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Home Of Sonny Greenfield

Slight increase eyed in hospital's 2000 budget

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

Cogdell Memorial Hospital's board of managers got their first look at the hospital's proposed budget for 2000 this morning and it reflects a slight increase over the present spending document.

The 2000 budget is currently tabbed at $14,346,325, up 2.39 percent over last year's figure of $14,011,860.

The proposed budget reflects an aggressive capital improvement plan for the hospital as changes are planned for relocating the radiology department into a more functional area of the facility.

Overall, the capital improvement budget is tabbed at $776,300 – up from this year's total of $167,500. The hospital also is planning to update several pieces of clinical equipment to the tab of $257,952. This year, the hospital had budgeted $70,238 for updates.

Chief Executive Officer Jeff Reecer said hospital improvements would drop the hospital's cash reserves by nearly $1 million, but he said he felt the expenditures are necessary.

Board president Jim Bob Cave concurred with Reecer.

"You have to have an up-to-date facility if you are going to have patients."

Cave said he thought the hospital could save money in some of its capital projects, especially the relocation of the radiology department, by using labor from the Price Daniel Unit.

Cave also said the hospital could pursue grants for its projects.

While the hospital's cash reserves are expected to drop by $1 million for capital improvements, its cash position will still be healthy as the end of month total in June was $2.8 million.

In June, 1998, the cash reserves were at $1.6 million.

In action items this morning, the board voted to purchase a new laboratory system and health information (medical records) system, and approved the accounts payable policy.

The vote to approve the policy was unanimous, but a motion to rescind an earlier vote to continue approving bills after they were paid failed because of a lack of a second.

Dink Foree made the motion to rescind a vote in April which allowed the board to approve bills after payment had been made. That vote passed five to one with Foree casting the dissenting vote.

Cave said the problem had been addressed since the board was made aware of the incorrect sequence in okaying bills for payment and asked Foree how far back he wanted to go for the board to rescind their votes.

"Do you want us to go back to 1865?" questioned Cave.

J.B. Tate Jr. said he had been on the board for six years, and he was not going to rescind any of his votes.

In other business, Sherma Barham, director of Cogdell Home Health, presented that department's annual report.

Barham said the department's goal in 1999 was basically to survive, in light of severe cuts to home health agencies due to the Balanced Budget Act.

Barham said the federal government is allowing approximately 34 percent fewer claims than in 1997.

Reecer agreed, saying home health agencies have seen significant changes since 1997.

Barham said the current number of employees –. eight, as compared to 21 in 1997 - reflects cuts her department has had to make.

The home health department made 10,045 visits in 1998, as compared to 14,970 in 1997.

Board members present were Cave, Foree, Tate, E.D. Walton and Stanley Martin. Absent was Dr. Mark Weaver.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "A closed mouth gathers no feet."

Oh brother. The gals are mad again – at least some of 'em.

Retailer J.C. Penney has been pressured to stop selling sports shirts with remarks that offend some females.

One, for example, said, "You throw and shoot like a girl."

The feminists say this is demeaning. Actually, it's the guy you're up against in a one-on-one contest that you should be worried about.

We think everybody would be better off if they would just lighten up a little and stop looking for opportunities to be so easily insulted.

Actually, if somebody wants to kid at you, it's often a good signal that they like you. Most folks don't tease with somebody they don't like.

And when school starts this year, there will no longer be Future Homemakers of America.

At the annual meeting this summer in Boston, the organization voted a name change. For 54 years, it has been Future Homemakers, but the new handle is supposed to reflect changing times and help boost sagging membership.

The new name: Family, Career and Community Leaders of America.

Nothing wrong with that, but we never suspected that homemaker was a bad word, either.

Many of the delegates to the Boston convention said the old name lacked appeal because it evoked images of a housewife.

While we concede that more women work today than 54 years ago, there's plenty of evidence that a career woman can also be an outstanding wife, mother and –yes, even homemaker.

More mature thoughts. That's code for senior citizens.

—You know you're older when your wild oats turn to prunes and all brand.

—You get your head together just when the body is falling apart.

—Results are conclusive. Life is officially unfair.

—You don't remember being absent-minded.

—It's not the pace of life that concerns you, it's the sudden stop at the end.

—You start out with nothing – and still have most of it.

—You learn that all is not lost, but don't know where it is.

—You realize it's easier to get older than to get wiser.

—You find it was all so different before everything changed.

—You're convinced that nostalgia isn't what it used to be.

FIRST DAY NEARS — Stanfield reading teacher Kem Fogleman puts the finishing touches on her bulletin board. Snyder ISD teacher in-service is a week away and the first day of school is Aug. 11 (SDN Staff Photo)

Republicans offer alternate proposal for tax reduction

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate Republican plan to give Americans $792 billion in tax cuts over the next decade faced challenges today from a rival GOP proposal and a bipartisan package that reduces the cut by several billion dollars.

Sen. Phil Gramm, R-Texas, with the backing of Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, introduced an alternative that would move the bill closer to the earlier House-passed version by reducing income tax rates by an eventual 10 percent and repealing estate taxes.

The Senate Finance Committee, under pressure from Democrats, had rejected that approach because it confers a larger percentage of the benefits from the tax cut on the well-off.

The Senate is also taking up a proposal, backed by Republican and Democratic moderates, that would cap the tax cut at $500 billion.

President Clinton said again today that he will veto the "large and risky tax cut," which he asserted could carry America back "to the dark old days of huge deficits."

"So I say to Congress, if you send me a tax cut that short-changes America's priorities and our children's future I will veto it," Clinton said before leaving the White House for Europe.

Republican leaders are shunting aside a much smaller Democratic alternative and ignoring Clinton's earlier veto pledges.

Determined to show they could both cut taxes and save Social Security, Republicans pushed a "lockbox" amendment that would bar future Congresses from using Social Security surpluses for non-Social Security purposes. The GOP failed, on a 54-46 vote today, to get the 60 votes needed to advance such a measure.

A Democratic alternative, which would have protected both Social Security and a portion of any Medicare surpluses, got 42 votes, with 58 opposing.

Backers of the 10-year tax cut were confident, despite misgivings among several Republicans about its size, of winning passage by the end of the week and moving quickly to work out differences with a similar House-passed bill.

Americans "are rightful heirs to the wealth they're creating," Sen. William Roth, R-Del., the Finance Committee chairman and the bill's chief author, said in opening the debate Wednesday. "After paying for the government programs for which Congress has planned and budgeted, the change must now be returned to the taxpayer."

At issue was what to do with a projected budget surplus estimated tcans insisted that their tax relief wouldn't affect efforts to restore fiscal integrity to Social Security and Medicare and would leave funds to bring down the national debt.

The White House said a tax cut should come only after the Social Security and Medicare issues are dealt with.

Two county offices to get state funding

Legislation passed last session by the Texas Legislature will result in salary increases for some rural county attorneys and county judges – including those in Scurry County.

County Attorney Mike Hartman said the legislation allots $25,425 to his office which can be used for salary increases for himself and his secretary, plus it can be used for office supplies and equipment.

Presently, Hartman's salary is $34,425. The county attorney will determine how the available funds are distributed within his office.

Hartman said the supplement is determined by a formula using a percentage of the district judge's salary.

County Judge Ricky Fritz has a salary of $35,854, which includes a $5,000 increase. The county judge also receives $200 per month for serving on the county juvenile board. Fritz will be eligible for an additional $5,000 Sept. 1.

This increase was determined by the amount of time Fritz spends on county court cases.

Hartman added the increase is partly a result of county attorneys traditionally doing private law practice and the legislators wanting the attorneys to focus more on county business.

Hartman says he presently spends less than one per cent of his time in private law practice.

All the funds for the increased salaries is funded by the state, not local tax money, and the state money is generated by additional filing fees in the county clerk's office.

The additional fees are applied to probate filings, civil lawsuits, guardianship cases and others, including $15 to be collected on convictions of any criminal offense, including cases in which probation is granted.

Some county attorney offices in the state will receive $50,850 in additional state money.

The funding formula is determined by taking one-half of the state pay for a district judge, then divided by the number of counties the local district attorney serves.

Scurry County's district attorney also serves Borden County, so Hartman's office will receive half of the maximum.

Hartman said county attorneys now spend time prosecuting cases which were formerly considered as felonies, including burglary of a motor vehicle.

FBI investigating Texas hate crime

EMORY (AP) — Federal officials said they are investigating as a possible hate crime the death of a black man who the NAACP believes was tied to a tree and set afire.

The results of an autopsy were scheduled for release today in the death of H.W. Walker of Greenville, who disappeared in early May and whose decomposed body was found June 2 in a remote section of Rains County, about 50 miles east of Dallas.

A 16-year-old white male from Lone Oak has been in custody in connection with the murder since the day after Walker's remains were discovered, but authorities have refused to comment on the circumstances surrounding the death.

NAACP officials in Greenville and Dallas conducted their own investigation and approached federal officials with the findings.

U.S. Attorney Mike Bradford has launched an investigation into the case, saying the facts presented to him were sufficient.

"We were contacted by the NAACP, and they gave us information that led them to believe this was a hate crime," he said. "We are going to investigate this to see if it involves any violation of federal law. We think there's enough there to warrant a full investigation."

Rains County District Attorney Frank Long would not divulge many details of the case, citing the ongoing investigation.

Chamber board to meet Friday

A request for a portion of hotel-motel tax funds to help fund the Snyder Chamber of Commerce banquet on Aug. 31 is the only action item on the chamber board's agenda Friday.

Originally scheduled Monday, chamber directors will meet at 11:30 a.m. Friday at The Shack and will also consider the monthly financial statements, plus hear reports on the Western Swing Festival held last June, and the July 4th celebration.

The board will also be updated on several upcoming events scheduled for the Scurry County Coliseum including the Canyon Gun Show on Aug. 7-8, American Championship Wrestling on Aug. 22, and the Scurry County Fair on Sept. 16-18.

ASK US

Q – Is it true that a Snyder native is Playboy magazine's "Playmate of the Month" for September?

A – Yes. Kristi Cline, who attended Snyder schools through her sophomore year, is September's Playmate. She finished school in Albuquerque.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Wednesday, 98 degrees; low, 73; 7 a.m. Thursday, 74; no precipitation; total for 1999, 17.27 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, mostly clear. Low 70-75. S wind 5-15 mph. Friday, partly cloudy. High 95-100. S-SW wind 10-20 mph. Friday night, mostly clear. Low around 70. Saturday through Monday, partly cloudy, slight chance of storms.

Vanessa Gomez
Partly Cloudy

Sunset: 8:42 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:59 a.m.

Of 209 days in 1999, the sun has shone 202 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

The great doing of little things makes the great life.
—Eugenia Price

VP Gore scores points with Hispanic voters

HOUSTON (AP) — Vice President Al Gore's Spanish may not be quite as fluid as that of Texas Gov. George W. Bush.

But just by showing up at the National Council of La Raza on Wednesday — a meeting Bush skipped — and telling Latinos he intends to fight for their issues if he becomes president, Gore seemed to score points with listeners.

"He hit on all the right issues like education and the economy," said Kathryn Diaz Garcia, a Houston attorney. "I'm glad he showed the respect to show up."

Wooing a constituency that could have a big role in picking the next president in 2000 and mocking Bush's slogan of "compassionate conservatism," Gore said Americans shouldn't have to settle for "crumbs of compassion."

At the annual conference of La Raza, the nation's largest Hispanic advocacy group, Gore was warmly applauded by many in the crowd of 2,300.

Though invited, the vacationing Bush did not attend and that snub upset some activists who warned that the governor should not take the Hispanic vote — usually Democratic in any event — for granted. Bush drew strong support from Texas Hispanics in his reelection as governor, getting about half of their vote.

Gore never mentioned Bush by name but underscored some of the social problems in Texas and took a glancing swipe at the Republican presidential candidate's description of his beliefs as "compassionate conservatism."

"I want to do things the right way," he said. "Not letting people fend for themselves or hope for crumbs of compassion."

That was in English, but Gore sprinkled phrases and sentences in Spanish throughout his address.

"I'm certainly not satisfied when over 10 percent of all uninsured children in America live in the state of Texas," he said, then used a phrase that became a refrain: "Nuestras familias merecen lo mejor (Our families deserve the best)."

The speech was labeled "official business" as opposed to a campaign address, and was paid for with public money.

Gore tailored the administration's argument against the Republican tax-cut plan to fit his audience, saying that the tax cuts proposed in Washington would endanger Medicare, upon which elderly and disabled Hispanics are disproportionately reliant.

He also focused on education issues, among the most critical for the 31 million Hispanics making up America's fastest growing minority group. Just 62 percent of Hispanic adults age 25-29 completed high school compared with 87 percent of blacks and 93 percent of whites, according to federal figures.

As well, high school dropout rates are far higher.

"How can we expect to break down the barriers of opportunity if the Hispanic dropout rate remains an unacceptable 75 percent higher than that for blacks and whites?" Gore asked. "The time for quick fixes has passed. Its time for a renewed commitment to our public schools."

"I am not satisfied when even one Latino is left out of our prosperity," he said.

In introducing Gore, Energy Secretary Bill Richardson, the highest ranking Hispanic in the Clinton administration, called next year's elections "The most important year in the history of Latino political development."

Latinos are seeking to turn sheer numbers into political muscle that can select mayors, governors and strongly influence the 2000 presidential election. Gore is seeking the Democratic nomination and Bush the Republican one.

With Hispanics heavily concentrated in key electoral states like New York, California, Texas, Florida and Illinois, the Latino influence could be huge there, said Carmen Joge, a La Raza policy analyst.

"We have numbers but it hasn't translated to political power just yet," Joge said. "But we recognize that we have to keep educating our young people to vote so when they become eligible, they know the issues and are ready."

Although the number of Hispanic registered voters rose to 5.4 million in 1996 from 4.2 million in 1992 and has continued to surge, over a third of the Hispanic population is under 18.

Snyder's Municipal Court decides 12 cases

The City of Snyder Municipal Court handled three juvenile and nine adult cases Wednesday.

A 16-year-old male pleaded guilty to speeding. He was fined $30.75 plus $46.25 in court costs. He requested to take the defensive driving course.

A 14-year-old male pleaded guilty to no driver's license and was fined $30.75 and $43.25 court costs. He was given community service in lieu of payment.

A 12-year-old male pleaded guilty to minor in possession of tobacco. He was fined $100.75 plus $43.25 court costs, which were paid in full. He was ordered to complete the tobacco awareness class.

A 19-year-old female was arrested on warrants and bonded to appear on Class C assault and failure to appear. She pleaded guilty and was fined $100.75 plus $43.25 in court costs and a $35 warrant fee in each case with two days jail credit. She was given time to pay the remaining balance of $208.

Given time to pay, a 17-year-old male was arrested on warrants and bonded to appear on two counts of minor in possession of tobacco and three counts of failure to appear. He pleaded not guilty to one minor in possession charge and guilty on the other cases. Fine and court costs totaled $414.75 with two days jail credit.

For selling tobacco to a minor, a 41-year-old female pleaded guilty and was fined $100.75 plus $43.25 in court costs, which she paid in full.

A 29-year-old male pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct and was fined $200.75 and $43.25 in court costs. He was given time to pay with two days jail credit. It was his second disorderly conduct case.

A 28-year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication. He was fined $100.75 plus $43.25 in court costs. He was given community service in lieu of payment with one day jail credit.

A 20-year-old male pleaded guilty to public intoxication and was fined $100.75 plus $43.25 in court costs and one day jail credit. Payment was made in full.

A 33-year-old male pleaded no contest to public intoxication and was fined $100.75 and $43.25 in court costs. He was given credit for time served in jail.

A 38-year-old male pleaded no contest to public intoxication, second offense. He was fined $100.75 and $43.25 in court costs. He was given credit for time served in jail.

A 23-year-old female pleaded not guilty to Class C assault-family violence. The case was set on pre-trial docket.

Ben Smith is the municipal court judge.

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Saturday, July 31, 1999
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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Safety Whistle Poses Hazard If Hanging From Child's Neck

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: This letter is in response to "Wm. T. Elliott" and his suggestion that "small children should have a whistle tied around their necks when they go on picnics and camping."

Abby, please accept this important reminder to parents: *any* cord, string, necklace or tie around a child's neck could *kill* if accidentally snagged by a tree, bush, fence, swing, etc. Parents should really protect little ones by *pinning* or *clipping* on that whistle!

A CONCERNED PARENT AND PHYSICIAN, TORRANCE, CALIF.

DEAR CONCERNED: I apologize for letting that slip by. You are not the only reader who hastened to point it out. Read on:

DEAR ABBY: I agree that supplying a whistle for small children who are camping is a good one. However, since tying anything around the neck of a small child is a strangulation hazard, it would be better to securely attach it to a zipper pull, belt loop or shirt.

When my four children were small, I also laced a small ID tag onto their shoe for family outings — zoos, hikes, etc. — in case the child was too frightened or injured to give vital information. Nowadays you can have bracelets made up for that purpose.

MARY ELLEN HANRAHAN, LYNNWOOD, WASH.

DEAR MARY ELLEN: Thank you for the input. A reader in Clackamas, Ore., also suggests that providing older children with walkie-talkies on camping trips is a good precaution in case they become separated from the family for any reason. That way the child can be heard from more than a mile away.

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DEAR ABBY: Thank you for printing the letter from "Wm. T. Elliott" about the importance of carrying a whistle while camping.

Abby, a safety whistle should be carried not only while camping or in the woods, but at all times. Boaters carry whistles in case the power goes out and they are stranded. College students carry whistles for safety on campus. The elderly carry whistles in case they are attacked or are physically unable to call for help.

The American Whistle Corp., where I work, is the only manufacturer of metal whistles in the United States. We frequently receive letters from people relating how they have been saved by blowing their whistle while lost in the woods or while being mugged. Our most recent survival story came from a man who was having a heart attack and was unable to yell. He was, however, able to blow his whistle to get attention.

Once again, Abby, your column has been an instrument in saving lives. Thank you.

JENNIFER BLACKBURN, COLUMBUS, OHIO

DEAR JENNIFER: I am sure many people will find your letter of interest. I am pleased to "blow the whistle" for safety. I have carried a whistle on my key ring for many years.

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DEAR ABBY: My friends of many years and I are planning a special beach trip to celebrate a friendship that began in the late '50s in elementary school.

We are big fans of yours and would like to know if you have any words about friendship that you could share with us. It would be an honor and a thrill to hear from you.

THE YA-YAS

DEAR YA-YAS: Friendship is a gift to be cherished. The way to have a good friend is to *be* one!

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Good advice for everyone — teens to seniors — is in "The Anger in All of Us and How to Deal With It." To order, send a business-size, self-addressed envelope, plus check or money order for $3.95 ($4.50 in Canada) to: Dear Abby, Anger Booklet, P.O. Box 447, Mount Morris, IL 61054-0447. (Postage is included.)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Friday, July 30, 1999

Conditions in general during the year ahead look like they could be easier for you than they have been in a number of years. However, it will be up to you to capitalize on the good developments.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Carelessness or indifference as to how you handle your money could weaken your financial base. Be extremely careful how you handle any changes that could have a direct effect on your pocketbook. Get a jump on life by understanding the influences that'll govern you in the year ahead. Send the required refund form and for your Astro-Graph predictions by mailing $2 to Astro-Graph, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156. Be sure to state your Zodiac sign.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) You could be uncharacteristically vulnerable to clandestine adventures today, so be careful. If you step out of line, you could step on the heart strings of a loved one.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) In order to appease another, you might think it wise to make a promise you know you'll never keep. However, it will prove to cause you trouble down the line, so be up front instead.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) By bestowing attributes to another she or he doesn't deserve does you a great disservice, because it guarantees poor judgment on your behalf when dealing with them. You'll suffer in the end.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Someone who is meaningful in your life may do something today that could severely disappoint you. The blow can be lessened if you allow for this person's frailties.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) If you're a bit naively flirtatious today, you could unwittingly flash some "come hither" signals to someone who'll take you up on it. It may be more than you intended to handle.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Avoid meaningless shopping today, because everything could look too good to pass up at first. You may end up buying a lot of things you don't need or that cost you more than you can afford.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) There is a possibility that you could be too focused on your own misgivings today that you'll fail to appreciate the nice things others are doing for you. Take your mind off yourself.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Usually you're a very decisive, direct individual, but today you might procrastinate too much for your own good and miss out on several good opportunities.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) It's commendable to say nice things to our associates and friends, but don't be a phony about it today. Insincere compliments will be perceived as manipulative.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) When your ambitions are in harmony with your hopes, substantial achievements become possible. However, today there are too many indicators that one or both may be lacking.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Be cognizant of how you view events today. If you fail to keep yourself in control, you could easily begin to see things in an unrealistic fashion that'll be detrimental to your interests.

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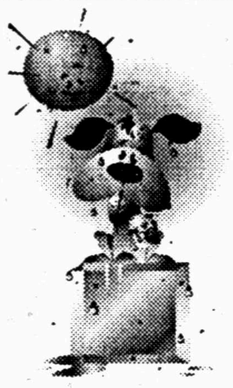

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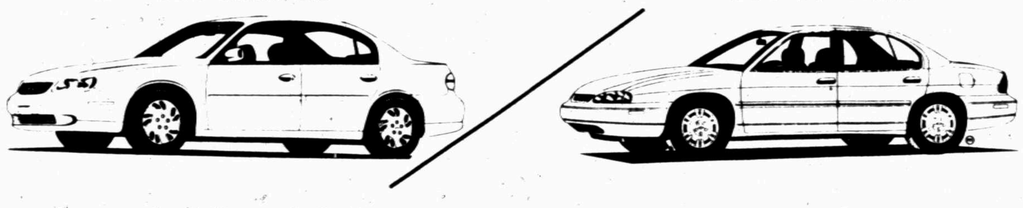

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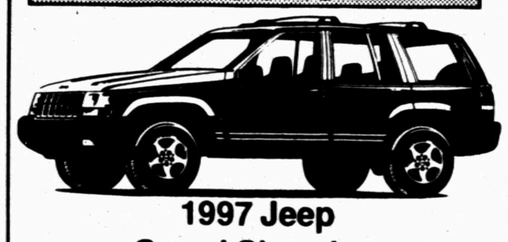

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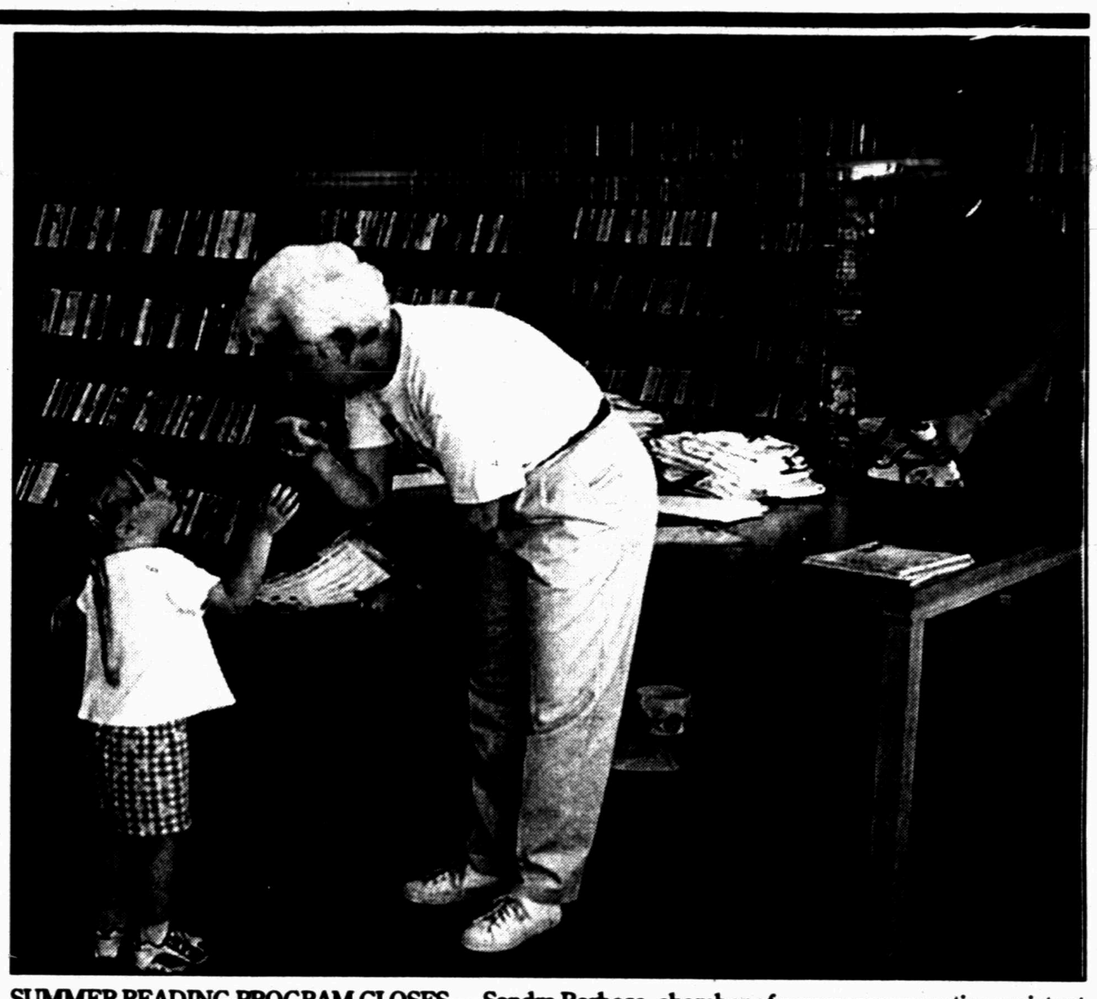
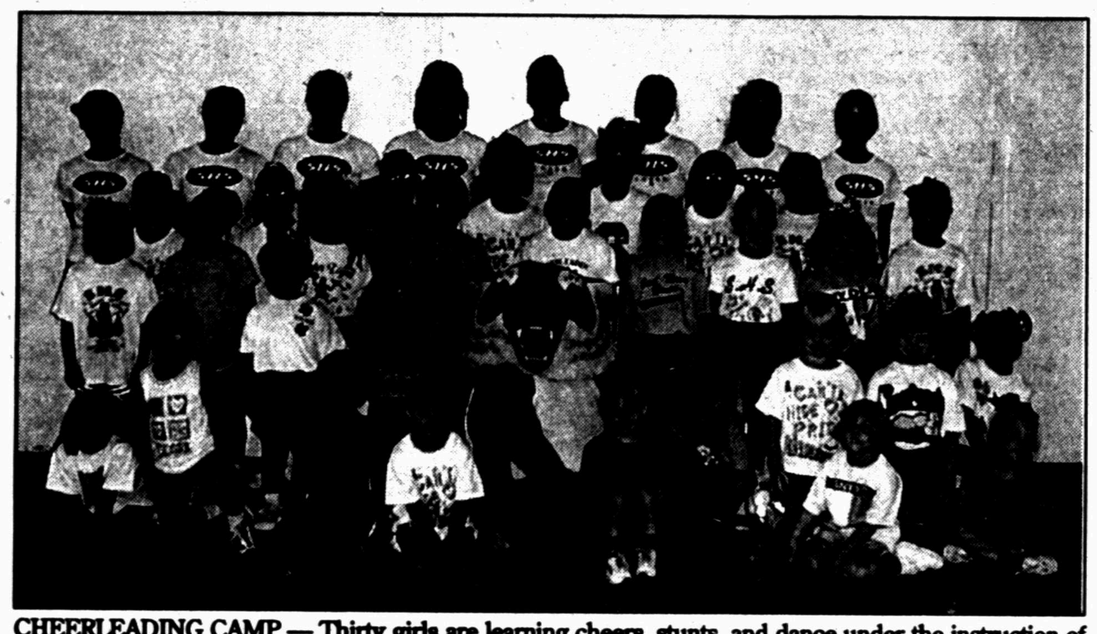
TICKETS ON SALE —Linda Walton, right, distributed tickets at the Martha Ann Woman's Club board meeting for the Sunday luncheon. Jeanelle Hammack, Joyce Williamson and Maribeth Vestal, from left, were pictured during the planning session. Tickets, $8.50 adult, and $4 for child under 10, are available by calling 573-3427, 573-5586 or 573-6717 and reservations should be in today. Caterer Sandra Brace announced that the menu includes a complete meal with two entrees, boneless children and brisket. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley).



SUMMER READING PROGRAM CLOSES — Sandra Barbosa, chamber of commerce executive assistant manager, helped give out awards to students participating in the Summer Reading Program. Accepting her certificate from the children's librarian, Linda Jones, is three-year-old Shawnee Williams. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)



CHEERLEADING CAMP — Thirty girls are learning cheers, stunts, and dance under the instruction of Neika Porter and the varsity and junior varsity Snyder High School cheerleaders this week. They will perform during half time activities of the Snyder-Littlefield football game at Tiger Stadium. From left are, first row, Mallorie Warren, Robyn Thompson, Savannah Valdez, Megan Murdock, Tiger (Amy Brooks), Hayley Taylor, Samantha Keener, Taylor Freeman, Kylie Bell, Nicole Molter, Brooklyn Bollinger, Loran Perry; second row, Emma Nunley, Baily Jones, Tara Holley, Audrey Miller, Daniella Jaquez, Micayla Redman, Chloe Reecer, Jessie Hibbitt, Brianne Perry; Evian Olvera, Cherokee Morin, Sydney Glass, Kelby Seale, Kirsten Miller, Krystle Williamson, Kinsey Guynes, Brittany Scott, Stacy Clifton; and on the back row are high school cheerleaders Debbie Foster, Janette Allen, Leslie English, Jodi Dennis, Gayle McKinney, Michelle Munoz, Cary Brown and Tara Price. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Medication important in treating ADHD

Anyone touched by Attention Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)—whether parent, child, or educator—knows the importance of taking medication on a regular schedule. But for many children and teenagers, having to take their ADHD medicine in school can be embarrassing, and disruptive to their day.

Now there's exciting news about a treatment for ADHD—Adderall—that not only has been shown to be effective at reducing ADHD symptoms, but also helps many kids avoid the need for taking their medication in school.

A recent study presented at the American Psychiatric Association meeting showed that at the doses studied, Adderall lasted longer than Ritalin, in many cases eliminating the need for a dose during the school day. Adderall also was significantly better at reducing inattention and other ADHD symptoms. A second study also showed that children taking Adderall were less likely to need an in-school dose of medication than were children taking Ritalin.

In addition, this study showed that significantly more patients taking Ritalin were more likely to discontinue or switch their medication compared with those taking Adderall. In the studies, both medications were well tolerated, and side effects were similar to placebo. The most common side effects associated with stimulant use are insomnia, loss of appetite, stomach pain, headache, irritability and weight loss.

Because Ritalin generally is taken three times a day—in the morning, midday, and late afternoon—many children have to take one of these doses in school. This can cause children (and teenagers) to suffer embarrassment from lining up at the school nurse's door for their medication, and may increase the chance that the medication can be misplaced or fall into the wrong hands.

In-school dosing also can be a burden on school nurses, who must juggle the responsibilities of tending to sick students and conducting health education programs with those of dispensing medication. Some schools do not even have the resources to have a nurse on staff.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

	North ♠ A 9 8 7 ♥ A 6 ♦ A 7 4 ♣ J 10 8 3	07-31-99
West ♠ J 10 6 ♥ J 8 7 5 2 ♦ 9 6 2 ♣ 5 2		East ♠ K 5 4 ♥ Q 10 3 ♦ K 8 5 3 ♣ A 6 4
	South ♠ Q 3 2 ♥ K 9 4 ♦ Q J 10 ♣ K Q 9 7	

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 5

Bethe's consciousness suddenly saw the answer. If Versace (West) had the diamond king, he would probably have covered on the second round. So, Bethe should have won with dummy's diamond ace, cashed the last club, and exited with a diamond. East would have been endplayed to lead away from his spade king at trick 12.

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If doing it, do it smoothly

By Phillip Alder

Jung wrote, "Seldom, or perhaps never, does a marriage develop into an individual relationship smoothly and without crises; there is no coming to consciousness without pain." Surely everyone who's been married would agree with that.

At the bridge table, if an opponent finesses and you are going to duck your honor, you'd better do it smoothly, so as not to give the game away. Then, you might cause declarer pain. That was the case in this deal from the Vanderbilt Knockout Teams in Vancouver last March.

East and West were Lorenzo Lauria and Alfredo Versace, Italian world champions. The declarer was Henry Bethe, an expert who lives in Ithaca, N.Y.

Versace led the heart five: six, queen, four. After winning trick two with dummy's heart ace, Bethe called for the club jack. Lauria won immediately with the ace to return his last heart, establishing partner's suit. Bethe cashed two club tricks (West discarded a diamond), then finessed the diamond queen; Lauria ducked smoothly.

Suitably seduced, Bethe repeated the finesse. However, Lauria won with the king and returned a diamond. And when in with the spade king, he cashed the 13th diamond to defeat the contract.

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Sauce hot and explosive

CHICAGO (AP) — Customers are jokingly asked to sign a waiver before buying Col. Johnson's Thermo-Nuclear barbecue sauce. Two families thought that was because the sauce was spicy, not explosive.

Joan Leopold of Northbrook said when she turned the bottle cap, the sauce came shooting out of the bottle, covering her, the walls and the ceiling. The sauce burned holes in the leaves of an African violet about 8 feet away.

Leopold said it felt like it was burning off her eyebrows.

"It really did live up to its name," she said.

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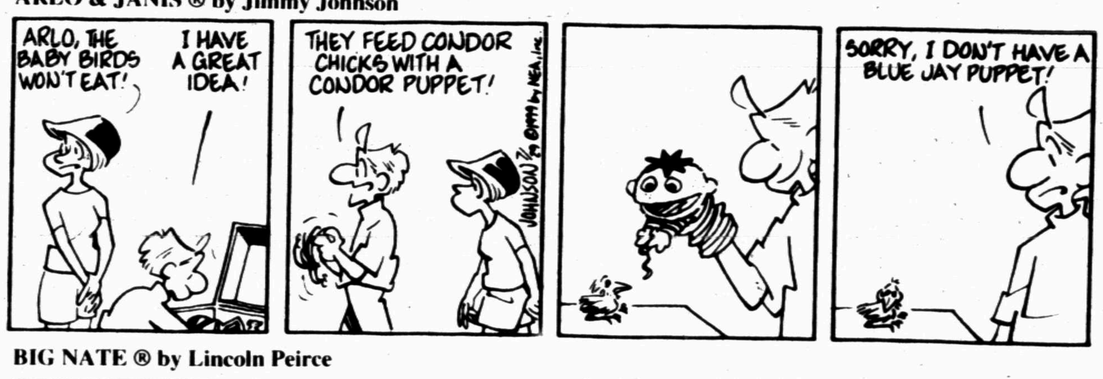

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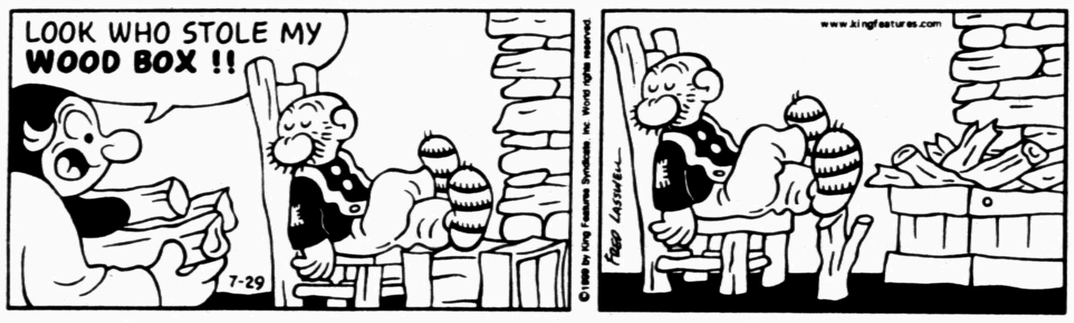

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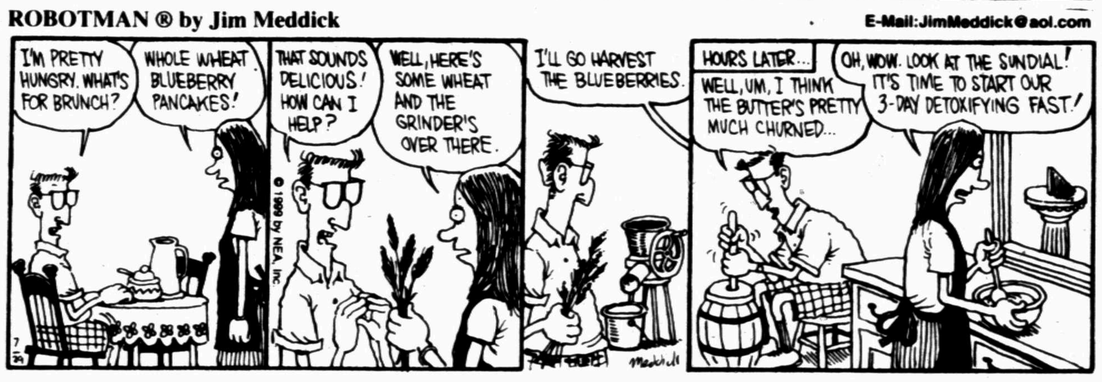

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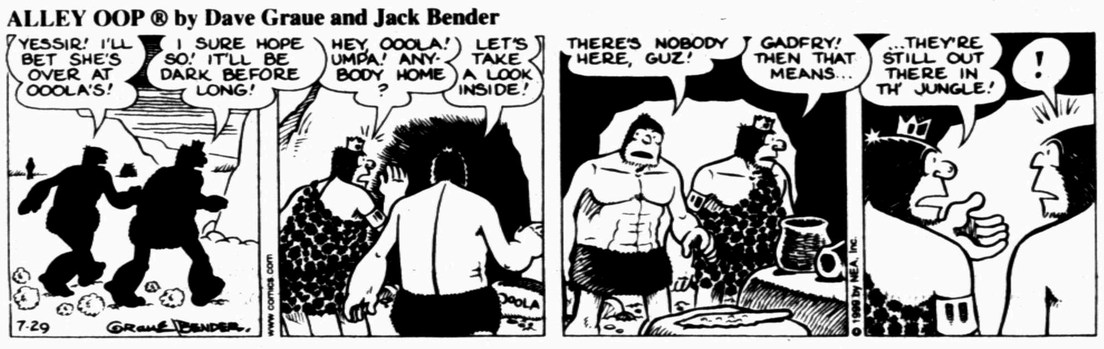

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ACROSS

1 Certain houseplant
6 City in Norway
10 Like fish
12 Berries and pears
14 Decomposed
15 Printed mistakes
16 Ear (comb. form)
17 MDs' group
19 Get bigger
20 Clothing for a newborn
23 "— — with a View"
26 Villain's shout
27 Old card game
30 Like minks
32 Actress Anita —
34 Ms. Lansbury
35 Schoolbook
36 "Bridge of San Luis —"
37 Roman 3
39 Papal scarf
40 Pasta dish
42 Dayton's place
45 Two peas — — pod
46 "I think, therefore — —"
49 Woman
51 Savage
54 Picture holders
55 Blazed
56 Freshwater tortoise
57 Rub out

DOWN

1 Bushy hairdo
2 Wild disorder
3 Aware of
4 Banking abbr.
5 Poor grade
6 Hockey great Bobby —
7 Increase suddenly
8 Fibber
9 Director Preminger
11 1944 invasion date
12 Type of duster
13 Cutting tool
18 — culpa
20 Traditional knowledge
21 Aviator Earhart
22 Employ (2 wds.)
23 At a distance
24 Ancient writing
25 Wild party
27 Mother of Castor and Pollux
28 Baseballer Hershiser
29 Monster
31 Chain flowers
33 Silent screen star Theda —
38 Author Fleming
40 Having rich soil
41 Hook
42 Not on
43 Present
44 Mohammedan prayer leader
46 "— La Douce"
47 High cards
48 Ancient Persian
50 Guided
52 — de France
53 Attention

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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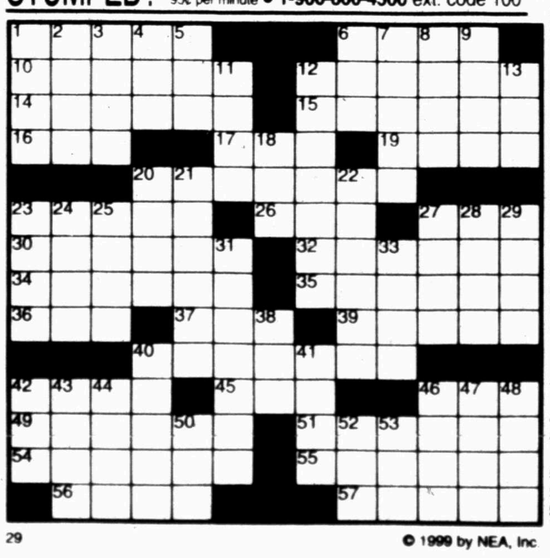

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"IF NEITHER SNOW NOR RAIN DON'T BOTHER HIM, WHY IS HE SO UPSET ABOUT A LITTLE SQUIRT FROM A HOSE?"

SPORTS

With Barry Sanders' retirement...

Smith now top active rusher

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — For the nine years he's been in the NFL, Emmitt Smith has always tried keeping pace with Barry Sanders. Now that Sanders is retired, Smith is feeling a bit lonely at the top.

"It's sad because I've always benchmarked my career after him," Smith said Wednesday. "Now, I've got to set my sights on something else."

Sanders joined the Detroit Lions in 1989 and immediately won the NFC rushing title. A year later, he won his first NFL rushing title during Smith's rookie year in Dallas.

Smith won the next three NFL rushing titles as their statistical rivalry kicked into gear.

Overall, the pair combined for eight straight league rushing crowns from 1990-97 with each winning four. Denver's Terrell Davis ended that streak last season while Atlanta's Jamal Anderson ended the 9-year grip Sanders and Smith had on the NFC rushing lead.

Sanders is No. 2 on the all-time rushing list with 15,269 career yards, 1,458 shy of breaking Walter Payton's record. Smith is No. 5 on the overall list with 12,566 yards. The next-closest active player is Buffalo's Thurman Thomas, who is ninth all-time with 11,786.

Smith was surprised to learn that he inherits the title of active career rushing leader.

"I gladly accept it," he said, "but I'm not focusing on it."

Smith had no idea Sanders was planning on walking away from football. When reporters broke the news to him, he found it hard to believe at first.

"He's not retiring. Is he?" Smith said. "Y'all are joking. Please! That's got to be a joke. I don't buy it just yet because the man has many, many, many more years left.

"If he chooses to leave the game, that's his choice. The only thing I can say is that I wish he wouldn't."

Smith said he was hoping to see Sanders break Payton's record this year — and keep going.

"I think Barry would've been the first back to break the 20,000 barrier," Smith said.

Now Smith is the leading favorite to top Payton. At his career average of 89.8 yards per game, he's about 30 games away, putting the target date at late in the 2000 season.

"I'm not a selfish person and only a selfish person would look at it that way," Smith said. "He has a great opportunity to do it this year. It would be exciting to watch. Hopefully, someday, my chance may come."

The biggest difference in their careers is the success of their teams.

Smith has won three Super Bowls in nine seasons with the Cowboys, while Sanders has only advanced as far as the NFC Championship once in 10 years with the Detroit Lions.

"The man has been everything Detroit wanted, but has Detroit been everything he needed? Probably not," Smith said. "So, frustration and a lot of disappointment is on his side."

Cowboys sign deals with top seven picks

WICHITA FALLS (AP) — With the signing of second-round selection Solomon Page, the Dallas Cowboys have their top seven draft picks at training camp.

Page signed a four-year deal worth nearly $2 million, including an $800,000 bonus, and joined his new teammates for Wednesday's morning practice.

Other than final selection Kelvin Garmon, who won't be signed for months, Page was the only pick to miss the first two rookie workouts Tuesday.

"He looked rusty, very rusty," coach Chan Gailey said. "But I talked to him after practice and he's ready to go."

EMMITT ARRIVES: Emmitt Smith arrived at Midwestern State University on Wednesday, a day earlier than expected, and joined his teammates for some sprints.

"I'm out here to do a little bit of running, loosen up my legs and to get everything situated in the dormitory," he said. "There's no need to prolong the agony of when it's going to happen."

Did he do anything special to get ready for camp?

"I spend about two weeks preparing for the media blitz that's going to occur," he said, smiling. "Nah, actually the mindset doesn't change. You just come in recognizing it's going to be hot already, so don't dwell on the heat."

WOULD EMMITT WEAR A DRESS? Emmitt Smith was as surprised as anyone by the picture of Heisman Trophy winner Ricky Williams wearing a wedding dress on the cover of the latest issue of ESPN The Magazine.

Williams and New Orleans Saints coach Mike Ditka are posed as a bride and groom to symbolize their new professional relationship.

Smith said the only time he's ever worn a dress was in college, for a role reversal experiment in a class.

Erickson ends Ranger streak

BALTIMORE (AP) — Scott Erickson ended the Texas Rangers' nine-game winning streak and, in the process, effectively terminated rumors that he might be dealt away before the July 31 trade deadline.

Erickson won his sixth straight decision and Charles Johnson drove in four runs Wednesday night as the Orioles defeated the Rangers 8-6.

Erickson (7-8) allowed four runs and six hits in six innings, striking out four and walking three. After opening the season 1-8, the right-hander has won his last four starts and is 6-0 in 10 starts since June 4.

Todd Zeile and Ruben Mateo both homered and drove in two runs for the Rangers, who lost for only the second time in 13 games since the All-Star break.

"We didn't expect to win the rest of them," Texas manager Johnny Oates said. "The idea now is to just keep grinding them out."

Doug Johns pitched two innings and Mike Timlin got three outs for his 12th save in 20 chances.

After Texas scored three runs in the sixth to make it 4-4, the Orioles took the lead for good with two runs in their half. Cal Ripken singled and took second on a sacrifice before Brady Anderson was given a two-out intentional walk. Bordick then foiled the strategy by lining a single to left, chasing starter John Burkett (3-5).

"You put the chips out there and they fall where they may," Oates said. "You win sometimes and lose sometimes. There's a team over there trying to counter every move."

B.J. Surhoff followed with an RBI single off Mike Munoz. Johnson's one-out double made it 8-4 in the seventh, and Mateo hit a two-run homer in the eighth.

"Six runs should be enough to win a ballgame, but I wasn't able to hold them down when I needed to," said Burkett, who fell to 0-5 lifetime against Baltimore.

Although the Orioles have won 12 of 15, they're still eight games under .500 and a longshot to reach the playoffs. Erickson was once rumored to be on the trading block, but his recent run has solidified his position in the starting rotation.

Not that he was worried about leaving, anyway.

"It's a non-factor. It's ridiculous to bring it up until it happens," he said. "It's all heresy and rumors until it happens, and there's no point in even talking about it unless something does happen."

"I'm just trying to keep the ball down, slow the mechanics down, and tonight I pitched on a good night," Erickson said. "Sometimes that's more important than pitching well. You score eight runs, you should be able to win."

Erickson's batterymate also enjoyed a fine night. Johnson had a pair of two-run doubles, his first multiple-RBI game since June 13.

Baltimore obtained Johnson for his skill in mowing down would-be base stealers and for his ability to deftly handle pitchers. He has delivered in that regard, but has been relatively silent with his bat.

In this game, however, he showed his prowess at the plate as well as behind it. His first hit staked Baltimore to a 2-0 lead, and the second one ultimately proved to be the margin of victory.

"It was kind of nice tonight to drive in some runs. I haven't really been able to do that lately," Johnson said. "It was big to drive in those last two runs, because a team like Texas can come back on you very easily."

Mike Bordick had two hits and two RBIs for the Orioles and Ripken, vying for his 400th career homer, hit three singles. In his final at-bat, Ripken sent a long drive to left that barely hooked foul.

Retirement on tap for Sabre goalie Hasek

PRAGUE, Czech Republic (AP) — Dominik Hasek, worried that his children are losing their Czech heritage, will retire from the NHL after the end of next season.

"I have decided that the upcoming season will be my last," Hasek said today at a news conference in Prague.

"I'm announcing it now so that when the season starts I can minimize the distraction for my teammates, for me and the Buffalo Sabres organization so we can concentrate only on hockey," said the star goalie known as the Dominator.

Hasek, 34, who won the NHL's most valuable player award in 1997 and 1998, helped the Sabres reach the Stanley Cup finals.

Houston shells southpaw, 16-8

DENVER (AP) — Don't bother to send out a lefthanded starting pitcher and expect to beat the Houston Astros.

The NL-Central Division leaders are only 23-8 against lefthanded starters. And they are hitting them at a .333 clip, which leads the National League.

Jeff Bagwell, a .375 hitter against lefthanders, hit a grand slam and Derek Bell (.327) had four hits and drove in two runs, leading the Houston Astros over the Colorado Rockies 16-8 Wednesday night for their sixth victory in a row.

"It helps to hit it everywhere and not try to pull the ball against lefthanders," Bell said. "(hitting coach) Tom McCraw has taught us to hit the ball up the middle."

Daryle Ward hit his first major league home run and Russ Johnson also connected as the Astros had a season-high 21 hits. Tim Bogar, Glen Barker and Tony Eusebio each added two RBIs.

"We have a little run going now," Houston manager Larry Dierker said. "I don't know how many it is, but I sure didn't expect to keep it going here."

Mike Hampton (14-3) with his fifth-straight victory joined teammate Jose Lima, Kent Bottenfield and Curt Schilling as the top winners in the NL. He gave up five runs and 13 hits in seven innings, and matched his career high for victories.

Hampton also went 3-for-4, and drove in two runs with his third triple of the season.

"We'll make you laugh and we'll make you cry, but this one hurts," Colorado left fielder Dante Bichette said. "We're in last place and it really hurts."

Roberto Ramirez (1-3) lasted 3 2-3 innings, giving up five runs and six hits as the Rockies lost their sixth consecutive game.

"We are not very good right now," Colorado manager Jim Leyland said. "They battled all night, kept getting hits, every pitcher that went out there tried to get outs. We are just not good enough right now."

The teams combined to score in the final 10 half-innings of the game.

"Our club tends to go in streaks," Houston second baseman Craig Biggio said. "We've been fortunate to match up our righthanded hitters against their lefthanded pitchers,"

Hampton's two-run, two-out triple keyed a five-run fourth inning. Bell, Eusebio and Bogar had RBI singles as the Astros took a 5-1 lead.

Barker's RBI double and Bogar's sacrifice fly off Curtis Leskanic in the fifth made it 7-1.

Barker and Bell added RBI singles in the Houston sixth. Bagwell hit his second career slam in the seventh, connecting off Mike Porzio for a 13-4 lead.

SDN Sports Briefs

Cheerleading camp

Hermleigh cheerleader Brandy Wood will hold a four-day cheer camp at cottonwood flats in Towle Park beginning Monday. Camp hours will be from 10 a.m. until noon.

Costs are $25 for one camper, and $15 for a second child. Fees include a camp T-shirt. Registration will be held Monday at 9:30 a.m. in the park.

For more information, contact Brandy Wood at 863-2215.

Basketball tourney and dance

The Boys' and Girls' Club will hold a 3-on-3 basketball tournament Friday at 7 p.m. A sock-hop will begin following play. All teenagers are invited.

Athletic physicals

All athletes needing to take a physical should do so by Tuesday. An appointment must be made with one of the following doctors: Burleson, Cooper, Thompson, Nussey or Rakov.

Athletes requiring physicals include all incoming 7th and 9th graders, students new to SISD, students wishing to participate in athletics for the first time, and any student whose medical history form requires them to do so.

All athletes not needing a physical must return all completed forms to their coach, athletic director's office, or Steve Krueger.

Incoming 7th and 9th graders can pick up physical forms in the doctors' offices.

SCC scramble and MGA

A members' scramble is held each Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. at Snyder Country Club. At 5:30 each Thursday, the Men's Golf Association hosts a 9-hole event. Thursday's format varies.

Kiwanis golf tourney

The Snyder Kiwanis Club Hubert and Mary Cargile Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Aug. 7 at Western Texas College. All proceeds will benefit the Kiwanis Cargile Scholarship Foundation at WTC.

There will be drawings for merchandise, and cash prizes for the top four teams. Hole-in-one prizes are $10,000 and Top-Flite Tour Irons.

Entry fee is $120 per team. Players can register by calling Brenden McNeil at 573-1432, Russell Fisk at 573-3438 or 573-3267, and Melanie or Linda at American State Bank, 573-4041. Sign-ups will also be taken at the WTC pro shop.

MGA monthly tourney

The Men's Golf Association of Western Texas College will hold its monthly tournament Saturday at 8:30 a.m. Format will be nine-point scoring.

Major League Baseball

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	61	38	.616	—
Boston	55	46	.545	7
Toronto	56	48	.538	7½
Baltimore	46	54	.460	15½
Tampa Bay	43	59	.422	19½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	61	40	.604	—
Chicago	47	52	.475	13
Minnesota	42	58	.420	18½
Kansas City	42	58	.420	18½
Detroit	42	60	.412	19½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	59	41	.590	—
Oakland	51	50	.505	8½
Seattle	47	53	.470	12
Anaheim	43	57	.430	16

Wednesday's Games

Minnesota 5, Oakland 3
Tampa Bay 4, Anaheim 1
Boston 8, Toronto 0
Cleveland 7, Detroit 2
Kansas City 5, Seattle 3
Baltimore 8, Texas 6
Chicago 11, New York 3

Thursday's Games

New York (Cone 10-4) at Chicago (Snyder 7-7), 2:05 p.m.
Seattle (Halama 7-2) at Kansas City (Suppan 5-5), 2:05 p.m.
Texas (Morgan 10-6) at Baltimore (Guzman 5-8), 3:05 p.m.
Only Games Scheduled

Friday's Games

New York (Irabu 7-3) at Boston (Portugal 6-7), 7:05 p.m.
Detroit (Weaver 6-6) at Toronto (Escobar 8-7), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago (Sirotka 7-9) at Cleveland (Colon 9-3), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Witasick 4-7) at Texas (Loaiza 2-1), 8:35 p.m.
Minnesota (Radke 7-9) at Anaheim (Hill 3-9), 10:05 p.m.
Baltimore (J.Johnson 2-4) at Seattle (Meche 1-1), 10:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Eiland 1-5) at Oakland (Oquist 7-7), 10:35 p.m.

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	62	42	.596	—
New York	61	42	.592	½
Philadelphia	55	46	.545	5½
Florida	40	62	.392	21
Montreal	37	61	.378	22
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	62	40	.608	—
Cincinnati	57	42	.576	3½
St. Louis	51	51	.500	11
Pittsburgh	49	52	.485	12½
Milwaukee	48	52	.480	13
Chicago	47	52	.475	13½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	57	46	.553	—
San Francisco	55	47	.539	1½
San Diego	49	52	.485	7
Los Angeles	45	56	.446	11
Colorado	44	57	.436	12

Wednesday's Games

New York 9, Pittsburgh 2
St. Louis 6, San Francisco 3
Montreal 8, Chicago 2
Philadelphia 9, Florida 4
Milwaukee 10, Atlanta 4
Houston 16, Colorado 8
Arizona 7, San Diego 4
Los Angeles 9, Cincinnati 1

Thursday's Games

Florida (Meadows 8-10) at Philadelphia (Ogea 5-9), 1:05 p.m.
Houston (Holt 2-9) at Colorado (Kile 5-10), 3:05 p.m.
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Friday's Games

New York at Chicago, 3:20 p.m.
Florida at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Cincinnati, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:40 p.m.
Montreal at Milwaukee, 8:05 p.m.
Colorado at St. Louis, 8:10 p.m.
Houston at San Diego, 10:05 p.m.
Arizona at Los Angeles, 10:10 p.m.

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Wednesday's Games

Charlotte 84, Detroit 65

Thursday's Games

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July 21, 1999

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NOTIFICATION

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DEAR READER: For the average person, there is no danger in taking frequent doses of antacids. In fact, in some people, the calcium in these preparations may help arrest the bone-loss of osteoporosis.

The major risk results from self-treating an undiagnosed illness that might be more effectively medicated in a different fashion. For example, people don't ordinarily take an antacid unless they have indigestion, yet chronic indigestion may indicate a host of diseases, ranging from gastric malignancy to gallstones and angina (heart-muscle cramps). So, rather than popping antacids, a patient would be better served by seeing a doctor. Antacids are useful for all of us on occasion — and for some people on a regular basis — but only after patient and doctor know what's being treated.

Adults who enjoy good health have a natural aversion to doctors and hospitals. I endorse this position, because I am in the minority of physicians who believe that healthy grown-ups usually know perfectly well how to take care of themselves without a doctor's constant advice and carping. Nonetheless, when things aren't right and symptoms develop, the intelligent adult says: "Whoa, something's wrong. I'd better get help." And does.

The chronic use of antacids indicates some sort of problem that needs fixing, but the antacid itself is not dangerous.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: My doctor believes that certain generic drugs are not on a par with their brand-name equivalents. Consequently, I end up paying much more for my prescriptions than I would like. Is she correct?

DEAR READER: Ten or 15 years ago, some brand-name drugs were clearly superior to their generic counterparts. As a result, many physicians — myself included — preferred the more reliable products. However, the situation has changed.

According to the May 21, 1999 Medical Letter, the Food and Drug Administration has recently approved many generic equivalents. Such medicines include warfarin (Coumadin), levothyroxine (Synthroid), phenytoin (Dilantin) and digoxin (Lanoxin).

Because generic medicines are presently equal to brand-name compounds in efficiency, bio-availability and quality, most doctors are willing to prescribe the less expensive variety. Ask your doctor to review the publication I mentioned and, perhaps, modify her prescribing practice.

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Ex-teacher faces charges

APPLING, Ga. (AP) — A former high school teacher suspected of embezzling more than $83,000 from her students and leaving them stranded in Europe has been indicted in another case.

A grand jury Tuesday accused Vanessa Velez-Cruz of writing $52,500 in checks on the account of a nonprofit organization designed to help migrant workers.

Police said Ms. Velez-Cruz wrote six bad checks in June to herself and signed them from an official of the organization, where she had worked as a volunteer.

Last month, 28 of Ms. Velez-Cruz's students at Aquinas High were stranded in Paris for several days after learning that more than $83,000 they gave their Spanish teacher had not been applied to the trip.

District Attorney Danny Craig said Ms. Velez-Cruz deposited the checks from the migrant workers' group into her account.

Markets

Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)-

High	Low	Last		
AMR Corp	67⅞	66½	66	9-16— ⅞
AT&T Corp s	54¼	53 9-16	53	11-16— 1¼
Albertsons	50	3-16	49¼	49⅞— ⅛
AlldSignal	64	13-16	64	3-16 64⅞— ⅜
Alltel	73½	72¼	73	1-16—15-16
AmOnline s	100⅝	98¼	99	11-16—3 1-16
Ameritech	72¼	71½	71½	—2 1-16
AndarkPtr	38⅝	35½	36	3-16+ 9-16
Armcolnc	6	11-16	6	9-16 6 9-16
AtlRichfld	89⅛	88	15-16	89 3-16— ¾
ATMOS Egy	25	24	13-16	24⅛— ⅛
Aviall	16	15-16	16⅜	16 13-16— ¼
BP Amoco	114⅝	113	9-16	113⅞— ⅜
BakerHughes	34	9-16	33½	34⅛+ ⅜
Bank of Amer	69	7-16	68⅝	68⅞— 1¼
BellAtl	65¼	64⅝	65⅛+	5-16
BellSouth s	47¼	47	1-16	47 7-16—15-16
BethSteel	8	7	13-16	7 13-16— ⅛
BurlNoSFe s	31¾	31	1-16	31 3-16— 9-16
CBS Corp	44	11-16	44	3-16 44⅛— ⅜
Caterpillar	61	1-16	59⅝	59 15-16—1 5-16
CenSoWst	21⅜	21¼	21	5-16— 7-16
Chevron	91	13-16	91	5-16 91 9-16—11-16
Citigroup s	46	11-16	45	11-16 45⅞— 1½
Coastal	38	9-16	38	38 5-16+ ¼
CocaCola	61½	60⅝	61⅛— ¼	
ColgatePal s	49½	48	7-16	49 — 1-16
ComclMetals	34	3-16	33½	33⅞+ ½
Cooperln	56⅝	56	56	5-16+ 1-16
CyprusAmax	12	15-16	12⅝	12⅞— 3-16
DaimlrChry n	80	3-16	78⅛	79⅝— 5⅜
DallSemicn	50⅝	50⅛	50	7-16— 5-16
DeltaAirl s	61⅞	61	1-16	61 1-16— ⅛
Dillards Inc	32	7-16	32	32 1-16— 7-16
DowChem	125¾	124½	124	5-16— 2⅛
DuPont	72	7-16	71¼	71⅝—1 1-16
EastmanChem	52	15-16	51	11-16 52⅛—13-16
EstKodak	70	9-16	69⅝	69 7-16—1 3-16
EDS Corp	61	11-16	60	11-16 60 11-16— 1⅞
Entergy	30	9-16	30	1-16 30 1-16— ⅛
Exxon	78⅛	77	7-16	77 11-16— 1⅛
Flowers	16	11-16	16	5-16 16 5-16— ¼
FordMotor	52⅛	51	15-16	52 —13-16
GTE Cp	76	74⅛	74⅛— 7-16	
GenDynam	66⅛	65	11-16	65 13-16—15-16
GenElec	113	111	111½— 2⅝	
GenMills	84	7-16	83⅝	83 13-16—13-16
GenMotors	64⅛	64	64	1-16—1 11-16
GaPacGP s	48	1-16	47⅞	47⅞—1 15-16
GlobalMar	16⅛	16	16	5-16+ 5-16
Goodrich	41	3-16	40	13-16 41 — ⅛
Goodyear s	53	9-16	52⅝	53 1-16— 1-16
GtAtlPac	34⅛	34	11-16	34⅛— 5-16
Halliburtn	46⅞	45⅞	46	5-16+ ⅞
Hanson ADS	45⅞	45⅝	45⅝—13-16	
HarteHanks	26	1-16	25½	26 + 5-16
HomeDepot	64	5-16	63	9-16 63 15-16—1 3-16
IBM s	126⅛	125	125	13-16—2 9-16
IntlPaper	53⅛	52	11-16	52⅛— ⅜
JohnsonJn	94	7-16	92	13-16 92⅛— 2⅛
K mart	15	11-16	14⅛	14 15-16— 5-16
Kroger Co s	27	11-16	26⅛	26⅛— 1
Litton	69	11-16	69	3-16 69⅛— 1-16
LockheedM s	35⅝	34	13-16	34⅞— 9-16
Lowes Cos	54	13-16	53⅞	53⅞—1 9-16
Lubys	15	1-16	1515	
LucentTech s	66⅝	65⅛	65	9-16—1 5-16
MayDeptStr s	39	15-16	39⅛	39 9-16— ⅜
MediaOne	74	73⅝	73	13-16— 7-16
Medtronic	73⅛	72	1-16	72⅝—11-16
Mobil	101	100	1-16	100 3-16—1 7-16
Monsanto	38⅝	38⅛	38⅝— ⅛	
MorganJP	132⅝	130¼	130	9-16—3 7-16
Motorola	91	7-16	89⅝	90 3-16—1 13-16
NCR Corp	47⅝	46⅞	46⅞—1 3-16	
Navistar	47	7-16	47	47⅞— ⅜
Penney JC	45	13-16	45⅛	45 11-16— ½
PennzEnergy s	15	15-16	14	15-16 15⅛+ ⅛
PepBoys	16	13-16	16	9-16 16 13-16— 3-16
PepsiCo	39	5-16	38	15-16 39⅛— ⅛
PhelpDodge	60	7-16	59	9-16 59 13-16— ⅛
PhillipPet	51⅜	50⅝	51	+ 1-16
PilgrmPrd B	22⅛	21⅛	21⅛— 1	
Polaroid	23	7-16	22	15-16 23⅛— ⅜
Praxair	46⅛	45⅝	45⅝—1 3-16	
ProctGamb	88	3-16	86⅛	88 + 1⅛
PubSNwMx	19	15-16	19	13-16 19 13-16
ReliantEngy	27	15-16	27⅛	27 9-16— ½
RoyalDut	59	15-16	59	3-16 59⅛— ⅛
SBC Comm	57	1-16	55	15-16 55 15-16— 1⅛
SaraLee s	22	5-16	22⅛	22⅛— ⅛
Scripps EW	52⅛	51	11-16	51⅛— ⅜
SearsRoeb	41⅛	41¼	41	5-16— 9-16
SherwinW	27	1-16	26⅞	27 — 7-16
SmithklBchm	59	5-16	58	9-16 58⅞—2 15-16
SouthernCo	26⅛	26	7-16	26 9-16+ 1-16
SwstAirl s	18⅝	18⅛	18	5-16— ⅜
SprintFON s	54¼	52	7-16	53⅛+ 2⅛
SprintPCS n	66⅛	62	63	9-16+2 9-16
Sunoco Inc	31	1-16	30½	30 11-16— ⅞
TNP Ent	38⅛	37⅛	37⅛— 5-16	
Tandy s	52⅛	51⅞	52 — 5-16	
TempleInland	64	11-16	63⅛	64 3-16— ⅞
Tenneco	23	7-16	23⅛	23⅛— ⅛
Texaco	60⅛	60	5-16	60 11-16— 1-16
TexInd	36	15-16	36½	36 13-16+ 1-16
TexasInst	147	11-16	143⅛	143⅞—4 11-16
TexasInst wi	73⅛	72½	72½— 2⅛	
TexUtil	42⅛	41	11-16	41⅞— ⅛
Textron	84⅛	83	9-16	83½— 1⅛
TriconGlbR	41⅛	40¼	40⅞— ⅞	
TrinityInds	33	32⅛	32⅛—11-16	
TritonEngy	10⅞	10⅝	10	13-16— 3-16
TylerTech	5	9-16	5⅛	5 9-16
US West Inc	58	15-16	58	58 9-16— ⅞
USX-Marathn	30⅛	30	3-16	30 9-16— ⅞
USX-USS	27⅛	26¼	26	11-16— ⅞
UnCarbde	48⅛	47⅞	47⅞— 1⅞	
UnionPacif	54	9-16	54	54½— 1⅛
UnitedTech s	70	68⅞	69⅛	—11-16
Unocal	39⅛	38	15-16	38 15-16— 1
Venator Grp	10⅞	10⅛	10⅛— 5-16	
WalMart s	44	7-16	43½	43⅞—1 7-16
WellsFargo	40⅛	39	9-16	39⅞—1 1-16
WstnGasRs	16	1-16	15⅞	15 15-16— ⅛
WinnDixie	40⅛	40	3-16	40⅞— ⅛
Xerox Cp s	49⅞	48⅛	49⅛+ ⅛	

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Patterson	8 31/32	+3/32
Dell	41 7/16	-1 5/16
Wal Mart	43 11/16	-1 3/8
Compac	25 1/4	-11/16
Dol. Gen.	27 11/16	-13/16
GTE	74 15/16	-3/8
SBC Comm.	55 15/16	-1 1/2
Tx Instr.	143 7/8	-4 11/16
LU	65 9/16	-1 5/16
Cisco Sys.	61 9/16	-1 3/4

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Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

Baked to perfection

When the editor of a leading gourmet cooking magazine set out to test a variety of baking sheets, the results were quite interesting.

The same cookies were baked on three types of sheets, insulated sheets, sheets with sides and sheets without sides. Nonstick sheets were included in each category. The outcome showed that high cost is not necessarily related to high performance.

For easy cookie removal, insulated baking sheets turned out to be the most satisfactory. Cleanup, however, was more difficult. Cookie sheets with sides produced the most evenly baked cookies, but the resulting product was a little dry. Sheets without sides performed similar to the insulated ones, but the cookies tended to be a bit too brown.

Regardless of category, light and shinier baking sheets consistently produced moist, golden cookies. Cookies baked on sheets with darker coating were a darker color and had a soft texture.

Greg Gruben, County Extension Agent

White Grubs here early this year: it's time to spray

If you have been outside this summer you may have noticed fewer June beetles than last year. A&M entomologists say June beetles came both earlier and lighter than normal this year. June beetles are the adult stage of the white grub.

Extension entomologist Robert Crocker says "matting flights of June beetles were unusually early and short this year." "This year there is more time than usual to make pesticide applications," said Mike Merchant, extension entomologist.

He says grubs are still small and if pesticides are applied for grubs now, they'll have a better chance of success. Merchant warns not to spray for an insect you don't have. Otherwise, pesticide applications are a waste of time and money, and if it gets into sewer or streams there is the potential environmental damage. He says to look for C-shaped, white, worm-like insects in the grass root zone. Treat if you have more than four or five grubs per square foot of turf.

Trapped Chinese miners feared dead

BEIJING (AP) — After two weeks of rescue efforts, 29 miners trapped in a flooded iron ore mine in eastern China are believed dead, the China Daily reported Wednesday.

Rescuers have pumped hundreds of tons of cement onto the area of seepage to prevent further flooding. They have found no signs of survival, the report said.

The 29 workers were trapped on July 12 when water flooded the shaft at the Laiwu Iron and Steel Group's mine, about 275 miles southeast of Beijing, the state newspaper said.

Agribusiness did not cause price slump

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a rebuff to farm-state Democrats, the Justice Department's antitrust chief said Tuesday that agribusiness mergers did not cause the slump in commodity prices and sometimes even help producers.

"That price decline is not a product of increased concentration" in agribusiness, Assistant Attorney General Joel I. Klein told the Senate Agriculture Committee. "There are other factors."

There is no significant difference in competition in the industry now than in 1996, when commodity prices peaked, Klein said.

Economists attribute the recent decline in crop prices to a worldwide glut of grain and economic problems in Asia and Europe that cut into their food imports.

But with the agricultural economy stuck in its worst downturn since the mid-1980s, many lawmakers have been pointing to declining competition among food processors, pesticide makers, seed companies and other agribusinesses as the culprit. For example, four meatpackers control 80 percent of the nation's beef, up from 36 percent two decades ago.

After the hearing, Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D., said Klein was ignoring a long-term decline in commodity prices relative to what consumers pay for food. "Power in the marketing chain gives you a greater share of the retail dollar," Conrad said.

Earlier this month, the Justice Department came under criticism from congressional Democrats for allowing Cargill Inc., North America's second-largest grain trader, to acquire the grain operations of Continental Grain Co. even though the companies were required to sell some of their assets.

"I'm not sure that is going to mean a darn thing back on the farm," Sen. Tom Harkin, D-Iowa, told Klein.

The Agriculture Department estimates the two companies control 42 percent of U.S. corn exports, a third of soybeans sold overseas and at least 20 percent of wheat exports.

The forced divestiture would ensure buyers are still available to compete for farmers' grain, Klein said. It's in farmers' interest for U.S. companies to cut their costs, because they have to compete overseas, he said.

"If we don't compete efficiently in Asia, if we don't compete efficiently in Europe to sell products, that's going to hurt the family farm," Klein said.

Klein also told the panel antitrust laws generally are adequate to protect farm interests, although he thinks Congress should give Justice responsibility for approving railroad mergers.

Rep. Stenholm supports lower premiums for crop insurance

By Charlie Stenholm

Last week, Agriculture Subcommittee on Risk Management, Research and Specialty Crops reported on legislation that will dramatically increase the government's contribution to crop insurance.

The bill, which will cost an estimated $6 billion for fiscal years 2000-2004, increases subsidies for crop insurance premiums and allows agricultural cooperatives to purchase insurance on behalf of their members.

This whole process began when Congress budgeted additional funds to be used for risk assessment and income assistance for agricultural producers. In so doing, Congress acknowledged that the farm income policies, as well as crop insurance, were just not working.

While I support the goal of lowering the cost of crop insurance and making it more useful as a risk management tool, I am disappointed that the bill's sponsors have used all of the available funds in this manner.

Furthermore, I believe that Congress must address price — the farming business' revenues — and not just yield.

When the full Agriculture Committee meets to consider this bill, I will propose an amendment that will provide income to producers in years when farm revenue is low. I believe this is the approach producers are looking for, and I am hopeful my colleagues on the Agriculture Committee sill support my proposal.

Colorado City cattle auction

The Colorado City Livestock market had a run of 884 head of cattle for the Saturday, July 24, sale. The market was steady on all classes of feeder and stocker yearlings and calves. Packer cows were steady to $1 higher. Packer bulls were steady with young, bred cows and pairs steady, according to quality.

Feeder steers:
200-300: 82-109
300-400: 90-107
400-500: 83-95
500-600: 76-82.50
600-750: 68-76
Feeder heifers:
200-300: 91-108
300-400: 81-96
400-500: 75-86
500-600: 72-79.50
600-750: 68-76
Young bred cows: 545-630
Medium age to older bred cows: 450-540
Young cows and calves: 720-900
Medium age to older cows and calves: 510-650
Packer cows: 36-44.25
Shelly cows: 32-36
Packer bulls: 48-53

Lubbock Cattle auction

The Lubbock Cattle Auction had a run of 903 head of cattle for the Thursday, July 22, sale. Cows were steady. Yearlings and calves were steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows
High dressing — cutters — utilities: 37-42.50
Canners and low cutters: 31-36.75
Slaughter bulls: 4 to 55
Feeder steers — choice
300-400: 92-111
400-500: 80 to 93.50
500-600: 75-84.50
600-700: 74-81
700-800: 70-76.50
Feeder heifers — choice
300-400: 85-95
400-500: 75-87.50
500-600: 72-77.50
600-700: 70-75
700-800: 65-74.50
Feeder bulls — good and choice
500-600: 75-82
700-800: 63-72.50
Cow and calf pairs
Good: 675-900
Grade: 550-650
Springers: 400-650
Baby calves: 100-175
Doodlers: 150-240

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U.S. craft flies near asteroid

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hurtling through space, a NASA spacecraft flew within 15 miles of an asteroid, the closest one has ever come to a solar system object without landing.

Deep Space 1's flyby of the Asteroid Braille at a relative speed of 35,000 mph late Wednesday successfully capped a mission to prove the worthiness of new technology for future probes, according to initial results.

"Our preliminary indication is that the encounter went extremely well," said Marc Rayman, the mission's deputy manager at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena. "With reasonable confidence we can say the distance was less than 15 miles, perhaps much less than that."

A computer aboard the barrel-shaped probe used star positions and images it took of the target to guide its approach. Normally, controllers on the ground send navigation commands to spacecraft.

Images of the asteroid and science data were not expected to be available until late today or Friday, Rayman said.

The flyby more than 117 million miles from Earth comes near the end of Deep Space 1's primary mission that tested a dozen new technologies for future spacecraft. It is the first probe of NASA's New Millennium Program.

"No science mission could rely on using the technologies until they've been shown to work in space," Rayman said. "Deep Space 1 took the risk so other missions wouldn't have to."

Researchers hope instruments on the 1,071-pound spacecraft will reveal the asteroid's mass, density, makeup and whether it's a mile-diameter rock or a pile of rocks.

The $152 million mission was launched Oct. 24.

Among the technologies tested was an engine that powered the spacecraft by sending out a stream of high-speed particles known as ions. Conventional probes typically burn fuel.

Ion engines are preferable t because they deliver 10 times more thrust than a conventional engine for a given amount of fuel. That means spacecraft can be smaller, lighter and less expensive to launch.

Deep Space 1 also was given a mind of its own so it could find its way through space without much help from ground controllers. The asteroid flyby was the final test of the Autonomous Navigation system.

"It only seems appropriate that one of the last events of the (primary) mission turns out to be one of the most exciting," Rayman said.

Deep Space 1 will remain functional when the prime mission ends Sept. 18 and, if an extended mission is funded, could fly by two comets in 2001.

Obituaries

Rena Jordan

Rena Jordan

1932-1999

Rena "Daisy" Jordan, a resident of the Fluvanna community for the past 42 years, died at 1 a.m. today in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Funeral service for Mrs. Jordan, 67, is set for 2 p.m. Saturday in the Fluvanna Methodist Church. Dr. Ed Barkowsky will officiate, assisted by Mr. Tommy Marricle. Burial will follow in the Fluvanna Cemetery under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born May 31, 1932 in Carlsbad, N.M., she married Bob Jordan on June 2, 1953 in Hobbs, N.M.

A homemaker, Mrs. Jordan was a longtime member of the Fluvanna Methodist Church where she was a Sunday school teacher for many years. She also served as church treasurer for many years.

Survivors include her husband, Bob Jordan of Fluvanna; three daughters, Renetta Collier, Danita Covey and Lorinda Hardin, all of Snyder; two brothers, Wayne Lewis and Austin Lewis, both of Carlsbad; and six grandchildren, Bronc Collier, Tucker Collier, Jackie Beccue, Jacy Beccue, Jordan Hardin and Rankin Hardin, all of Snyder.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society, West Texas State Bank, 1901 26th Street; or the Fluvanna Methodist Church, Fluvanna, Tex. 79517.

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Clinton seeking support for 'Marshall Plan' for Balkans

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton is seeking support from Western leaders for what he has described as a Marshall Plan for rebuilding the Balkans after nearly a decade of ethnic warfare and economic setbacks.

Clinton left today for a gathering Friday in Sarajevo, Bosnia, that administration officials said will underscore the isolation of Yugoslavia's Slobodan Milosevic and remind Serbs that "he has brought them four wars and a ruined economy."

Clinton will join the leaders of nearly 40 nations to discuss ways to buttress economic and political reforms and improve security in southeastern Europe, where NATO recently waged a 78-day air war against Serb-led Yugoslavia.

Seven weeks after Serb forces began retreating from the beleaguered province of Kosovo, the United States and its allies are trying to assess the costs of rebuilding Kosovo and stabilizing its neighbors. The Kosovo cost alone has been estimated at $3 billion to $5 billion, although the World Bank said the damage was less than expected.

"Serbia will be the only country not there, (the) only country not part of an enterprise that means rebuilding and rebirth and growth and better lives for the people of the region," White House National Security Adviser Sandy Berger said Wednesday.

"I think that most people in Serbia today ... believe that he has led them down a path to destruction, that he has brought them four wars and a ruined economy," Berger said.

In part because of ethnic wars born of the breakup of the former Yugoslavia, the Balkans remain Europe's poorest region, and its most volatile.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, Berger and other U.S. officials will also attend the conference.

Leading up to the Bosnia meeting, the United States pledged $500 million at a donor's conference in Brussels, Belgium, to help feed and house refugees returning to Kosovo.

65 deaths recorded as U.S. heat wave persists

By The Associated Press

With temperatures in the 90s and humidity levels making it feel as hot as 110 degrees, it was a lonely day to be a furrier in Omaha, Neb.

Business wasn't exactly booming at Heather Ray's Christian Nobel Furs, despite an air-conditioned store and furs for up to 75 percent off.

"I can't even give them away," she said.

Like much of the country, Omaha sweltered through another day of scorching temperatures Wednesday as a heat wave that has killed people in nine states rolled on with little relief forecast until the weekend.

The hot weather has been blamed for at least 65 deaths since July 19. Hardest hit have been Missouri, with 24 deaths, and Illinois, with 19.

Temperatures were in the 90s from the Plains to the East Coast again Wednesday, with the heat index — a measure of temperature and humidity — hitting triple digits in many areas.

In North Dakota, Sue Runyan was working on an expansion project at the Bismarck Civic Center Thursday morning.

"This has been the worst that I've seen it, this summer. Even without the heat, there's been the humidity. And the humidity will leave you drenched."

"Whew," said Antoine Dean, wiping beads of sweat from his brow as he worked at his food cart in downtown St. Louis. "Most days people want the snow cones, but today they're taking the big cups."

New Jersey Gov. Christie Whitman said she planned to issue a drought warning so that water can be transferred from wetter areas to drier ones.

In Bismarck, N.D., temperatures reached 100 degrees for the first time in eight years. The nation's high Wednesday was 111 in Pierre, S.D. Little Rock, Ark., had the highest heat index at 118 degrees.

A series of showers helped cool some parts of Missouri but much of the state topped 90 degrees for the 14th straight day.

Accident leads to DWI arrest

A minor accident Wednesday afternoon led to the felony arrest of one subject.

Department of Public Safety troopers responded to the accident on Hwy. 180 at 6:57 p.m. and 34-year-old Kevin Arthur Holmesly of 2226 Sunset was arrested for felony driving while intoxicated.

DPS troopers also took a 25-year-old male into custody Wednesday. He was arrested on U.S. Hwy. 84 at 4:11 p.m. for driving while license suspended.

In other activity, a caller reported hearing gunshots in the area of the 600 block of 19th Street at 12:04 p.m. Officers advised they will maintain a close patrol.

Terry Bowden requested an officer at 3403 College at 1:28 p.m. to pick up what appeared to be a counterfeit $10 bill. An officer picked up the bill and carried it to the police department.

At 8:58 p.m., Marlene Lewis notified officers that someone had broken into her home in the 1100 block of 26th Street. An offense report for Class C criminal mischief was submitted.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Loyed Dempsey and Dejahn Peppers.

DISMISSALS: Mary Floyd, Ronald Morris, Danisha Ollison and baby boy, Patsy Covey, Lorene Franklin, Christine Hoyle and Ofelia Perez.

CENSUS: 30 (Med., Surg.-5, Long-term Care-24, CCU-1).

Births

John and Heather Plaisance of Belton are parents of a daughter, Kaitlyn Judith-Glee Plaisance, born July 20 in Harris Methodist Erath County Hospital. Kaitlyn weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces and was welcomed by two-year-old twin brothers, J.R. and Aldon Plaisance.

Maternal grandparents are Richard and Linda Merrell of Belton and Don and Judy McArthur of Snyder. Paternal grandmother is Patsy Sibley of Sugar Land. Great-grandparents are Ed and Tena Gray of Lorenzo and Clyde and Thelma Frazier of Belton.

Attention:

Newly Accepted Students

Orientation & Registration Dates

Transfer students -August 17

Freshman students -August 18-19

Registration - Gymnasium

Seniors and Graduate Students - August 23

9 a.m. - 1 p.m., 3 p.m.-7 p.m.

All Other Admitted Students - August 24

9 a.m.-1 p.m., 3 p.m.-7 p.m.

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ONGOINGS

Nazarene VBS

First Church of Nazarene is hosting a Vacation Bible School through Friday from 7 to 8:30 p.m. It is for ages 4-12 and will include puppets, crafts, games and music. Call 573-5601 for transportation.

SHS Quarterback Club

The SHS Quarterback Club will meet at 6:30 this evening in the SHS student center for election of officers and discussion of upcoming fundraisers.

Going-away reception

A reception in honor of Scurry County Librarian Noreen Taylor will be held at 10 a.m. Friday at the library. The public is invited. Mrs. Taylor is moving to Amarillo.

Chamber board meeting

The chamber of commerce board of directors meeting has been rescheduled for 11:30 a.m. Friday at the Shack.

Benefit bake sale

A bake sale will be held Friday, beginning at 8 a.m., at Wal-Mart to help with medical expenses for C.R. Perez, manager of IGA, who recently underwent heart bypass surgery.

Boys and Girls Club

Friday night activities at the Boys and Girls Club includes an open gym and game room from 8 p.m. until midnight.

Joy School

Joy School at East Side Church of Christ is now state licensed and will be open five days a week. The school is for ages 18 months to pre-kindergarten and begins Aug. 11. Parents may choose days wanted. Call 573-3554 for 575-1138 for more information.

King's Kids registration

First Baptist Church is currently registering for King's Kids, ages 1-5, and for Mothers' Day Out, six months to five years old. Call 573-2631 for more information.

Sunday lunch fundraiser

Martha Ann Woman's Club will host a fundraising luncheon from 11:30 to 1:30 p.m. Sunday. Tickets are $8.50 for adults and $4 for children under 10. Reservations must be made by noon Friday by calling 573-3427, 573-6443, 573-5586 or 573-6717.

Video available

A video of the SHS 1989 class reunion is available for $15. Call 573-8392.

Rock and Roll quilting club

The quilting club meets every Monday from 8 a.m. until noon at Hermleigh Community Center for free quilting lessons. Everyone is invited. Call 863-2426 for more information.

Seniors swimnastics

Swimnastics for senior citizens is held from 10 to 11 a.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays at Western Texas College.

Bible study tapes

Bible study video tapes air weekly on cable TV channel 2. The tapes to be shown at 7 p.m. Monday are "How the Gospel Addresses Sin," followed by "Thoughts About Heaven."

Guest speaker

Janice Wagner, RN, will speak on depression and withdrawn behavior in the elderly at 7 p.m. Tuesday at Snyder Oaks Care Center. The public is invited and there is no charge.

Garage sale items needed

Lighthouse Assembly of God, 1900 Trinity Blvd., is accepting items for their garage sale to benefit the church building fund. Furniture, clothes, appliances and other items are appreciated. Call 573-5124 or 573-2947 for pickup.

Support groups

Four different support groups meet at 6:30 the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church. The groups include divorce recovery, cancer support group, grief support and adult children caring for aging parents. Child care is provided.

Road to Recovery program

Volunteers are needed to take patients to Abilene or Lubbock one day a week for cancer treatment. Following approval American Cancer Society, drivers will be provided liability insurance and can be reimbursed for fuel expenses incurred for the trip. For more information, contact ASC Road to Recovery volunteer coordinator Martha Schiebel at 573-8626 and leave a message, or Sammie Jarrell at 573-5993.

Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) One ticket correctly matched all six numbers drawn Wednesday night for the twice-weekly Lotto Texas game, state lottery officials said.

The ticket, worth an estimated $10 million, was sold in Midland.

The numbers drawn Wednesday night from a field of 50 were: 7-18-19-21-34-48.

Saturday night's drawing will be worth an estimated $4 million.

Pick 3

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

8-6-4

(eight, six, four)

Deal finalized for Proposition 187

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Gov. Gray Davis has struck a deal with civil rights organizations, nullifying the major provisions of a controversial ballot measure that sought to limit services to illegal immigrants.

Davis agreed not to appeal a federal court ruling that held much of the voter-approved initiative Proposition 187 to be unconstitutional, Davis' spokesman Michael Bustamante said today.

The deal was expected to be approved today by the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco.

Maddux family may never see jury's award

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — After a jury awarded $907 million to the family of a woman killed by a former counterculture guru two decades ago, there is good news and bad news for the family.

The good news is that since fugitive Ira Einhorn did not respond to the court papers he signed for in France and did not put on a defense in the civil wrongful death suit, he cannot appeal the award, the plaintiffs' lawyer said Wednesday after the verdict. Large jury awards in civil cases are frequently reduced on appeal.

The bad news is that there is little hope the family of Helen "Holly" Maddux of Tyler will be able to collect the money.

James R. Beasley, the Philadelphia attorney who represented the family for free, said the point was to prevent Einhorn from profiting from any book or movie deals about the high-profile case.

The jury's message to Einhorn was clear, Beasley said: "If you do, you'll be wasting your time, because you'll never make a nickel out of it."

If Einhorn does get a contract, Beasley said he will serve the publisher or movie producer with legal papers ordering that no payment be made to Einhorn until the $907 million judgment is paid.

Einhorn, convicted in absentia in 1993 of the 1977 murder of Maddux, his live-in girlfriend, is fighting extradition from France. He did not attend the two-day civil trial and did not send a lawyer to represent him.

Einhorn had failed to reply to numerous legal papers that were delivered to his home, leading Judge Sandra Moser Moss to rule that he had effectively admitted liability. She told jurors that their only decision was to determine how much Einhorn should have to pay, if anything.

The jury awarded the family $752 million in punitive damages and $155 million in compensatory damages.

Family members sat quietly in their seats as the verdict was read following little more than an hour of deliberation.

It was unclear how the jurors arrived at those specific figures; they left quickly after exchanging kisses, hugs and handshakes with family members. Beasley and members of the Maddux family said they did not know.

"Several of them were in tears," said Elizabeth Hall, one of Ms. Maddux's sisters. "More than one of them said, 'There isn't enough money to give you.'"

"It's just an indication of how many good people there are in the world," said Ms. Maddux's brother, John.

Earlier in the day, Ms. Hall testified that she was "infuriated and horrified" at the thought Einhorn could make millions from his story.

"What kind of posthumous damage could he do to the reputation of my sister?" she said.

While Ms. Maddux was bludgeoned to death in 1977, her body was not found until 18 months later in a closet in Einhorn's home.

"Within 10 feet of his bed lay the coffin of Holly Maddux," Beasley said during his closing argument. "What type of individual could conceivably spend 18 months within 10 feet of a corpse that he put in a trunk?"

A prominent antiwar campaigner and activist in the 1960s, Einhorn, now 58, fled the United States shortly before his 1981 trial and was sentenced to life in prison following the 1993 trial.

After 16 years in hiding, he was tracked down and arrested at his home in the French countryside in June 1997. However, a French court refused to extradite him because French law does not allow for trial without the defendant being present. After Pennsylvania passed a law promising a retrial, Einhorn was rearrested in September 1998.

In February, a French court ordered him extradited provided that he be retried and not face the death penalty. Einhorn remains free in France while appealing the extradition order.

Einhorn could not immediately be reached Wednesday for comment on the verdict.

In an interview with the syndicated radio talk show Radio America on Wednesday morning, Einhorn said he was interested in writing a book but had no intention of making money.

"I have no desire to profit from this situation," he said. "I am innocent of the crime as charged, and I will declare that until my dying breath."

Ms. Hall said she had heard the interview and thought Einhorn sounded increasingly desperate.

Date book

Thursday, July 29, 1999

Today is the 210th day of 1999 and the 39th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1957, Jack Paar made his debut as host of "The Tonight Show."

On this day in 1966, Bob Dylan was injured in a motorcycle accident near his home in Woodstock, N.Y.

On this day in 1981, Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer were wed at St. Paul's Cathedral in London. The wedding was seen by 700 million television viewers around the world.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Alexis de Tocqueville (1805-1859), writer; Booth Tarkington (1869-1946), writer; Benito Mussolini (1883-1945), Italian fascist dictator; Melvin Belli (1907-1996), lawyer; Paul Taylor (1930-), dancer-choreographer, is 69; Peter Jennings (1938-), broadcast journalist, is 61; Marilyn Tucker Quayle (1949-), second lady, is 50.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1911, "Smokey" Joe Wood pitched a no-hitter, striking out 12 batters, as Boston defeated St. Louis 5-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "If I were asked... to what the singular prosperity and growing strength of (the Americans) ought mainly to be attributed, I should reply: To the superiority of their women." — Alexis de Tocqueville

TODAY'S MOON: Day after full moon (July 28).

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