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Clinton shelves fast track bill for now

President's own party leads opposition

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a major political defeat, President Clinton decided today to shelve legislation that would expand his ability to negotiate trade treaties, administration officials said.

With paltry support from his own party, Clinton told House Speaker Newt Gingrich in a telephone call this morning to drop efforts to pass the so-called "fast track" bill. A large number of Republicans backed the bill.

Administration officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said it was unclear how hard Clinton would press for the legislation next year. He was announcing his decision later this morning.

The decision came as no surprise after the House stayed in session past midnight in an unsuccessful attempt to secure enough votes.

After the Senate came back into session this morning, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., said he believed the trade initiative was finished for the year, saying participants had told him they've been unable to get no closer than "six votes at best" of passage.

"You can only rake over the coals so many times," Lott said in a brief interview.

"The president will be committed to opening markets overseas using whatever tools are available to him," said White House spokesman Mike McCurry said.

He praised Gingrich for "working tirelessly" to pass the bill but chastised rank-and-file Republicans who held out for concessions from Clinton on abortion. Few Democrats backed the bill.

Pulling the bill from the House calendar blunted what would have been an embarrassing defeat for Clinton. Most of the opposition to the measure came from Clinton's own Democratic party.

Au pair conviction is reduced by judge

Sentence to be set later today

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. (AP) — A judge today reduced the second-degree murder conviction of British au pair Louise Woodward to involuntary manslaughter, sparing her a life sentence for the death of an 8-month-old baby in her care.

The decision by Judge Hiller B. Zobel means that the 19-year-old can be sentenced to no more than 20 years in prison or be freed immediately at sentencing this afternoon. She has already served nine months, most of the time while awaiting trial.

"After extensive, cool, calm reflection, I am morally certain that allowing this defendant on this evidence to remain convicted on second-degree murder would be a miscarriage of justice," the judge wrote in his 16-page decision.

In a case that stirred emotions on both sides of the Atlantic, Ms. Woodward was convicted last month by a Middlesex Superior Court jury of second-degree murder in the death of Matthew Eappen last February. Such a conviction carries a mandatory term of life imprisonment with parole possible after 15 years.

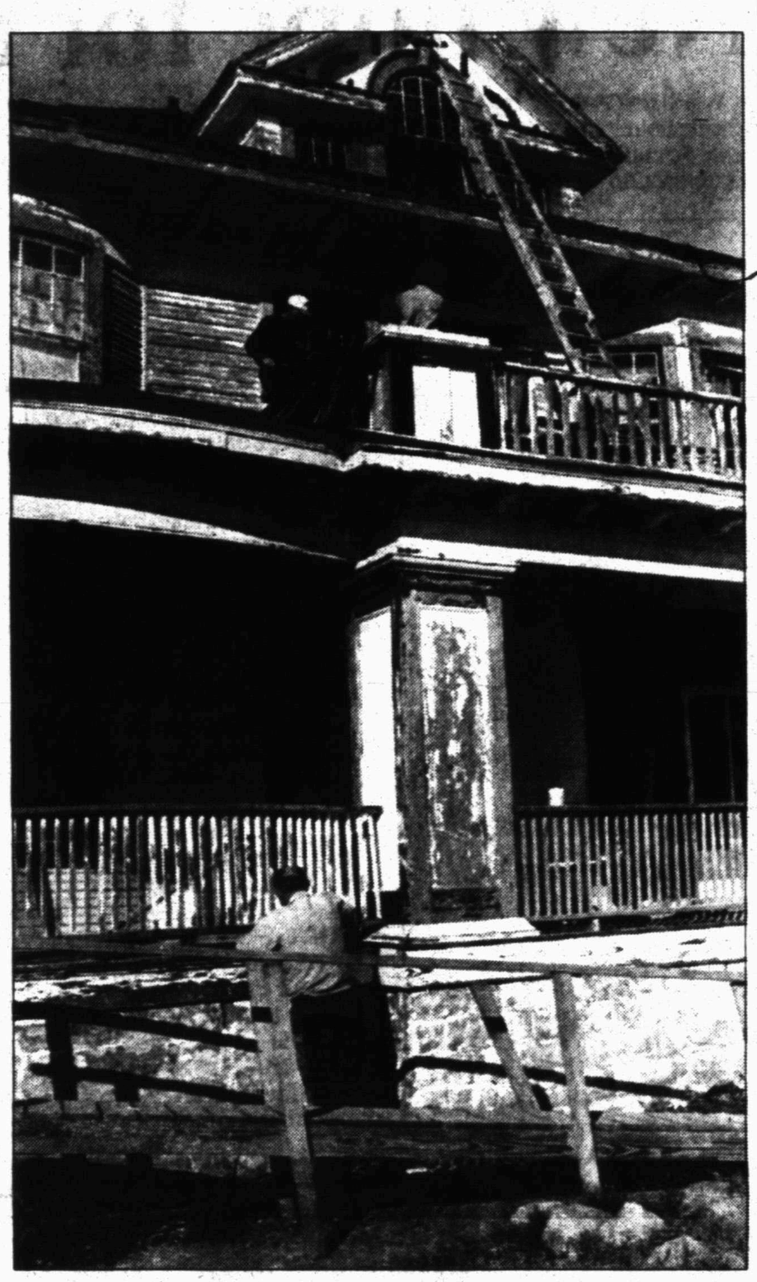
Manslaughter carries a maximum sentence of 20 years in state prison, but no minimum.

"It still proves that she's guilty," Matthew's paternal grandmother, Achamma Eappen, said of the decision.

"I guess the judge knows what he's doing and as long as she pays for what she has done to baby Matthew," she said from her home in Hinsdale, Ill. "All that we wanted was for us to know what has really happened and this still shows that she's guilty."

One of the jurors, Stephen Colwell, said, "I am greatly relieved at this decision."

Several jurors had said they wished they could have considered manslaughter as an option; they had been barred from doing so by an "all or nothing" defense strategy of giving jurors only the options of murder or acquittal. In today's ruling, the judge did not criticize defense lawyers, saying it was "rational and appropriate" and would have been hailed if it had worked.



RENOVATING — B.J. Bartels took advantage of warm weather last week to work on the ground floor of his 90-year-old historic home on 32nd Street while employees of Wooldrige Professional Painters were doing work on the second floor — and above. Sunday, temperatures dropped, making outside work a little less tolerable. (SDN Staff Photo)

College board to meet at 7

Western Texas College board members meet this evening to get a report on the annual audit.

The audit report is one of several business items before trustees, who convene at 7 o'clock in the administration board room.

A 12-person committee of faculty and administrators from six states is conducting a Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) visit at Western Texas as part of the college's accreditation process. Several of those committee members are expected to attend tonight's board meeting for a brief period of time.

In other business, the board will consider:

—the resignation of Bill Jones from the Scholarship Foundation board. Jones is also a former college trustee.

—a tuition and fee variance for a computer course and a CPR course to be offered to Pennzoil employees.

—bids for a skid-steer loader.

—disbursements from unrestricted and unobligated current funds.

Other items of business include previous minutes and the financial information report.

During information and discussion, the board will consider a report from Cargill Associates which conducted a survey to determine the feasibility of a scholarship fund-raising campaign for the Scholarship Foundation.

Cargill is recommending the college proceed with a fund-raising campaign and retain them as counsel for a $98,000 fee. They are also recommending the college hire a director of development to administer the campaign and continue fund-raising efforts.

Closings, special events slated for Veterans Day

Veterans Day is Tuesday, a holiday for county and city employees.

American Legion Post 181 will serve breakfast from 6-10 a.m. and a barbecue dinner from 6-8 p.m. All veterans and their families are invited.

Those attending are asked to bring a dessert.

In addition, the Sunshine Choir will lead a special Veterans Day program at 11:15 p.m. at the Senior Center.

Scurry County Courthouse, the library and health unit will all be closed Tuesday. City Hall will also observe Veterans Day.

Mail will be placed in boxes at the local post office, but there will be no delivery Tuesday, postal employees said.

Local financial institutions will be closed.

Classes will go on as usual at Snyder, Hermleigh and Ira school districts and Western Texas College.

Largest corporate merger ever...

MCI agrees to buyout by WorldCom

NEW YORK (AP) — MCI Communications Corp. agreed today to be bought by WorldCom Inc. for $37 billion in what would be the largest corporate merger in U.S. history.

Boards of both companies unanimously approved the agreement after WorldCom sweetened its offer by more than 20 percent, ending a takeover battle for the nation's second-largest telecommunications company. The new company will be called MCI WorldCom and will have more than $30 billion in annual revenue next year.

WorldCom's bid leapfrogged a competing $28 billion all-cash offer from GTE Corp. and also beat out a $24 billion merger agreement MCI had with British Telecommunications PLC.

British Telecom, which will receive $7 billion in cash from WorldCom for its 20 percent interest in MCI, also agreed to the deal. That gives it a profit of $2.25 billion on its MCI stock. In addition, British Telecom will be paid $465 million because MCI broke its previous contract to merge with BT.

WorldCom also would assume $5 billion in MCI debt.

The deal would eclipse the largest U.S. merger so far, a $25.6 billion marriage between Bell Atlantic Corp. and Nynex Corp. that was completed in August.

The combined MCI-WorldCom would be able to sell a full range of services, from local and long-distance to Internet connections to 22 million customers in the United States and 200 other countries. Such a behemoth would change the telecommunications landscape, probably speeding up merger talks by other companies.

MCI's stock price was up 12 percent, or $4.50 to $41.37½.

Roemisch to resign his HISD board seat

Resignation of a board member and consideration of the annual audit are agenda items for Hermleigh ISD's board of directors, which meets at 7 p.m. Tuesday.

Chip Roemisch, elected to a three-year term on the board in May, has submitted his letter of resignation. Roemisch is being transferred to Coahoma in his job with Anadarko Petroleum Corp.

Board policy states that a trustee must live within the school district he or she serves.

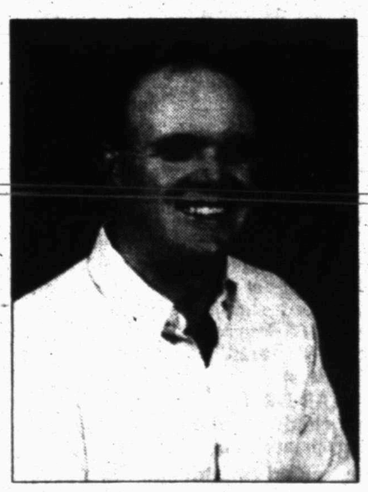
Trustees have several options to handle the board vacancy. They could leave the post vacant until May, when the next school board election will be held; appoint someone to fill the seat until the May election; or call a special election.

Regardless, the seat will be on the May ballot to fill out the final two years of the unexpired term.

In other business Tuesday, Becky Roberts, with David Kinard & Co. out of Abilene, will present the annual outside audit.

Trustees will also cast votes for appraisal board members and discuss a grant application through the state that could provide funds for computer technology.

Payment of bills and approval of previous minutes are also on the agenda.



Chip Roemisch

Juvenile probation expenses jump

The necessity of keeping juvenile offenders locked up for extended periods has added some $51,000 to the county's juvenile probation budget for this year.

Juvenile probation officer Larry Thompson told Scurry County commissioners this morning that his office needs $51,790 to pay juvenile detention centers in Sweetwater and Canadian for housing Scurry County juveniles.

Thompson said new laws provide that juveniles can be kept for up to 15 working days in order for their attorneys to prepare paperwork.

Previously, the time limit was 10 days total.

"A lot more kids are having to be locked up due to the offense they are committing," said Thompson. "We are having more sexual assaults and those charged have to be confined until their hearing."

It costs the county approximately $78 per day to house a juvenile.

"No one is happy about this," said County Judge Ricky Fritz.

"This is something no one has any control over."

"If the kids commit the crime, they have to be locked up," he said.

Thompson said even more kids would be locked up in juvenile facilities now if it wasn't for the alternative punishment STAR Program.

"I know there would be at least two more in a facility," said Thompson.

Due to increased crime, the county's expenditures in the juvenile probation department has increased from some $18,000 per year to over $100,000.

"In seven years, this budget has increased over $100,000 due to juvenile crime," said Precinct 4 Commissioner, Jerry Gannaway.

"That's a real shame," he said.

Besides the budget amendment for housing juveniles, the court also approve an amendment for $1,995 for a computer for the office and $882.93 for travel. Line-item transfers in the amount of $680 were also approved.

In other action this morning, the court canvassed the ballots of last Tuesday's constitutional amendment election.

ASK US

Q—Will there be advance tickets sales for Snyder's playoff game Saturday?

A—Tickets are now available at the administration building. Adult tickets are $6 and student tickets are $3. At the game, all tickets will be $6.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 80 degrees; low, 53; high Sunday, 47 degrees; low, 33; 7 a.m. Monday, 33; no precipitation; total for 1997, 23.20 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly cloudy. Low, mid 30s. SE wind 5-10 mph. Tuesday, mostly cloudy; 20% chance of rain. High, mid 50s. S wind 10-20 mph.



Alyssa Davis
Mostly cloudy

Sunset: 5:48 p.m.
Sunrise: 7:08 a.m.
Of 313 days in 1997, the sun has shone 299 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Whether you think you can or you think you can't, you are right.

Henry Ford

U.S. veterans fear their clout fading away

By Donald M. Rothberg
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — With words, America pays tribute Tuesday to its veterans. But many who served in the armed forces are asking whether their voices carry the same weight they once did.

"Concern for veterans and their problems has diminished," said Kenneth Steadman, executive director of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

"In society as a whole, veterans and the military do not hold the same place they held 20 and 30 years ago," said Joseph Sternburg, a Vietnam veteran. "It's been jaded by the Koreas and the Vietnams."

The big issue for today's veterans is health care, a reflection of the aging of the veteran population. It also reflects two high-profile medical issues that have preoccupied many who served in Vietnam and the Persian Gulf — Agent Orange and the Persian Gulf Syndrome.

President Clinton announced Saturday he was creating a panel to monitor Pentagon research into the mysterious illnesses known collectively as the Persian Gulf Syndrome. He also pledged to work for more research funds and a liberalized benefits system for the victims.

The holiday that now honors veterans did not start that way. Originally, Nov. 11 was Armistice Day and commemorated the end of World War I.

After four years, that conflict ended at the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918. Twenty years later, Congress made the observance a legal holiday; the action came as the world was reeling toward World War II.

Less than five years after the Second World War in which millions of Americans fought in Europe and Asia, U.S. forces were again in combat in Korea.

It soon became clear the nation wanted to set aside a day to honor all veterans. The people of Emporia, Kan., took the initiative in 1953 and designated Nov. 11 as Veterans Day to honor those who had served in the military.

Congress followed suit the next year and President Eisenhower signed the bill renaming the holiday.

Youthful veterans of World War II and Korea used the education and housing provision of the GI Bill to put themselves through college and buy homes. That legislation to reward the people who had fought for the country ended up transforming it.

A population shift to the suburbs was in part fueled by the federally insured, low-interest loans given to veterans. By 1950, 55 percent of U.S. families lived in their own home. A decade earlier it was 43.6 percent, according to the Census Bureau.

A profile of the current veterans population is far different. The last war to substantially increase the ranks of veterans was Vietnam,

New hope for rheumatoid arthritis

WASHINGTON (AP) — Rheumatoid arthritis sufferers note: Scientists report that an antibiotic used to treat acne significantly improves swollen, painful joints if therapy begins in the crippling disease's early stages.

Rheumatologists said the new study by the University of Nebraska provides enough proof of minocycline's benefit that the drug soon may be widely prescribed.

"This isn't a cure," cautioned the lead researcher, Dr. James O'Dell, who presented his study Sunday at a meeting of the American College of Rheumatology. "If the medicine is stopped, the problem comes back."

But O'Dell said the drug appears to offer a unique arthritis protection: It seems to block enzymes, called metalloproteinases, that destroy irreplaceable cartilage inside joints.

"By inhibiting these metalloproteinases early on, maybe we can help shut off the whole inflammation cascade" that goes out of control in later stages of the disease, O'Dell said.

If his theory is right, these enzymes also could have implications for treatment of the much more common osteoarthritis that plagues the elderly. Tests in osteoarthritic dogs suggest anti-enzyme compounds offer similar protection, prompting other scientists to begin clinical trials of a minocycline cousin — called doxycycline — in people with osteoarthritis.

About 2 million Americans suffer rheumatoid arthritis, a chronic inflammatory disease. Unlike the osteoarthritis that hits certain joints because of the wear-and-tear of aging, rheumatoid arthritis afflicts joints all over the body. It often strikes women between the ages of 20 and 45.

Antibiotic therapy has been controversial. Doctors haven't proved, or disproved, theories that an infection causes rheumatoid arthritis. And early studies of minocycline showed only a modest effect, discouraging many physicians, said Dr. Doyt Conn of The Arthritis Foundation.

Thinking earlier treatment might work better, O'Dell tested 46 patients who had rheumatoid arthritis for less than a year and were not taking strong arthritis medicines.

Sixty-five percent of the minocycline patients showed a 50 percent improvement in joint swelling, stiffness and pain after six months of therapy. Just 13 percent of patients given a dummy pill had a similar response.

How long improvement lasted was key, because many other treatments either wear off or eventually cause serious side effects.

So O'Dell followed his patients for over three years — and 44 percent ultimately improved by a dramatic 75 percent or more.

Such increased improvement over time is encouraging, said Dr. Eric Schned, a Minneapolis rheumatologist who has followed O'Dell's work.

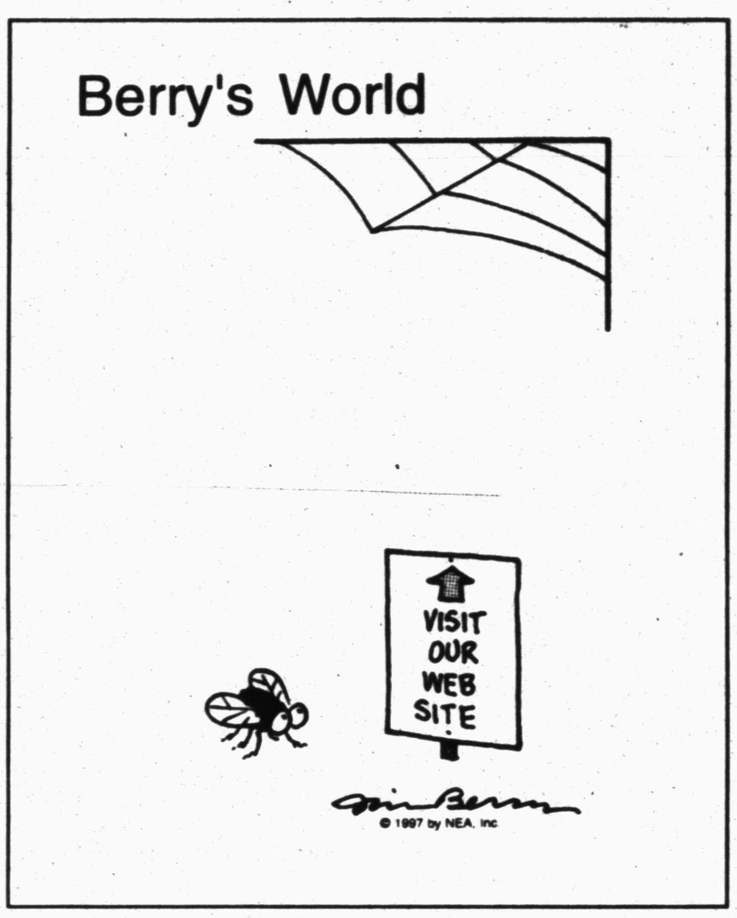
"That's an impressive result," said Schned, who now prescribes minocycline. "I have begun, as a result of this, telling people, 'Look, this could be a very slow medicine in working but ... you may have some significant benefit extending a few years out.'"

The study is small, Conn cautioned, "but it shows a very definite improvement."

Now doctors must study how best to combine minocycline with other common medicines, he said.

Minocycline is old enough that not only are inexpensive generic forms available, but doctors have had years to learn its side effects, Schned said. "This is a safe and quite gentle medicine," he said.

The main problem is dizziness among elderly patients, O'Dell said. About 5 percent of long-term users develop dark splotches on the skin that disappear when they stop the drug, he said.



Woman's body found months after death

FORT WORTH (AP) — Mary Lou Dennis' unkempt lawn prompted city code enforcement officials to leave a note on her door. The 74-year-old woman's utilities and phone service were cut off for lack of payment. The registration expired on her blue 1990 Caprice Classic sitting in the driveway.

No wonder. Dallas police on Oct. 3 discovered Miss Dennis' body nude and mummified in her East Dallas duplex — more than a year after her death.

She lay in her bed, checkbook by her side, spent cigarettes from her multiple-pack-a-day habit piled in ashtrays throughout the house.

Robert Breckenridge, a field agent in the Dallas County medical examiner's office, said Sunday that her body mummified after partially decomposing because of a combination of conditions in her home.

Investigators are waiting for toxicology test results before ruling on what caused her death, he said.

Police detective Dan Trippel investigated Miss Dennis' death and found that no foul play had occurred. It appears she died around July or August 1996.

"This is a lady that wanted to be left alone," Trippel told the Fort Worth Star-Telegram. "Family tried to reach out to her and she shunned them. And I'm sure she did the same to her neighbors. I think it's troublesome to everybody."

Almost 15 months after she is presumed to have died, a businessman from her hometown of Bonham came looking for Miss Dennis. He wanted to buy a house that she had inherited from her sister.

After a week of sleuthing and finding no good answers about what had become of her, he called Dallas police and asked them to check the house.

Family members said Miss Dennis moved to Dallas early in her life, perhaps to get away from scrutiny of her drinking and smoking. She worked from her home and became increasingly reclusive as she aged, repeatedly declining invitations to family holiday gatherings and hanging up on relatives who telephoned.

She never married, had children or voted in Dallas County. Her only known companion was Major, a German shepherd she owned years ago.

"It just makes me real sad," said Mary Lou Dennis of Hardy, Ark., a niece who has the same name as her aunt. Her aunt worried, she said, that the identical names would cause confusion in their Social Security payments.

Oil Patch News

Scurry County

Pennzoil Exploration has completed the No. 2527 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. The well was finaled to produce 65 barrels of oil and 763 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,639-7,029 feet. Location is in Section 213, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 2525 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. The venture was completed to produce 63 barrels of oil and 604 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,652-7,010 feet, and location is in Section 213, Block 97,. H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 252-8 SACROC Unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. The well was finaled to produce 15 barrels of oil and 937 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,590-7,042 feet, and location is in Section 213, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 2396 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. The well was completed to produce 75 barrels of oil and 894 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,664-7,071 feet, and location is in Section 245, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 251-A11 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. the well was finaled to produce 98 barrels of oil and 551 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,642-7s,s044 feet, and location is in Section 213, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 251-A10 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. The well was completed to produce 30 barrels of oil and 745 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,588-7,032 feet, and location is in Section 213, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 2398 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. The project was finaled to produce 68 barrels of oil and 982 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,746-7,051 feet, and drill site was in Section 245, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 2397 SACROC unit in the same field, eight miles west of Snyder. Finaled to produce seven barrels of oil and 268 barrels of water, perforations were from 6,704-7,068 feet. Location is in Section 245, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 2396 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles west of Snyder. The well was completed to produce 17 barrels of oil and 1,053 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,833-7,052 feet, and drill site was in Section 245, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Pennzoil has completed the No. 2528 SACROC unit in the Kelly-Snyder field, eight miles southwest of Snyder. The well was completed to produce 47 barrels of oil and 641 barrels of water. Perforations were from 6,624-7,013 feet, and location is in Section 213, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Anadarko Petroleum will drill the No. 37-D Huddleston in the Sharon Ridge field, 12 miles south of Ira. Planned for a depth 3,500 feet, location is in Section 161, Block 97, H&TC survey.

Garza County

HAT Oil and Gas has completed the No. 1 Pebble Beach in the Tobe field, four miles southwest of Justiceburg. The well was completed to produce 152 barrels of oil and 27 barrels of water. Perforations were from 7,714-716 feet, and location is in Section 50, Block 6, H&GN survey.

Howard County

Embassy Resources Inc. has completed the No. 1 W.E. Hanson in the Luther field, 15 miles north of Big Spring. The re-entry project was completed to produce 41 barrels of oil and 328 barrels of water. Perforations were from 9,902-920 feet, and location is in Section 2, Block 32, T2N, T&P survey.

Lyco Energy Corp. will drill the No. 2 Goodman, a 7,500-foot wildcat located five miles north of Big Spring. Drill site is in Section 11, Block 33, T1N, T&P survey.

Walsh and Watts Inc. will drill the No. 20-WB Snyder in the Snyder field, four miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned for a depth of 3,100 feet, location is in Section 22, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Walsh and Watts Inc. will drill the No. 20-WB in the Snyder field, four miles southeast of Coahoma. Also set for a depth of 3,500 feet, location is in Section 22, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Walsh and Watts Inc. will drill the No. 21-WB Snyder in the Snyder field, four miles southeast of Coahoma. Planned depth is 3,500 feet, and location is in Section 22, Block 30, T1S, T&P survey.

Mitchell County

Chevron USA will drill the No. 3 Morrison-Gill in the Westbrook field, seven miles northwest of Westbrook. The re-entry project is planned for a depth of 3,212 feet, and location is in Section 21, Block 28, T1N, T&P survey.

Nolan County

Walter Exploration will drill the No. 1 Merry Laine in the Sprague field, 12 miles southeast of Sweetwater. Planned for a depth 4,300 feet, location is in Section 3, Block X, T&P survey.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Coping with Alzheimer's disease

DEAR DR. GOTT: My father was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease at age 64. Unfortunately, the disease has progressed. He now hallucinates, sings loudly, bangs on walls and generally behaves inappropriately.

He continues to live at home with my mother, who is his primary caretaker. Nights are a real problem, because it is at these times that he becomes unmanageable.

Initially, his actions could be controlled with Ambien, a sleeping pill. But now, we can barely control him with Haldol. What can we do?

DEAR READER: Get help.

Your father is following a predictable downhill course that I am certain will worsen over time. From your brief description, I conclude that your mother is rapidly reaching the point where she will be unable to cope. At the very least, her own health is in jeopardy.

If the family is committed to caring for your father at home, more caregivers are needed. A home health aide during the day (or at night) could give your mother a welcome respite.

However, even that may not answer her needs as your father progressively declines toward a severely demented state. Unfortunately, institutional living may be your best option.

I urge you to consider placing your father in a skilled nursing facility, where he can be appropriately supervised and given medication around-the-clock to control his behavior. Also, many such facilities make special provisions for Alzheimer's patients, through the use of play-groups and other methods to keep patients in contact with their environment. My prediction is that if your father doesn't require nursing-home care right now, he soon will.

Therefore, I recommend that you and your mother meet with your family physician in a strategy session to plan a course of action. In my view, that course ought to be directed toward nursing-home placement. The doctor can assist you.

To give you more information, I am sending you copies of my Health Reports "Alzheimer's Disease" and "What You Should Know About Nursing Homes." Other readers who would like copies should send $2 for each report plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2017, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to mention the title(s).

DEAR DR. GOTT: I am a mother of four children, all of whom have had appropriate immunization shots for the usual childhood diseases. Nonetheless, I am concerned about their health because of reports showing that these shots can lead to cancer later in life.

DEAR READER: Such reports are erroneous. The risks of serious — even fatal — consequences of childhood illnesses far outweigh the risks of the vaccines. True, an occasional youngster can react badly to immunizations, but counterbalancing this is the fact that millions of healthy infants have been successfully vaccinated. As with any medication, a person must consider the risk-to-benefit ratio. However, with childhood immunizations, the benefits far outweigh the inconsequential risks. Please continue to keep your children's shots up-to-date; they'll thank you when they are older.

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Date Book

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Today is the 314th day of 1997 and the 51st day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1954, the Iwo Jima Memorial was dedicated in Arlington, Va.

On this day in 1969, "Sesame Street" made its debut on PBS.

On this day in 1982, Russian leader Leonid Brezhnev died of heart failure.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Martin Luther (1483-1546), religious reformer; William Hogarth (1697-1764), painter-engraver; Oliver Goldsmith (1730-1774), writer; Richard Burton (1925-1984), actor; Roy Scheider (1935-), actor, is 62; David Stockman (1946-), economist, is 51; Jack Clark (1955-), baseball player, is 42; MacKenzie Phillips (1959-), actress, is 38.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1962, Dr. Joseph Boydstone, an amateur golfer, shot three holes-in-one during a single round.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Superstition, idolatry and hypocrisy have ample wages, but truth goes a-begging." — Martin Luther

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1995, temperatures in Oklahoma City reached a record evening high of 85 degrees.

SOURCE: 1997 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Between first quarter (Nov. 7) and full moon (Nov. 14).

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Community Calendar

MONDAY

Scurry County Museum's hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Al-Anon meeting (smoke Free), brown bag lunch; Park Club in Winston Park. For more information, call 573-1579 or 573-5525; noon to 1 p.m.

Defensive Driving (Mon. and Tues.) Course; Snyder Savings and Loan Community Room, 27th & College; for more information call 573-2850, no reservations needed; 6 to 9 p.m.

American Legion Layne Kite Post 181 and Auxiliary; 7:30 p.m.

White Buffalo Stamp Club; community room of Snyder National Bank; visitors welcome; 7:30 p.m.

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; for more information call 573-9458, 573-8626 or 573-8929; 8 p.m.

TUESDAY

Daughters of the American Revolution; Snyder Country Club; 11:30 a.m.

Plainview Family Community Education Club; 2 p.m.

Atheneum Study Club; MAWC; 4:15 p.m.

Beta Sigma Phi; Brenda Hedges' office; 7 p.m.

Snyder Shrine Club; call 863-2702 for meeting place; 6 p.m.

Canyon Gun Club; 1910 25th; 7:30 p.m.

Narcotics Anonymous; Winston Park Club; for more information call 573-2101, 573-0949, 573-3667 or 573-1579; 6 p.m.

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

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

New Horizon Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141 or 573-2101; 8 p.m.

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

WEDNESDAY

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

THURSDAY

Snyder Palette Club; airport terminal bldg. on W. 37th; Jo Beth Gilliam of Lubbock will give a watercolor demonstration; hostess, Myrtle Joiner; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

LLL Club; fellowship hall of First Baptist Church; 9:30 a.m.

Ministerial Alliance; Rudy's; 10 a.m.

Noah Project Advisory Committee; MAWC; noon.

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

Horseshoe Pitching For Fun; Horseshoe Courts located at the coliseum; everybody welcome, for further information call 573-9762; 6:30 p.m.

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

Bilingual AA meeting; Park Club in Winston Park, 37th & Ave. M; 8 p.m.

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

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

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30 to 11 a.m. Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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

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

NA Anonymous; Snyder Park Club; for information call 573-3667, 573-1579 or 573-0949; 6 p.m.

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

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

SATURDAY

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

Rolling Plains Ratite Association; The Shack; 7 p.m.

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

SUNDAY

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

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

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

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

Jay Leno serves as grand marshal

GLENDALE, Calif. (AP) — In the sea of black leather and shiny chrome, Jay Leno led the way.

The "Tonight Show" host was the grand marshal for some 25,000 Harley-Davidson motorcycle riders revving their engines for charity at the 14th annual Love Ride over the weekend.

Oliver Shokouh, the owner of Harley-Davidson of Glendale, started the ride to promote a positive image for bikers. The $45 entrance fee and any donations the riders made went to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

Program helps pregnant soldiers stay in shape

FORT CAMPBELL, Ky. (AP) — Army Spc. Ebony Brown wipes the sweat from her forehead, clasps her hands around her swollen stomach, and takes a deep breath.

She and about 250 other pregnant women at Fort Campbell are participating in a fitness program called STARS (Soldiers, Training, Ability, Readiness and Spirit).

On this morning, the 20-year-old Brown and about 50 other expectant mothers are doing aerobics. Other soldiers in the gym look on curiously as these women with bulging stomachs jump around in gray sweatsuits and T-shirts with STARS imprinted on the front.

Brown said the stares don't bother her because the program works.

"It's just what we need to stay in shape until we get back to our units," said Brown, of Orlando, Fla. "By the time this is over, I'll be ready."

Capt. Anne Sigouin, a Fort Campbell nurse-midwife who helped start STARS in July, said the program has not only helped its participants, but the commanders who deal with the women.

The Army Times has reported complaints from male soldiers who said pregnant soldiers put a burden on units and receive special treatment that demoralizes units.

Programs like STARS help change those feelings by ensuring women are physically able to continue their military careers while pregnant and resume them after giving birth, Sigouin said.

"There's an improvement in self-esteem," she said. "The program simply creates a level playing field."

Fitness programs for pregnant soldiers are offered at a handful of other Army bases, including Fort Benning, Ga.; Fort Hood, Texas; and Fort Bragg, N.C. Fort Lewis, Wash., and Fort Stewart, Ga., are considering starting programs.

STARS divides its participants into groups: first, second and third trimester, and postpartum. Every pregnant woman on base must participate in the program, which lasts the duration of their pregnancies.

After giving birth, the new mothers are given a convalescent leave of 40 days, then return for five more weeks in the STARS program.

A fitness test is administered before they go back to their units to ensure they are ready to resume physical training, which involves such activities as running, situps and pushups.

The women can set their own pace when they first get back to their units, Sigouin said. But after 90 days they have to catch up to everyone else.

"The main objective is to get us back to where we were," said Spc. Mary McMurchy, a 24-year-old graduate of the STARS program.

"Regular PT (physical training) is hard, so this allows us to get back in shape for that."

From 6:30-7:30 a.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, the women do aerobics in the gym or exercise outside. On Tuesdays and Thursdays they attend classes on topics such as shaken-baby syndrome, baby massage therapy, general infant care, nutrition and breast-feeding.

McMurchy said the massage therapy lessons come in handy with her 4-month-old daughter, Brooke.

"They teach you how to relax the baby by massaging it, just like you do a big person," McMurchy said. "You start at the top of the head and work your way down. My little girl gets really quiet."

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Gore endorsing call for more cuts in military staff, bases

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress may have turned its back on the suggestion, but Vice President Al Gore is endorsing a call for the military to further trim its bases and staffs.

Gore was attending the release today of a report by a Pentagon advisory panel recommending two additional rounds of base closures, a reduction in the staffs of the defense secretary and the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and other steps.

Defense Secretary William Cohen, who took office in January, had met early in his tenure with Gore, leader of the Clinton administration's "reinventing government" initiatives to streamline federal activities.

Cohen sought additional recommendations for slimming the Pentagon bureaucracy in May following release of a major study of strategy and weaponry, the Quadrennial Defense Review, that called for modest cuts in military forces and additional base closures.

However, Congress dug in its heels over the closures. Some 100 major bases were shuttered in four previous rounds, and lawmakers contend the pain of those closures had not yet abated.

Cohen has said repeatedly that if lawmakers want to slim the military budget, they have to look at cutting back on bases that are just not needed by a military that has cut its forces by 25 percent or more since the end of the Cold War.

The former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Gen. John Shalikashvili, also complained that Congress wanted the military to keep bases open that it did not need, and buy weapons it did not want.

Pentagon officials, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the overall thrust of the latest study was to get the Defense Department "focused on better business practices."

"We need to do our business better, to slim down like the private sector," said one official. If adopted over several years, the steps in the report would save an estimated $6 billion annually.

Gore was briefed on its contents last week by Cohen and Deputy Defense Secretary John Hamre. He wanted to show support for the effort in light of the government overhaul initiatives that have been a hallmark of his vice presidency, a second Pentagon official said.

The advisory panel was headed by Arnold Punaro, a former staff director of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

The officials said the report calls for a 25 percent average cutback in the Office of the Secretary of Defense, the civilians who work for the secretary; the Joint Staff, the mostly military bureaucracy that supports the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and support agencies.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



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♣ A

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Still in the memory

This column was written three days after the dreadful accident in which Princess Diana died. She admitted to knowing the basics of bridge, but I don't think any record exists of a deal she played. Edward VII was an avid player, but no member of the present Royal Family plays, though they all enjoy racing demon. The Queen plays six-pack bezique and complicated games of solitaire (patience, as they are called in Britain).

As a tribute to Princess Diana, here is a deal in which the key play is made by the queen of hearts. It is taken from "Right Through the Pack" by Robert Darvas and Norman de Villiers Hart (republished by Baron Barclay, 1996).

Some strange bidding left South in five clubs (but bear in mind that the book was first published in 1948). With two minor-suit aces to lose, declarer had to avoid a second trump loser.

After winning the first trick with dummy's heart king, declarer crossed to hand with a spade, then ran the club knave to East's ace. What now?

If West had led a singleton, East could deliver an immediate ruff. But what if West had started with two hearts? Then returning a heart away from the queen didn't look quite so attractive. East was uncertain. So, the story goes, the queen of hearts came to the rescue, leaping from East's hand and falling face-upward onto the table.

This defeated the contract, stranding declarer in the dummy. He tried to get out with a low diamond, but East won with the ace and returned a heart, allowing West to overruff declarer.

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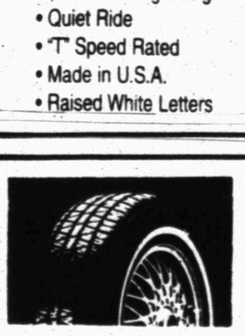
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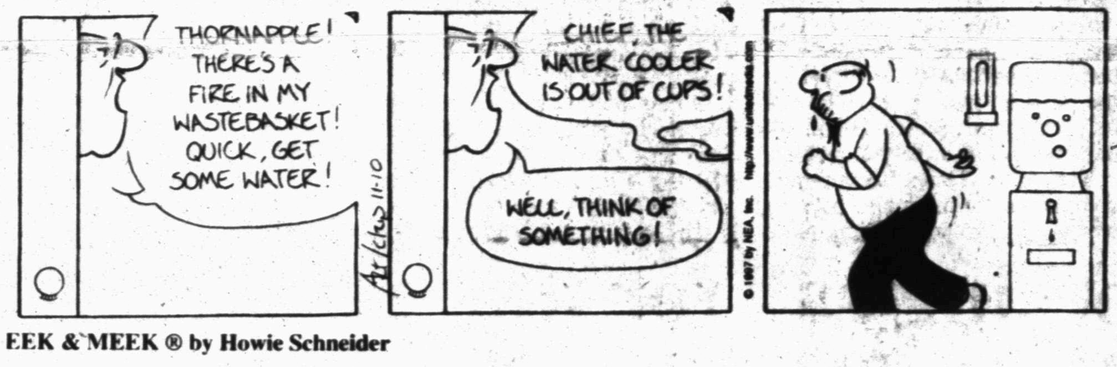
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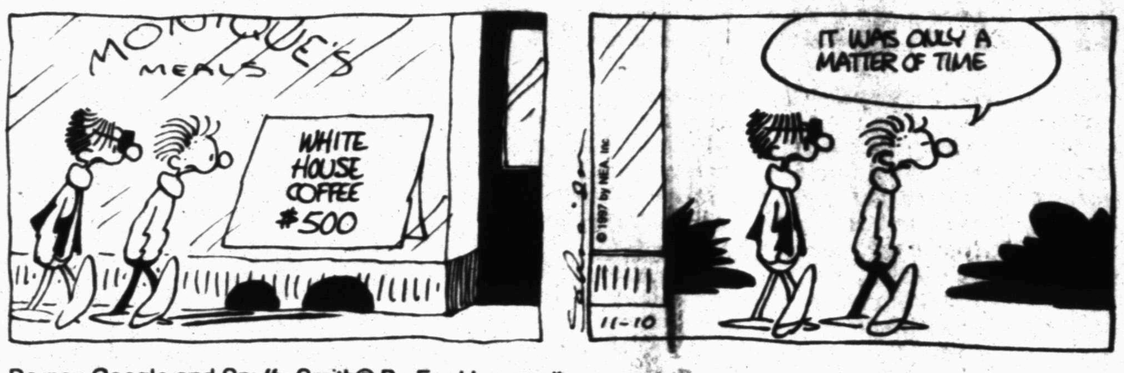
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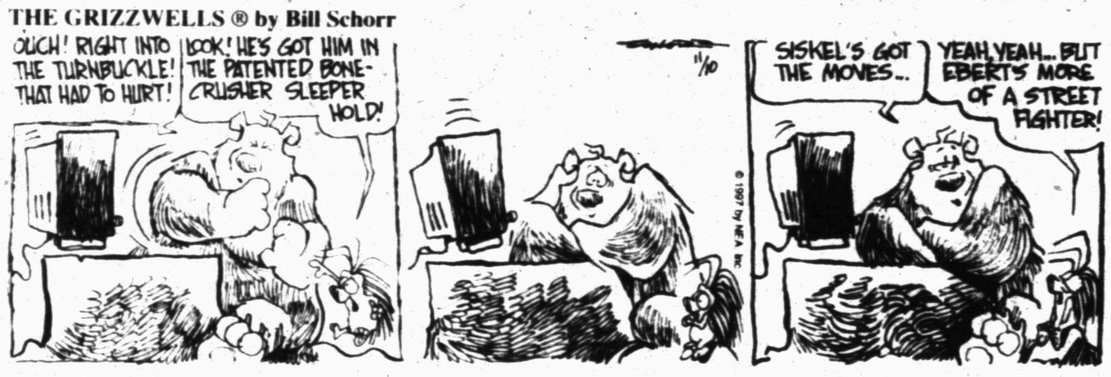
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33 Go swiftly
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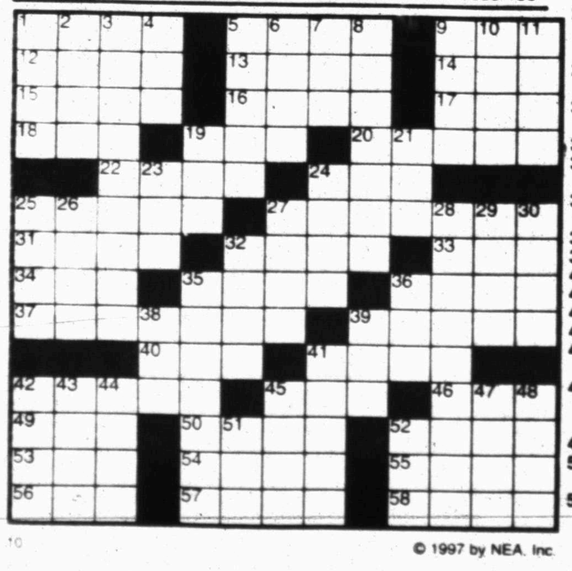
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28 Having the most brambles
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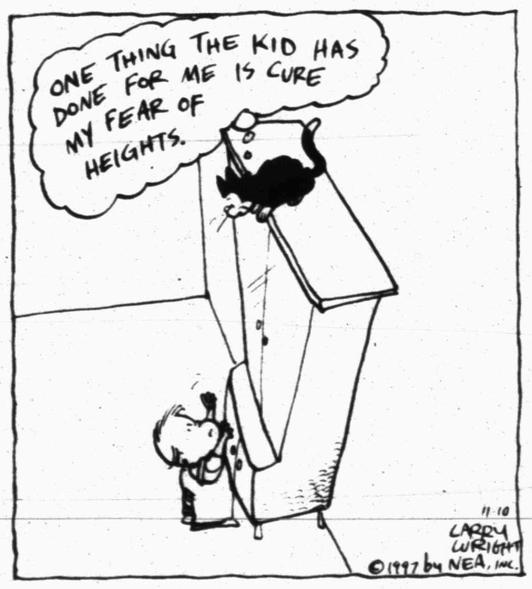
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SPORTS

Cowboys get back to .500 with 24-6 win over Cards

IRVING (AP) — Crawling back to .500 isn't a setting for wild celebration.

The Dallas Cowboys just hope their 24-6 victory over the Arizona Cardinals on Sunday isn't just a fleeting mirage. They have work to do like a game against Washington next Sunday in Texas Stadium.

"This is just a start for us and hopefully the start of a big winning streak," said wide receiver Michael Irvin. "This was the longest week of my career and I was on some pretty bad teams. If we were a sorry team and had played the way we were playing it wouldn't be so bad. But we are a good team and have a lot of talent. We should be in a better position than we are now."

Quarterback Troy Aikman agreed with Irvin's assessment.

"It's not possible to get excited over this one," said Aikman. "It should help our confidence, no question."

Battling injuries and rumors of coach Barry Switzer's dismissal, the Cowboys got back to 5-5 with nine sacks, two rare touchdowns rushing and another big play by Herschel Walker.

"It's a game we needed to have, we feel we need all of them," said Aikman. "It's something to build on. We still understand where we are. We can't get excited yet."

Dallas beat the team (2-8) that helped turn its season sour with a 25-22 overtime win on Sept. 7. Switzer and owner Jerry Jones spent the week denying reports Switzer was on his way out.

"As an organization we've learned to deal with any distractions," Aikman said. "This week wasn't very high on the list of distractions we've had around here before."

Rookie Jake Plummer was sacked eight times by Dallas, ranked No. 2 defensively in the NFL and No. 1 against the pass. Kent Graham was the victim of the ninth sack.

Walker beat linebacker Jamir Miller on an 11-yard touchdown pass from Aikman with 1:04 left in the half.

Dallas led 10-3 at halftime and added two more touchdowns in the second half. Anthony Miller's 51-yard reception set up a 1-yard scoring run by Sherman Williams, his first of the year.

Fred Strickland recovered Plummer's fumble at the Cardinals 16 and, two plays later, Smith scored on a 5-yard run, only his second TD of the season.

"Dallas did a good job of disguising its coverages," Plummer said. "They knew they were playing a rookie quarterback. I know a lot of people were probably saying, 'Poor little Jakie. He's getting hurt.' But I was OK. I can take it."

Ira, Hermleigh cross country teams run at Region II meet

ARLINGTON — Ira and Hermleigh finished their cross country seasons Saturday, but not before advancing to the regional meet.

In the boys' division, Ira finished 15th, while Hermleigh was 17th.

Bulldog Jose Juarez posted a time of 18:15, good enough for 12th place.

The Cardinals were led by Andy Luna's time of 19:27.

For the girls, Ira's Jamie Goolsby registered a time of 16:21 to lead her Lady Bulldog team to a 25th place finish.

Alvord and Baird will advance to state in the girls' division, while Trenton and Graford qualify for Austin in the boys' division.

Region II-A
Cross country meet

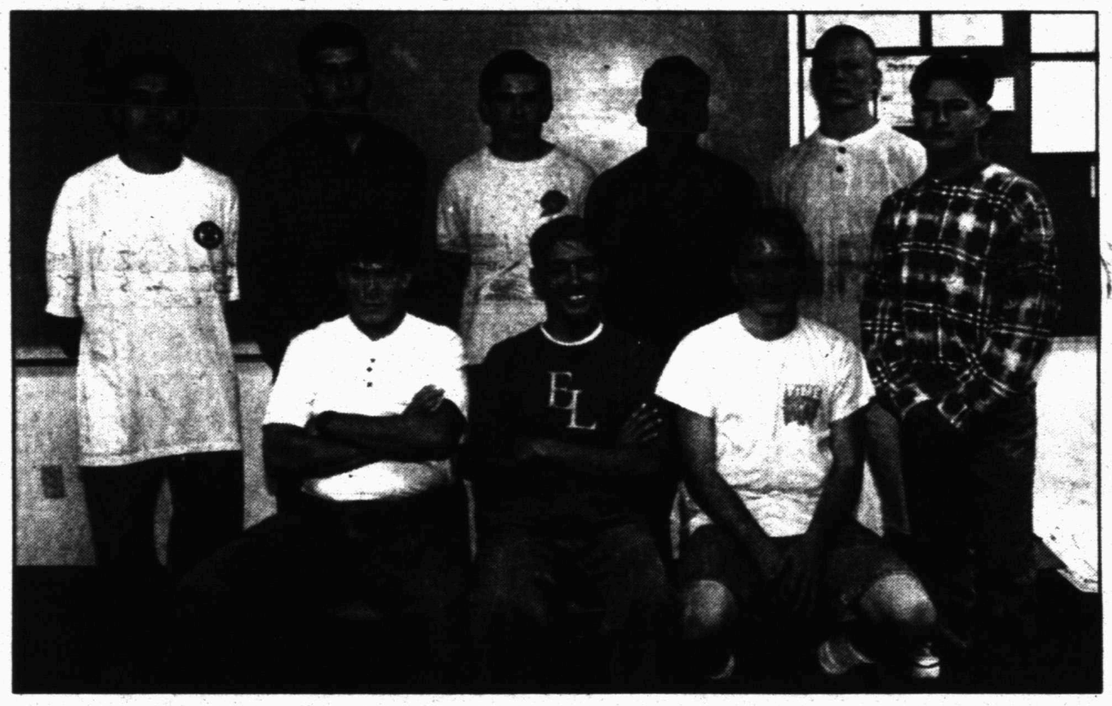
Ira girls — 154. Jamie Goolsby, 16:21; 156. Korby Calley, 16:23; 159. Morgan Clements, 16:26; 164. Terri Robinson, 16:38; 166. Brook Wilkes, 16:39; 167. Tara Allen, 16:40; 169. Elissa Goolsby, 16:43.

Ira boys — 12. Jose Juarez, 18:15; 73. Drew Wall, 19:46; 118. Cody Kelner, 20:52; 130. Richard Wilkins, 21:12; 117. Perry Jamison, 22:18; 120. Jenson Gainer, 22:21; 160. Donnie Sims, 23:25.

Hermleigh boys — 60. Andy Luna, 19:27; 83. Jason Hernandez, 20:03; 111. Chris Doggett, 20:41; 115. Ricky Luna, 22:13; 116. Larry Lambaren, 22:14; 166. David Digby, 24:29.



BULLDOG RUNNERS — Members of the Ira cross country team are, front row, left to right, Perry Jamison, Jose Juarez, Trey Shirley and Donnie Sims. On the back row are Drew Wall, Jenson Gainer, Richard Wilkins, Justin Green and Cody Kellner. (SDN Staff Photo)



CARDINAL RUNNERS — Members of the Hermleigh cross country team are, front row, left to right, Tony Molina, Billy Lambaren and Chris Doggett. On the back row are Jason Hernandez, Larry Lambaren, Jared Higgins, Andy Luna, David Digby and Ricky Luna. (SDN Staff Photo)

WTC rodeo teams finish second, third at Texas Tech competition

LUBBOCK — The Western Texas College rodeo teams are happy with where they're sitting after the first half of the season.

WTC's men's team captured second place, with 155 points, at the Texas Tech rodeo over the weekend. West Texas A&M nabbed the top spot at 357.

The Lady Westerners, who compiled 95 points, finished the competition tied for third with Frank Phillips. Tarleton posted 200 points for first place, while Vernon was second at 125.

Leading the WTC men were Lance Gaillard, Eric Greer, Trenton Koether and Chad Maynard.

Gaillard notched first place in the average of the saddle bronc event, with a score of 139 on two rides.

Greer finished tied for third in the short go of the calf roping, while Koether was fourth in the average.

In the bareback riding, Maynard split third and fourth in the short go to finish fourth in the average.

For the Lady Westerners, Talina Bird nabbed the top spot in barrel racing, after posting a time of 15.0 seconds in the short round.

Sequin Downey captured fourth in the average of the breakaway roping event, with a time of 6.0 seconds on two calves.

Paiger Burlesmith used a time of 7.0 seconds in the short go of the goat tying to finish tied for second in the event.

Currently, the Lady Westerners are in first place in the Southwest region, while the men are in second and those rankings please WTC coach Greg Rhodes.

"I feel pretty good about where we stand right now," Rhodes said. "Our girls have a large lead and the men's race is so tight that the top three positions could change at the next rodeo."

That next rodeo won't come until March, though. So Rhodes will have his competitors concentrating on other things until then.

"We are going to make sure that we're where we need to be academically," the first-year coach said. "Then after we take care of the classroom, we'll come back out in March and compete hard for the rest of the year."

Tors knocked from playoffs

The only District 2-4A volleyball team to advance to the regional quarterfinals, Lamesa High School, was defeated by Dumas, 15-2, 15-1, on Saturday.

Snyder, along with Estacado, also represented 2-4A in the playoffs, but fell in the bi-district round.

The Lady Tigers ended their season with a 15-7, 15-10 loss to Canyon Randall.

Dumas now faces Springtown, while Hereford will face Denton, in the Region I semi-finals.

SDN Sports Week

Tuesday
Basketball

Snyder boys at Abilene High, scrimmage, 5 p.m.

Snyder girls at Klondike, scrimmage, 3:30.

Wednesday
Basketball

WTC at Weatherford, 6 p.m.

Friday
Football

Borden County vs. Southland, bi-district playoff at Lamesa, 7:30.

Saturday
Football

Snyder vs. Dumas, bi-district playoff at Plainview, 2 p.m.

Basketball

Lubbock Monterey at Snyder boys, scrimmage, 1 p.m.

Brownfield and Borden County at Snyder girls, scrimmage, after SHS boys.

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

AMERICAN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	Pct.	PF	PA
East						
Miami	6	4	0	.600	206	186
NewEngland	6	4	0	.600	254	165
N.Y.Jets	6	4	0	.600	237	196
Buffalo	5	5	0	.500	170	225
Indianapolis	0	10	0	.000	154	258
Central						
Jacksonville	7	3	0	.700	262	202
Pittsburgh	7	3	0	.700	241	200
Tennessee	5	5	0	.500	217	197
Baltimore	4	6	0	.400	210	231
Cincinnati	3	7	0	.300	191	263
West						
Denver	9	1	0	.900	302	160
KansasCity	7	3	0	.700	204	167
Seattle	6	4	0	.600	233	238
SanDiego	4	6	0	.400	202	251
Oakland	3	7	0	.300	237	269

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East						
N.Y.Giants	6	4	0	.600	192	190
Washington	6	4	0	.600	203	152
Dallas	5	5	0	.500	212	154
Philadelphia	4	5	0	.444	158	190
Arizona	2	8	0	.200	170	230
Central						
GreenBay	8	2	0	.800	233	176
Minnesota	8	2	0	.800	238	201
TampaBay	7	3	0	.700	208	172
Detroit	4	6	0	.400	197	205
Chicago	1	9	0	.100	167	292
West						
SanFrancisco	8	1	0	.889	227	108
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Atlanta	2	8	0	.200	189	271
St.Louis	2	8	0	.200	171	238

Sunday's Games

Dallas 24, Arizona 6
Minnesota 29, Chicago 22
Cincinnati 28, Indianapolis 13
Washington 30, Detroit 7
Jacksonville 24, Kansas City 10
Miami 24, New York Jets 17
Green Bay 17, St. Louis 7
Tampa Bay 31, Atlanta 10
Denver 34, Carolina 0
New England 31, Buffalo 10
New Orleans 13, Oakland 10
Tennessee 10, New York Giants 6
Seattle 37, San Diego 31
Pittsburgh 37, Baltimore 0

Monday's Game

San Francisco at Philadelphia, 8 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 16

Arizona at New York Giants, noon.
Atlanta at St. Louis, noon.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh, noon.
Denver at Kansas City, noon.
Green Bay at Indianapolis, noon.
Tennessee at Jacksonville, noon.
Minnesota at Detroit, noon.
New England at Tampa Bay, noon.
Philadelphia at Baltimore, noon.
Seattle at New Orleans, noon.
Washington at Dallas, 3 p.m.
Carolina at San Francisco, 3 p.m.
New York Jets at Chicago, 3 p.m.
Oakland at San Diego, 7 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 17

Buffalo at Miami, 8 p.m.

NCAA FOOTBALL TOP 25

The Top Twenty Five teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Nov. 8, total points based on 25 points for a first place vote through one point for a 25th place vote and previous ranking:

	Record	Pts	Pv
1.Michigan(44)	9-0	1,723	4
2.FloridaSt.(23)	9-0	1,693	3
3.Nebraska(3)	9-0	1,623	1
4.OhioSt.	9-1	1,496	7
5.Tennessee	7-1	1,477	8
6.PennSt.	7-1	1,342	2
7.Georgia	7-1	1,314	9
8.NorthCarolina	8-1	1,248	5
9.UCLA	7-2	1,200	10
10.KansasSt.	8-1	1,125	11
11.LSU	7-2	995	14
12.Florida	7-2	966	13
13.Washington	7-2	898	6
14.WashingtonSt.	8-1	873	16
15.ArizonaSt.	7-2	865	15
16.Auburn	7-2	615	17
17.MississippiSt.	6-2	473	19
18.TexasA&M	7-2	418	21
19.Purdue	7-2	404	23
tie.VirginiaTech	7-2	404	20
21.Syracuse	7-3	372	22
22.Iowa	6-3	289	12
23.Wisconsin	8-2	288	—
24.OklahomaSt.	7-2	254	25
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Documents obtained by the newspaper include a recent opinion by the Texas attorney general's office that indicates San Antonio housing officials have turned over several internal audits to the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Those internal audits refer to criminal accusations.

The housing authority's acting president Melvin Braziel said eight years of real-estate transactions made by the agency are being examined by a law-enforcement agency.

"They wanted a listing of all our properties," said Braziel, who wouldn't identify the agency requesting the records.

"We gave them the names of the Realtors that were involved and the amount of the cost involved," Braziel said. "That's what they wanted."

The FBI declined to discuss the matter.

"I can't comment on it," said Mike Appleby, the FBI's spokesman in San Antonio. "We will not confirm nor deny."

'Starship' top-rated new movie

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Weekend moviegoers chose bugs over a bumbling Brit as "Starship Troopers" and "Bean" made their debuts as the nation's top two films.

The teen-slasher thriller "I Know What You Did Last Summer" remained strong, finishing third with $6.6 million. The only other new movie in wide release, "Mad City" with Dustin Hoffman and John Travolta, was sixth.

"Starship Troopers," featuring gory intergalactic battles between humans and dinosaur-sized pests, was first with an estimated $22 million.

Although the film with a cast of mostly unknown young TV actors far exceeded ticket sales of "Bean," analysts said turnout was lower than anticipated due, in part, to its R rating for violence and nudity.

"The fact that 'Starship Troopers' maybe didn't do as well as some people expected is probably because it kind of lost the 7- to 16-year-old audience — the lucrative audience that bought repeat tickets to 'Men in Black,'" said Robert Bucksbaum, president of Reel Source Inc., an industry newsletter.

"Men in Black," about Earth secret agents battling an alien cockroach, made its debut with $51.1 million over the profitable Fourth of July weekend.

Bucksbaum said young moviegoers contributed to the success of "Bean," already a hit in European and Canadian theaters. The film grossed $13 million in its first weekend of wide U.S. release, Exhibitor Relations Co. Inc. said Sunday.

"I think for a British comedy that's a terrific opening for 'Bean,'" said Art Rockwell, Yeager Capital Markets analyst. "I think what it says is if a picture's funny, it's going to play."

"Mad City," a drama about an ambulance-chasing journalist (Hoffman) and a troubled museum security guard (Travolta), finished with $4.7 million.

"Boogie Nights" was No. 7 with $4.1 million.

Another new film, "Eve's Bayou," earned $3.3 million on 659 screen, good enough for eighth and the third highest per-screen average of $5,008. Another limited release, "The Wings of the Dove," made $175,000 on seven screens.

Estimates for Friday through Sunday for movies released in North America:

1. "Starship Troopers," $22 million.
2. "Bean," $13 million.
3. "I Know What You Did Last Summer," $6.6 million.
4. "Devil's Advocate," $5.02 million.
5. "Red Corner," $5 million.
6. "Mad City," $4.7 million.
7. "Boogie Nights," $4.1 million.
8. "Eve's Bayou," $3.3 million.
9. "Kiss the Girls," $2.5 million.
10. "Seven Years in Tibet," $2.1 million.

7 subjects taken into custody over weekend

Seven people were arrested over the weekend in Snyder on charges ranging from outstanding warrants to misdemeanor possession of marijuana.

A 26-year-old male was arrested at 9:08 a.m. Saturday on a city warrant for Class C assault/family violence.

DPS troopers arrested an 18-year-old male on U.S. Highway 84 near the FM 1611 intersection at 11:08 p.m. Saturday for misdmeanor possession of marijuana.

Officers were called to the 400 block of 23rd Street at 12:35 a.m. Sunday as a person reported someone possibly had been shot. There were no gun shots, but a 34-year-old male was arrested at 1 a.m. for Class C assault/family violence.

City officers arrested a 25-year-old male at 3:07 a.m. Sunday in the 1600 block of 13th Street on a city warrant for public intoxication and a Scurry County warrant to revoke his probation on misdemeanor charges.

A 32-year-old male was arrested at 4:27 p.m. Sunday in the 300 block of 13th Street on a warrant for public intoxication.

At 4:36 p.m. Sunday, DPS troopers arrested a 56-year-old male on a warrant for criminal trespass.

DPS troopers arrested a 32-year-old male at 10:03 p.m. Sunday for public intoxication.

In other activity over the weekend, the fire department was notified of a cotton module on fire at 9:47 a.m. Saturday south of Hermleigh at FM 644 and CR 4156. The cotton was owned by Morris Light and about a third of the module burned.

Gabriel Vasquez told officers at 11:43 p.m. Saturday that someone had slashed his tires on his vehicle while it was parked in the 2500 block of College Avenue.

Judy Fennell requested to speak to an officer at 12:07 p.m. Saturday as someone broke into the office at the Park Village Apartments. An offense report for burglary of a business was submitted.

The fire department responded to a report of a grass fire at 4:53 p.m. Sunday at 494 Covey Lane, some two miles northeast of Snyder. The property belongs to J.R. Covey.

A complaint for loud music was made at 5 p.m. Sunday from the 200 block of 36th Place.

An offense report for Class C criminal mischief was submitted at 6:53 p.m. Sunday from the 200 block of 26th Street in reference to someone writing obscenities on the outside of a residence.

Mary Ann Juarez requested an officer at the Western Texas College gym at 8:15 p.m. Sunday in reference to a vehicle being broken into. An offense report for burglary of a vehicle was submitted.

At 2:35 this morning, a person reported that an emu was in the area of 39th Street and Noble Avenue. The emu was tranquilized and then taken to the sheriff's office for the animal control officer.

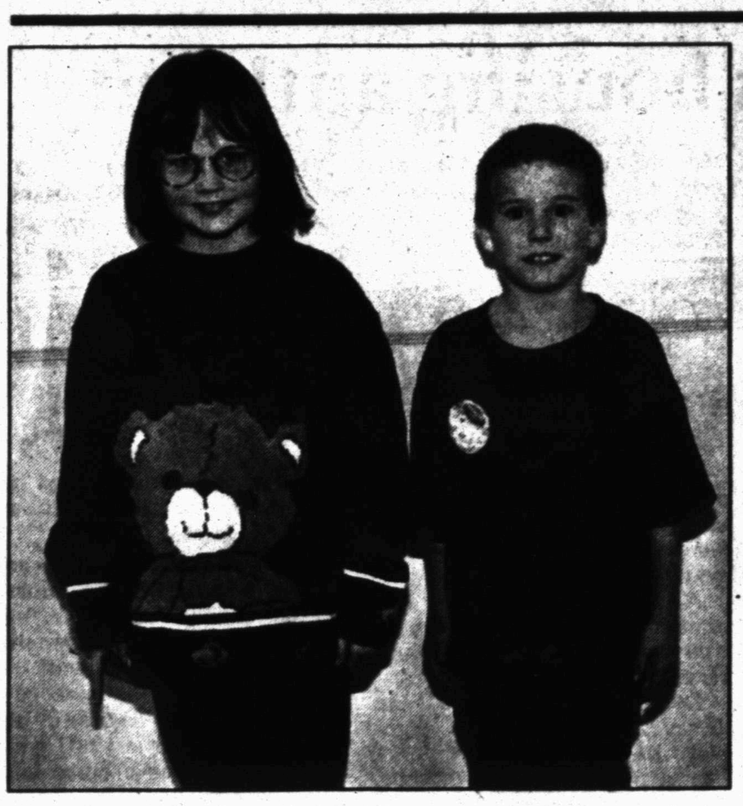
Markets

Midday Stocks

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	High	Low	Last	Chg
AMR Corp	119	11-16	117⅞	118 —1 11-16
AT&T Corp			48⅜	47 15-16 48⅜+ ⅛
AirTouch			40	39⅛ 39 9-16+ 5-16
Albertsons	39	1-16	38	11-16 38 13-16+ ¼
AlldSignal s			36	3-16 35 15-16 36 + ⅝
Alltel			36	3-16 35¾ 36 1-16
AmerOnline	79	15-16	78	1-16 78 3-16—1 1-16
AmStoress			27¼	26 9-16 27 + ⅝
Ameritech			68⅛	67 1-16 68 + 1⅛
Amoco			91⅝	90¾ 90⅝—15-16
AndarkPtr			74	3-16 73⅛ 73⅜— 9-16
Armcolnc			6	5⅛ 5 15-16+ 1-16
AtlRichfld s			82¼	81⅛ 81 15-16+ 1
ATMOS Egy			25⅞	25⅛ 25⅝+ ⅛
Aviall			12¼	12⅛ 12 7-16+ 1-16
BakerHughes	48	11-16	47	9-16 48 5-16+1 3-16
BellAtl			82¾	81⅛ 81 5-16—11-16
BellSouth			48⅛	47 11-16 48 +11-16
BethSteel			11	10 15-16 11 + 1-16
BritPet s			84	13-16 84⅛ 84½+ ⅛
BurlNoSFe			95	94⅞ 94¾+ 1-16
Caterpillar s			51¾	50⅝ 50 9-16— ⅛
CenSoWst			20⅞	20⅝ 20 13-16+ 3-16
Chevron			84¾	83¼ 83 5-16— 3-16
Chrysler			35⅞	35 5-16 35⅛+ ⅛
Comstal			59⅜	58 15-16 59 1-16— ¼
CocaCola			57	7-16 56⅞ 56 11-16— 5-16
ColgatePalm s			63	5-16 62 7-16 62 11-16+ ⅛
ComclMetals			31¼	31¼ 31½+ ⅛
Cooperln			52⅛	51⅛ 51⅜— 1-16
CyprusAmax			20	9-16 20⅛ 20 7-16+ ⅛
DallSemicn			49	5-16 48⅝ 48⅞+ ⅛
DeltaAirl			104	11-16 102 102 —2 11-16
DigitalEq			51¼	49 11-16 50 9-16+ 3-16
Dillards Inc			39	7-16 39 39 1-16— ⅛
DowChem			91⅜	90 7-16 90⅝+ 9-16
DresserInd			43⅜	42¾ 43⅜+ ⅛
DuPont s			58¼	57 15-16 58 1-16— 1-16
EastmanChem			59	58⅛ 58 13-16+ ⅛
EstKodak			66	65⅝ 65 11-16+ 3-16
EDS Corp			38⅛	37⅜ 37⅝+11-16
Entergy	23	11-16	23	5-16 23 11-16+ ⅛
Exxon s			61¼	60 3-16 60⅝+ ⅛
Flowers s			19	13-16 19⅛ 19⅝+ ⅛
FordMotor			46	1-16 45 7-16 45⅝— ⅛
GTE Cp			46⅛	44⅞ 44 13-16+1 3-16
GenDynam			83⅜	82 9-16 83¼+ 9-16
GenElecs	68	15-16	68⅜	68 7-16+11-16
GenMills			67	13-16 67⅞ 67½— 3-16
GenMotors			65⅜	64⅜ 64⅝+ ⅛
GaPacif			89	3-16 88⅛ 88 7-16+ 7-16
GlobalMar			33⅜	33 1-16 33⅛+15-16
Goodrich			45⅛	45 45 5-16— 3-16
Goodyear s			62⅛	61⅛ 61 15-16
GtAtlPac			33⅞	32 9-16 33⅜+ 1⅛
Halliburtn s			60⅝	59⅛ 60⅛+ 1
Hanson ADS			25	9-16 25⅛ 25½— ⅛
HarteHanks			34⅜	34⅛ 34⅛+ ⅛
HomeDepot s			56	13-16 56 1-16 56⅜— ⅛
HoustonInds			22	9-16 22 5-16 22⅜— 1-16
IBM s	100	13-16	99	3-16 99 9-16+ 1-16
IntlPaper			48⅝	47⅞ 48 + ⅛
JohnsonJn			60⅝	59⅝ 60 1-16+ ⅛
K mart			13⅜	13⅛ 13⅜+ ⅛
Kroger s			35⅛	34 11-16 34⅝+1 5-16
Litton			50	49 1-16 49 11-16+ ⅛
LockhdMart			95⅛	94 13-16 94 15-16— ⅛
Lowes Cos			42⅛	42 7-16 42⅛— ⅛
Lubys			19	3-16 19 19 1-16
LucentTech			84	11-16 83⅜ 83 11-16+ ⅛
MayDeptStrs			54	15-16 54 54 7-16— ⅛
Medtronic s			47⅞	47¼ 47 5-16+ ⅛
Mobils			74¼	73 11-16 73⅛+ ⅛
Monsanto			44⅛	43 13-16 43⅛— ⅛
MorganJP	115	9-16	114⅜	115⅛+ ⅛
Motorola	63	11-16	62⅝	62 13-16+ 9-16
NCR Corp n			30	11-16 30⅜ 30 11-16
NationsBk s			61	11-16 61⅛ 61⅛+ 3-16
Navistar			22¼	22 1-16 22 3-16— 3-16
Norwests			32¼	32 9-16 32 11-16+ ⅛
OryxEngy			27	26⅜ 26 15-16+ ⅛
Penney JC			61	60¼ 60⅝+11-16
Pennzoil			75	9-16 74⅞ 75⅛+ 1
PepBoys			25	9-16 25 7-16 25⅛+ ⅛
PepsiCo			36⅛	36 5-16 36⅛— 1-16
PhelpDodge			72¼	72 7-16 72½— ⅛
PhilipPet	50¾	49 15-16	49	15-16— 3-16
PilgrmPrd			14¼	14 14 1-16— ⅛
Polaroid	44	3-16	43	13-16 43 13-16+ 1-16
Praxair			43¾	42¾ 42 15-16— ⅛
ProctGamb s			71⅞	71⅛ 71 7-16+ ⅛
PubSNwMx			19⅝	19⅜ 19⅝+ ⅛
RoyalDut s			52⅝	52¼ 52 7-16+ 5-16
SBC Comm			64	15-16 64 64⅜+13-16
SaraLee			51⅜	51 3-16 51¼+ 9-16
Scripps EW	41	13-16	41⅜	41¼— 1-16
SearsRoeb			47	46¾ 46¾— 1-16
SherwinW s			28¾	28 28 — 5-16
SmthBc ADS s	45¼	44 15-16	44	15-16+ 5-16
SouthernCo			22	15-16 22⅜ 22⅝+ 3-16
SwstAirlines			34¼	33⅜ 33⅜— 5-16
Sprint			53¼	52 9-16 52⅝+ ⅜
SunCo			40⅞	40⅝ 40 13-16+ 5-16
TNP Ent			25⅛	25 25 + 3-16
Tandy s			42	3-16 41⅛ 41⅛+ ⅛
TempleInland			60⅝	59 13-16 59 13-16+ ⅛
Tenneco			44⅛	42 13-16 43⅜— 5-16
Texaco s	57	7-16	56⅛	56 15-16— 1-16
TexInd s			47⅞	47⅞ 47⅝+ ⅛
TexasInst			114⅛	112⅝ 112⅝
TexasInst wi			57⅞	56⅛ 56⅝+ 1⅛
TexUtil			36	35⅜ 35⅝— ⅛
Textron s			59⅝	58⅝ 59 1-16+ 9-16
Travelers s	75	7-16	74	3-16 74⅜+ 9-16
Travelers wi			50	49⅝ 50 + 1
TriconGlbR n			33⅜	32⅛ 33⅛+ 1⅛
TrinityInds	46	5-16	45⅞	46 5-16+ 9-16
TritonEngy	39	3-16	38	11-16 39⅛+ ⅜
Tyler			5	9-16 5⅜ 5⅛+ ⅛
US WestCm			42⅛	41 15-16 42 + 1-16
USWstMda	26	3-16	25⅝	26 3-16+ ⅜
USX Delhi			19	1-16 19 19
USX-Marathn			35¾	35⅛ 35⅛— ⅛
USX-USS			36⅞	36⅛ 36⅜— 3-16
UnCarbde			44	9-16 43⅞ 44⅛+ ⅜
UnionPacif			60⅛	59⅝ 59⅝— 1-16
UnitedTech s			72⅛	71⅜ 71 15-16— 1-16
Unocal			41¼	40⅝ 40 15-16+ 3-16
WalMart	36	13-16	36⅛	36 11-16+ 7-16
WstnGasRs			23¾	23¼ 23¾— ⅜
WestghEl	28	7-16	28	1-16 28 5-16+ 5-16
WinnDixie			38⅜	38¼ 38⅛+ ⅜
Woolworth	20	15-16	20	9-16 20 9-16— 3-16
Xerox Corp	76	11-16	75	13-16 76 3-16+1 1-16
ZenithE			8⅛	8¼ 8⅛— ⅛

HAPPY BIRTHDAY STEPHANIE!



POSTER WINNERS — Alicia Culp and Kelvin Doggett, both Hermleigh students, were first place winners in a recent poster contest sponsored by Cogdell Memorial Hospital's respiratory department. The contest was in conjunction with Respiratory Therapy Week. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)



ACADEMIC CHALLENGE TEAM — Hermleigh's academic challenge team competed against Ballinger last Monday in Abilene. From left are, Larry Lambaren, Randi Kaye Herrington, Jennifer Roemisch and Jared Higgins. (Staff Photo By Shirley A. Gorman)

Ban on avacados is lifted

McALLEN (AP) — President Clinton is expected to dine on seeded avocados at a Mexican state dinner this week.

The meal comes one week after the United States lifted an 83-year ban on the shiny, green fruit.

However, Texans won't be dishing up seeded avocados anytime soon, even though Texas will be a primary corridor for the fruit. Nineteen states and Washington, D.C. will be the first recipients.

New USDA rules limit the fruit's shipment to the 19 states in the upper Midwest and Northeast from November through February in an effort to avoid introducing any undetected pests to the California and Florida, where U.S. avocados are produced.

Trade officials agree and said the first shipment, which entered Texas on Wednesday, underscores the opening of markets as called for by NAFTA.

USDA agent Diane Vlasik, port director in Pharr, Hidalgo and McAllen, oversaw the first shipment. She said the main concern has been the possible presence of pests such as seed weevils and fruit flies, which can be harmful to U.S. crops.

Armando Flores said lifting the ban is something Mexican farmers have been cultivating for years. He says with the help of the North American Free Trade Agreement, the farmers were able bring their hopes to fruition.

"NAFTA definitely had something to do with it," he said.

Some contend the prohibition, in the first place, was an effort to allow California and Florida growers to corner the U.S. market.

"It was a very political thing," Roberto Salazer of Trade Mex in Mexico City said.

The new rules, set forth by the USDA, require that the fruit comes from fields which are inspected for pests and offer safeguards during harvesting and shipping.

Newborn pulled from theme park toilet said doing fine

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — The infant girl dubbed "Princess Jasmine" by nurses was in stable condition today, doing well after she was found in a toilet at Walt Disney World over the weekend.

As the newborn dined on formula with other infants at Arnold Palmer Hospital for Children & Women on Sunday, staff fielded calls from people interested in adopting her.

"She's just beautiful," hospital spokeswoman Martha Johnson said of the 7-pound child whose nickname came from the Disney movie "Aladdin."

"All her vital signs are good now, and she is drinking formula," Ms. Johnson said. "She is very cute."

The girl apparently was only minutes old when found Saturday night in a restroom in the Magic Kingdom's Tomorrowland. The baby's head was above the water with the umbilical cord wrapped around her neck.

Dr. Kenneth Goodman of Cleveland had just finished his third ride on Space Mountain when he heard cries for a doctor coming from the restroom.

"I held the baby in my arms. It was blue and barely breathing," said Goodman, who was in Orlando for a family reunion.

Goodman said he tried using the outside of an open pen to create a tube to suction fluids from the infant's mouth, but the pen was clogged. He did a chest massage on the infant while waiting for an ambulance.

Doctors report first example of successful gene therapy

ORLANDO, Fla. (AP) — For the first time, researchers say they have used gene therapy to reverse a human ill and hope to use it to make bad hearts better.

A team working in Boston injected genes directly into the legs of people with bad circulation, triggering the growth of new blood vessels within two to three weeks.

These carry blood to oxygen-starved tissue and appear to have spared some severely afflicted people from otherwise certain amputations. The doctors believe the same technique will work as well inside the heart, prompting the body essentially to perform its own bypass.

The idea of manipulating genes to cure disease has been discussed for at least a decade. Despite several tentative attempts, especially in cancer and some inherited disorders, there has been little to indicate it will actually work.

"This is the first time that any gene therapy has been shown to be clinically successful," said Dr. Jeffrey Isner of St. Elizabeth's Medical Center in Boston.

Reports by Isner and another team working on a different gene therapy approach were presented Sunday at a meeting of the American Heart Association. If their promising but preliminary findings stand up to more rigorous testing, gene therapy may someday prove be an important way to control heart disease, the nation's biggest killer.

"This is opening a door to genetic therapy in cardiovascular disease," said Dr. Valentin Fuster of Mount Sinai Medical Center in New York City, incoming president of the heart association.

So far, 20 patients with severely clogged arteries in their legs have received injections of laboratory-made versions of the human gene that makes vascular endothelial growth factor, a protein that prompts blood vessel development during growth in the womb. Of these, Isner said 16 have responded by growing new vessels that carry blood around the blockages.

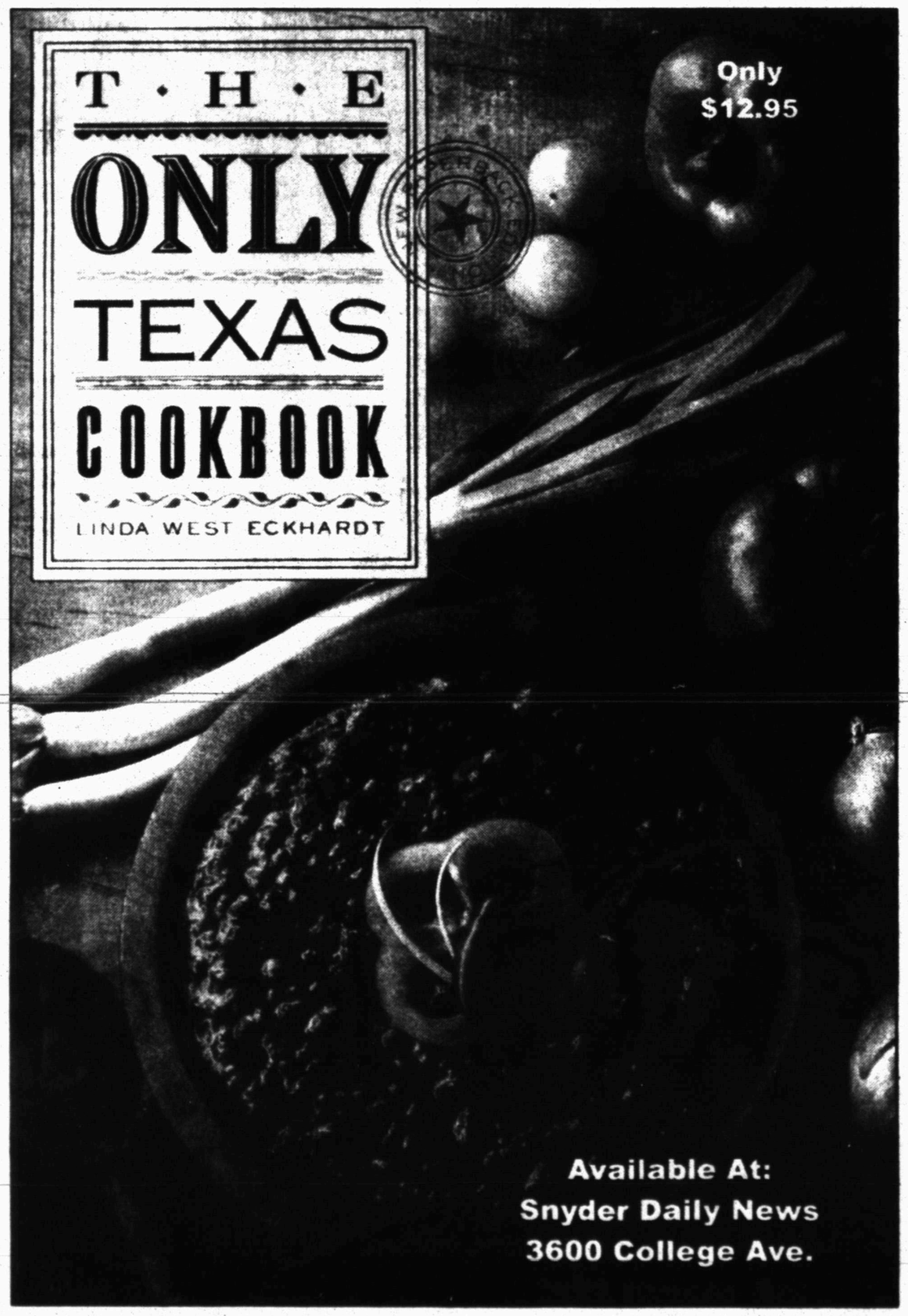
Besides being spared the need for leg amputations, some patients have been freed of constant pain. Several even found that their toenails are growing again for the first time in years.

Isner said MRI scans and X-rays show improved circulation and that blood pressure in the patients' legs has increased — something that never happens by itself in such cases.

He said he has asked the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for permission to start the therapy on patients with blockages in their hearts, which biologically are virtually identical to clogged leg arteries. He hopes to begin those experiments by early next year.

Drs. Michael Mann and Victor Dzau of Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston use gene therapy to try to make traditional bypass surgery work better.

Over time, about half of the blood vessels used to reroute blood in the heart or the legs become clogged.



Decline slows in gas prices

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The two-month drop in gasoline prices has slowed in the past two weeks because of concern over stability in the Middle East, according to an industry analyst.

The average price of gas nationwide, including all grades and taxes, was $1.2614 per gallon on Friday, down seven-tenths of a cent from two weeks earlier, according to the Lundberg Survey of 10,000 stations nationwide.

Prices have dropped since early September because of strong gasoline supplies and lower demand at the end of the summer driving season, Trilby Lundberg said Sunday.

"Prices have been falling for two months but the cuts have slowed. Whether they will stop will depend on how nervous crude oil buyers get about Middle East problems," Lundberg said in a telephone interview from Chicago.

Iraq has threatened to shoot down American U-2 spy planes flying under the United Nations flag. President Clinton said the United States would not tolerate any attacks.

According to the survey, regular gasoline at self-service pumps averaged $1.2079 per gallon, mid-grade was $1.3084 and premium was $1.3908. At full-service pumps, regular averaged $1.5787, mid-grade was $1.6636 and premium was $1.7322.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Empty Nest Is Filled With Guilt After Daughter Goes to School

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DEAR ABBY: My 18-year-old daughter recently left to go across the country to college. Aside from the usual pangs of separation, I am overwhelmed with guilt at mistakes I made in raising her. It has struck me very hard that I can't "make it up to her" now.

Overall, I was a good mom. She was well taken care of physically and given many opportunities. But many times the emotional turmoil in my own life caused me to put her second, and she was hurt and angry. I was made painfully aware of just how bad it seemed to her when I found notes to herself she left in a dresser when she left for school. It breaks my heart to know she was so hurt by my actions.

I'm distraught and have trouble moving beyond this burden of guilt. I have considered suicide because of the hopelessness (you can't change the past), but I realize that would only cause more pain. What can I do?

FEELING GUILTY,
PORTLAND, ORE.

DEAR FEELING GUILTY: There are several things you can do. The first is to realize you are not powerless. Although there is nothing you can do about the past, there is a great deal you can do about the future.

Pick up the telephone and tell your doctor exactly how you are feeling. With medical help and counseling, you can quickly move beyond the feelings of hopelessness and pain.

Then, write or call your daughter and tell her that you found the notes she wrote — and how sorry you are that you hurt her. Keep in mind that it is possible she has moved beyond the pain she felt when she wrote them. After all, she left them behind; she did not take them with her.

The most effective way to move beyond our mistakes — and heaven knows we all make them — is to apologize for any pain we might have caused and to resolve to do better in the future, and then act upon it. Dwelling on past mistakes achieves nothing. And suicide is a permanent solution to a temporary problem. I don't recommend it.

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DEAR ABBY: To "Desperate Neighbors in L.A." you recommended a series of expensive modifications to their homes to decrease the noise level from another neighbor's loud music. While I agree they should check with police on noise ordinances, I suggest the writers do their rude and thoughtless neighbors one better:

Why not get together with friends and rent outdoor speakers? On an agreed-upon night when no one is going to sleep much anyway, wait until the offending neighbors are asleep. Then crank up a recording of a rousing classical march or suite — something by Sousa or Tchaikovsky's "1812 Overture." Everyone could stand outside and blow whistles and honk horns, too. A couple of nights of this should get the message across.

I love your column.

GEORGE L. CHAPPELL,
OLYMPIA, WASH.

DEAR GEORGE: I can't in good conscience recommend tit for tat. If you resort to fighting fire with fire, you risk burning your own house down.

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Abby shares more of her favorite, easy-to-prepare recipes. To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, More Favorite Recipes, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, Ill. 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Researchers trying to improve pasteurization

TRENTON, N.J. (AP) — Agriculture Department chemical engineer Mike Kozempel is on a quest to tickle your taste buds: He is trying to make liquid foods, from apple juice to wine, taste better by reducing the temperature at which they are sterilized.

"The heat causes some degradation in the flavor, the aroma of your product," by triggering chemical and physical changes in foods, said Kozempel. He is testing alternatives to pasteurization at USDA's Eastern Regional Research Center in Wyndmoor, Pa., near Philadelphia.

"As you heat these things, you can also destroy some of the nutrients in there. This is especially true of vitamin C, which is extremely sensitive to heat," Kozempel said.

But after two years of experiments that sometimes killed harmful bacteria and at other times failed miserably, he has recruited help from energy researchers.

USDA has signed up three scientists from the Princeton Plasma Physics Laboratory in Plainsboro, N.J. At that Energy Department facility, physicists and engineers work with high-tech devices that heat gas inside experimental fusion reactors to temperatures exceeding 360 million degrees Fahrenheit.

This team, however, will try to keep the liquids a bit cooler than the temperatures of pasteurization, the process French chemist Louis Pasteur developed in the 1860s to prevent microbes from turning wine bitter.

Pasteurization involves heating food to a certain temperature for a set period of time — for example, 162-167 degrees Fahrenheit for 15 seconds for milk — by running the liquid over a series of heated metal plates in a device similar to an automobile radiator. The process destroys pathogens that can sicken and kill people, but it leaves some safe bacteria.

"What they're hoping for is something which will provide a more foolproof process ... without ruining the food," says Lewis Meixler, head of technology transfer at the physics lab.

Hundreds of billions of pounds of liquid foods are pasteurized in the United States each year. That includes some 150 billion pounds of milk, along with vegetable juices, most fruit juices, tomato sauce, canned and bottled beer, wine and liquid eggs.

Any improvement over pasteurization likely would encourage wider sterilization of gourmet juices and other unpasteurized products.

"For 50 years or so, people have reported that if they expose bacteria to electrical energy, like microwave energy or radio frequency energy, the bacteria sometimes get killed, and they don't reproduce, which means they eventually die off," Kozempel said. "We decided to take a look at it to see if there really is an effect."

Kozempel's staff has been working with both types of electrical energy, using it to heat liquids inside tubes that surround a second pipe containing cool water, which keeps the liquid at a lower temperature than in pasteurization.

Experts say auction, analysis can prevent teen crime wave

DALLAS (AP) — While experts celebrate what seems to be a downturn in crime, demographic changes could predict a surge in youth crime just after the turn of the century.

In Texas, the number of people between 10 and 16 years old is expected to grow by 14 percent between 1995 and 2010.

The growth will be even greater among minorities in urban areas, considered at higher risk for criminal behavior, analysts said.

This "baby boom echo" means conditions will be ripe for higher juvenile crime between 2000 and 2010, according to the Texas Criminal Justice Policy Council in Austin.

Lawmakers, criminologists and law enforcement experts say the state is already addressing the issue, The Dallas Morning News reported in Sunday's editions.

"Hopefully we have adopted policies to deal with the increases coming up," said Tony Fabelo, executive director of the Texas Criminal Justice Policy Council.

Since the violence epidemic of the late 1980s and early 1990s, Texas has instituted tougher penalties for juveniles.

It is now the only state that can sentence teens in juvenile court to terms that extend far beyond their 21st birthdays. This "determinant sentencing" allows young criminals to serve time initially in the juvenile system, where they are offered education, job training and counseling and can be released by age 21.

Kids who fail to cooperate can be shipped on to the harsher adult system to serve out sentences of up to 40 years.

Juvenile justice has gotten stricter in other ways, too.

Many Texas juvenile judges now use a system of graduated penalties, called "progressive sanctions," intended to nip crime early.

The system has made juvenile justice more uniform and predictable and informs offenders that "there are consequences for your actions," said state District Judge Cheryl Lee Shannon, one of two juvenile judges in Dallas.

The changes mark a shift in the juvenile courts from a "social service philosophy" to a "corrections philosophy," said Mike Griffiths, juvenile services director for Dallas County.

"The knock on our system for many years was that it was a revolving door. With progressive sanctions, you can't have that revolving door."

But that new philosophy encompasses more than punishment. It also means meeting kids "at their point of need" and addressing the school and family problems that underlie their criminal behavior, Judge Shannon said.

Since 1992, the state has tripled the money going to youth probation. The new dollars support more probation officers and a new system of alternative schools for kids who've been expelled from public school.

Dallas Police Chief Ben Click said the city is already seeing some early positive effects: The last two years brought a significant drop in overall juvenile arrests.

He credits juvenile justice changes, community-oriented policing and a flurry of activity by nonprofit groups, churches, civic organizations and local agencies targeting at-risk youth.

Astro-graph By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1997

In the year ahead, you could move around more than usual. A change of residence is even possible, as well as more short-term travel. Enjoy your journeys.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Today, you could feel restless if you do not have a full agenda. Do not be afraid to take on two projects simultaneously. Astro-Graph year-ahead predictions make great Christmas stocking stuffers for all signs of the zodiac. Mail $2 for each to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10158. Be sure to state the zodiac signs you desire.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Do not feel guilty today if your thoughts are centered on ways to stimulate personal gain. Everybody gets a turn to be selfish.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your more enviable qualities will be evident to others today. Make your presence felt, and things will start to happen. Relish your pep.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You could be fortunate today in that everything will fall into place without too much effort on your part. Use all lucky turns to your advantage.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you're planning something social today, be sure to include a sensitive old friend. He or she will appreciate being remembered.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) In a competition today, you could be acknowledged as a shade or two better than your rival. If you win, do so with class and a gracious manner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Have faith in yourself and your abilities today, because it will serve to motivate you and inspire you to help others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Do not accept conditions today that aren't to your advantage. You have the wherewithal to make positive changes; use this edge.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) In partnership arrangements today, your cohort might be able to do certain things more effectively than you, but you'll still be a team.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) You may not be happy today if your hands, mind and heart aren't engaged in a meaningful endeavor. Focus on things that can further your ambitious interests.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Today you'll be well received all around and good things could come from social endeavors. If you can't be near the folks you love, love the folks you're near.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Several loosely structured matters can be concluded to your satisfaction today. You are aware of these priorities already, so move on them early.

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Harley and Judy can custom frame just about anything, including photographs, documents and diplomas.

They also frame cross-stitch, wedding invitations, limited edition prints and posters of all sizes.

"We sell western prints here, or you can buy prints elsewhere and bring them in for framing," Harley said.

Individuals can also bring pictures they have taken in for framing.

If you have keepsakes, medals or any type of memorabilia you would like to display, Harley and Judy also do shadow boxes.

The studio carries a large selection of frames, including western, rustic wood, ornate gold and metal frames.

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Residents oppose uranium mining operation in state

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A uranium mining company's planned expansion has residents of a rural South Texas area angry and concerned about their futures.

Farmers and ranchers worry that the operation about 40 miles southwest of Corpus Christi is threatening groundwater that supports their businesses. They also fear the value of their land will drop.

The mining company, Uranium Resources Inc., is seeking a permit to expand its operations from mining fields based six miles east of Ricardo north toward Kingsville.

A group of residents organized as South Texas Opposes Pollution wants the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission to stage a hearing before allowing the mining company to grow.

"I think everybody in Kingsville ought to be up in arms about what is going on at that mine, and what it is doing to our water and air," said Idela Strubhardt, a 78-year-old rancher from Riviera who is president of STOP.

Rick Van Horn, vice president of operations for Uranium Resources, says the company is not damaging the environment. He added that a lengthy hearing process could put him out of business.

More Americans said turning down health insurance at work

WASHINGTON (AP) — Millions of American workers reject health insurance available through their own or a family member's job, and most remain uninsured, a study shows.

About 6 million workers who could have been covered by job-related plans turned them down last year, Health Affairs, a journal of the health education foundation Project HOPE, said in the study published Monday.

That's almost 1½ times the number of people who turned down employment group health plans just a decade ago. The number of workers with access to them — 82 million — is roughly the same as in 1987.

The majority of those rejecting coverage, 4.6 million, chose to remain uninsured, the study found. "Workers are deciding that health insurance is not valuable enough to them for the cost," study co-author Barbara Schone said.

Schone, an economist at the Agency for Health Care Policy and Research, and research partner Philip Cooper said their findings cast doubt that recent government efforts to decrease the ranks of the country's 41 million uninsured will work.

Government planners contend it can be done by making worker health insurance universally accessible. But the economists concluded in their report that policies may also be needed that are "aimed at improving the rate at which workers accept coverage."

For example, some workers might respond better if companies offered more choices, such as less-expensive catastrophic insurance policies that cover only medical emergencies.

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Two school girls lose high court appeal

They said they were strip-searched in the second grade

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court today refused to hear the appeal of two Alabama school girls who say they were strip-searched when they were in second grade after being accused of stealing $7 from a classmate's purse.

The justices, without comment, let stand rulings that dismissed the girls' lawsuit against a teacher and a guidance counselor who allegedly conducted the searches. The lawsuit, seeking monetary damages and other relief, had invoked the girls' constitutional right against unreasonable searches.

The high court also today left to a federal judge in Detroit all lawsuits nationwide against Dow Corning over alleged health problems caused by silicone breast implants. Dow Corning, based in Midland, Mich., wanted the consolidation so it could manage the complaints about leaky implants in an orderly way.

And the justices turned down a request for the removal of a Texas federal judge presiding over a lawsuit by Branch Davidian cult members against the government, stemming from the fiery end to their 1993 standoff. The cult members argued the judge is biased.

In the strip search case, lower courts had ruled that the teacher and counselor were immune from being sued over the 1992 incidents because strip-searching 8-year-old students was not clearly unconstitutional at that time.

Cassandra Jenkins and Oneika McKenzie were second-graders at Graham Elementary School in Talladega, Ala., when on May 1, 1992, one of their classmates told the teacher that $7 had been taken from her purse.

Other students accused Cassandra and Oneika of stealing the money.

After searching for but not finding the money in Oneika's backpack, their teacher took the girls outside the classroom to question them.

Another teacher, Susannah Herring, came by and took charge of the questioning. She ordered the girls to take off their shoes and socks, but no money was found.

Herring and Melba Sirmon, a school guidance counselor whose office was nearby, then took the girls to a restroom where, the girls say, Herring told them to remove their clothes.

The girls' lawsuit says they complied with an order to undress in separate toilet stalls and to come out with their underpants down to their ankles.

GOP, Republicans resolve dispute over Census 2000

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congressional Republicans say they have resolved their dispute with President Clinton over how the 2000 census will be conducted. But a perennial fight over international abortion aid was dividing the two sides and helping to delay Congress' adjournment for the year.

The House was in recess until Wednesday, when it plans to resume work on the last three spending bills for fiscal 1998, which began Oct. 1. On Sunday, the Senate lumped the three bills into a single $44 billion measure and approved it by voice vote.

When the Senate resumed business today, it used a voice vote to send Clinton stopgap legislation financing federal agencies with incomplete budgets through Friday. That bill, passed by the House by voice earlier this morning, is the fifth temporary spending bill Congress has passed since the new fiscal year began.

The largest remaining measure — $30 billion for the Justice, Commerce and State departments — contains the census language. The issue has prompted a months-long partisan battle because the 2000 census will be used to redraw congressional districts for the coming decade.

The White House has wanted to use computer sampling because it says the method will help prevent undercounts of minorities, as occurred during the 1990 census. Republicans have wanted to bar the technique's use because they say the administration could manipulate it to produce additional, minority-dominated districts that usually support Democrats.

In a compromise, the Census Bureau will be able to begin preparations next year for using sampling, watched closely by an oversight board with equal numbers of Democrats and Republicans. But meanwhile, a legal challenge to the constitutionality of sampling will be given expedited access to the Supreme Court — and in any event Congress and the president will make a final decision in early 1999.

"It's very awkward language," conceded Rep. Tom Sawyer of Ohio, the Democrats' point man on the issue. "But at the end of the day, I believe it has a very good chance of keeping sampling alive" until early 1999.

Hurricane Rick hammers Mexico

OAXACA, Mexico (AP) — Hurricane Rick hammered fishing villages and tourist resorts today that were still reeling from an earlier Pacific storm, then lost steam as it blew inland. Thousands of residents fled their homes.

High seas, pounding rain and 75-mph winds made highways impassable, damaged bridges and forced people to evacuate their houses along the famed stretch of beaches that includes the resorts of Huatulco, Puerto Escondido and Puerto Angel.

No deaths or injuries were reported, but news of damage was limited by the loss of road access and the lack of telephone communication with many small villages.

Rick hit the coast Sunday evening just north and west of Puerto Escondido — a region where many had lost homes to Hurricane Pauline only a month earlier — and began moving inland, weakening along the way. Early this morning, Rick was downgraded to a tropical depression.

A bridge was out near the town of Puerto Escondido, leaving a 15-foot-deep gap in the road. But people living in the area said the damage didn't come close to that of Pauline, which last month killed at least 230 people in three states and left 300,000 homeless.

"Pauline destroyed half of the houses. This one didn't destroy anything," said Salomon Ramirez, a 44-year-old farmer who lives in the village of La Zulillo. "The other one took us by surprise, but this time we were awaiting Rick's arrival for a day."

Storms swirling in from the hurricane's southeast forced Mexican officials to declare a hurricane warning as far south as the Guatemala border, though it canceled an alert for Acapulco to the northwest.

All seaports in the area were closed, as were airports at Huatulco and Puerto Escondido, which lost electricity.

Mir's crew ensures hatchway airtight

MOSCOW (AP) — Tests show a leaky hatchway on the Russian space station has been repaired and pressure partly restored in the facility's docking chamber, ground control officials said today.

Cosmonauts had failed to properly seal the hatch separating outer space from the docking chamber when they returned from a spacewalk on Nov 3. The chamber is closed off from the rest of the station, so the resulting loss of pressure in the docking chamber did not affect other parts of the Mir, which has been plagued by mishaps for much of the year.

When Anatoly Solovyov and Pavel Vinogradov again headed out into space on Thursday, they found a white powder-like residue on the edge of the hatch. On their return, they removed the substance and installed additional clamps to make sure the seal on the hatch was airtight.

Regular checks since then show the hatch has stopped leaking, said Vera Medvedkova, a Mission Control spokeswoman.

"Ground controllers believe the white residue could be ice crystals, but no final conclusion on its nature has been made," she said.

Solovyov, Vinogradov and U.S. astronaut David Wolf were doing routine maintenance and scientific experiments today, taking advantage of the increased power supply after last week's repairs, Medvedkova said.

During Thursday's spacewalk, the cosmonauts installed a new solar panel, nearly restoring Mir's power supply to where it was before a June 25 collision with a cargo ship.

Obituaries

Ruth Estes

1917-1997

Funeral service for Ruth May Estes is set for 2 p.m. Tuesday in the Wright Colonial Funeral Home Chapel. Charlie Reynolds will officiate and burial will follow in the Handley Cemetery in Mitchell County.

Mrs. Estes, 80, died Saturday, Nov. 8, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Born Aug. 9, 1917 in Big Spring, she married Everett Estes in 1947 in Big Spring. He died in 1963.

Mrs. Estes was a homemaker.

Survivors include three sons, Daniel Estes of Elgin, David Estes of Platsburg, N.Y., and Jerry Estes of Snyder; and four grandchildren.

Cleo Chandler

1921-1997

Service was held at 2 p.m. today in the First Baptist Church Chapel for Marjorie Cleo Chandler, longtime Snyder resident. She was 76. Burial followed in the Snyder Cemetery.

Charlie Reynolds officiated and the services were under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born on March 27, 1921 in Hastings, Okla., she married D.D. "Hunk" Chandler on Dec. 23, 1938 in Poolville. He died on Feb. 21, 1990. Mrs. Chandler was a homemaker and a member of North College Avenue Baptist Church.

Survivors include two sons and daughters-in-law, Doyle and Peggy Chandler of Snyder and James and Clair Chandler of Jourdanton; a daughter, Betty Campbell of Snyder; three sisters, Stella Leatherwood of Jacksboro, Oleta Lingle of Springtown and Mildred Thomas of Azle; four brothers, Carley Plowman of Decatur, Edgar Plowman of Azle, Joe Plowman of Arlington and Raymond Plowman of Weatherford; nine grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials to the Zachary Forester Cancer Fund, First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 860, Snyder.

Dorothy Vineyard

1934-1997

Dorothy Vineyard, a longtime Hermleigh resident, died Saturday, Nov. 8, in Midland Memorial Hospital after a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Vineyard, 63, is set for 4 p.m. today in the Hermleigh Church of Christ with Surry Gillum officiating. Burial will follow in the Hermleigh Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born March 20, 1934 in Fisher County, she married Doug Vineyard in 1950 in Hermleigh. Mrs. Vineyard was a member of the Hermleigh Church of Christ.

Survivors include her husband, Doug Vineyard, Hermleigh postmaster; a daughter and son-in-law, Peggy and Mike Matherly of Midland; a son and daughter-in-law, Tommy and Sheila Vineyard of Midland; four sisters, Janet Mason of Midland, Patsy Roe of Snyder and Jo Ann Rosser and Billie Whitmyer, both of Bloomington, Tex.; four grandchildren, Kimberly Lewis, Brad Vineyard, Ashley Vineyard and Cody Rankin.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 1396 in Snyder.

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DISSMISSALS: Oct. 24 — Essie Dawson, Virginia Escareno. Oct. 25 — Allen Rogers, Jeffrey Stewart. Oct. 26. — Derrick Birmingham.

CENSUS: LTC 30; Med. 3, 10; ICU 1; TOTAL: 41.

events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Christmas fund-raiser

Snyder High School Spanish Club is taking orders for fresh Christmas garlands, wreaths and swags. Orders will be taken through today. Greenery will be delivered the week of Dec. 1. Call 573-6301 for more information.

Hermleigh boosters

Hermleigh Booster Club will meet at 7 tonight.

Financial Aid Night

The U.S. Department of Education is presenting students and parents the opportunity to learn the most up-to-date information about federal student financial aid.

Tonight, from 7-7:45, U.S. Secretary of Education Richard Riley will host a live, interactive teleconference called, "Financial Aid Night." This program will be televised locally on Channel 36.

Bible study tapes on TV

Bible study video tapes run weekly on TCA Cable TV Channel 2. The next tape, "The Terrible Cost of Sin," will air at 7 this evening.

Veterans recognition

American Legion Post 181 will serve breakfast from 6-10 a.m. and a barbecue dinner from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday, Veterans Day. All veterans and their families are invited. Those attending are asked to bring a dessert.

Bush staffer due here

Phil Sims, citizens' liaison for Gov. George Bush, will be in Snyder Wednesday. A public reception will be held from 4:30 to 5 p.m. at the chamber of commerce.

CHH open house

The public is invited to attend open house at Cogdell Home Health, 1800 Cogdell Blvd., from 1:30-3:30 p.m. Wednesday in celebration of National Home Care Month.

Revival scheduled

Trinity Full Gospel Apostolic Faith Church will hold a revival Wednesday through Sunday with evangelist M.D. "Doc" Methvin. Services will be 7 o'clock week nights and 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday. Ken Cruse is the pastor. Special music will be offered.

Dallas Holm concert

First Baptist Church will host Dallas Holm in a Face of Mercy concert at 7:30 p.m. next Monday. A $3 donation is requested at the door and those attending are asked to bring a canned good or non-perishable food item to help feed the needy.

Poinsettia sale begins

Snyder High School choir members are taking orders for their annual poinsettia sale. The plants will arrive at the high school on Dec. 1 and students will deliver them that week. The plants come in three colors: white, red and red with white spots. They are $10 each, to be paid at the time of delivery.

Tiger banners for sale

Snyder Girls Hoops Club is selling Tiger banners for $25. Call 573-1769 or 573-4283. They will deliver.

Museum seeks items for angel display

Scurry County Museum needs angel related items to display Nov. 20-Jan. 5. These may include angel pictures, calendars, statues, jewelry, craft objects, even clothes with angel motifs on them. Call 573-6107 for more details.

Driver's license office

The Texas Department of Public Safety driver's license office will be closed each Monday through Jan. 9.

Adult basic education

Adult basic education classes are underway at Western Texas College for those seeking their GEDs.

Classes on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays are held from 8-11 a.m.

ESL (English as a Second Language) and GED courses are offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6-8:30 p.m. ESL classes are only offered at night. For more information, call 573-8511, ext. 322.

SHS choir sets Madrigal Dinners

Snyder High School choir students are planning Madrigal Dinners at 7:30 p.m. Dec. 1-2 at Martha Ann Woman's Club. Tickets are $15 per person and went on sale Monday. No refunds will be given for unused tickets and reservations will be held until one day prior to the performance.

Call 573-6301 for reservations. Remittance may be mailed to Tickets, Choral Dept., Snyder High School, 2901 37th St. 79549, or bring it to the high school office.

Pick 3

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

8-1-7

(eight, one, seven)

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — Results of the Lotto Texas drawing Saturday night:

Winning numbers drawn: 3-28-35-39-44-48.

Estimated jackpot: $10 million.

Number matching six of six: None

Matching five of six: 102. Prize: $1,909.

Matching four of six: 5,576. Prize: $126.

Matching three of six: 114,881. Prize: $3.

Next Lotto Texas game: Wednesday night.

Estimated jackpot: $15 million.