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For fun-filled events...

Towle Park busy place

Towle Park is bustling with activity as preparations continue for the Fourth of July weekend celebration.

Snyder Chamber of Commerce staff has already marked off booth spaces in the armory. Booths will begin setting up at 8 a.m. Friday in the armory and throughout the park.

Mowers were cutting grass this morning in the park and Pride of Texas Carnival workers continued setting up rides and games.

The carnival, sponsored by the Snyder Lions Club, will be open each night through Sunday.

Although the majority of events will be held Saturday, booths will be open Friday from 4 p.m. to 10 p.m. Entertainment begins Friday evening as the Horseshoe Band will play at 8 o'clock in the Cottonwood Flats area. Reggie Gardner will take the stage at 9.

Saturday activities get underway at 8 a.m. with the annual prayer breakfast to be held this year in the Cottonwood Flats area.

Registration for the horseshoe and washer pitching tournaments also gets underway at 8 a.m.

At 9 a.m. Saturday, booths open to the public and the horseshoe, washer pitching, and volleyball tournaments begin.

In addition, the annual flag-raising ceremony will be held at 9 a.m. outside the Armory.

Parade line up also begins at 9 a.m. near Moffett Field with the parade scheduled to start at 10 a.m.

The theme of this year's parade is "Celebrating a Century of Freedom." Cash prizes will be awarded.

Those who plan to ride horses are advised the animals must have had a recent Coggins test. No roller blades will be allowed in the parade and go-carts must be driven or accompanied by an adult.

Bicycles entered in the decorating contest will be judged beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Prizes will be awarded for first through third place in four age groups including 5 and under, 6-8, 9-11 and 12 and older.

Entertainment will be held throughout the day in the Cottonwood Flats area of the park.

Also, the First Christian Church's Christian Women's Fellowship will be raffling for a red, white and blue quilt. Tickets are $1 and will be sold in the Cottonwood Flats area.

For those needing a break from the heat, Towle Park Pool opens at 1:30 p.m. Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

Persons are invited to the Old Rodeo Grounds on Gary Brewer Road at 9 p.m. Saturday to dance to the music of Prairie Fire.

On Sunday, Charlie Anderson will hold a book-signing for his new book "Confederate General: William R. 'Dirty Neck Bill' Scurry, 1821-1864" from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in the Dermott School located on the coliseum grounds.

The fireworks display will be held on Sunday, July 4th in the park after dark. The chamber will also be selling the popular glow-in-the-dark novelty items.

The community is also invited to the God and Country Celebration being planned by the Ministerial Alliance.

The service will be held at 7 p.m. Sunday at Colonial Hill Baptist Church.

First Baptist Church and Colonial Hill choirs will join in a song worship, "With Liberty and Justice For All."

An added feature this year will be the use of multimedia to present patriotic scenes on a large screen during the music presentation.

In addition, veterans will be recognized.

Casual dress is encouraged and everyone is urged to attend the fireworks display in the park following the service.

PREPARING THE COURTS — Manny Rios clears an area around the horseshoe poles preparing for Saturday's tournament. Dorothy and Don Duncan, who are running the draw doubles tournament, wait to try the court out. Registration begins at 8 a.m. Saturday with a $5 entry fee. First place wins 50 percent of the total entry money; second place, 30 percent; and third place, 20 percent. (SDN Staff Photo)

For violence...

Bush says Hollywood should shoulder blame

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Hollywood is partly responsible for violent behavior by young movie viewers, GOP presidential candidate George W. Bush says.

"I think there is a correlation between violence in movies and youth violence," Bush said Tuesday. "But I also think there is a correlation between violence and drug use and alcohol abuse and lack of parental love."

Bush says repeatedly on the stump that as president he would usher in a new era of personal responsibility.

Between fund-raisers Tuesday he said the entertainment industry should help ring in that new era, and he hinted he would broach the subject of violence with Hollywood movers and shakers later in the day.

"The whole point I'm going to make with the movie folks is that all of us need to work together to change the culture," he told a mob of reporters in San Diego. "One industry alone does not bear all the brunt. All of us in society must do so, including the print media."

Bush made his comments before a private meeting in the Bel Air section of Los Angeles at the home of Terry Semel, chairman and co-chief executive officer of Warner Brothers.

He gingerly raised the subject of Hollywood and violence to his audience there, according to spokeswoman Karen Hughes. The event was closed to the news media; Hughes transcribed Bush's remarks and provided them to reporters later.

"My job is not to hold somebody up for scorn," the Republican front-runner for the presidential nomination told more than 100 Hollywood executives, producers and actors.

"My job is to appeal to people from all parts of society, to call on all of us to do our part to usher in the responsibility era," Bush said.

"If I win, I'll see you at the White House," Bush told listeners. "If I lose, I'll see you at your movie theaters."

Semel, the host, was among those who huddled behind closed doors last month with Motion Picture Association of America president Jack Valenti to talk about Washington efforts to hold the entertainment industry accountable for schoolyard violence.

Semel and film producer Jerry Weintraub were among those listed as "dinner chairmen" at a Bush fund-raiser in Los Angeles Tuesday night.

Weintraub produced "Soldier," a film released last year that envisioned a future in which newborn babies are snatched from their cradles and trained to become as professional killers.

An Associated Press reviewer called the film "an orgy of slaughter and explosion."

Weintraub and Valenti attended the meeting at Semel's house Tuesday, as did actor Warren Beatty, a diehard liberal.

Late Tuesday night, Bush picked up $2.3 million from some 2,000 donors in Century City.

Andrews County targeted for radioactive material

ODESSA (AP) — A nuclear dump is still on track for a West Texas county after a company which already operates a disposal-and-treatment facility in the area received two large contracts from the U.S. Department of Defense and the Army Corps of Engineers worth millions of dollars.

Workers for Waste Control Specialists will dispose of hundreds of thousands of cubic feet of low-level radioactive materials in western Andrews County.

"These are sites that for the most part processed materials for the Manhattan Project being remediated by the Army Corps of Engineers," Bill Dornsife, vice president of nuclear affairs for WCS, told the Odessa American.

Company documents obtained by the newspaper reveal that the five-year contract with the Army Corps of Engineers may be worth as much as $96 million to WCS and represents hundreds of thousands of cubic yards of material.

Lawmakers earlier this month finished their session without changing the state's nuclear waste law. In accordance with the federally approved compact for nuclear waste with Maine and Vermont, it requires that low-level nuclear waste be buried in Hudspeth County.

But the Andrews Industrial Foundation wanted to attract a dump for economic development purposes.

Shipments of the Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (NORM), and Low-Activity Radioactive Material (LARM) waste from military sites around St. Louis, Mo., and New Jersey may start by rail as soon as this fall.

The Department of Defense awarded one of the contracts to WCS after the material already had been disposed of at Envirocare of Utah's site. Following disposal in Utah, Envirocare found the material contained small amounts of depleted uranium and lead from bullet fragments.

Envirocare's high cost for disposal of "mixed" wastes, hazardous and radioactive material that is mixed together, led the DOD to recontract the waste for disposal at WCS, said Dornsife. The company operates a storage, processing and disposal facility for hazardous and low-level radioactive wastes at a 1,330-acre facility in western Andrews County.

State legislators blocked WCS from being able to hold its own operating license and contract directly with the U.S. Department of Energy for military-generated radioactive waste.

"I have concerns about how a company can take the position that they want this waste no matter what the state says. There may be a reaction" on the part of the Legislature, said Rep. Warren Chisum, R-Pampa.

Producers charge Iraq with dumping crude oil

WASHINGTON (AP) — A coalition of independent oil producers filed a petition with the federal government Tuesday charging that Iraq, Mexico, Saudi Arabia and Venezuela are unlawfully dumping their crude oil on the U.S. market.

The petition was filed with the Commerce Department and the International Trade Commission by an Enid, Okla.-based coalition known as Save Domestic Oil.

Under terms of a 1930 trade law, SDO is asking the government to investigate whether the four countries sold crude oil at unusually low prices in the U.S. market. A determination of illegal dumping could trigger tariffs against those countries.

The anti-dumping petition alleges the imports are being sold in the United States at "less than normal value" and that the four countries' governments are subsidizing their national oil companies.

"These unfairly traded imports have materially injured certain regional domestic producers manufacturing crude petroleum oil and threaten to cause further material injury if remedial action is not taken," the petition states.

The president of Venezuela's national oil company, Petroleos de Venezuela S.A., said there is "simply no basis" for the filing.

"PDVSA does not receive subsidies from the government," said president Roberto Mandini. "PDVSA does not sell oil below production costs. The allegations are baseless."

Mandini added, "We will defend our position vigorously and take all legal steps necessary to vindicate our actions and to maintain our strong relationships in the United States."

Noting the huge job losses in the depressed domestic oil industry, SDO Chairman Harold Hamm said: "We believe this action is necessary to ensure our nation's long-term energy security by maintaining a vital domestic oil industry for the remaining 430,000 U.S. oilfield workers."

In a statement, Energy Secretary Bill Richardson described the dumping claim as "a serious charge, with potentially serious consequences."

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Busy folks have a strong will. Lazy folks have a strong won't."

Nobody has ever accused us of being a handyman.

If the toilet needs a new float, ole what's-her-name insists that we call a professional. Even if we try it anyway, the professional always gets to mop up our mess.

We once decided that we could paint. We still have that screwdriver that we used to stir it up. The professional said that was bad form.

However, we were not quite as bad as the blonde who announced that she was sick and tired of being the target of jokes.

She decided to show her husband that blondes really are smart. While her husband was at work, she decided to paint a couple of rooms in the house.

Her husband arrived home shortly after 5 o'clock and detected the distinctive odor of fresh paint. He walked into the living room and found his better half lying on the floor in a pool of sweat.

She was wearing a ski jacket and heavy coat at the same time. He rushed to her side and asked if she was okay.

She replied that she was.

He then inquired as to why she was wearing both a ski jacket and the heavy overcoat.

"I read the directions," she explained. "It said, for best results, put on two coats."

Sometimes, you'd think lawmakers surely were blondes — or Aggies.

Here's a sample of loopy laws still on the books:

--It's illegal for mourners at a wake in Massachusetts to eat more than three sandwiches.

--In Maine, it's against the law to step out of an airplane while in flight.

--In Vermont, whistling underwater is illegal.

--You can be stopped by the police in Connecticut for biking more than 65 miles per hour.

--In Cleveland, you can't catch mice without a hunting license.

--It's illegal to set a mousetrap in California without a hunting license.

--In Rhode Island, it's an offense to throw pickle juice on a trolley.

--In Ohio, you're breaking the law if you get a fish drunk.

--In New York, the penalty for jumping off a building is death.

ASK US

Q—When has the Texas Department of Transportation scheduled reconstruction of the traffic circle?

A—The project is scheduled to be let in April 2000 and work will begin shortly thereafter.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Tuesday, 96 degrees; low, 75; 7 a.m. Wednesday, 75; no precipitation; total for 1999, 13.59 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, partly cloudy; less than 20% chance of evening storms. Low, lower 70s. S wind 10-20 mph. Thursday, sunny, continued hot. High around 102. S-SE wind 10-20 mph.

Kelly Holdren
Hot

Sunset: 8:52 p.m.
Sunrise: 6:43 a.m.
Of 180 days in 1999, the sun has shone 173 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

"Courage puts a new face on everything."

Emerson

JUN 30 1999

San Antonio's growth second fastest in U.S.

PHOENIX (AP) — Like thousands of other transplants from the Midwest, Mark Janousek moved here from Minnesota to escape the snow. He found plentiful sunshine, and he also found plenty of company.

"The people drive much, much too fast and follow too close. There's too many tailgaters — I'd never seen that before," he said.

Aggressive drivers on congested highways are just two byproducts from Phoenix's explosive expansion in the 1990s — a population surge that made the city the nation's fastest growing.

The U.S. Census Bureau reported Tuesday that Phoenix's population increased 21.3 percent between 1990 and 1998 to 1,198,064.

San Antonio was second among cities of 1 million people or more, with an increase of 14.1 percent to 1,114,130 over the same period.

San Diego (9.9 percent, 1,220,666), Houston (8.0 percent, 1,786,691) and Dallas (6.8 percent, 1,075,894) rounded out the top five among major cities.

But the Census Bureau said the fastest growing category was cities with populations between 10,000 and 50,000, which grew 8.6 percent overall.

Mesquite, Nev., rocketed 441.2 percent to 10,125 people, and Frisco, Texas, grew 328.5 percent to 26,304. Of course, a few new folks can make a relatively dramatic difference in smaller cities. A city of 1 million, by contrast, would have to grow by 86,000 people to show an 8.6 percent increase.

According to the new estimates, New York remained the nation's most populous city, with 7.4 million people, followed by Los Angeles, with 3.6 million. Phoenix became the nation's seventh most populous city in 1998, climbing from ninth in 1990. San Antonio rose from 10th to eighth place.

The fact that Phoenix was tops in population growth doesn't surprise residents.

"All you have do is look around Phoenix to see that we have been growing quickly," said Sandy Bahr, spokeswoman for the Sierra Club in Phoenix. "But we haven't planned that growth very well."

During the decade, the massive growth has reshaped the look of the city, with new factories, highways, houses, office buildings, schools, shopping centers and sports stadiums.

"The economy has become much more diversified," said Ferrell Quinlan, spokesman for the Arizona Chamber of Commerce. "We have a lot of high-tech, high-paying jobs that have brought wealth in."

San Antonio officials say they have also diversified beyond a traditional reliance on the military. The city has developed a vibrant medical and biomedical economy and increased its tourism and convention business.

"What we're seeing is the payoff from the transformation of this city's economy over the last 25 years," said Joe Krier, president of the Greater San Antonio Chamber of Commerce.

Phoenix's growth this decade continues a pattern from the 1970s and '80s, driven in part by retirees looking for warmer days and blue-collar workers fleeing declining industries in the rust-belt states.

But cheap housing and land in the early 1990s and an influx of California transplants helped launch the current boom, Quinlan said.

For Phoenix officials, the go-go growth has been a cultural and recreational boon. The city added major-league hockey and baseball teams this decade to the football and basketball clubs it alrea ly had.

But Bahr and others say there is a clear downside to the influx of more than 200,000 newcomers in eight years.

More people means more cars and longer commutes, more accidents and higher insurance rates. A transportation research group ranked Phoenix third among large metro areas for traffic deaths.

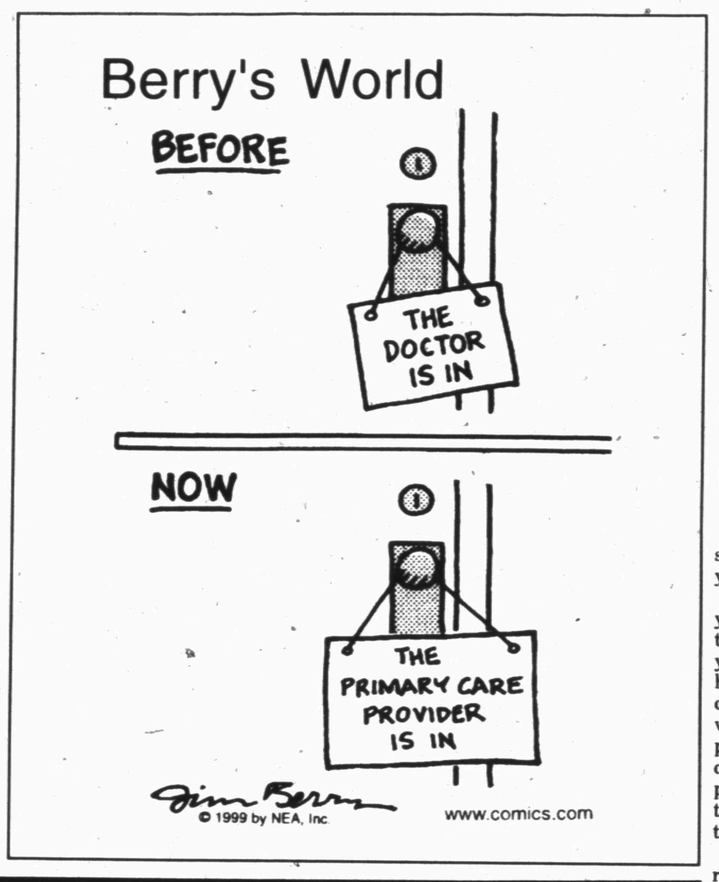
Cameron Mackey

Mackey picked for Who's Who

Cameron Mackey has been nominated to be included in the 33rd annual edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

She will be a junior at Snyder High School in the fall.

Mackey is the daughter of Steve and Judy Mackey of Snyder and the granddaughter of Mary Murff of Brice, Rex Hopkins of Colorado City and the late Ewell and Janice Mackey of Snyder.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY KAREN!
Love
Mother, Orphan Annie, Sophie, Max
Beju & Shadow

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Daughter's Road to Romance Is Blocked by Parents' Barricades

DEAR ABBY: I am having a struggle with my parents. I am 25 years old and still living at home.

I started seeing a man about a year ago. My parents objected to this for many reasons. He is 12 years older than I am, and they say his limited educational background could bring me down socially, which would lead to a thousand other problems. They seemed to be very concerned about how we would be perceived as a "couple." Neither of these things has been an issue for this man or for me.

Well, my father began placing restrictions on the amount of time I spent with this man. I had to be home by 12:30, and if I wasn't, my parents would track me down via cell phone. I could not go to this man's apartment because what would people say? I finally got fed up and reminded my parents that I'm an adult, capable of making my own decisions.

Abby, I have always been there for my family, always sacrificed my time for all of them. I went to college to uphold the family name and made something of myself so the family would be proud of me. Now I don't know what to do.

I love this man and want to see if we have a future. I see no harm in testing the water. But my parents are impossibly stubborn, and once they believe they are right, it would take an act of God to change their minds. I know it's hard for parents to let go, but I feel they won't even give me the benefit of the doubt. I would welcome any advice you can offer.

HURTING IN ILLINOIS

DEAR HURTING: Since you still live with your parents, in their eyes you are still answerable to them. Of course, children (even adults) should respect their parents, but in your case, they are trying to run your life. At 25, you do not need your parents' permission to date a man, and you must establish your independence regardless of who you eventually choose to marry. It's time to consider moving out.

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DEAR ABBY: I had to write, in the hope that you can help to solve a growing national problem. I took my 11-year-old son to a ballgame recently. We had a wonderful time except for one very unpleasant thing. Four grown men (who appeared to be about 50 years old) sat in front of us. They were swearing so much I had to confront them. What I said to them, and what I would like to say to all the other adults out there is, "If we expect better behavior from our children, we should behave better ourselves."

It makes me angry to see adults behave so inappropriately. I miss the days when a man would be mortified to discover that he'd used such vulgar words in front of women and children.

I hope you'll print this, Abby. Maybe it will change at least some people's behavior. Feel free to use my name, because I'm proud to be a responsible adult who cares about all kids, not just my own, and I'm not afraid to speak on their behalf.

MAGGIE ROSE,
EDMONDS, WASH.

DEAR MAGGIE: I'm sure the vast majority of parents will applaud your effort. And for the rest, readers, if this is you — please, for the sake of the children, sanitize your language when you are in public.

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THOUGHT FOR THE DAY: "Every gun that is made, every warship that is launched, every rocket fired signifies, in the final sense, a theft from those who hunger and are not fed, those who are cold and are not clothed. This world in arms is not spending money alone. It is spending the sweat of its laborers, the genius of its scientists, the hopes of its children. ... This is not a way of life at all in any true sense. Under the cloud of war, it is humanity hanging on a cross of iron." — Dwight D. Eisenhower, April 16, 1953

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Congress, Clinton compromise on Y2K suits

WASHINGTON (AP) — Congress and the White House, after days of negotiations, have agreed on legislation to restrict lawsuits relating to losses resulting from Y2K computer problems.

Business and high-tech groups were delighted, saying the legislation could save them billions of dollars better used to fix computers. Consumer groups, though, faulted the White House for sacrificing consumers in favor of business special interests.

After five days of intense negotiating, White House Chief of Staff John Podesta said in a letter Tuesday that he would urge President Clinton to sign the compromise.

With that commitment, the bill could be approved by the House and Senate and sent to the president by the end of this week.

Earlier, the White House had made clear that Clinton would veto the bills coming out of the House and Senate because they went too far in taking away the rights of consumers to take legal action when they are wronged.

The Year 2000 problem — also called Y2K and the millennium bug — occurs because some computer programs, especially older ones, might fail when the date changes to 2000. Because the programs were written to recognize only the last two digits of a year, such programs could read the digits "00" as 1900 instead of 2000.

The compromise over the bill made several changes somewhat favorable to consumers, including making it more difficult to move a class action suit to federal courts, where a case can be tied up for years.

A controversial measure ensuring that a business will be liable only for the proportion of damages it causes was also modified to say that "bad actors" won't be eligible for this legal status. Proportionate liability is supported by business groups who say lawyers often target companies with the deepest pockets, regardless of their involvement in a case.

The main tenets of the bill were provisions giving companies 90 days to fix computers before lawsuits can be filed and encouraging mediation. It also puts some limits on class action suits and caps punitive damages for small businesses.

"Last night at midnight this bill was on life support," said Sen. Ron Wyden, D-Ore., chief Senate co-sponsor with Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., and Sen. Christopher Dodd, D-Conn.

Wyden and Dodd were the Democratic point men, working until 2 a.m. to get the White House and Republicans to agree on their compromise proposals.

Dodd said he talked to Clinton in Connecticut Monday and was on the phone with him at 1:30 a.m. Tuesday. Clinton wanted a bill but was particularly strong about the class action issue and ensuring that consumers will get full redress from those "bad actors" who purposely cause harm, he said.

Wyden said Vice President Al Gore, who has had close ties with the high tech industry and needs their support in his presidential run, also was personally involved for the past several weeks.

"We're not pretending politics is unimportant here," Wyden said, but he said Gore was also very much involved in the substance of the issue.

Harris Miller, president of the Information Technology Association of America, which actively supported the bill, said "both sides were miscalculating" up to several weeks ago, with Republicans hoping to win high tech support by forcing Clinton to veto the bill and the White House thinking it could veto the bill and then work with the industry to write a new one.

"We sent a very strong message to both sides that this was not politics as usual," he said.

"Both Republicans and Democrats have put politics behind them to work together on a solution to a potential global technology crisis," said National Association of Manufacturers president Jerry Jasinowski.

But Joan Claybrook of the consumer group Public Citizen accused the White House of a "shocking about-face" on the Y2K issue.

"These corporations have contributed millions in campaign contributions to both political parties and have just purchased a strong legal shield for themselves for making and selling Y2K-defective products," she said.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, July 1, 1999

The biggest thing to watch out for in the year ahead is not to get discouraged if your plans hit a few snags from time to time. If you hang in there, they'll survive the onslaught and come out okay in the long run.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Unless absolutely necessary, don't borrow funds in order to get what you want today. The strings attached which will come into play later might be more undesirable than you thought.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Linking up with cold, unfeeling cohorts today could make any project in which you're involved turn out to be a bummer. Associate only with those you feel comfortable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you must, force yourself to attend to all of your duties and responsibilities first today. Anything you leave undone will weigh heavily on your mind and spoil the rest of the day.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Little of value will come of catering to persons you don't appreciate. You're better off passing up any such arrangement, no matter what rewards you think are in it for you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Airing differences between you and your spouse in public today could put outsiders in the awkward position of having to arbitrate your disagreement. You'll both look bad.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) It's unlike you to treat persons in subordinate roles unreasonably, but today you could be inclined to do just that. You won't like yourself.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Someone you know quite well may attempt to manipulate you in order to gain some kind of advantage. This individual's methods are quite clever and you could be caught unaware.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) If you continue to fail to detach yourself from a situation that has been standing in your way for some time, your progress will be nil. Sever this link once and for all.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Negative thinking could have you viewing a matter with which you have to deal today as very disagreeable. In reality, it isn't really that bad.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Be discriminating with whom you team up today, because there are indications that an ill-conceived involvement with another could end up costing you either financially or emotionally.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) How you conduct yourself and the procedures you choose to put into play will not go unnoticed by others today. It behooves you to use only those that enhance your reputation and image.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) A mistake similar to one you made in the past could be made again today unless you're careful. If you haven't learned that lesson from experience, you're destined to repeat it.

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Datebook

June 30, 1999

Today is the 181st day of 1999 and the 10th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1859, French acrobat Charles Blondin walked across Niagara Falls on a tightrope. He then walked across again, blindfolded, on stilts, pushing a wheelbarrow, while carrying a man on his shoulders.

On this day in 1870, Ada H. Kepley became the first woman in America to graduate from a law school. She attended the Union College of Law in Chicago, Ill.

On this day in 1936, "Gone With the Wind," by Margaret Mitchell, was first published.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Susan Hayward (1917-1975), actress; Buddy Rich (1917-1987), drummer; Lena Horne (1917-), singer-actress, is 82; Nancy Dussault (1936-), actress, is 63; Mitch Richmond (1965-), basketball player, is 34; Mike Tyson (1966-), boxer, is 33.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1908, Boston's Cy Young pitched the third no-hitter of his career. Boston defeated New York 8-0.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "It is one thing to show a man that he is in an error, and another to put him in possession of truth." — John Locke

TODAY'S MOON: Between full moon (June 28) and last quarter (July 6).

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Two die in plane crash

ATLANTA (AP) — Two employees of a Nashville, Tenn., air cargo company were killed today when their twin-engine plane crashed and caught fire after taking off from Atlanta's Fulton County Airport.

The Beechcraft Baron 58, owned by Paragon Air Express Inc. of Nashville, crashed about 6:20 a.m. in woods near Six Flags Over Georgia, just off Interstate 20.

Witnesses said the plane failed to gain much altitude after takeoff and reported that at least one engine was sputtering, police Maj. Terry Mulkey said. It appeared the pilot tried to return to the airport or land on I-20, but could not, he said.

The names of the victims, both Paragon employees, were not immediately released.

Mathis graduates

ALPINE - Dow Clark Mathis of Snyder recently received a master of agriculture and animal science degree from Sul Ross State University.

Thomas L. Gordy

Gordy gets new orders

(FHTNC) Marine Lance Cpl. Thomas L. Gordy, a 1996 graduate of Snyder High School, recently reported for duty with Marine Aviation Logistics Squadron 13, Marine Air Group 13, 3rd Marine Air Wing, Marine Corps Air Station in Yuma, Ariz.

He joined the Marine Corps in December of 1996. He is the son of Billie Gordy of Snyder.

Rub-a-dub,
Cassie in a tub.

Today she is our queen
as she turns sixteen.

Look out town,
she's driving alone.

If you see Cassie Callaway
wish her Happy Birthday.

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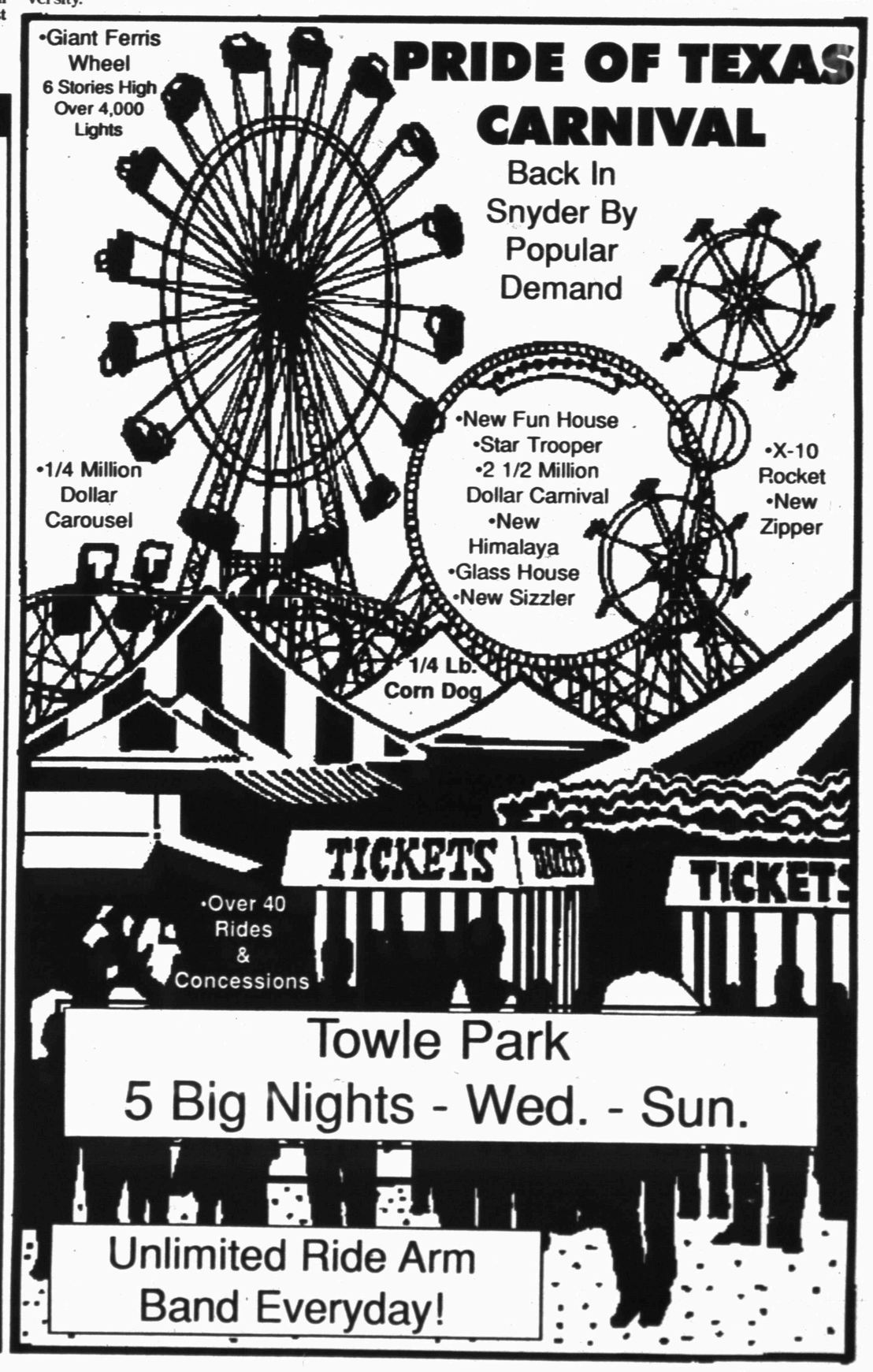

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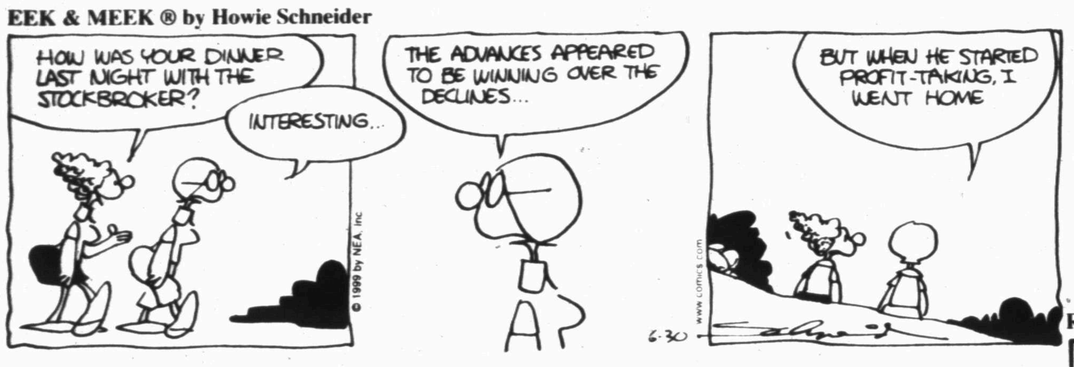

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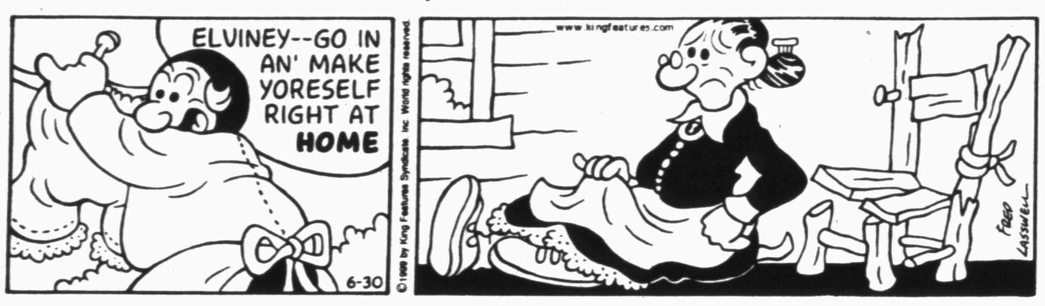

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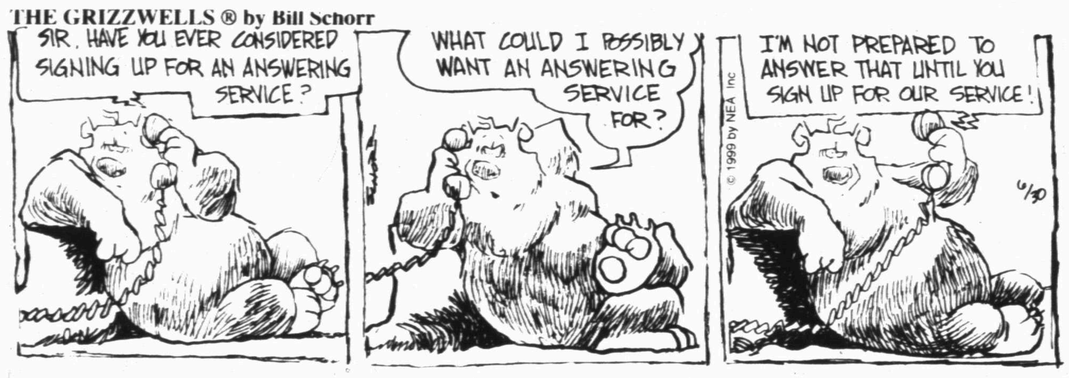

NEA Crossword Puzzle

ACROSS

1 Pedal
6 Ms. Cannon
10 Torment
12 Queasy feeling
14 Slip by
15 Donny and Marie —
16 Pro — (for the time being)
17 Greek letters
19 TV's talking horse (2 wds.)
20 Skittish
23 — Vance
26 Mohammedan leader
27 Medieval poem
30 Extravagant publicity
32 Skips
34 Severe experience
35 New York ball player
36 Film director Craven
37 Nothing
39 Honking birds
40 Beau
42 Group of two
45 Unclose (poet.)
46 Implement for 35 Across
49 Country
51 Actor Jim —
54 Blood vessel
55 Emotional shock
56 Smear
57 Forest creature

DOWN

1 Guitarist Atkins
2 Harvard rival
3 Stuff
4 Baby's sitting spot
5 Double curve
6 "— Kapital"
7 "Delicious!"
8 Hebrew lyre
9 Hawaiian goose
11 Ninth mo.
12 Bouquet
13 Do a math task
18 Give — — whirl
20 Scottish shirt
21 Nantucket, for one
22 Devastate
23 Food (sl.)
24 Days of —
25 Fishing poles
27 Be fond of
28 Fruity quaffs
29 Words of understanding
31 Ex-spouse's cost
33 Something remarkable
38 Part of the face
40 Word of farewell
41 Monthly obligation
42 Genetic material (abbr.)
43 Measure of length
44 "— boy!"
46 Match
47 Type of brat?
48 Russian ruler
50 Globe
52 Letters of the alphabet
53 Sheepish comment

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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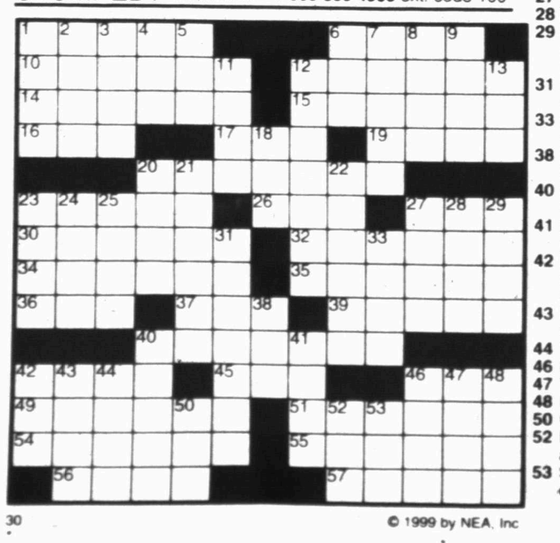

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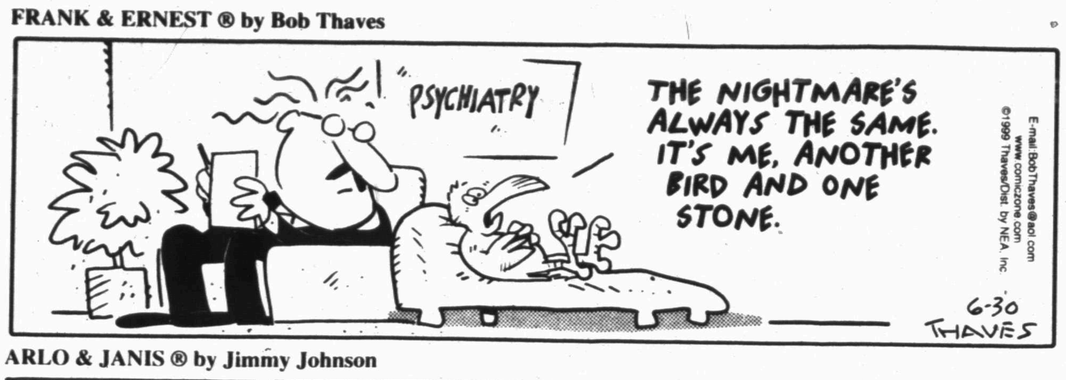

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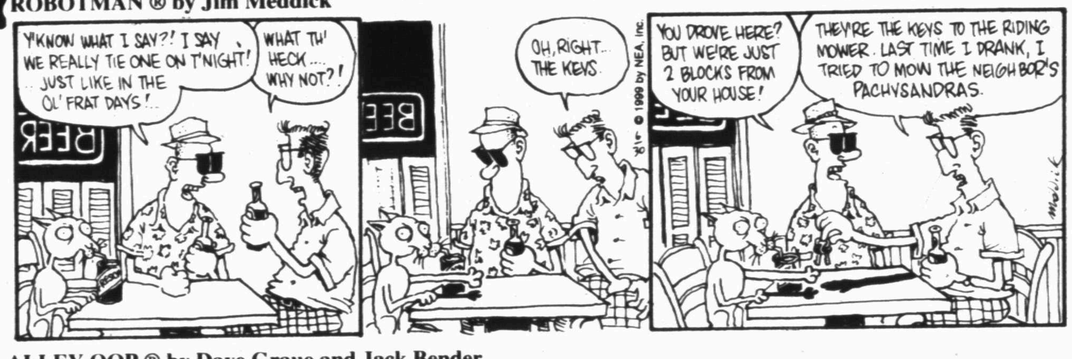

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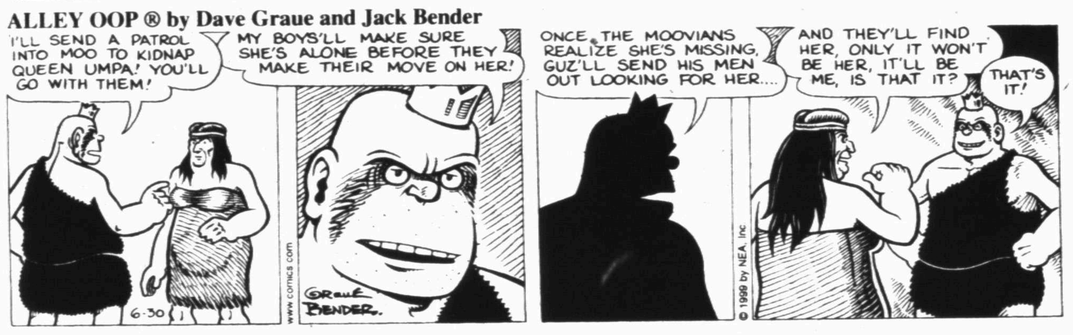

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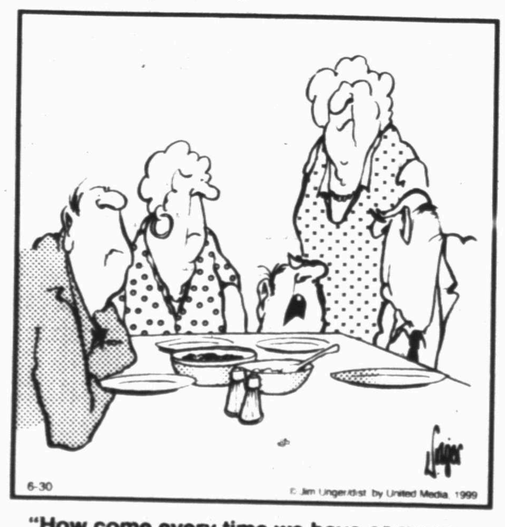


"How come every time we have company, I get stuck with this chair?"

"WE MUST BE OUTA MONEY, 'CAUSE MY DAD'S GOING TO SEE HIS BROKER."

SPORTS

At Ladies' Pumpjack...

Scorecard decides title

Eighteen holes weren't enough to determine the champions of the Ladies' Pumpjack Partnership at Snyder Country Club on Tuesday.

Marian Barker and Barbara Hardin edged out the team of Anita Talbott and Lisa Beck in a scorecard playoff to claim the Ladies' Pumpjack overall title, as the twosomes fired matching scores of 69 to post the lowest rounds of the tournament.

While the pair of 69s were the lowest gross scores of the afternoon, Nancy Corneillie and Edie Bledsoe carded a 59 to win the net competition in the championship flight. The twosome of Melissa O'Harrah and Helen Turner were second with a net score of 61.

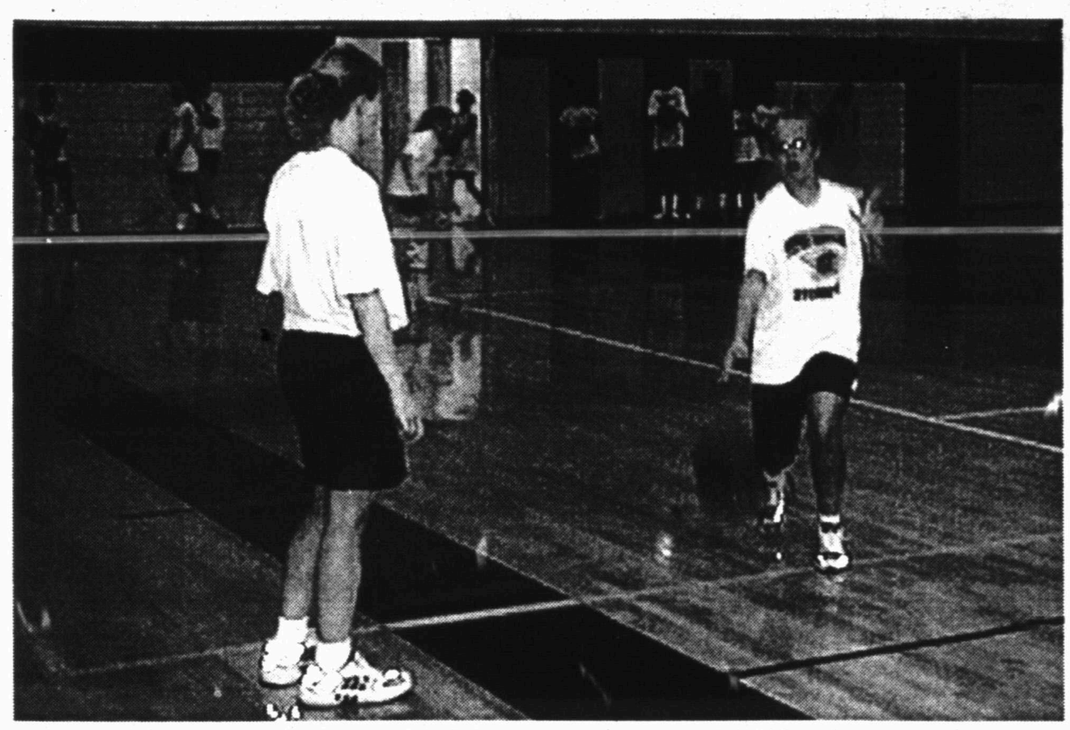
In first flight action, Debbie Palmer and Sue Cash took the gross title with a 74, while Diana Stafford and Olivia Barton nabbed the runner-up slot with an 81.

Linda Dukes and Linda Archer turned in the first flight's top net score with a 60. Sandy Griffin and Mickey Warner were only two strokes off the pace at 62.

Winning the second flight was Lisa Moeller and Beverly Ellison with an 86, while Peggy Hardin and Donna Stehley were a close second with an 88.

Low net in the second flight went to Judy Moss and Becky Knipe who finished with a 62, two shots ahead of the team of Dolores Jones and Colleen Duke which carded a 64.

Other award winners on Tuesday were Jo Sterling who won the accuracy drive competition, and closest to the hole winners Cynthia Jackson, Mickey Warner and Pam Alavarez.



SPEED DRIBBLER – Snyder's Dara Chambers participates in a speed dribbling drill this morning at the Sam Tipton Basketball Camp, while SHS asst. coach Vanessa Gutierrez looks on. (SDN Staff Photo)

Sports Whirl

By Eric Drennan SDN Sports Editor

Here are a couple of things about a winning ex-coach and a proven winning team.

Somewhere in Norman, Okla., Barry Switzer is saying to himself, "Clem Haskins got what?"

Remember, when Switzer vacated his head coaching job at OU amid allegations of NCAA infractions, he left with nothing more than a crimson shoe print on his backside.

Now the University of Minnesota has discovered that an athletic department secretary completed over 400 pieces of course work for men's basketball players. Also players seemed to have received cash payments from various sources and special treatment from campus police.

So in return, Haskins stepped down as Switzer did, but with an extra $1.5 million in his back pocket. Haskins had so many stipulations built into his contract, lawyers say it would have been next to impossible to fire him for anything he did. So they paid him a huge sum of cash to leave.

Maybe to become wealthy in the coaching field, you don't have to get a conference title or a national championship. You just have to get caught.

The city of Dallas is hockey crazy. Every store has something to buy related to the Stars and their Stanley Cup victory.

There is every type of shirt, jacket, underwear, baby bib, you name it, with the Stars emblem for sale in sporting good stores. Dilliard's has pewter silver, miniature replicas of the Stanley Cup to buy, while at Foley's you can purchase a Waterford 100-percent crystal puck commemorating this past season.

It's nice to see Texas embrace a champion, while Buffalo whines about another title loss. Just for the record, in head-to-head championship competition, the score is Dallas 3, Buffalo 0. The Cowboys pasted the Bills a couple of times in the Super Bowl, and now the Stars took care of the Sabres, no matter what Buffalo's front office says about Hull's goal.

The NHL said it's a goal, so that's what it is. That's the rule, so that's the end of the series.

When addressing a parade crowd last week, the Sabres' general manager began his speech by saying, "I have just two words for you. No goal."

Well in return, I have just four words for Buffalo. No class. No cup.

Burkett gets back in rotation, posts win

ANAHEIM, Calif. (AP) — When Texas manager Johnny Oates told John Burkett he was sending him to the bullpen, Burkett didn't grumble.

Burkett was back in the starting rotation Tuesday night, and with a bang. He limited the Anaheim Angels to one hit and two baserunners in seven innings in the Rangers' 5-0 victory.

"He handled it the way you would want a player to," Oates said, recalling last month when he informed Burkett he was going to be a reliever for awhile.

"He said, 'I'll do whatever I can to help this club.'"

The 34-year-old Burkett, placed on the DL with bursitis in his right shoulder on April 22, gave up 14 runs in two starts spanning eight innings after coming back May 9. He was then sent to the bullpen.

But when Mark Clark was injured, Burkett moved back into the rotation last week and got his first victory of the season in a 5-2 win at Oakland.

He followed that up with the sterling performance against the Angels. He pitched six perfect innings out of the seven he worked.

The Rangers right-hander, who allowed an AL-high 123 runs last season, gave up a leadoff double to Matt Walbeck in the third and walked Darin Erstad later in the inning.

After having the shoulder problem earlier this season, Burkett wondered whether he would ever be able to pitch effectively again.

"I started worrying, is it my age or is it just something that happens," he said. "I didn't have the flexibility in my shoulder and you start wondering if it's ever going to come back.

"Right now, it feels like somebody just planted a new arm on me. I'm not throwing 90 or 91 mph or anything like that, but I'm getting late movement on the ball and my breaking ball is a lot better."

Everything seemed to be working against the Angels, also held hitless by relievers Jeff Zimmerman and John Wetteland the final two innings.

Burkett (2-3) struck out seven, including Mo Vaughn three times.

"I thought I pitched well against Oakland, but tonight it seemed to really progress," Burkett said. "I don't think it would have mattered who I pitched against. It seemed like I was executing everything."

Vaughn, asked about Burkett's having been around awhile, said, "I don't think that really matters. If you get guys who keep the ball down and throw strikes, it doesn't matter how old they are."

Juan Gonzalez provided the Rangers a five-run pad with his 23rd homer, a three-run shot in the eighth off reliever Mark Petkovsek.

Biggio's sixth-inning hit lifts Astros past Cards

HOUSTON (AP) — Craig Biggio's tiebreaking, two-out single in the eighth inning gave the Houston Astros a 5-4 win over the St. Louis Cardinals on Tuesday night.

After St. Louis tied the game at 4 with two runs in the top of the eighth off Shane Reynolds, the Astros snapped a four-game losing streak with a run in the bottom of the inning.

With one out, Tony Eusebio reached on an error by third baseman Placido Polanco. One out later, pinch-runner Glen Barker stole second.

After Manny Aybar (4-2) walked Jack Howell, Biggio singled to center to give Houston a 5-4 lead. Biggio also had an RBI single in the sixth inning.

Fernando Tatis hit his 17th homer in the second to give St. Louis a 1-0 lead.

Little League all-star action set to begin

Little League all-star action gets underway Thursday evening with a match-up of old rivals.

Snyder is set to take on Sweetwater at 6 p.m. Thursday in the opening round of the major all-star tournament in Rotan.

The major's tourney, ages 11-12, is the first of four all-star events scheduled to begin within the week.

On Monday, Snyder's senior squad will battle Clyde at 8:30 p.m. at Moffett Field. Following Monday's contest, the senior tournament will move to Abilene for the remainder of the event.

In other action Monday night, Snyder's junior all-stars square off with Colorado City at 8:30 in Sweetwater.

The final Snyder team to open tournament play will be the minor all-stars, who match up with Merkel at 8 p.m. Tuesday at Abilene's Western Complex.

SDN Sports Briefs

July 4th golf tourney moved

Snyder Country Club's four-man scramble has been moved to Monday at 10 a.m.

To register, contact the SCC pro shop at 573-7101.

Snyder volleyball camp

The Snyder volleyball camp will be held July 12-15 for incoming 5th-9th graders at the SHS gym. Camp hours will be from 8:30 a.m. until noon.

Cost is $40 and all campers need to register by July 9, so T-shirts can be ordered.

To register, call Patty Grimmett at 573-9416. If no answer, leave a message.

July 4th volleyball tourney

A co-ed volleyball tournament will be held Saturday, with prizes awarded to the top three teams.

Teams will be comprised of eight players, and cost is $60 per squad. For more information, contact Louis Alaniz at 573-4767.

July 4th softball tourney

The WTC Student Government will be hosting a co-ed slowpitch softball tournament Friday and Saturday at Towle Park. Entry fee is $100 per team, with a 10-player minimum.

Deadline for entry is today. For more information, contact Kara at 573-5419 or Alisha at 573-8511 ext. 276.

Athletic physicals

All athletes needing to take a physical should do so prior to Aug. 3. SISD will pay for physicals through Aug. 3 only. An appointment must be made with one f 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.

Major League Baseball

National League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	47	30	.610	—
New York	44	33	.571	3
Philadelphia	40	35	.533	6
Montreal	29	44	.397	16
Florida	26	51	.338	21
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	42	31	.575	—
Houston	43	32	.573	—
Pittsburgh	38	37	.506	5
Chicago	36	37	.493	6
St. Louis	37	39	.487	6½
Milwaukee	35	40	.467	8
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Arizona	43	34	.558	—
San Francisco	42	35	.545	1
San Diego	36	38	.486	5½
Colorado	34	39	.466	7
Los Angeles	34	40	.459	7½

Tuesday's Games

Montreal 6, Atlanta 5
Philadelphia 7, Pittsburgh 4
Cincinnati 5, Arizona 4
New York 5, Florida 1
Houston 5, St. Louis 4
Milwaukee 17, Chicago 6
San Francisco 10, Colorado 1
San Diego 4, Los Angeles 3, 12 innings

Wednesday's Games

Milwaukee (Abbott 1-7) at Chicago (Lieber 6-3), 2:20 p.m.
Atlanta (O.Perez 4-5) at Montreal (Pavano 6-6), 7:05 p.m.
Arizona (R.Johnson 9-4) at Cincinnati (Villone 2-2), 7:35 p.m.
St. Louis (Jimenez 4-7) at Houston (Hampton 9-3), 7:35 p.m.
Colorado (Bohanon 9-4) at San Francisco (Ortiz 8-5), 10:35 p.m.
Los Angeles (K.Brown 9-4) at San Diego (Boehringer 4-1), 10:35 p.m.

American League
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	46	28	.622	—
Boston	45	31	.592	2
Toronto	38	41	.481	10½
Baltimore	32	43	.427	14½
Tampa Bay	32	44	.421	15
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	50	25	.667	—
Chicago	36	38	.486	13½
Kansas City	32	43	.427	18
Detroit	32	45	.416	19
Minnesota	28	47	.373	22
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Texas	44	33	.571	—
Seattle	39	37	.513	4½
Oakland	36	40	.474	7½
Anaheim	35	41	.461	8½

Tuesday's Games

Cleveland 5, Minnesota 4
New York 3, Detroit 0
Toronto 6, Baltimore 5, 10 innings
Kansas City 7, Chicago 4
Texas 5, Anaheim 0
Seattle 2, Oakland 1, 12 innings
Only games scheduled

Wednesday's Games

Detroit (Moehler 6-8) at New York (Pettitte 5-5), 1:05 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Rekar 5-3) at Boston (Portugal 4-6), 7:05 p.m.
Baltimore (Mussina 9-4) at Toronto (Wells 8-6), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Milton 2-7) at Cleveland (Wright 6-4), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago (Snyder 7-6) at Kansas City (Suppan 4-4), 8:05 p.m.
Texas (Glynn 1-2) at Anaheim (Hill 3-7), 10:35 p.m.
Seattle (Fassero 3-7) at Oakland (Hudson 2-1), 10:35 p.m.

WNBA Glance

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	5	2	.714	—
Orlando	5	3	.625	½
Detroit	5	4	.556	1
Charlotte	3	4	.429	2
Cleveland	2	7	.222	4
Washington	1	7	.125	4½
WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	7	1	.875	—
Sacramento	6	3	.667	1½
Minnesota	4	3	.571	2½
Los Angeles	5	4	.555	2½
Phoenix	3	5	.375	4
Utah	2	5	.286	4½

Tuesday's Game

Sacramento 86, Minnesota 72

Wednesday's Games

Washington at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Houston at Utah, 9 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Phoenix at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Los Angeles at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Cleveland at Houston, 8:30 p.m.

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The application must be completed and returned to the Scurry County Health Unit before 5:00 p.m. July 1, 1999. Those who do not turn in an application will not be allowed to operate a food booth. Once your menu has been decided and it has been written on your application you can not add to it, though you can delete any of the items. **KEEP MENU LIMITED TO THREE (3) POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS FOODS.** Example: Beef, Chicken, Rice, Beans, Pork.

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The undersigned, having been duly appointed Independent Executor of the Estate of RUBE LEE McKINLEY, deceased, late of Scurry County, Texas, by Ricky Fritz, Judge of the County Court of said county, on the 24th day of June, 1999, hereby notifies all persons indebted to said Estate to come forward and make settlement, and those having claims against said Estate to present them to LARRY ANDERSON, P.O. Box 406, Snyder, Texas 79550-0406, within the time prescribed by law.
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Rookie officer spots escapee

HUNTSVILLE (AP) — Baking and sweating from humidity and temperatures well into the 90s, rookie Texas corrections officer Timothy Ritch, two months on the job, saw movement out of the corner of his eye.

It was a man wearing boxer shorts.

When Ritch yelled, the man froze, then scooted up an oak tree.

Escaped killer Clifford Jones, object of an intense two-day manhunt in the alligator- and snake-infested woods and swamps northeast of Huntsville, had been cornered.

Five minutes later, Jones, 33, was in handcuffs and headed back to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice Estelle Unit, which he had fled 49 hours earlier.

"It was tense," Ritch, a former oilfield machinist, said Tuesday, flanked by the supervisory officers he had yelled for and the top administrators of the Texas prison system.

"I was just tense. When he heard me holler for the sergeant, he ran up a tree. I shouted to my sergeant I had the inmate in sight."

Two sergeants and a lieutenant converged with Ritch on the tree. Jones was about 6 feet above them, in a fork in the trunk.

"I ordered him to come down," Sgt. James Brock said. "He did without incident. I placed the handcuffs on him."

"He looked a little ragged," Lt. George McDonald said. "He was muddy. It looked like he was ready to give up."

"Glad it's over," Brock added.

The quiet capture, about 2 miles north of what is supposed to be the state's most secure prison, ended the hunt for Jones, serving 26 years for murder, attempted murder of a Dallas police officer and assaulting a guard.

Jones spent two days and nights dodging some 300 authorities, including teams leading tracking dogs and officers on horseback, in boats and in helicopters.

He also was trying to survive nearly naked and shoeless in a heavily wooded and swampy area where alligators, wild pigs and every poisonous snake known to North America roam.

"He requested something to eat and something to drink," said Warden Rick Thaler, who drove Jones back to the prison. "The only notable injuries were minor scratches, numerous insect bites. His mood was basically pretty passive, questioning what was going to happen at this point."

Once at the prison, Jones was charged with escape. Jones, whom officials described as belligerent, then was taken to prison near Wichita Falls.

It was just after noon Sunday when Jones slipped one hand out of handcuffs, threatened a corrections officer and then climbed a fence to slip through an 8- to 10-inch gap in the fence high above a caged recreation area.

He avoided gunfire from guards, climbed a camera tower and jumped over another fence before sprinting into woods north of the prison. He had been housed in a special high security unit for 660 of the state's most troublesome and violent inmates.

The Estelle Unit shares state property with the Ellis Unit, where last Thanksgiving night seven condemned killers broke out of death row.

Honduran boy's quest a hoax

NEW YORK (AP) — It was an incredible story. It simply wasn't true.

Thirteen-year-old Honduran native Edwin Sabillon had New Yorkers reaching for their handkerchiefs with a heartbreaking tale of how Hurricane Mitch had killed his family and how he had trekked 3,200 miles to New York to be with a father he'd never met.

When he arrived Sunday at LaGuardia Airport, there was a crowd anxious to help him. Hundreds of residents offered to donate gifts and clothes; some said they'd adopt him if his father didn't appear.

But then the little boy with a sweet smile and a big imagination admitted to police Tuesday that his headline-grabbing story was just that — a story.

Detectives interviewed the boy after his grandmother in Honduras told The Associated Press that the story Edwin had given authorities was false. His maternal grandmother told the AP that the boy's mother is alive and his father is dead. She said he was a runaway.

Edwin admitted that he had lied, and that he knew his father was dead and his mother is alive, according to a police statement.

"I don't know why he did this — maybe because he wants to live in the United States," said Mrs. Vazquez Hernandez, 65, who lives in San Buenaventura, Honduras. "He loves me, and I adore him."

Mrs. Vazquez Hernandez said Edwin's father, Grevis Sabillon, died of AIDS shortly after returning to Honduras from Miami last October. The boy's mother lives in the northern Honduras industrial town of Choloma, but abandoned him when he was an infant, Mrs. Vazquez Hernandez said.

Edwin was living with an aunt in Miami but returned to Honduras when his father died, his grandmother said. In March, he left to live with one of two aunts in Hialeah, Fla.

Mrs. Vazquez Hernandez did not know how he got there, but guessed that he probably hitched rides on trucks. Police said she reported to Hialeah authorities on Thursday that Edwin had run away.

Police said Edwin went to a cafeteria in Miami on Saturday and told his tale to people who bought him a bus ticket to New York City. He arrived in New York on Sunday and took a cab to the airport.

When a concerned cabbie brought Edwin to police on Sunday, he told officers that his mother, brother and grandfather died in a mud slide last year when Hurricane Mitch pummeled Central America.

Edwin also said his father sent him $200 on May 19 and told him to meet him at LaGuardia on either June 25, 26 or 27, police said Monday.

"I will be wearing a white shirt, black pants, white sneakers and a black hat," Edwin said his father told him, according to police.

Before Edwin's admission, New York police had spent Monday and Tuesday looking for his father. Mayor Rudolph Giuliani urged him to come forward.

It was not clear what would happen to the boy, who is staying with a Spanish-speaking foster family in the city. Police Commissioner Howard Safir said the officers would continue to investigate.

Edwin's grandmother said she just wants him to come home.

"I'll put him in a reform school until he straightens out," she said.

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Happy Birthday Kim!

Senators agree to 4-day HMO debate

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate has decided to take up "patients' rights" legislation that would set new controls on HMOs and other managed health care plans when Congress returns from the July 4th holiday.

The issue is popular with Americans, most of them in health maintenance organizations and other managed care plans. Polls show that even people who have not have bad experiences with HMOs fear that the care they may need someday will be denied by an insurance company trying to save money.

The tone was congenial on the Senate floor as Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., announced the agreement, belying the occasionally nasty fight over how to proceed with the legislation that brought Senate business to a halt for a week.

"There are many senators on both sides who would prefer to do this another way," Lott said.

Under the agreement reached Tuesday, a four-day HMO debate will begin July 12, after the Senate returns from its recess. There are limits on how much time may be used debating each amendment, guaranteeing votes on a number of Democratic proposals.

Both sides, meanwhile, agreed to resume work this week on a series of spending bills, including a farm measure delayed last week. The Senate also plans to take up some nominations this week, including that of Lawrence Summers to be Treasury secretary.

Democrats and Republicans each have legislation they call a "patients' bill of rights," but the measures differ considerably in scope and detail.

Three subjects jailed Tuesday

Three subjects were taken into custody Tuesday.

Deputies arrested a 25-year-old male at 11:03 a.m. in the 3000 block of 41st on a Taylor County warrant for theft by check and a Mitchell County warrant for issuance of a bad check.

A 24-year-old male was booked into jail at 11:44 p.m. on warrants for driving while intoxicated, possession of marijuana and possession of drug paraphernalia.

At 3 p.m., officers took a 25-year-old male into custody on an outstanding warrant for disorderly conduct/noise, two counts of public intoxication, and three counts of failure to appear.

In other activity, an offense report for family violence was submitted at 9:46 a.m.

Cheryl Clark requested to speak to a deputy at 4:14 p.m. in reference to criminal mischief to her vehicle while it was parked at 27 CR 243. An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was filed.

Officers submitted an offense report for Class B criminal mischief at 5:15 p.m. at the Scurry County Mental Health Care Unit in reference to graffitti on the side of the building.

A man requested an attempt to locate on his 15-year-old son at 8:20 p.m. in reference to the boy running away from home. An offense report for runaway was filed.

Officers also worked two private property accidents Tuesday.

A two-vehicle accident occurred at 2:12 p.m. at City Hall. Involved were a 1995 Ford Escort driven by Sandra Kay Brace, 37, of 306 25th Street and a 1997 Chevrolet 2500 pickup driven by Edgar Lee Williams, 55, of 2203 36th Street.

At 6 p.m., a two-vehicle mishap occurred in the United parking lot involving a 1996 Dodge 1500 pickup driven by 21-year-old Holli Lynn Welch of 1070 North Avenue R and a Chevrolet van driven by 23-year-old Rosalinda Sanchez of 3008 Austin.

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	High	Low	Last	Chg
AMR Corp	68⅝	67¼	68¼	+1
AT&T Corp s	55¼	54	54⅝	— ⅛
Albertsons	51⅞	50 7-16	51½	+9-16
AlldSignal	63¼	62⅛	62⅞	— ⅜
Alltel	72 3-16	71⅞	71⅞	—9-16
AmOnline s	106 7-16	104¼	105¼	— ⅜
Ameritech	71¼	69⅝	70⅝	+⅜
AndarkPtr	37¼	36¾	37 3-16	+7-16
ArmcoInc	6¼	6⅛	6¼	+1-16
AtlRichfld	83¾	82¼	83	— 3-16
ATMOS Egy	25 15-16	25¾	25¾	—1-16
Avialt	18 13-16	18 9-16	18⅝	
BP Amoco	107⅞	107¼	107⅞	—⅛
BakerHughes	33¾	32½	33⅝	+1⅜
Bank of Amer	73¾	72¾	72¾	—¼
BellAtl	60 7-16	59 11-16	60	— 7-16
BellSouth s	44¼	43¾	43¾	—⅛
BethSteel	7 13-16	7¾	7¾	—1-16
BurlNoSFe s	31⅛	31 1-16	31⅛	—⅛
CBS Corp	43 7-16	43¼	43⅜	
Caterpillar	60⅝	60¼	60 5-16	—13-16
CenSoWst	23 13-16	23¾	23 7-16	—⅜
Chevron	94 13-16	93½	94⅝	+1 1-16
Citigroup s	46⅞	45 1-16	45 3-16	—⅞
Coastal	40 15-16	40⅝	40⅞	—1-16
CocaCola	62⅝	60⅝	61⅞	+11-16
ColgatePalm	98 1-16	96 3-16	97 1-16	—⅝
ColgatePal wi	48⅝	48¼	48⅝	—⅛
ComclMetals	29 5-16	28¾	28¾	—3-16
Cooperin	52¾	52 9-16	52 9-16	—⅛
CyprusAmax	15 5-16	14 15-16	14 15-16	
DaimlrChry n	87⅛	86¾	86¾	—1⅜
DallSemicn	51⅜	50⅝	50 13-16	+5-16
DeltaAirl s	57 11-16	56¾	57⅝	+15-16
Dillards Inc	35⅛	35¼	35¼	—⅞
DowChem	128½	127 7-16	127⅛	—15-16
DuPont	68⅝	67 7-16	68⅝	+7-16
EastmanChem	52 5-16	52¼	52 3-16	—3-16
EstKodak	69 7-16	67 15-16	68¼	—1 5-16
EDS Corp	58⅛	57¼	57⅞	—1⅛
Entergy	32 1-16	31¼	31 15-16	—⅛
Exxon	78 1-16	77 5-16	77¾	+⅜
Flowers	22 21⅞	21⅞	— 1-16	
FordMotor	53⅜	53⅛	53 7-16	—⅛
GTE Cp	71¼	70 11-16	71	
GenDynam	69¼	68¼	68 5-16	—⅞
GenElec	109 1-16	107¼	107 13-16	—1⅞
GenMills	79 13-16	79¼	79⅝	+⅛
GenMotors	65¼	64⅛	64 13-16	+11-16
GaPacGP s	49¼	48½	48½	— 7-16
GlobalMar	15⅛	14¾	15 7-16	+15-16
Goodrich	40 5-16	39 11-16	40	— 1-16
Goodyear s	59¼	57 9-16	57 11-16	+⅛
GtAtlPac	33⅛	32⅝	32⅞	—1-16
Halliburtn	45⅛	43 13-16	45	+1⅜
Hanson ADS	44¾	44½	44½	—3-16
HarteHanks	27 3-16	26 11-16	26¾	—⅛
HomeDepot	63 9-16	62 15-16	63 3-16	—13-16
IBM s	126⅛	124⅝	126 3-16	+1 9-16
IntlPaper	51⅞	51	51 5-16	—1 7-16
JohnsonJn	94⅝	93⅝	93	— 1
K mart	16 3-16	15 15-16	16 3-16	+1-16
Kroger Co s	28 7-16	27⅞	28⅝	+13-16
Litton	71¼	70 5-16	70⅝	—11-16
LockheedM s	37⅛	36 11-16	37 1-16	—1-16
Lowes Cos	56 11-16	55 15-16	56 3-16	—⅛
Lubys	16⅛	15¾	15⅞	—⅛
LucentTech s	67 7-16	66 5-16	66⅝	+1-16
MayDeptStr s	41⅞	40 15-16	41	—⅛
MediaOne	75¼	74 11-16	74 13-16	—⅛
Medtronic	75 15-16	75¼	75⅝	+⅛
Mobil	99⅝	98 1-16	98 11-16	—3-16
Monsanto	39	38⅛	38 11-16	—9-16
MorganJP	136	135 7-16	135⅝	—⅛
Motorola	93 15-16	92¼	93¼	—1⅛
NCR Corp	49¼	48¼	48 11-16	+3-16
Navistar	50¼	49 7-16	49 11-16	—⅛
Penney JC	48¼	47¾	48	—⅛
PennzEnergy s	15 15-16	15 11-16	15¾	+⅛
PepBoys	19⅛	19¼	19⅜	
PepsiCo	38⅜	37	38 5-16	+5-16
PhelpDodge	61⅞	59¾	61 5-16	+2 5-16
PhilipPet	49⅝	48 11-16	48⅞	+11-16
PilgrmPrd B	24 1-16	23¾	24 1-16	+5-16
Polaroid	26 13-16	26	26⅝	+⅜
Praxair	49 9-16	49	49⅛	—⅛
ProctGamb	85⅞	84⅝	85⅛	—⅜
PubSNwMx	20 15-16	20¼	20⅝	—1-16
ReliantEngy	28 5-16	27 11-16	27 11-16	—⅜
RoyalDut	59 5-16	58 13-16	58⅞	—9-16
SBC Comm	55 9-16	54 11-16	55⅝	+⅜
SaraLee s	22⅝	22 7-16	22 7-16	—9-16
Scripps EW	48¼	48	48	—⅛
SearsRoeb	45 15-16	45¾	45⅞	+⅜
SherwinW	28	27⅞	27 15-16	+3-16
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SouthernCo	27 7-16	27 3-16	27 5-16	—⅛
SwstAirl s	32 15-16	31⅞	32⅛	+5-16
SprintFON s	54 11-16	53¼	53 9-16	—1⅛
SprintPCS s	59¾	57¾	57⅞	—2¼
Sunoco Inc	29⅛	29	29 3-16	—⅛
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Tandy s	48 11-16	47 11-16	47 15-16	—11-16
TempleInland	70	69 5-16	69 7-16	+⅜
Tenneco	24¼	23¾	23¾	—⅛
Texaco	62 7-16	61⅛	62⅝	+1⅛
TexInd	37 15-16	37 5-16	37 15-16	+⅛
TexasInst	140 11-16	139 1-16	140 5-16	+⅛
TexUtil	42¼	41 5-16	41½	—9-16
Textron	83	82 5-16	82⅝	—5-16
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TrinityInds	32⅞	32 9-16	32⅝	+⅛
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Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts, County Extension Agent

Moisture patrol for asthma control

Whether the cause is a leaking pipe or the humid conditions of attics and basements, moisture in the home can provide the water sources for mold, mildew, cockroaches and dust mites to thrive. And it doesn't take much. For example, a cockroach only needs about a drop of water a day to survive.

Appliances that control the atmosphere, such as humidifiers, dehumidifiers, unvented heaters and air conditioners, have water pans that should be emptied regularly. Places where moisture condenses should be wiped dry. Make sure air conditioning drain pans are pitched for effective draining. During high humidity times, clean and disinfect humidifiers at least weekly.

Refrigerators can also create moisture problems. Check the gasket, condenser unit, drip pans and inside where moisture can condense. At least once a month, clean and disinfect the water collection pans belonging to all these appliances, following the user's guide for each appliance for specific cleaning instructions.

Using appliances properly is also important. Too much humidity makes it possible for mold and mildew to multiply. Too little humidity can cause nasal passages to dry out, which can aggravate asthma and allergy symptoms. To reduce dust mites and mold while maintaining a good comfort level, keep the indoor relative humidity between 35-50 percent. To measure the relative humidity, consider bringing in a professional heating and air conditioning service. A yearly checkup of the heating and/or cooling systems by these same professionals is also recommended. The inspection should assure that the system if properly sealed, is not drawing air from crawl spaces or other dusty areas, contains no water in the duct work and that the condensate is draining properly.

Fans and proper ventilation will also help keep moisture at bay. Use exhaust fans when cooking, bathing or showering. Make sure all heating and water heating appliances, dryers and bathroom fans are properly vented. If possible, vent bathroom fans outside, not into the attic blowing moist air into an attic will promote mold growth.

The situation in dark, damp or humid areas, such as basements and attics, can be improved by increasing air circulation, temperature and light. However, the best treatment for those spaces by increasing air circulation, temperature and light. However, the best treatment for these spaces is to locate and eliminate the source of dampness. To check for signs of leaks and mold growth, look for stains and streaks on walls, ceiling and floors. Telltale signs include bubbles in paint and plaster, or house wallpaper. Check all exposed pipes for water or moisture condensation, rust or mineral deposits. These are signs of past or present leakage. Inspect the inside frames and sills of all windows where moisture might be collecting.

Carpets can be problematic, too. Examine them for any signs of moisture, giving basement carpets particular scrutiny. Note that basement carpeting should never be installed on an unsealed cement slab, as the cement can conduct moisture and promote condensation. Check the wood tack strips under the carpets for dry rot, mold or rust around the tacks. If the carpet gets wet or needs to be cleaned, call cleaning professionals. Carpeting and furniture should be removed from any room that is prone to flooding or leaks.

Although basements and attics are the logical place to store items, this practice created problems for allergy and asthma sufferers. The stored items collect dust and allergens that trigger health problems. To help keep the dust under control, store household items in closed cloth bags or plastic boxes. Be sure there is good air circulation around them and that they are stored off the floor and away from outside walls.

The warm, dark atmosphere in basements, and attics is a welcoming environmentt for dust mites and cockroaches. In addition to moisture control, there are other ways to discourage them. Do not store household items in cardboard boxes or paper bags. Wood and cellulose products can hold moisture, which attracts the cockroaches.

Texas pecan growers group slates meeting on July 11-14

COLLEGE STATION — The state's oldest agricultural commodity association, The Texas Pecan Growers Association, has scheduled its annual meeting in Abilene July 11-14 which features educational opportunities for beginners in the industry as well as the seasoned producers.

The largest gathering of pecan growers and commercial exhibitors in the nation will provide orchard tours, a visit to the USDA pecan breeding station in Brownwood, equipment demonstrations, presentations by pecans specialists and the chance to meet with growers from Texas and other states to share information.

The traditional Texas Agricultural Extension Service's mini-pecan shortcourse will be incorporated into Monday's (July 12) tour. Those who sign up for the orchard tour and short course will be departing from the hotel at 8 a.m., and will not return until 6 p.m. The breeding station in Brownwood is the originating location of most USDA cultivar crosses. Tour participants will have the chance to see "whisk-broom" demonstrations — a form of orchard thinning. Also on the tour will be the best pecan breeding selections currently being tested for release as new cultivars.

Activities scheduled at the Abilene Civic Center will begin on Tuesday (July 13) morning. The trade show opens at 8 a.m. and educational programs will be held throughout the day and resume again on Wednesday (July 14). The trade show will provide booths sponsored by various commerical vendors representing chemical companies, pecan nurseries, irrigation suppliers and machinery manufacturers.

The convention is open to the public. A registration fee is required. Participation in some events requires preregistration.

For more information, contact the Texas Pecan Growers Association, P.O. Drawer CC, College Station, TX 77841; telephone 409-846-3285; e-mail: pecans@tpga.org

Colorado City cattle auction

COLORADO CITY — The Colorado City Livestock Auction had a run of 562 head of cattle for the Saturday, June 26, sale. Feeder steers and heifers were $1 to $4 hjigher. Slaughter cows were $2 higher and bulls $2 higher Bred cows and pairs were steady. Trading active and demand good.

Feeder Steers:
200-300- 113-116
300-400: 90-106
400-500: 84-96
500-600: 78-82
600-700: 73.50-78.50
700-800: 68.50-76
Feeder Heifers:
400-500: 77-84
500-600: 75.50-81
600-700: 72-77
Young bred cows: 490 to 595
Medium age to older bred cows: 400-490.
Young pairs: 630 to 730.
Medium age to older cows and calves: 545-660
Slaughter cows: 42-45.75
Slaughter bulls: 53.75-55

Lubbock cattle auction

LUBBOCK — The market at Lubbock had a run of 379 head of cattle for the Thursday, June 24, sale. Cows were steady to 50 cents better. Yearlings and calves were steady. Trading and demand were good.

Slaughter cows: (high dressing - cutters - utility) 37 to 42.75.
Canners and low cutters: 32 to 36.50
Slaughter bulls: 46 to 52
Feeder steers choice:
300-400: 90-108
400-500: 86-95
500-600: 75-85
600-700: 74-84
700-800: 65-74
Feeder Heifers choice:
300-400: 85-95
400-500: 75-87.50
500-600: 72-79
600-700: 68-74
700-800: 65-72
Feeder bulls good and choice: 500-600, 73 to 83; 700-800, 64 to 68
Cow and calf pairs: Good 600 to 750: Grade 450 to 600.
Springers: 425 to 575.
Baby calves: 100 to 160.
Doodlers 150 to 235

The basic monetary unit of Turkey is the lira, and its chief fractional unit is the kurus.

Kansas is the 34th state.

Tighter privacy provisions are urged by key Democrats

WASHINGTON (AP) — Key Democratic lawmakers are pushing for tighter restrictions on the business practice of sharing customer financial data as the House nears a vote on measures designed to protect consumers' privacy.

Consumer and privacy advocacy groups, meanwhile, pressed President Clinton to get involved in the congressional privacy battle.

"It is critical that Congress act now. ... We urge you to teli Congress to (enact) the protections for personal privacy," a coalition of groups, including the Consumer Federation of America, Consumers Union, U.S. Public Interest Research Group and the Privacy Rights Clearinghouse, said in a letter to Clinton released Tuesday.

Hanging in the balance is legislation that would remove Depression-era barriers between banks, securities firms and insurance companies, allowing them to merge. The House was expected to vote in a few days on the package, which would include the consumer privacy provisions.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Obituaries

Lucia Molina

Lucia Molina

1927-1999

Funeral service for Lucia Molina of Hermleigh is set for 10 a.m. Thursday in St. Elizabeth Catholic Church. Fr. Jerry Latham will officiate and burial will follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens.

A rosary is set for 7 tonight at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home Chapel. Deacon Frank Ortegon will officiate.

Mrs. Molina, 71, died Tuesday, June 29, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock following a brief illness.

Born Dec. 13, 1927 in Laredo, she was married to Tony Molina Sr. on April 23, 1952.

Mrs. Molina was a homemaker and a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

Survivors include her husband, Tony Molina Sr. of Hermleigh; three daughters and two sons-in-law, Lupe and Jose Sauceda, Alice and George Alderete and Norma Garcia, all of Snyder; two sons and daughters-in-law, Tony Jr. and Brenda Molina of Hermleigh and Johnny and Holly Molina of Houston; three sisters; Odilia Zamora of San Antonio, Manuela Caudillo of Monmouth, Ore., and Alicia Balderas of Crystal City; four brothers, Sabas Garcia, Manuel Garcia, Alejandro Garcia, all of Laredo, and Lasislao Garcia of San Antonio; and eight grandchildren including Christina and Roberto Sauceda, Stephanie and Patrick Alderete and David Garcia, all of Snyder, Tony Molina III and Brian Molina of Hermleigh and Chris Garcia of San Angelo.

Quincy Earle

1915-1999

Quincy Kent Earle, a former resident of Snyder, died Monday, June 28, in Cortez, Colo.

Graveside service for Mr. Earle, 83, is set for 2 p.m. Friday in Hillside Memorial Gardens in Snyder.

Family visitation is scheduled at Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. Friday.

Born Oct. 8, 1915 in Poyen, Ark., Mr. Earle worked 41 years for Mobil Oil Co. and was a production superintendent. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Denver City.

Mr. Earle was preceded in death by his wife, Thaila Harmon Earle; two brothers; and a sister.

Survivors include his daughter and son-in-law, Nita and Jimmy Smith of Cortez; a brother, Alton Earle of Denver, Colo.; two grandsons, Quentin Smith and Cody Smith, both of Cortez.

Eileen Martin

1916-1999

Funeral service for Eileen Martin, a longtime resident of Snyder, was to be held at 2 p.m. today in the 37th Street Church of Christ. Homer Anderson and Bill Looney, ministers, were to officiate.

Mrs. Martin, 82, died at 11:55 p.m. Sunday, June 27, in Sunflower Park Nursing Home in Kaufman after a lengthy illness.

Burial was to follow in Hillside Memorial Gardens under the direction of Bell-Cypert-Seale Funeral Home.

Born Dec. 2, 1916 in Kimble County, she married Samuel Barber Martin on Oct. 24, 1937 in Abilene. He died in 1978.

Mrs. Martin was a homemaker and had owned and operated Martin Jewelry in Snyder for a number of years. She was a member of the 37th Street Church of Christ.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Raleen and Tim Sloan and Suzanne and Burton Brown, all of Kaufman; a son and daughter-in-law, Sam and Sue Martin of Albuquerque, N.M.; two sisters, Vivian Reese of Snyder and Bess Cardwell of Junction; a brother, Raleigh Reese of San Saba; and seven grandchildren.

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Hubbell pleads guilty in Ken Starr's probe

WASHINGTON (AP) — Longtime presidential friend Webster Hubbell pleaded guilty today to a felony for concealing his and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton's legal work on a fraudulent land deal back in Arkansas. Prosecutors recommended no jail time or fine.

As part of a deal with Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr, prosecutors asked that Hubbell serve one year of probation. U.S. District Judge James Robertson will decide the sentence.

Hubbell also pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor in a tax evasion case that revolved around payments he received from friends of the president in 1994 and 1995, while he was under investigation by Starr.

Asked in court whether he would change his plea from innocent on failure to disclose facts to investigators, a somber-looking Hubbell answered, "I do."

He answered the tax charge with one word — "Guilty" — as his wife, Suzy, watched from the front row.

The plea ending nearly five years of investigation of Hubbell, who was formerly the No. 3 official in the Justice Department, and halted plans for a trial that could have been embarrassing for Mrs. Clinton as she explores whether to run for the Senate.

Starr sat at the prosecution table as Hubbell, who already has served 18 months in prison for an earlier guilty plea, entered his pleas in the two separate criminal cases brought last year.

In one case, Hubbell was accused of covering up his and Mrs. Clinton's legal work on a 1,050-acre land development south of Little Rock owned by Mrs. Clinton's Whitewater partner, Jim McDougal, and Hubbell's father-in-law.

The land deal — which federal regulators said was riddled with sham transactions — cost the failing savings and loan owned by the Clintons' Whitewater partner $3.8 million and contributed to the insolvency of the institution.

In the tax indictment, Hubbell was accused of failing to declare as income $74,000 of more than $450,000 in fees from 15 employers in 1994, when top Clinton advisers arranged consulting contracts for the former associate attorney general from Vernon Jordan and other close friends of President Clinton.

Advocates of elderly not sure of new plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — While generally praising President Clinton's idea of helping Medicare recipients pay for prescription drugs, some advocates for the elderly think the plan doesn't go far enough, and medical industry leaders wonder if they're going to wind up paying for it.

Republican leaders questioned how the Clinton plan would be financed, who would pay, whether it would fix Medicare's solvency problems and whether his proposed cost restrictions might hinder medical breakthroughs and drug innovations.

Congressional Democrats, meanwhile, criticized Republicans for not immediately and wholeheartedly embracing Clinton's plan.

"My fear is that the Republican reaction to this is negative," said House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt, D-Mo., at a news conference today. "It's clear to me that the Republican leadership simply is responding to special interests and not to the interests of ordinary Americans."

Diane Archer, executive director of the Medicare Rights Center in New York, said: "The president's proposal is a long overdue step needed to fill a glaring omission in the Medicare program."

She and other senior citizens' advocates contend the modest drug benefit Clinton proposed is insufficient.

"The president's proposal will not adequately protect those people on Medicare with the highest prescription drug costs," they said in a statement.

Whether retirees will see Clinton's plan as a good deal remains to be seen, said Horace Deets, executive director of the American Association of Retired Persons, the nation's largest organization of older adults.

Even if not enacted this year, Clinton's initiative will set the markers for a political brawl in next year's elections.

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ONGOINGS

Lucky 13 rush dance

Lucky 13 will host a rush dance from 9 p.m. until 12:30 a.m. this evening in Towle Park Barn.

Medical fund established

A medical fund has been established at West Texas State Bank to assist Mary Batchelor, a cancer patient and owner of MB's Beauty Salon.

Seniors Swimnastics

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

Book signing

National best-selling novelist, Jodi Thomas, will be in Snyder Thursday to autograph her newest book at Wal-Mart from 3-5 p.m.

Book signing

Charles Anderson, author of "Confederate General William Read 'Dirty Neck Bill' Scurry" will autograph copies of the new book from 1:30 to 3 p.m. Sunday at the Dermott School. The event is open to the public and sponsored by the Scurry County Historial Commission and Scurry Historic Scurry County Inc.

God, Country service

"With Liberty and Justice for All," will be presented by the combined choirs of Colonial Hill Baptist Church and First Baptist Church at 7 p.m. Sunday in the Colonial Hill church. Veterans will be recognized and the public is invited.

Quilt raffle

Christian Women's Fellowship of First Christian Church will raffle a red, white and blue quilt July 4th in Towle Park. Tickets are $1 and will be sold in the cottonwoods across from the Armory.

July 4th celebration

Anyone interested in providing entertainment for the July 4th celebration should contact the chamber of commerce at 573-3558. Also food, activity and arts and crafts booths are still available.

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 "Esther, A Woman of Destiny," followed by "The Search for Intimacy."

Support groups

Three different support groups meet at 6:30 p.m. the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church. The groups include divorce recovery, cancer support group, and grief support group. Child care is provided.

Class of '69 reunion

The SHS Class of 1969 will have its 30th class reunion July 9-10 at Snyder Country Club. The class extends a special invitation to teachers, parents and family of the class as well as friends and other classmates for the 8 p.m. social Friday. For other details, call 573-8877 or 573-5325.

GED testing date

The GED Testing Center on the WTC campus will administer exams at 8:30 a.m. July 24. Any person not enrolled in high school, who has not graduated, who is at least 16 years of age and meets other requirements may be tested for a high school equivalency diploma. The battery of five GED tests costs $60 and takes 7½ hours to complete. Tests need not be taken in one sitting. For pre-registration and additional testing dates, call 573-2973 or 573-8511, ext. 146.

LVN registration at WTC

Students wishing to enroll in the September class for Licensed Vocational Nursing at Western Texas College need to contact the counseling office to arrange to take the pre-entrance exam. Tests will be given through July 27, and interviews will be scheduled through Aug. 9. For more information call 573-8511, ext. 313 or toll-free at 1-888-GO TO WTC (468-6982)

Adult education classes

Adult Education will be held from 8 a.m. until noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in the library at Western Texas College. Classes include English as a second language, GED preparation and those wanting to improve basic skills. No night classes are available.

Foster parent training

A training session, "Framework for Understanding Poverty," will be presented by the Oil Patch Foster Parent Association from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. July 17. RSVP to Donna Zalman at 863-2275 or Donna Dickinson at 573-7817. Cost of the workbook is $15.

Road to Recovery program

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

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery:
17-19-21-23-25

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Tuesday by the Texas Lottery, in order:
9-8-0
(nine, eight, zero)

How would extending drug coverage in Medicare work?

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senior citizens likely would pay less for prescriptions because of Medicare's bulk purchasing power under President Clinton's proposal to extend drug coverage to the elderly for the first time.

The administration has yet to fill in some details. White House officials said, however, that under Clinton's plan, announced Tuesday, the government would contract with the same type of private pharmaceutical benefit management companies that many commercial insurers use to negotiate discounts with drugmakers for their bulk purchases.

The management companies also administer health plans' drug benefits, usually giving consumers prescription cards that can be presented for discounts at pharmacies and often also offering alternative prescription-by-mail services.

Drug companies have raised fears that a single purchaser as large as Medicare — which serves 39 million elderly and disabled Americans — would have such market leverage that it would have the effect of imposing national drug-price controls.

"Any plan which begins the process of imposing direct, or even indirect, government control over drug prices eventually will slow the pace of medical research," warned Carl B. Feldbaum, president of the Biotechnology Industry Organization.

Administration officials said Medicare would attempt to avoid distorting the marketplace by using private benefit managers to negotiate drug discounts only on a regional and local basis, rather than nationally.

"This is simply at the local and regional level allowing the Medicare program to get the same discounts for their beneficiaries that every other insurance provider can," said Clinton's chief economic adviser, Gene Sperling.

Nevertheless, the administration estimates that negotiated discounts could save Medicare beneficiaries 10 percent to 15 percent on their drug costs.

Many private health plans also save money by limiting the types of drugs consumers can get — requiring the use of generics whenever possible, for example — or restricting access to some particularly expensive and popular drugs, such as the impotency pill Viagra.

Republicans lawmakers have raised concerns that the government might have too much say over what drugs retirees can get under Clinton's plan.

"Will the government decide what drugs seniors can use and which ones they cannot?" House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., and Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss., asked in a joint statement.

Administration officials have offered reassurances.

"We would require that every therapeutic class (of drug) be covered," said Sperling.

Participation in the Medicare drug benefit would be optional. People who felt they could get a better deal from a private insurance policy or retiree health benefits from a former employer could forgo it. Clinton is pledging financial incentives to encourage employers to keep offering drug benefits to their retirees.

But administration officials estimated that 31 million people would opt for the Medicare plan.

The new benefit would be available starting in 2002 for a monthly premium charge of $24. No deductible would be required, and Medicare would pay half of all prescription costs up to a total of $2,000 a year, for a maximum government subsidy of $1,000.

The drug premium would rise gradually to $44 a month in 2008. The maximum subsidy also would increase, to $2,500 a year.

The state bird of Wyoming is the cardinal.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

North 06-30-99
♠ 6 5 2
♥ 4
♦ K 9 5
♣ Q 8 7 6 3 2

West
♠ 10 7 3
♥ 10 7 5 2
♦ 8 4 3
♣ K J 4

East
♠ A 4
♥ J 9 8
♦ A Q J 10 7
♣ 10 9 5

South
♠ K Q J 9 8
♥ A K Q 6 3
♦ 6 2
♣ A

Vulnerable: East-West
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
2 ♣	Pass	2 ♦	Dbl.
2 ♠	Pass	3 ♠	Pass
4 ♠	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♦ 3

A reprise on ruffing in the dummy

By Phillip Alder

Yesterday, we looked at ruffing losers in the shorter trump hand, which will usually be the dummy. In essence, it is a simple play because it generates an extra trick. However, there are occasionally hidden dangers — as in this deal. You are in four spades. West leads the diamond three: five, 10, two. East cashes the diamond ace: six, four, nine. Then East plays a third diamond. How would you continue?

Although South has only 19 high-card points, with two such powerful major suits and only three losers (one spade and two diamonds), he is worth the forcing two-club opening. East doubles North's negative response to show good diamonds.

With hindsight, West would lead the diamond eight because declarer would think West began with only a doubleton. Then, South might ruff the third diamond high, cash the heart ace, ruff a heart in the dummy, and lead a trump. But East goes in with the ace and plays another diamond, promoting West's spade 10 as the fourth defensive trick.

Let's assume you pitch a heart on the third diamond. Suppose you play a heart to the ace, ruff a heart in the dummy, and lead a trump to hand. Now you will have to guess to continue with a *low* spade; otherwise, West gets that trump promotion. Much better is to lead a trump from the dummy immediately. After winning in hand, cash the heart ace, ruff a heart, and play a second trump through East. His ace falls on low cards, so you can ruff the next diamond high, draw West's final trump, and run the hearts. Nicely timed!

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Stop cracking on son over knuckles

DEAR DR. GOTT: My teen-age son has a habit of cracking his knuckles. I keep telling him that he's going to have big ugly knuckles if he continues this practice, but he dismisses this as an old wives' tale. Is there anything wrong with cracking your knuckles, aside from the annoyance factor?

DEAR READER: I am certain that your comments reflect the concerns of generations of parents whose sons cracked their knuckles. As far as I know, knuckle-cracking does not have any significant long-term effects. The major problem may be that your son may perceive that you are nagging him. I have yet to meet a young man who is the slightest bit concerned about having big knuckles, and nothing you — or I — say will make the slightest difference. I suggest that you drop the subject altogether and concentrate on more germane issues. If you are going to go down in history as a "knuckle-nagger," you could more effectively expend your energy emphasizing more important issues. Your credibility can be put to better use. For example, how's he doing in school? Is he addicted to video games?

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've been told that going on an all-protein diet for four weeks will enable me to lose a phenomenal amount of weight. Moreover, I've heard that this is a good incentive to continue a nutritious diet. How healthful is it to be on an all-protein diet for a month?

DEAR READER: I don't encourage anyone to go on an all-anything diet. While protein is essential for good health, so are other nutrients. Without any fat or carbohydrate in your diet, you'll lose weight, all right — about half of it fat and the rest muscle. You heard me correctly: You will burn about equal amounts of fat and protein during a pure protein diet or a fast.

Here's a better plan. Keep up a generous protein intake but, at the same time, eat some complex carbohydrates — such as grains and rice — to prevent muscle wasting. Also, include vegetables and fruits to provide balanced nutrition. The carbohydrate that you can eliminate is the "simple" type — in particular, sugar. This is easier than it sounds, though, because sugar is added to a great many processed foods. For example, even table salt has sugar (dextrose) added to keep it pouring in rainy weather. Check labels and, to the extent you can, avoid sugar.

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

DEAR DR. GOTT: I can't get rid of a persistent case of athlete's foot. What do you suggest?

DEAR READER: Several over-the-counter remedies — including Tinactin, Lamisil or Lotrimin — may help. So may mycostatin cream. If these simple measures are ineffective, see a dermatologist — because your problem is in the major leagues.

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Eight injured in brawl at concert

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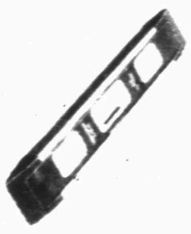

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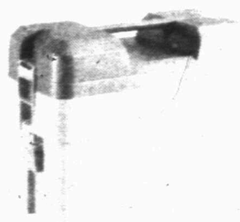

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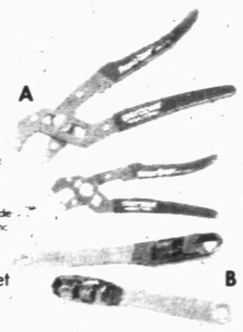

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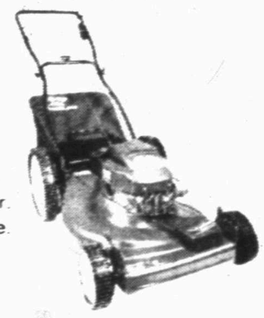

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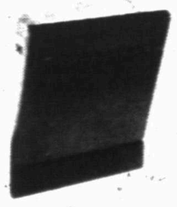

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