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Home of Dale Byrd

Taekwondo...

Competitors look for kicks in Snyder

By Bobby Allen
SDN Sports Editor

Taekwondo schools from all across the Southwest and Mexico will converge in Snyder Saturday for the 17th annual Taekwondo Championships at Scurry County Coliseum.

Snyder Taekwondo Academy owner, fifth-degree black belt Greg Gafford, said the event draws 300 to 400 competitors annually.

He said that most of the top fighters hail from Texas — many from the Dallas and Houston areas — with schools from Arizona, Oklahoma and New Mexico scheduled to compete.

Gafford said that quite a few schools from Mexico bring competitors to the championship.

"Last year we had a group from Mexico City. That's a long way to come, and they bring tough fighters," he said.

Many renowned and decorated fighters have competed in the Snyder championships, including 2000 gold medallist Steven Lopez.

"All of the Lopezes have fought in the tournament," he said. Mark, Diane and Gene Lopez are all national team members. "Chris Post actually beat Steven when they were 10-years-old."

Other fighters that have participated in the tournament include Kay Poe, another national team member from Texas, and Ronny Martinez, who is ranked in the top 20 nationally, placed this year in state competition.

"When you place in Texas, you're good, because you're fighting the best in the country," Gafford said.

Taekwondo is a Korean martial art that specializes in hand and foot fighting.

For the Snyder championships, athletes will primarily use their feet to score, with the United States Taekwondo Union (USTU) Olympic rules applied for the safety of the competitors.

Hands to the face, foot sweeps, kicking above the waist, takedowns and holds are all prohibited.

All fighters will be required to wear protective gear, including forearm and shin pads and headgear.

First, second and third place prizes will be awarded in all divisions, which are grouped by belt, weight and age.

The championships also feature a team competition. All the different schools will put together groups of five, and how students place in their individual events will determine the number of points the team receives.

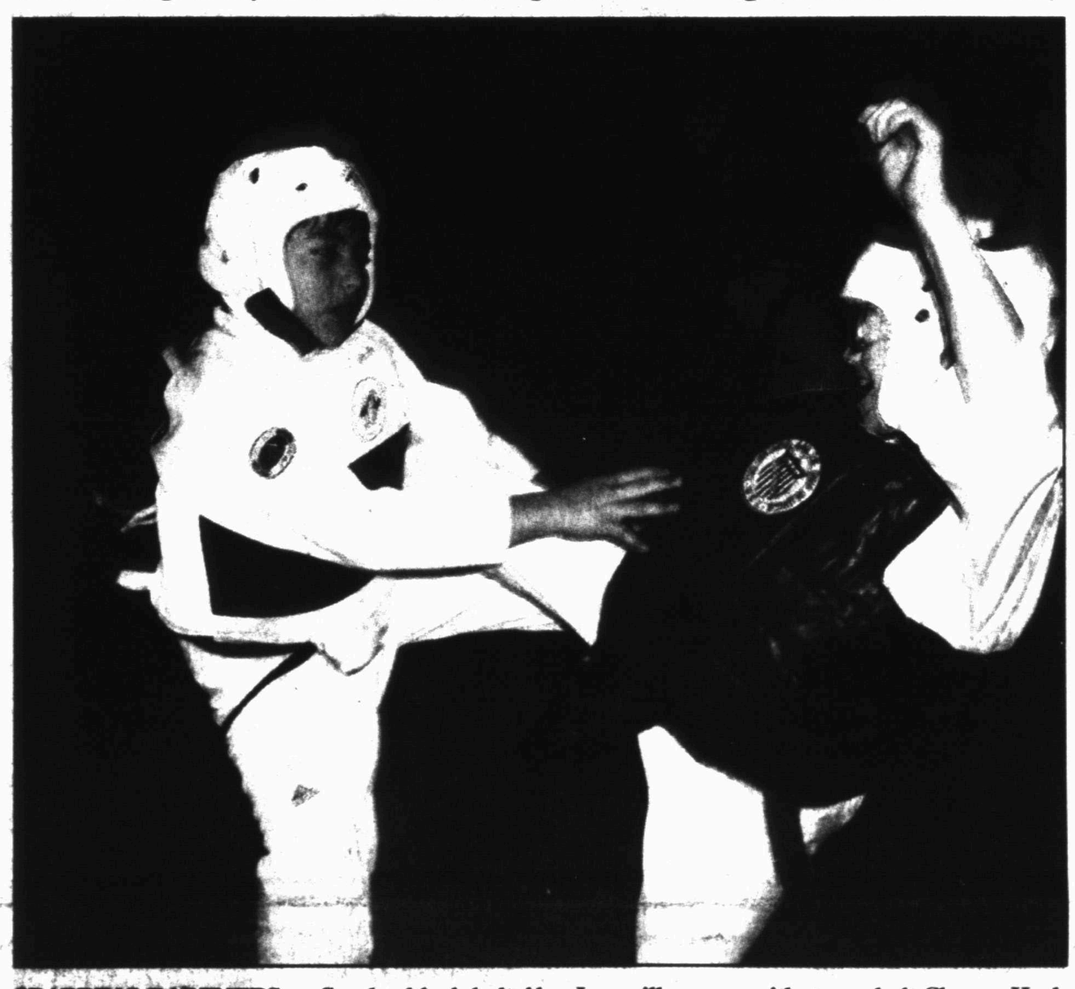
Gafford, who started training in 1979 and earned his black belt three years later, puts all of the elements together for the Snyder championships.

"It used to be a lot of work and the promotion was time consuming," he said. "It's not as big of a job as it used to be."

Members of the Snyder Taekwondo Academy that will participate are Zach Gafford, Erin Fry, Karsten Morrell, Hunter Wickline, Alex Jaramillo, Xavier Jaramillo, Seth Jaramillo, Slade Birkenfeld, Brandon Elan, Stacey Elan, Koe Alvarez, Joseph Benz, Ryan Dennis and Clancey Gruben.

Eliminations (Poomse) begin at 10:30 a.m. and free sparring (Gyroogi) will start at 12:30 p.m.

Admission is $5 for adults and $3 for children ages six to 12. Children under five can watch for free.



SPARRING PARTNERS — Snyder black belt Alex Jaramillo spars with green belt Chance Hudding of Jayton at Snyder Taekwondo Academy this week. The 17th annual Snyder Taekwondo Championships are Saturday at Scurry County Coliesum. (SDN Staff Photo)

Defense Affairs, Natural Resources...

Campbell will serve on two House committees

AUSTIN — Scott Campbell, state representative for District 72 that includes Scurry, Mitchell, Coke and Tom Green counties, was named vice chairman of the Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations Committee and was also named to the Natural Resources Committee, a committee which oversees water and regulatory programs vital to Texas. Speaker Tom Craddick announced committee assignments on the floor of the Texas House of Representatives Thursday.

"I am grateful to the Speaker for putting me in a position that enables me to effectively serve the state and constituents of House District 72. I look forward to working closely with him in the coming months on issues that concern West Texas," said Campbell.

The Defense Affairs and State-Federal Relations Committee will have jurisdiction over Homeland Security issues including terrorism prevention and emergency preparedness. In addition, the committee will oversee relations between Texas, other states and the Federal Government. Other committee members include: Chairman Frank Corte, R-San Antonio, CBO Leo Berman, R-Tyler; Dianne White-Delist, R-Temple; Gene Seaman, R-Corpus Christi; John Mabry, D-Waco; Tommy Merritt, R-Longview; Paul Moreno, D-El Paso; and Rick Norigea, D-Houston.



Scott Campbell

Military and Veteran issues in the State also will be a major focus of the committee. Base Realignment and closures will affect the economic viability of communities all across the state. "The decision for Base Realignment and Closures 2005 will be made based on information gathered over the next two years. This makes this session our last opportunity to partner with military installation to increase their military value in the eyes of the Pentagon," Representative Campbell pointed out. He added, "Our current active duty and reserve service men and women, and the veterans of this state deserve the attention that the members of this committee are prepared to give. We need to create a more favorable environment in Texas for our military families.

The influential Natural Resource Committee has jurisdiction over, among other things, the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality and its regulation of water resources. "The Natural Resource Committee is a great place for me to represent the need of West Texas. Water will be an extremely important issue. I look forward to exploring means to ensure the district's water supply for the future." Members of this prestigious committee include: Chairman Robert Puente, D-San Antonio; Vice-Chairman Bill Callegari, R-Houston; CBO Ruben Hope, R, Conroe; Robert Cook, D-Eagle Pass Lake; Rick Hardcastle, R-Vernon; Charlie Geren, R-River Oaks; Mike Hamilton, R-Mauriceville; and Steve Wolens, D-Dallas.

WTC sets record enrollment with 1,685 students

After a week of concentrating on budget shortfalls and possible cuts, the administration at Western Texas College got some positive news today when official enrollment numbers were released.

This semester's enrollment of 1,685 students is the highest in the school's 32-year history, according to Dr. Greg Williams, WTC president.

"This is tremendous news at the end of a week when it was really needed," he said. "We have a lot of people working very hard out here. I'm proud of the whole WTC team."

Official enrollment figures are calculated after the 12th class day.

Higher enrollment translates to more contact hours, the number of hours spent in classrooms by students and for which the college receives state funding.

This semester, WTC's contact hours total 293,792 compared to 233,328 a year ago.

"This will complete the best year we've ever had at WTC," Dr. Williams said. "We had the best fall and the best spring on record and that will help us to have the best funding year ever."

The president said the benefits of increased enrollment don't stop on campus because business owners throughout the community are experiencing heavier customer traffic because of the student population.

"You can really feel the excitement out here and in town as well," he said. "We're even beginning to have parking problems, which is a situation every college wants to be in. That's a great problem to have."

Dr. Williams praised WTC employees for the growth. Faculty members have taught extra classes and clerical workers have taken on heavier loads as the college has slimmed down its budget over the past two years.

The president said everyone on campus deserves recognition.

"The most impressive thing to me is that at the same time we're experiencing more than 30 percent growth and facing reduced budgets, we are taking care of our students."

ASK US

Q—Where was Texas Tech basketball coach Bobby Knight's first head coaching job?

A—Knight, who could reach 800 career wins Saturday, took his first head-coaching job at Army in 1965, at age 24.

MEET YOUR NEIGHBOR



Mary Jean Quimby...

...has worked for the Hermleigh School District since 1984. Her husband, Dawain, is semi-retired. They have a daughter and son-in-law, Eileen and Russell Graham who live at Champion. Eileen is the head registrar at TSTC in Sweetwater. Mary Jean enjoys riding her cutting horse, Eileen's Houdini, and training her for shows and contests. After school, Mary Jean gives art and riding lessons.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

If you could choose one characteristic that would get you through life, choose a sense of humor.

—Jennifer James

THE SDN COLUMN

MY TURN

by Wade Warren



It was a sobering conversation with Covenant Health Systems' public relations guy this week as we talked about the system's health clinics, and specifically Snyder's.

The call to Lubbock was spurred on by the announcement that Post's clinic managed by Covenant would be closing at the end of next month.

Post was not the first one to be closed, and according to Eddie Owens, it might not be the last.

Owens said every one of the clinics operated by Covenant would be evaluated, including Snyder's.

That statement caught me by surprise as I have always been under the impression that our local clinic was perhaps the most productive of all their clinics.

I guess production doesn't always equal profitability.

And unfortunately, in today's medical provider world, a hospital or a clinic has to have a black, or at least a gray bottom line in order to keep its doors open.

I heard some figures one time along the lines that some 60 percent of a clinic's expenses have to be met before one patient even walks through the door.

One of the biggest expenses is malpractice insurance for our physicians.

If you ever wonder why more family physicians don't do OB work, call up an insurance company and ask what its malpractice rates are for that profession.

They're out of sight, not to mention outrageous.

I'm not sure who to complain to about what the insurance companies are doing to the medical profession, but we'll find out.

And at the same time, we'll contact our elected representatives and let them know it is all well and good to dole out millions and billions of dollars of medical aid to foreign countries, but only after they take care of the people's medical problems back home.

It's almost a tragedy for a small community to lose even one physician and we certainly hope Covenant keeps their facility open here.

We are blessed with an outstanding group of dedicated physicians and for that, we all should be most thankful.

We should also do what we can as a community to convince the Covenant people to keep our clinic open. Now, in no way does this imply that they have even considered closing our clinic, but as their public relations office said, all clinics are under evaluation.

I think it is well and good that the DCOS is going to pay Midwest Electric Co-Op $279,000 as part of the incentive for locating UCO Textiles here. That's part of the industry recruiting game.

But like our thoughts on the federal government taking care of its own, maybe its time we took care of our own as well.

Dr. Tom Kerr said this week he would like to see an ad hoc committee formed to keep up to date on the medical needs of our community and develop long range plans to insure medical care will stay here.

That sounds like a good idea. Maybe that committee could come up with $279,000 to boost the chances of insuring the Covenant clinic stays open here.

Or maybe they could convince a group already in place to help.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Salvador Luna family fund

A special account, #1621181, has been set up at Snyder National Bank for the Salvador Luna family who lost loved ones and all their possession in a fire Thursday morning. Any donations to help the family with expenses will be appreciated.

Book fair

Scurry Community Services, 2800 2nd St., is holding its annual book fair from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. through today.

South Pacific set at SHS

Snyder High School's Fire Arts division will present *South Pacific* today and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at Worsham Auditorium There also will be a 2 p.m. performance on Sunday. Tickets can be purchased at the door. For reserved seats call, 573-6301. Tickets are $8 for reserved seats, $5 for students and $6 for adults.

Windbreak trees

Orders for windbreak trees and drip irrigation are being taken at the Upper Colorado Soil and Water Conservation office through today. The office is located in the Scurry County USDA office complex at 5309 Big Spring Highway. Call 573-6317, ext. 2.

Scout food drive

A Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts food drive will benefit the Food Cupboard Saturday. Bags donated by United will be handed out around town. If you don't get a bag you may substitute another bag. Place bags so they can be seen before 9 a.m. Saturday. No glass containers or perishable can be accepted. If your donation isn't picked up, call 338-1865.

United Way directors

United Way directors will meet at noon Monday at the United Way offices. Directors are to approve allocations for participating agencies at the meeting.

Central Elementary parent course

Central Elementary will offer "Becoming a Love and Logic Parent" course beginning Monday. The course will be from 5:30-8 p.m. each evening. Interested parents may pick up a registration form at the Central Elementary office. Class size is limited to 25 participants.

Support groups

Adult family violence support group and children's family violence support group meets at 6:30 p.m. every Monday at Gateway Family Service. For information call 573-1822.

Tiger's Lair Yearbook deadline

The deadline for orders for the 2003 Tiger's Lair Yearbook is Monday. Balances will have to be paid in full at that time and orders are taken at Snyder High School. Cost is $50 each, with additional options available. Call 574-6138.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "Prophecy's Role in the Church," followed by "The Gospel of Your Salvation."

Snyder FFA booster club

The Snyder FFA booster club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the SHS ag building. Officers will meet at 6:30 p.m.

Snyder bass club

The Snyder Bass Club will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Kinder Morgan office on East Hwy. 180.

Senior water aerobics

Senior water aerobics will be held from 10-11 a.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the WTC pool.

Senior FFA student reception

Wilson Motors will host a reception for senior FFA students from 5-7 p.m. Wednesday at the dealership for the signing of scholarship applications. Parents are invited to attend.

GED pre-registration and testing dates

Mandatory pre-registration for the GED test will be from 9 a.m. until 2 p.m. Thursday at the GED testing center at Western Texas College, building 7B. The math segment of the GED will begin at 8 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 7. For more information about the GED test call Molly Kattes at 573-2919 or Emily Hataway at 573-8511, ext. 297, or 574-2112. It is recommended that candidates receive some preparation before attempting the test.

FBC support groups

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

Relay for Life cookbooks

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

Relay for Life teams needed

Teams are now being recruited for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life in Scurry County to be held April 25-26 at Tiger Stadium. For more information, contact Margaret Presswood, recruitment chairperson, at 573-4873.

SHS booster club fundraiser

The SHS drama booster club is collecting old cell phones and used printer cartridges for recycling. Drop off at the sheriff's office. For more information, call Jan Scott at 573-8027.

2003 Ira annuals available

The 2003 Ira Bulldog annuals may be purchased until Feb. 17. Cost is $26 with name on cover or $22 without. Contact the school to purchase one.

WTC adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at WTC will be held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S. L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish speaking aides teach the classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Budget troubles may get worse in Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The budget troubles confronting lawmakers may get worse.

That's the word from Comptroller Carole Keeton Strayhorn, who said Thursday she'll immediately disclose information about state revenue.

The information could become worse if Texas has another straight year of sales tax revenue loss, Strayhorn said.

Speaking to the Texas Association of Broadcasters, she said that "we could have an unfortunate, historic, first-time-ever back-to-back loss of sales tax, one year on top of the other."

However, at this point Strayhorn is projecting the fiscal 2003 sales taxes will be .4 percent higher than last year.

In fiscal year 2002, Texas sales and use tax receipts totaled $14.5 billion, down 1.1 percent from 2001. That was the first time sales tax revenues have registered a yearly decline since 1983.

Texas is facing a $9.9 billion shortfall through 2005.

HURRYING INSURANCE

A homeowners insurance reform bill is headed to the Senate.

A Senate committee on Thursday passed a bill that requires homeowners insurance companies to release to state regulators their current and future rates as well as data to justify the rates.

The bill was necessary because some companies had not voluntarily filed the information, the bill's sponsor, Sen. Troy Fraser, said.

The information collected will help establish a baseline of information as lawmakers look at ways to reform the high-priced market.

Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst said the Senate would take up the bill next week.

House Speaker Tom Craddick said the House is ready to act on homeowners insurance reform as well.

"I think consumers one want access, and two, they want lower rates and that's what we're here to deliver," Craddick said.

SPEAKER SYLVESTER

A Democrat will be second-in-command in the Texas House, where Republicans enjoy an 88-62 majority and the speakership.

House Speaker Tom Craddick on Thursday named Rep. Sylvester Turner, D-Houston, speaker pro-tempore.

Turner "is a very competent individual," Craddick said. "He's a leader on the House floor and I think he'll do a great job."

Representatives stood, cheered and clapped when Craddick announced his choice.

"Speaker Craddick has promised that the bipartisan tradition of the Texas House of Representatives will not be a victim of this leadership change. Today he offered solid evidence that he will make good on his word," Turner said.

Craddick gave Republican members chairs of 29 of 42 committees, including appropriations, education and calendars. Thirteen Democrats were given chairmanships.

IN THE HOOD:

Bills filed this week could mean the end of Robin Hood in Texas.

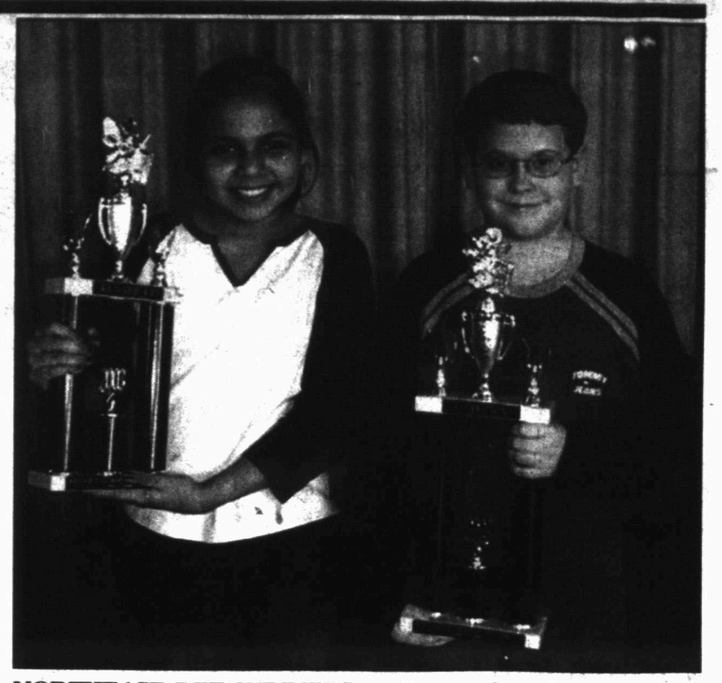
Key lawmakers have filed legislation that would force the Legislature to come up with an alternate plan to fund Texas' public schools before Sept. 1, 2005.

Sen. Florence Shapiro, R-Plano, and Rep. Kent Grusendorf, R-Arlington, filed companion bills Wednesday that would kill the state's highly criticized Robin Hood school finance plan.

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NORTHEAST BEE WINNERS — Brance Scott, right, son of Darby Keith and Susie Scott, is the winner of the Northeast Elementary spelling bee held Thursday afternoon. Sammie Dee Barrera, daughter of Sammy and Rachel Barrera, is the runner-up. Both are fifth graders and both will advance to the SISD Spelling Bee Thursday at Western Texas College. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



SJHS SPELLING BEE WINNERS — Two seventh graders won Snyder Junior High School's spelling bee Thursday afternoon. First place went to J.W. Wesson, son of Jay and Tammy Wesson. The runner-up is Josi Presley, daughter of Ricky and Teri Presley. Both will advance to Snyder ISD's Spelling Bee Thursday at Western Texas College. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

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Today is the 31st day of 2003 and the 41st day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1958, Explorer I, the first successful U.S. satellite, was launched four months after Russia orbited their satellite, Sputnik.

On this day in 1966, Luna 9, an unmanned craft that made the first soft landing on the moon, was launched.

On this day in 1990, McDonald's Corp. opened its first fast-food restaurant in Moscow.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Robert Morris (1734-1806), signer of the Declaration of Independence; Franz Schubert (1797-1828), composer; Zane Gray (1872-1939), dentist and author; Garry Moore (1915-1993), television personality; Jackie Robinson (1919-1972), athlete.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1988, the Washington Redskins defeated the Denver Broncos 42-10 to win Super Bowl XXII.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I'm not concerned with your liking or disliking me. ... All I ask is that you respect me as a human being." — Jackie Robinson

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Jan. 25) and new moon (Feb. 1).

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Guitars to be auctioneed

LONDON (AP) — More than 150 guitars belonging to The Who's John Entwistle, who died last year, will be auctioned May 13 in London.

Entwistle's favorite, a pink Fender Precision Bass named "Frankenstein" because he patched it together from the remains of five smashed basses, is expected to sell for $8,000 to $11,200, Sotheby's auction house said this week.

In Next Week's American Profile...

Sweetheart City

We all know that Santa Claus has helpers. But did you also know that Cupid enlists the aid of an entire town prior to Valentine's Day each year to help stamp valentine greetings from around the world?



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By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Saturday, Feb. 1, 2003

Large advancements in both the mental and physical realms of your life are quite likely in the year ahead. You've done your homework, paid your dues and done the dirty work, and now it's time for the rewards.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Look to old pals with whom to spend your time today. They'll be the ones who'll welcome you with open arms and with whom you'll be able to relax and enjoy yourself.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Center your aim on your target at all times today and concentrate strictly on the end game. By doing so, the methods and procedures to hit the bull's-eye will be automatic and unrestricted.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — What helps you the most today is your wonderfully positive and hopeful attitude. It will have miraculous effects on anything in which you'll get involved, making tough matters easier.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — Today could be the day when you'll reap some rewards from your past actions. If there is any one area in which you had maximized your efforts, the gains could be substantial.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — When organizing how you'll go about fulfilling your plans today, keep in mind any past experiences that would enable you to avoid pitfalls that had previously stymied you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Extra compensation is possible today for your efforts in helping others have success in situations that are important to them. They'll acknowledge and compensate you for your part.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — In your dealings with others today, they will respond to you in the same manner in which you treat them. Strive to make them feel special and they'll do the same for you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — You won't have to do anything extraordinary to attract favorable attention from your peers today. You merely have to be yourself to heighten your popularity and standing in the eyes of others.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Because you'll know how to treat competitive elements as a game, you'll be able to play to win without making your efforts appear too rigorous. It'll give you the edge over your competition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Side ventures could pay off for you today. Look for developments or opportunities that possess potential for personal gain from other than your usual sources and you could find a big one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — You, better than most, know the value of making a team member look good; this is what will make a partnership arrangement in which you get involved today turn out so fortunate.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Use your special gifts to your maximum advantage today whenever you see the opportunity to do so. You're in an excellent cycle for reaping substantial returns from your talents and abilities.

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The abandoned Sklylab space station made a spectacular return to Earth in 1979, burning up in the atmosphere and showering debris ove the Indian Ocean and Australia.

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The United States went off the gold standard in 1933.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Miscarriage ends pregnancy, but not teens' relationship

DEAR ABBY: I am the mother of a 15-year-old daughter, "Brandy," who is a pretty good kid. She has caused me very little trouble — she gets good grades, has well-behaved friends, etc. My problem is she got herself pregnant by her boyfriend of three months. He's a good kid, too. (I'll call him Danny.)

Brandy ended up having a miscarriage, so now we're back to "life as usual," as she and Danny see it. However, I am having a tough time with Danny hanging around. I can no longer look him in the eye. His parents were no help at all during the hellish week we experienced when Brandy was pregnant.

Should I allow Danny to keep dating my daughter or send him packing? I feel caught in the middle. As a parent, I feel I should put a stop to the relationship. However, if I do, I'm afraid Brandy might run away. (I remember well how I felt when I was her age.) Please help, Abby. — **TORN MOM IN OHIO**

DEAR TORN MOM: Consider this near-miss a wakeup call! You are overdue for a serious talk with Danny and his parents, because had the pregnancy continued, Danny would have been equally responsible for caring for and supporting his child.

It's time to face up to the fact that your children are now sexually active. Worry less that your daughter will run away, and more about what will happen if she and Danny conceive again.

Danny and Brandy must learn that sex carries with it great responsibility — one that can sometimes last 18 years or more. Further, there is the danger of sexually transmitted disease to be considered. I urge you to schedule a doctor's appointment for both of them. If that's not possible, contact Planned Parenthood. Brandy and Danny need to learn everything they can about birth control and self-control.

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DEAR ABBY: This Christmas, I received a beautiful gold necklace as a gift from my father. However, the pendant is in the shape of a religious symbol. I understand it may have been unclear to him that I feel reluctant to wear such a necklace, but in good conscience, I cannot because I follow a different faith.

Should I exchange it, or keep it and never wear it? I do not want to offend my dad, as he is my birth father and we met only recently. Since we are in the beginning of our relationship, I don't want to mess it up.

On the other hand, it seems a waste to own jewelry that is never worn — and I'm sure he'd notice. Please help me, Abby. If I exchange the necklace, there's a 100-day limit. — **VEXED IN VEGAS**

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Energy Department report says whistleblower firings are wrong

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Two Los Alamos National Laboratory investigators were forced out under armed guard after they found financial laxity and abuses at the lab that built the atomic bomb. The pair exposed a scandal that has claimed five top managers at the lab entrusted with some of America's most sensitive defense secrets.

But on Thursday, the investigators who got 30 minutes to pack up and leave their jobs last November received their highest vindication so far.

Energy Department Inspector General Gregory Friedman reported the pair's firings were "incomprehensible" and discouraged other employees from coming forward.

The report came amid a growing threat that the University of California might lose its 60-year-old contract to run the lab. University officials spent the week in Washington, defending it.

Walp and Doran were fired in November after reporting on $2.7 million in missing computers and property and the misuse of lab-issued charge cards — including one employee who tried to use a lab charge card to buy a souped-up Ford Mustang.

The Energy Department report said reasons given for the firing "do not withstand scrutiny," and the timing was suspect. It mentioned a series of memos urging employees to "resist the temptation to 'spill your guts.'"

"They pretty much have said everything we've been saying," Doran said.

While Friedman's report corroborated a number of the concerns expressed by Walp and Doran about weak internal controls and property management, it said it "did not substantiate the allegation that laboratory management deliberately hid criminal activity."

However, it suggested lab actions had the same effect as a cover-up in hiding the wrongdoing, "whether intended as a cover-up or not."

Danielle Brian, executive director of the Washington, D.C.-based Project on Government Oversight, said the group was "shocked" the inspector general "apparently ignored evidence that LANL management deliberately hid potential criminal activity."

Lab spokesman Jim Danneskiold said lab officials were pleased the inspector general "has affirmed our long-held position that there was no attempted cover-up by laboratory management."

Walp said he and Doran found "blatant acts of criminality" in their investigation and that both, plus others before them, were subjected to pressures and intimidation to be quiet about activities that would embarrass the lab and jeopardize the UC contract, which he called "the golden calf."

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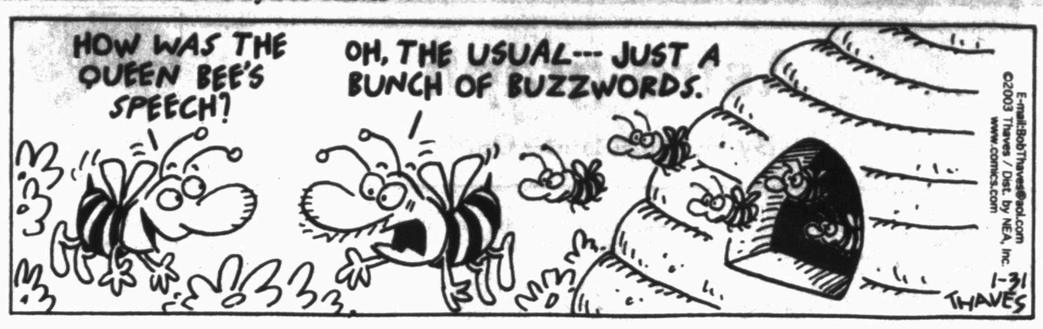
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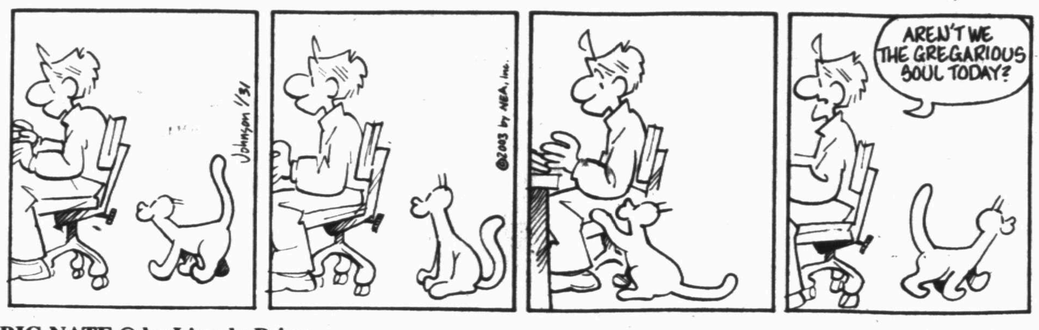
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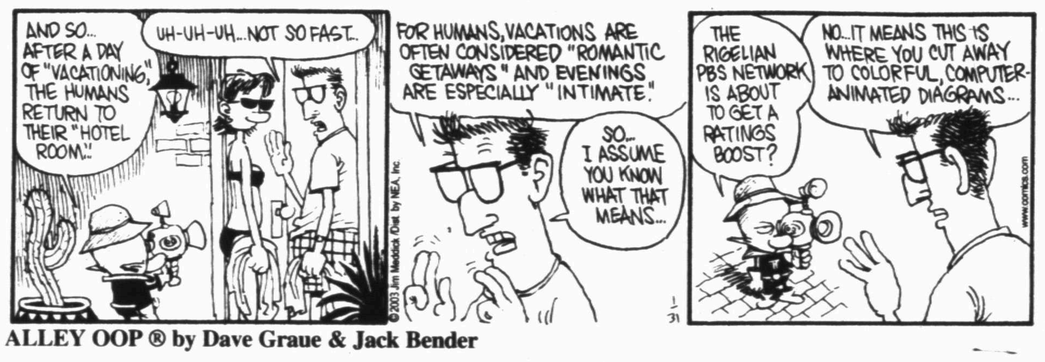
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29 Green parrot
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34 Repair
36 Temporary trend
38 Upsilon follower
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42 Gas made by lightning
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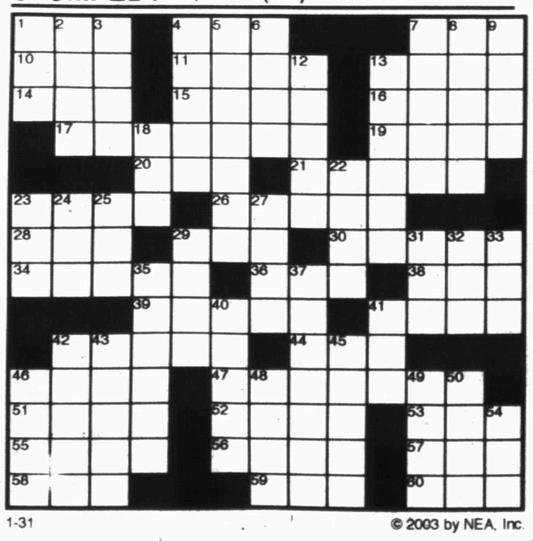
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SPORTS

Sideline Views



by Bobby Allen

The word fan is a derivative of fanatic, and increasingly the line between the two has become blurred.

Though fan support is vital to the health and welfare of sports teams (just ask the Montreal Expos), in many cases fans have evolved from being vocal supporters to thinking they are part of the action.

Fortunately, most game telecasts refuse to acknowledge morons who run onto the field, but true fans in the stands have no way of avoiding the maniacs who seem to have taken control of the bleachers.

Last season, some Philadelphia Eagles "fans" brutally stomped a man at Veterans Stadium for having the audacity to wear the opposing teams' jersey.

They did this in front of the man's wife and adolescent son.

Volumes have been written about Europe's soccer hooligans, who have been known to riot at bad calls, and last year one stabbed a referee following a game.

Here in America, a knucklehead father and son duo decided it would be a good idea to storm the field at a baseball game in Chicago and attack Royals' first base coach Tom Gamboa.

Aside from violence, which most right-thinking people abhor, many in the bleachers have taken to shouting out verbal venom that would make a sailor blush.

Recently, a controversy erupted at my alma mater, New Mexico State, over "fans" chanting obscenities in unison at opposing basketball teams.

It seems the band director took umbrage at the continued use of vulgar and hostile language spewing from the stands, and ordered his troops to play the school fight song when the chants began.

Many "fans" felt this was inappropriate, claiming it is their right to use profanity if they so desire — and tough luck to any children or others who paid to get in and object to that type of behavior.

When boos turn into racial epithets or team support translates into spitting on or hurling beverages at the other team, the line is crossed.

And all too often, the actions of one or a few reflect on an entire fan base or community.

Unfortunately, these so-called "fans" have no self-awareness of their idiotic antics, and if it gets them face time on Sportscenter or from their fellow spectators, it all too often justifies their behavior.

This is why these days we'd rather take in a ball game from the comfort of our easy chair, within striking range of our refrigerator.

This year was our first real exposure to the intricacies of the game of basketball, and it has been an education.

While we have always enjoyed watching the game, we never realized just how important a role coaches play, especially at the high school and college levels.

For every one Michael Jordan or Shaquille O'Neal, there are dozens of Roy Williams and Mike Krzyzewskis who continue to excel with new players each year.

No other game swings as wildly from one extreme to the other as basketball, and the outcome of no other sport is as dictated by matchups.

It has been refreshing to see a young club like the Lady Tigers turn into a defensive force, and illuminating to watch the Tigers compete against — and beat — teams that have a size advantage over them.

Tuesday night in Snyder gave two perfect examples.

The Lady Tigers dominated the first half against their Seminole foes, saw the lead slip away in the second half, and were bailed out in the end by a freshman guard who worked her way from reserve to starter over the course of the season.

Mike Martin, one of the most successful coaches in Texas girls basketball — with 20 consecutive winning seasons under his belt before last year — has put his stamp on the team in his second year. The team plays aggressive, relentless defense, and Martin is getting every ounce of effort out of his players.

Brent Parr, Martin's assistant last season, has produced similar results in Ira, where his team has gone from also-ran to district contender in just one season.

The Tigers faced Seminole, which has a history of being a "basketball school."

Where Snyder is a team loaded with players who participate in baseball and, to a larger extent, football, Seminole is known for producing players who play basketball exclusively.

That the Tigers could topple that school — and hold them to two points in the third quarter — speaks volumes about the type of team Bud Birks and Zack Williams have ready to play each night.

Though often outsized, the Tigers are almost never out-hustled.

And that has them still right in the thick of the postseason hunt with four games left.

The Tigers need to win three of those last four, and we aren't betting against them.

Sports Briefs

Spring golf underway

The girls varsity golf team is in San Angelo today for a two-day tournament, while the junior varsity girls will be the host school at the Snyder tournament, scheduled to run through Saturday.

WTC baseball to start today

The Western Texas College baseball team was to open its first season today at 2 p.m. in Vernon.

The team was slated to play a nine-inning tilt today, followed by a double header Saturday at noon.

Baseball booster club

The baseball booster club will meet Wednesday night at 7:30 in the film room.

WTC basketball tournament

The Western Texas College Student Government Association will host an Outsiders Basketball Tournament Feb. 28 and March 1 at the WTC Gym. The entry fee is $100 per team, and there is a limit of 10 players per team. The deadline to sign up is Feb. 26. For more information or to sign up, call Kendra at 573-8511 ext. 674 or Casey at573-8511 ext. 509.

Bucs make Kiffin highest-paid coordinator

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers demonstrated their commitment to keep Monte Kiffin from moving to the San Francisco 49ers or anywhere else, signing their defensive coordinator to a new three-year, $5.1 million contract.

Mavericks topple Timberwolves

DALLAS (AP) — Playing for the second straight night, the Dallas Mavericks used a 19-1 spurt to take a fourth-quarter lead. Just as quickly, they were down by six with five minutes left.

"I didn't think we'd have enough energy to come back and sustain it," Mavs coach Don Nelson said.

Dirk Nowitzki proved him wrong.

Playing with a sore neck caused by a flagrant foul by Kevin Garnett, Nowitzki had a 3-pointer, a dunk, a jumper and a steal in the final 2:02, sending Dallas past Minnesota 112-109 Thursday night and ending the Timberwolves' six-game winning streak.

"That was a fun game. It went back and forth all game," said Nowitzki, who had 32 points, 10 rebounds, three assists and three blocks. "It was surprising we had the energy to come back like that at the end. It shows that we're a tough team."

In the other NBA games Thursday night, Milwaukee beat Washington 97-90, and Sacramento defeated Seattle 95-77.

The Mavericks and Timberwolves had plenty of wild swings.

Dallas had 30 points in the first quarter, then just 16 in the second. The Mavs answered with 37 in the third, including the bulk of their big run.

Minnesota ended it by starting its own spurt, a 14-2 streak that put it up 99-93.

But the wildest swing came from Garnett.

In the closing seconds of the third quarter, Nowitzki blew by Garnett and was headed to the rim when Garnett swung his right forearm. He came nowhere near the ball, instead pounding Nowitzki in the back of the head and neck.

"It wasn't like it looked," said Garnett, who had 31 points, 17 rebounds and eight assists. "Dirk likes to pump the ball behind his head. I was trying to anticipate and just trying to block the shot. It was nothing intentional."

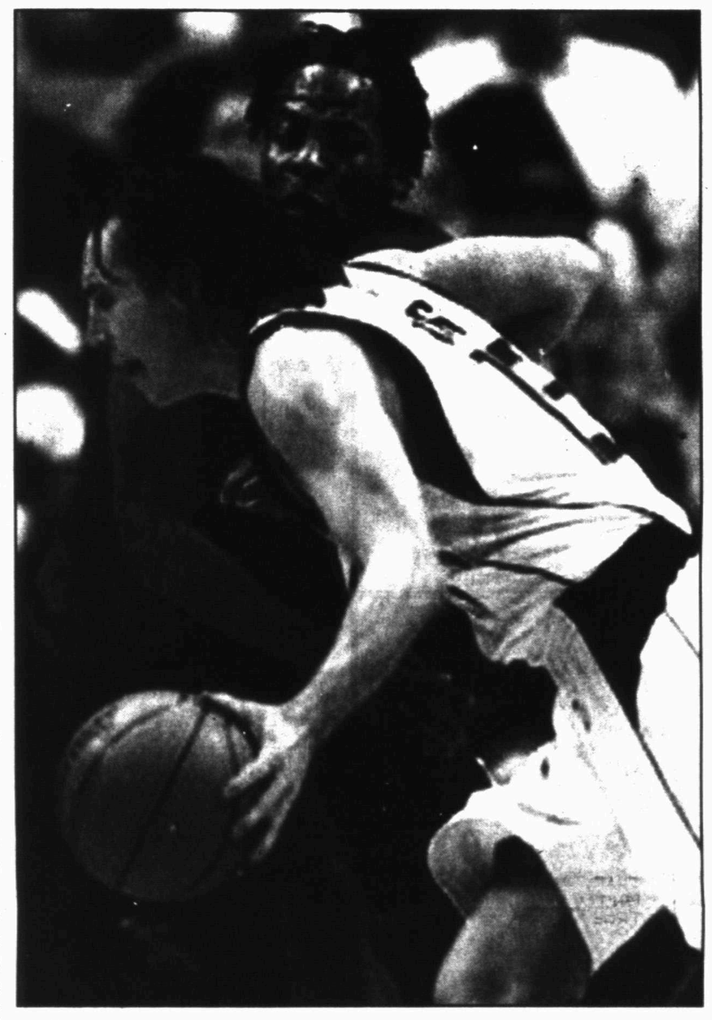
While Nowitzki was down, Michael Finley got in Garnett's face. Finley and Garnett each received technical fouls and Garnett was called for a flagrant foul.

"I felt the foul was a little excessive and I can't let him do that," Finley said. "There's no love lost between us. It was just something I felt I had to do."

Nowitzki wore an ice pack on his neck during timeouts. While on the court, he often tilted his head shoulder-to-shoulder to keep loose.

"He hit me pretty good," Nowitzki said. "It was a hard foul, but you don't want anyone to have easy layups. All I felt was a hit on the head and then my neck was sore."

Troy Hudson, who had a season-high 31 points, hit his fifth 3-pointer with 1.1 seconds left to get Minnesota within 110-109.



FAST LANE — Dallas Mavericks guard Steve Nash drives to the basket against the Timberwolves' Troy Hudson in the second half. Dallas won 112-109. (AP Photo)

Title IX commission votes for minor changes

WASHINGTON (AP) — While neither side could claim an outright victory in the final votes by the Bush administration's Title IX commission, those who say the landmark gender equity law has hurt men's sports felt they gained some momentum for change.

The Commission on Opportunity in Athletics considered about two dozen recommendations for Title IX during two days of sometimes contentious meetings. The most sweeping overhauls failed to pass — one proposal produced a 7-7 tie — but the panel voted Thursday in favor of tinkering with the ways students and athletes are counted to measure compliance with the law.

"It's very obvious that everyone recognizes that there needs to be change, and this is a great first step," said Mike Moyer, the executive director of the National Wrestling Coaches Association.

"It will certainly stem further loss of programs," added Moyer, whose organization has filed a lawsuit claiming Title IX has led to the elimination of hundreds of men's sports teams as schools try to meet the equality standards.

The commission will forward its report to Education Secretary Rod Paige, who will consider the recommendations. It takes an act of Congress to fundamentally change the law, but Paige can alter the way compliance is measured.

"I am very pleased that the commission has agreed on a number of reforms that will strengthen Title IX," Paige said.

Title IX prohibits gender discrimination in public and private schools that receive federal funding, which almost all do. It covers admissions, recruitment, course offerings, counseling, financial aid, student health and student housing, as well as athletics.

The commission only looked at sports, where the law's effect has been profound. The number of girls participating in high school sports rose from 294,000 in 1971 to 2.8 million in 2002. The number of women in college sports increased fivefold during the same time.

But about 400 men's college teams were eliminated during the 1990s, with wrestling taking a particularly hard hit, as schools attempted to meet a standard that requires a ratio of male and female athletes similar to the overall student population.

Full slate of basketball for area teams tonight

Area basketball teams are coming down the stretch on the 2002-2003 season tonight with a full slate of action scheduled.

The Tigers and Lady Tigers travel to Lamesa to challenge the Golden Tors, with the girls going at 6:30 and the boys tipping off at 8.

There are just four games left in the regular season schedule for the Tigers, and the Lady Tigers have but two games left, including tonight's tilt at Lamesa

The freshmen boys also will compete at 6:30 tonight in Lamesa.

The Hermleigh varsity clubs will play host to Westbrook tonight, with both clubs seeking their first district wins. Both teams will wrap up Tuesday against Highland.

The Ira Lady Bulldogs will look to keep their postseason hopes alive when they travel to Sands to face the Lady Mustangs at 6:30 p.m.

The Bulldogs will take on Sands at 8.

After tonight's action, Ira will close out its regular seasons Tuesday against Borden County.

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New Jersey	31	14	.689	—
Boston	26	19	.578	5
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Orlando	24	23	.511	8
Washington	22	25	.468	10
New York	19	25	.432	11½
Miami	16	29	.356	15

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Indiana	33	13	.717	—
Detroit	29	15	.659	3
New Orleans	24	22	.522	9
Milwaukee	23	22	.511	9½
Chicago	17	28	.378	15½
Atlanta	17	29	.370	16
Toronto	11	34	.244	21½
Cleveland	9	37	.196	24

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

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Dallas	36	9	.800	—
San Antonio	29	16	.644	7
Utah	27	18	.600	9
Minnesota	27	19	.587	9½
Houston	24	20	.545	11½
Memphis	13	31	.295	22½
Denver	10	35	.222	26

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Sacramento	33	14	.702	—
Portland	28	16	.636	3½
Phoenix	26	21	.553	7
L.A. Lakers	20	23	.465	11
Golden State	20	24	.455	11½
Seattle	20	24	.455	11½
L.A. Clippers	17	28	.378	15

Thursday's Games

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Sacramento 95, Seattle 77

Friday's Games

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New Orleans at New Jersey, 7:30 p.m.
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Minnesota at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Utah, 9 p.m.
Chicago at Portland, 10 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at Sacramento, 10:30 p.m.
Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Boston at Indiana, 7 p.m.
New Orleans at Washington, 7 p.m.
New Jersey at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Miami, 8 p.m.
New York at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Denver at Dallas, 8:30 p.m.
Golden State at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Chicago at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Utah at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

800-win club

By The Associated Press

The following is a list of Division I men's and women's coaches at or near 800 career wins. Texas Tech coach Bob Knight has 799 and goes for win No. 800 Saturday against Texas A&M.

— Dean Smith, 879, North Carolina (1962-1997)

— Adolph Rupp, 876, Kentucky (1931-1952, 1954-1972)

— Jim Phelan, 826, Mt. St. Mary's (1955-present)

— Pat Summitt, 804, Tennessee (1974-present)

— Jody Conradt, 801, Sam Houston State (1969-73); Texas-Arlington (1973-76); Texas (1976-present)

— Bob Knight, 799, Army (1965-1971); Indiana (1971-2000); Texas Tech (2001-present)

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Some vitamins, in excess, can injure the liver

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm confused about the different medical views concerning the role of supplemental vitamin therapy in shoring up the body's defenses against chronic illnesses such as hepatitis. Should a person's diet be augmented by a particular vitamin if she has suffered from past hepatitis infections and if she continues to show elevated liver-enzyme levels? If so, what particular vitamins would be effective?

DEAR READER: Supplemental — especially "megadose" — vitamins are not necessary to enhance the body's defenses. Ordinarily, a diet that contains the recommended daily allowances of all the vitamins should suffice, although some nutritionists do believe that older adults may require supplemental multivitamins if their diets are deficient in basic nutrients.

I'm concerned about two observations in your question.

First, elevated liver enzymes after hepatitis indicate that the liver remains inflamed. This suggests one of the dreaded complications of liver infection: chronic hepatitis, which can lead to cirrhosis and liver failure.

In my opinion, any patient with persisting, elevated liver enzymes should be examined by a gastroenterologist for the purpose of a possible liver biopsy. This test will indicate the severity of the disorder and may provide clues about appropriate treatment.

Second, if the person in your question has been self-administering large doses of vitamins, her liver enzyme abnormality may be a direct consequence of this impropriety. Excess quantities of vitamin A, niacin and B6 can lead to severe liver damage.

In summary, the person with the liver problem should check with a specialist and follow his or her advice about testing, diet and vitamin supplements.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm interested in obtaining information about obstructive pulmonary disease and other lung disorders. My father is handicapped because of this affliction and requires around-the-clock oxygen therapy. Is there any hope for him?

DEAR READER: Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease is an exceptionally serious lung ailment, marked by low levels of oxygen in the blood and high levels of carbon dioxide retention. These abnormalities are the direct result of alterations in lung function, notably loss of alveolar air sacs (where oxygen is normally exchanged for carbon dioxide), pulmonary scarring and increased mucus secretions. COPD is a common consequence of smoking, air pollution and many lung disorders, including chronic bronchitis and asthma.

Treatment consists of drugs to release bronchial spasm, reduce mucus discharge, eliminate infection and improve ventilation. Such drugs often include steroids and supplemental oxygen therapy. Special breathing exercises may help.

In my opinion, your father should be under the care of a pulmonologist, who can prescribe the necessary medications, monitor his progress and offer suggestions about further therapy (such as surgery, if your father has certain forms of emphysema).

Also you may wish to contact the local chapter of your lung association for brochures and other written material.

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

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Nat King Cole to be inducted soon

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. (AP) — Nat King Cole and Tom Cherones, the original producer and director of the TV sitcom "Seinfeld," have been selected for induction into the Alabama Stage and Screen Hall of Fame.

Cole, who was born in Montgomery, and Cherones, a native of Tuscaloosa, will be inducted March 15 at the Bean-Brown Theatre, where the hall was founded in 1998 by Theatre Tuscaloosa and Shelton State Community College.

Cole, whose songs include "Unforgettable," appeared in films such as "St. Louis Blues" and "Cat Ballou," and he was the host of television's "The Nat King Cole Show." He died in 1965.

Cherones was the producer and director of the first 86 episodes of "Seinfeld." He has directed and produced episodes of the TV shows "Boston Common," "Ellen" and "Growing Pains."

Hall of fame inductees are Alabamians by "birth or adoption," Shelton State's Paul K. Looney, director emeritus of Theatre Tuscaloosa, said Wednesday.

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Alltel	46.65	45.95	46.28	+.08
AmEl Pw	23.72	23.11	23.66	+.36
AndarkPtr	46.00	44.56	45.10	—.15
ATMOS Egy	22.39	22.04	22.19	+.18
Avnll	7.61	7.40	7.59	+.13
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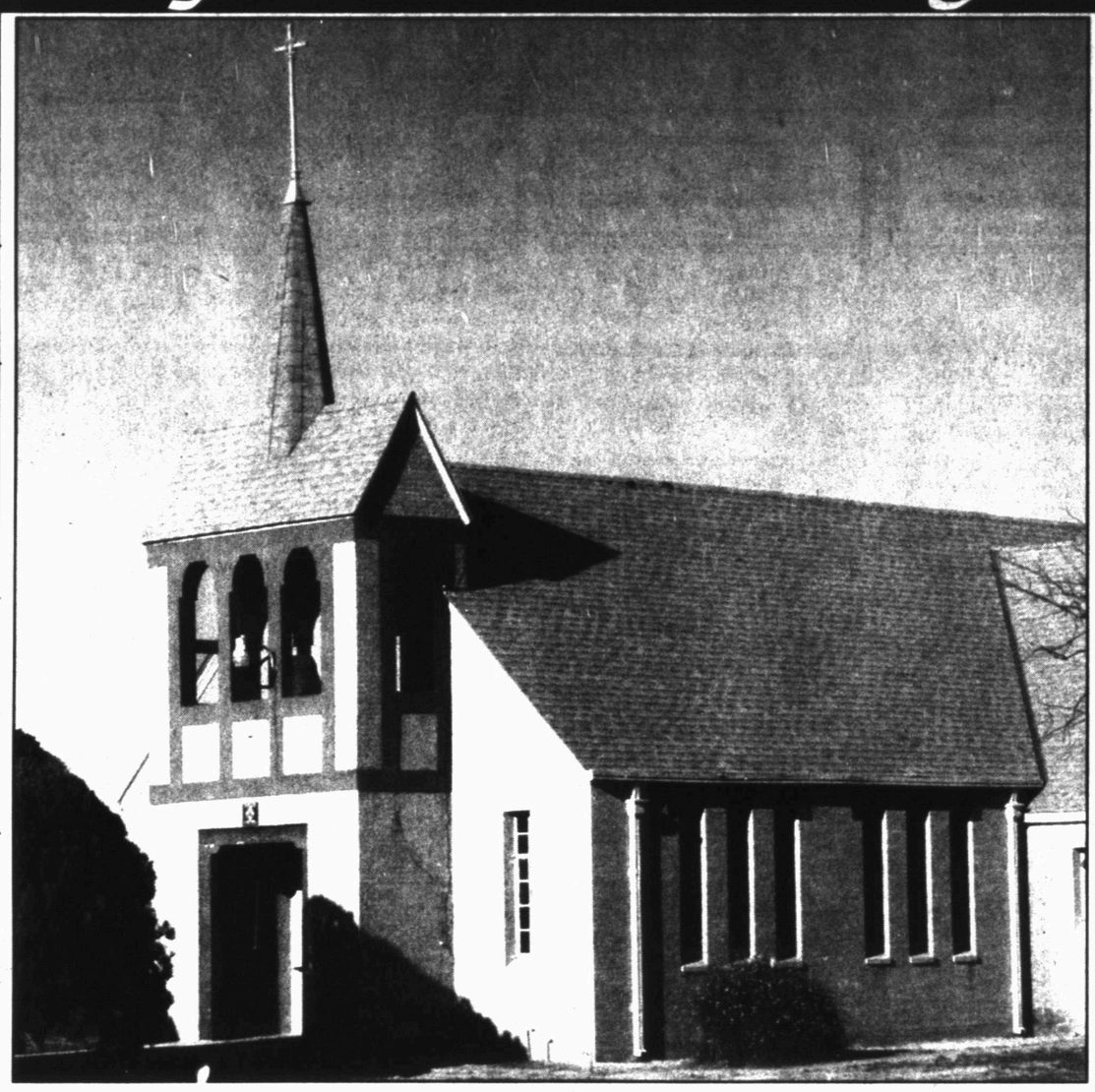
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Heightened activity detected at nuke plant

WASHINGTON (AP) — Throughout January, U.S. intelligence has detected substantial activity at North Korea's once shuttered nuclear facility, a possible sign it is getting ready to produce nuclear weapons, officials said today.

American spy satellites have detected covered trucks apparently taking on cargo at the nuclear storage facility at Yongbyon, where spent nuclear fuel rods are stored, said U.S. officials, speaking on condition of anonymity. When processed, enough plutonium can be extracted from the 8,000 rods to make four or five nuclear weapons, U.S. officials have said.

It is possible that the trucks seen at the plant are loading those rods, either to be stored elsewhere or in preparation for processing, one official said. Another said more people have been working at the complex, North Koreans also have been grading roads and plowing snow from roads and that smoke has been coming out of smokestacks at the complex.

The activity is not particularly unexpected, since the Koreans withdrew Jan. 10 from a global anti-nuclear pact and said they would restart the reactor at Yongbyon to generate electricity.

Restarting it would be another ominous step in a crisis that has been escalating on the Korean peninsula since October, while the Bush administration has been preoccupied with launching a possible war on the other side of the world to disarm Iraq.

White House spokesman Ari Fleischer would not comment on U.S. intelligence today, but warned Pyongyang against taking "another provocative step" that "further isolates North Korea from the international community."

Fifteen or more people dead...

Bomb rips through bus in Afghanistan

KANDAHAR, Afghanistan (AP) — A powerful bomb destroyed a bridge outside the southern Afghan city of Kandahar today, killing as many as 15 people traveling on a bus, police said.

The only survivors of the carnage on the Rambasi Bridge, about six miles south of Kandahar, were a 12-year-old boy and the driver, said deputy police chief Ustad Nazir Jan.

No one has taken responsibility for the attack, but Jan blamed Taliban and al-Qaida fugitives.

"One hundred percent we are sure it was Taliban and al-Qaida," Jan said. "We will get the proof."

Jan said he believed Afghan soldiers from a nearby army post were the target of the bombing. Troops from the unit are loyal to Kandahar Gov. Gul Agha Sherzai and patrol the area.

"We believe they were the target, but we are investigating," he said.

Nomads living in a nearby camp witnessed the explosion, which left body parts strewn around the twisted and mangled hulk of the bus.

"I was with my two children and we heard this loud noise. I ran away from it but then we heard people screaming, we went to help," said Toori Ali.

"It is the worst thing I have ever seen. There were body parts and only a small child and the driver lived," he said, still shaking from the sight of the carnage.

The two survivors were driver Ahmad Zia, 26, and the 12-year-old boy, whose father and uncle died at the scene.

The two were taken to a hospital in the town of Mir Wais, where Zia, in an interview with The Associated Press, described how the blast tore through the bus as he crossed the bridge about 9:30 a.m. after leaving the village of Mala Dost.

"When the explosion occurred, I heard cries. Then I lost consciousness," he said. "When I woke up, I saw myself on the hospital bed."

Zia said he thought 15 passengers died in the explosion, although officials earlier said it could be up to 18. The driver said he didn't know who placed the land mine or whether his bus was the intended target.

Zia suffered cuts and burns to the face. The injured boy was listed as being out of danger.

While the police said they were convinced the culprits were the Taliban and al-Qaida. Jan, the deputy police chief, said guerrillas loyal to renegade rebel commander Gulbuddin Hekmatyar may also have been involved.

Afghan and U.S. authorities believe that Hekmatyar's men are aligned with Taliban and al-Qaida remnants.

Bush meets with like-minded ally Blair

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush is intensifying pressure on Iraq's Saddam Hussein, warning him that time is short for peaceful disarmament and conferring with the United States' most like-minded ally.

Facing opposition on Capitol Hill and in world capitals, Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair were meeting for two hours at the White House today. Their plans for a cozier session at the Camp David presidential retreat in the mountains outside Washington were scrapped because of poor weather.

"They'll talk about the best steps to work together, to consult with a friend and ally, about how to keep the pressure on so Saddam Hussein disarms," White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said today.

The meeting is part of what the White House says will be a busy, brief round of diplomacy aimed at building the case against Saddam. Thus far, Bush's schedule is largely devoted to leaders already converted to his side, including a telephone call today to Vaclav Havel, president of the Czech Republic, and a meeting next week with Polish Prime Minister Leszek Miller.

Bush meets Tuesday with Sheik Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa, the king of Bahrain. That nation, with its useful naval facilities, has stood with the United States in the past.

On the eve of the critical Blair summit, Bush administration officials cautioned there was no firm deadline for when talks with allies would cease and the president would make a decision on war.

But the administration's timetable of "weeks, not months" — uttered by Bush and administration officials throughout the day — was given some specificity. State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the administration envisions a diplomatic window of "a couple of weeks" — which would coincide with the Feb. 14 report due to the U.N. Security Council from weapons inspectors combing Iraq for the banned nuclear, biological and chemical weapons programs Bush says Saddam has.

Several senior administration officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said that if Saddam has not disarmed and diplomacy has run its course when the report is filed, Bush is unlikely to condone more weapons inspections.

One Bush option is to seek a second United Nations resolution, either authorizing military force or simply declaring the Iraqi leader in violation of last fall's version. The president discussed — but has not committed to — the idea with Italian Prime Minister Silvió Berlusconi, another voice of support amid a mostly skeptical Europe who nonetheless wants U.N. backing for war. Bush has repeatedly said he would wage war with willing allies without U.N. backing, if necessary.

Two arrests reported in Snyder

Arrests

County deputies arrested Robert Zamora, 36, of 2710 Ave. U Thursday morning on an outstanding Lubbock warrant for bond surrender on an original charge of aggravated sexual assault.

A 20-year-old man was taken into custody at 10:30 p.m. Thursday on East Highway for driving with a suspended license.

Fire

Snyder firefighters responded to a small blaze in the backyard of a residence at 406 35th Street.

A children's playhouse was completely destroyed, but the fire was quickly doused and no injuries were reported, according to fire marshal Cy Posey.

An investigation is ongoing into the cause of the fire, but Posey said juveniles playing with matches most likely started it. It is also unclear who owns the home.

Sixteen firefighters responded to the 6:25 p.m. blaze with three fire trucks.

Accidents

Snyder officers responded to two minor accidents Thursday.

The first occurred at 12:20 p.m. in the 900 block of College Ave. and involved a 1993 Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by Lori Pavlovski, 38, of 3103 38th Place and a 1977 Fruehauf box-van driven by Paul Warren, 49, of 2902 33rd Street.

At 12:30 p.m., a three-vehicle accident was reported in the 2300 block of 25th Street. Involved in the mishap were a 1978 Ford LTD driven by Jennifer Jones, 20, of 881 School Ave. in Hermleigh, a 2001 Chevrolet Silverado pickup driven by Dianne Brady, 45, of the same address and a 1996 Chevrolet S-10 pickup driven by Johnnie Dry, 40, of 2212 Towle Park Rd.

No injuries were reported in either accident.

Forgery

Deann Grimmett requested officers at Cash and Pay at 9:45 a.m. Thursday and reported a forged check. An offense report was filed.

At 9:50 a.m. Thursday, Susan Farr reported a forgery. Officers contacted her and advised a report would be submitted.

Criminal trespass

Officers served two female subjects with criminal trespass warnings to stay away from Davidson's IGA.

Close patrol

A woman reported her ex-boyfriend driving around her neighborhood and him having a history of violence. She advised there were other subjects in the vehicle with him and requested a close patrol of her residence.

At 5:50 p.m. Thursday, a woman in the 1000 block of 26th Street reported that her cat had been shot with a BB gun and she requested a close patrol of the area.

A resident in the 4500 block of Galveston reported subjects in the alley at 12:22 a.m. today and requested officers check the area.

Obituaries

Marion Holt

1925-2003

ABILENE — Marion Holt, mother and mother-in-law of David and Donna Holt of Snyder, died Friday, Jan. 31, in Hendrick Hospice Care in Abilene.

Funeral service for Mrs. Holt is set for 4 p.m. Saturday in St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Abilene. Interment will follow in Elliott-Hamil Garden of Memories under the direction of Elliott-Hamil Funeral Home.

Born on Sept. 22, 1925 in Ryon, Okla., she married Dan Holt on May 13, 1943 in Big Spring. Mrs. Holt, a homemaker, had lived in Snyder before moving to Abilene five years ago.

Survivors also include her husband, Dan Holt of Abilene; a daughter, Lynda Taylor of Virginia; two brothers, Carl Russell of Lubbock and Phillip Russell of Colorado City; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, the family suggests memorials to the Hendrick Hospice Care or a favorite charity.

Charles Park

1947-2003

APTOS, Calif. — Charles Barton Park, son of Jo Ashley of Snyder, died Wednesday, Jan. 29, at his residence in Aptos.

A memorial service for Mr. Park, 55, is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in Aptos.

Born on Feb. 16, 1947 in Dallas, he moved to Snyder at age 2 and graduated from Snyder High School in 1965.

He was preceded in death by his father, Woody Park.

Survivors also include his wife, Vibeke von der Hude of the home; a son, Jacob Park of the home; two brothers, Paul Park and his wife Sandy of Ruidoso, N.M., and Barry Park of Baytown; one nephew, Dylan Park of Houston; and his stepfather, Carl Ashley of Snyder.

Greg Fisher

1953-2003

CROSBYTON — Greg Fisher, son of Vona Fisher of Snyder, died Thursday, Jan. 23, in Lubbock.

Service for Mr. Fisher, 49, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday at Crosbyton First Baptist Church with the Rev. Les Griffin officiating. Burial will be in Crosbyton Cemetery under the direction of Adams Funeral Home.

Mr. Fisher was born on June 17, 1953. He was a 1992 graduate of Texas Tech and was a graduate student there. He was involved in agriculture.

Survivors also include two sons, Eric Fisher and Kyle Deaton, both of Lubbock; two daughters, Jenni Fisher and Angelee Deaton, both of Lubbock; and a brother, Michael Fisher of Wichita Falls.

The family suggests memorials to the American Diabetes Association.

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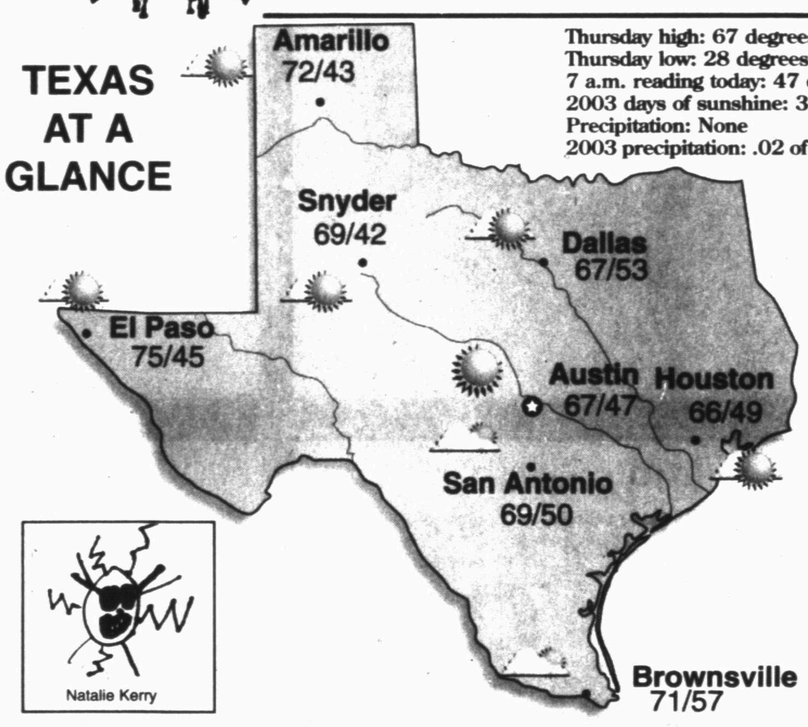
Today's Weather

Local 3-Day Forecast

Sat 2/1	Sun 2/2	Mon 2/3
69/42	72/33	61/19
Except for a few afternoon clouds, mainly sunny. High 69F.	Mostly cloudy. Highs in the low 70s and lows in the low 30s.	Mix of sun and clouds. Highs in the low 60s and lows in the upper teens.
Sunrise 7:39 AM, Sunset 6:16 PM	Sunrise 7:38 AM, Sunset 6:17 PM	Sunrise 7:37 AM, Sunset 6:18 PM

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TEXAS AT A GLANCE



Thursday high: 67 degrees
Thursday low: 28 degrees
7 a.m. reading today: 47 degrees
2003 days of sunshine: 30 of 31
Precipitation: None
2003 precipitation: .02 of an inch

Natalie Kerry

Area Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Abilene	69	50	mst sunny	El Paso	75	45	mst sunny	Midland	73	45	sunny
Amarillo	72	43	mst sunny	Fort Stockton	74	45	sunny	Raymondville	69	52	pt sunny
Austin	67	47	sunny	Gainesville	63	45	mst sunny	Rosenberg	66	49	mst sunny
Beaumont	66	47	sunny	Greenville	63	46	sunny	San Antonio	69	50	pt sunny
Brownsville	71	57	pt sunny	Houston	66	49	mst sunny	San Marcos	68	49	sunny
Brownwood	69	47	sunny	Kingsville	68	51	pt sunny	Sulphur Springs	64	47	sunny
Corpus Christi	66	52	pt sunny	Livingston	66	45	sunny	Sweetwater	70	46	mst sunny
Corsicana	66	50	sunny	Longview	66	46	sunny	Tyler	68	52	sunny
Dallas	67	53	mst sunny	Lubbock	75	43	windy	Weatherford	65	45	sunny
Del Rio	72	52	mst sunny	Lufkin	68	48	sunny	Wichita Falls	70	48	windy

National Cities

City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.	City	Hi	Lo	Cond.
Atlanta	53	33	pt sunny	Houston	66	49	mst sunny	Phoenix	82	46	pt sunny
Boston	37	34	rain	Los Angeles	71	52	pt sunny	San Francisco	57	44	pt sunny
Chicago	37	32	cloudy	Miami	75	52	pt sunny	Seattle	50	39	rain
Dallas	67	53	mst sunny	Minneapolis	38	29	cloudy	St. Louis	51	40	pt sunny
Denver	64	37	pt sunny	New York	39	31	rain	Washington, DC	45	33	cloudy

Moon Phases

Last	New	First	Full
Jan 25	Feb 1	Feb 9	Feb 16

UV Index

Sat 2/1	Sun 2/2	Mon 2/3
4	4	4
Low	Low	Low

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

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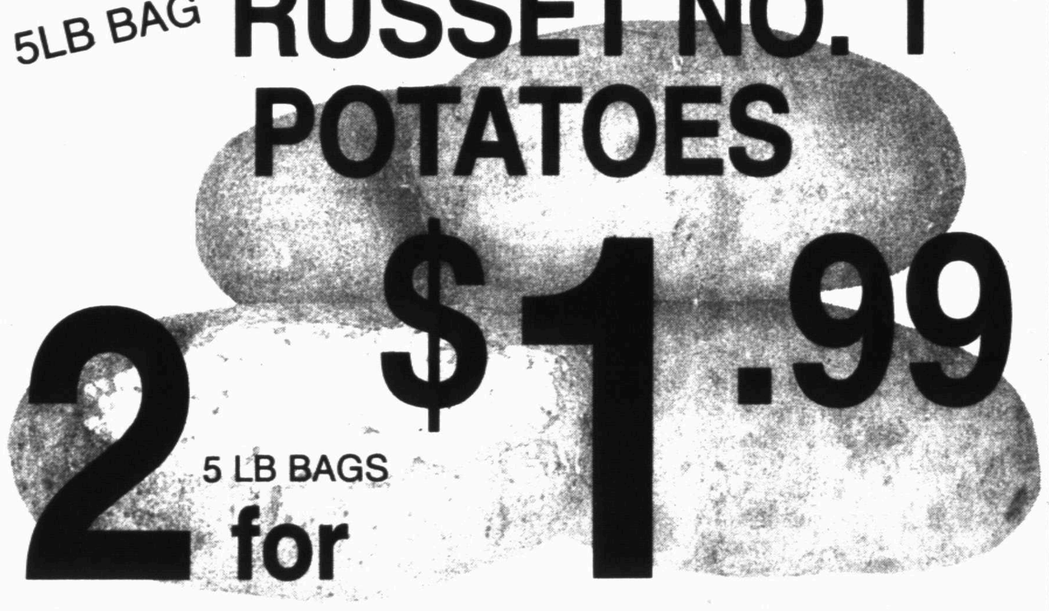
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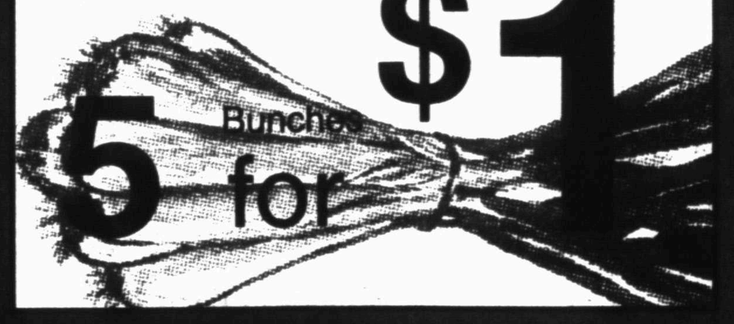
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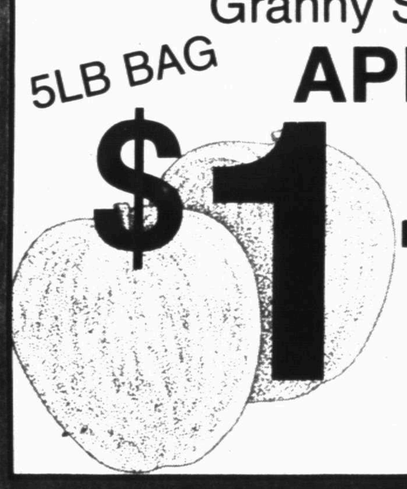
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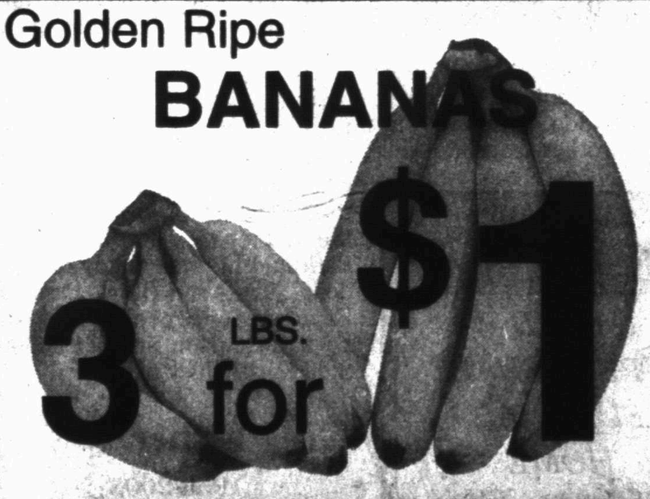
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