37 a.m., Jack McGlaun reported criminal mischief at the Snyder Boys and Girls Club. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was submitted in reference to broken windows.

An offense report for criminal mischief was also submitted at 9:39 p.m. as someone had damaged the front of McLeod's Jewelry.

An officer was called to 2608 Ave. U at 4:59 p.m. as Sid Estrada reported his residence had been burglarized. Missing from the residence were household items.

Officers also investigated a report of forged checks. An offense report for Class B theft and forgery was submitted at 5:45 p.m. from the 3200 block of 36th Place.

One person was arrested Tuesday as a 28-year-old female was taken into custody at 12:49 p.m. in the 2900 block of College Avenue for nine outstanding warrants for the issuance of bad checks.

Storms

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Northwest, dumping 54 inches of snow that blocked highways and railroads.

—Nov. 21, 1798: The "Long Storm" left a foot of snow in New York City and up to 36 inches in New England before it ended four days later.

—Nov. 23, 1943: New Hampshire endures a record snowfall, 56 inches in Randolph, with more than 40 inches falling many other places.

Personal, Professional Service

BELL CYPERT-SEALE FUNERAL HOME

3101 College Ave. 573-5454

Landes Home Furnishings

USED FURNITURE BUILDING HAS BEEN SOLD!

MUST LIQUIDATE!

SALE STARTS FRIDAY THRU NOV. 21ST

Used Furniture • Repo Furniture • Damaged Furniture
Furniture From Storage • Odds 'n Ends • Fixtures

Sofas - Loveseats - Chairs - Recliners - Mattresses - Much, Much More!!!

Around The Corner From Landes - 2505 Ave. U

"Old Dynasty Waterbed"

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Boys basketball parents

Parents of SHS basketball players will meet at 7 o'clock this evening in the student center.

Diabetes support group

Snyder's Diabetes Support group will meet at 7 this evening in the Prime Rehab building at 5301 Trinity Blvd. Topic will be Medicare and Diabetes.

East Parent Council

The East Parent Council will meet at 7 tonight in the school auditorium.

Support group ministry

Support groups for divorce recovery, cancer/grief and caring for aging parents are available to adults and will meet at 6:30 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church. L.I.F.E. (learning to improve the family experience) is for teens and parents. Child care is provided.

Dunn community homecoming

The Dunn community homecoming will be held Saturday at the Dunn Community Center. Registration will be at 1 p.m. Bring sandwiches for the 5 p.m. meal and everything else will be furnished.

Garage sale

The Ira senior class have a garage sale starting at 7 a.m. Saturday at 1600 Preston Trail. Donations may be made by calling Tammy Shirley at 573-1867 or Chesta Schneider at 573-8694.

Holiday Elegance

Martha Ann Woman's Club will present 'Holiday Elegance' starting at 11:30 a.m. Saturday. Holiday decorations will be on display at the luncheon. Tickets are $10 and may be reserved by calling 573-3427 or 573-6443.

Sound of Jubilee Ministries

Everyone is invited to the Sound of Jubilee Ministries on Saturday for a day of praise beginning at 9 a.m. The ministries is located at 908 E. Highway 80.

Bake sale

The Snyder First Church of the Nazarene will have a bake sale at Wal-Mart on Saturday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. Proceeds will go towards the church's mortgage.

Midnight movie

The Snyder High School class of '99 is sponsoring the movie, "The Waterboy," at midnight on Saturday at The Cinema. Admission is $4 per person.

Basketball season tickets

Season tickets for all Snyder high school and junior high basketball games are on sale for $20 at the school administration building.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV Channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "Who is a Believer," followed by "America: God Wants You Back."

Relay for Life Rally

The Scurry County unit of the American Cancer Society will have its first Relay for Life Rally on Tuesday at the First Baptist Church garden room. Interested individuals should call Mark Cypert at 573-5714, or 573-5454 by Friday.

Lighted Christmas tour

Historic Scurry County Inc. will host a lighted Christmas tour Dec. 12. Also, the organization wants to display shakeable Snow Globes or Snow Babies at the Cornelius-Dodson House. Those with items to loan, call 573-0770 or bring them to the house between the hours of 9:30 a.m. and noon Tuesday.

WTC talent show

WTC student government will sponsor a talent show at 6:30 p.m. next Thursday in the central courtyard. The deadline has been extended to Wednesday.

SHS choir sells poinsettias

SHS Choir members are selling Christmas poinsettias. Cost is $10 poinsettias come in red, white and the jungle bell variety. This year the size of the pots has been increased from 6 to 6½ inches. Students are raising money to help support the choir trip to Disney World next spring.

Pick 3

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

3-3-7
(three, three, seven)

Lotto Texas

By The Associated Press

Two tickets correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas, according to the state lottery.

The jackpot was worth an estimated $4 million.

The winning tickets were sold in Houston and Spring Branch.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 5-13-23-35-43-50.

If sales continue as expected, Saturday night's drawing will again be worth an estimated $4 million.