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Home of David Lyle

RIBBON CUTTING — Among those attending the ribbon cutting ceremony this morning at Snyder Brick & Tile were (second from left) Steve Carriker, Virginia Cazeault, Wilson Thomas, Charles Terrell and Mitchell Goodger (top photo). In the photo right, Carriker speaks to the crowd. (SDN Staff Photo)

Brick plant holds ribbon cutting, sets grand opening event

Amid the process of manufacturing its products, Snyder Brick & Tile held its official ribbon cutting this morning, hosted by the Snyder Gold Coaters.

This morning's ceremony will be followed by a community-wide open house on Friday, Nov. 17.

Charles Terrell, chairman of the board of the brick plant, told the crowd that the state-of-the-art plant is the result of many dreams, and the hard work of just as many.

"I would first like to acknowledge the work of Wilson Thomas (the company's president and CEO) for his efforts over the past years in getting this plant off the ground," said Terrell.

Terrell, who served as the chairman of the Texas Department of Criminal Justice when the Price Daniel Unit was built here, also acknowledged the work of Steve Carriker and the staff of the United State Department of Agriculture out of Temple for its work in securing a $3.5 million loan for the facility.

"Steve and his staff have renewed my faith in the federal government by their work on this project," emphasized Terrell, a resident of Dallas.

"I have never seen government employees work so hard for a project. They were always available to answer questions for us and help us out through the end of the project," Terrell added.

Terrell also recognized Virginia Cazeault of Omni Bank of Houston.

"Virginia and her staff also worked long and hard to make this come to fruition," said Terrell.

U.S. Rep. Charlie Stenholm was instrumental in helping secure the loan for the plant, but he was unable to attend as planned due to continuing budget work in Washington.

"We appreciate the support of Congressman Stenholm," said Terrell. "He was very important in seeing this project through."

Terrell also acknowledged the assistance of the Development Corporation of Snyder and its executive director, John DeLille.

Representing Stenholm from his Washington office was Russell Middleton, who works with rural development projects.

"This is a good example of public-private partnership," said Middleton.

"The people of Snyder deserve a lot of credit for their vision on this project," added Middleton.

Currently, the brick plant employs 40 people, and they expect to employ some 25 more people when in full production.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "It makes no difference which side the bread is buttered on. Eat both sides."

You win some and then lose some…

While today's ribbon cutting and open house for the refurbished brick plant is welcomed economic news, the closing of Walls Industries is disappointing.

Walls announced Wednesday that it will soon close the local sewing plant and some 90 persons will lose their jobs. The plant fell victim to the competition of cheap labor outside the U.S.

Walls closed here once before but it reopened, thanks to a well-trained work force. We're still hoping that someone in the garment industry will see the available and skilled labor force and soon fill that void. The DCOS will be keeping its eyes and ears open.

Meanwhile, news about Snyder Brick and Tile getting into operation is long-awaited positive news. The facility gathered dust and deteriorated for years. After months of work, the facility looks great.

Mark your calendar for a public open house in a couple of weeks – on Nov. 17.

Congratulations to the Snyder FFA team for its efforts at the national convention. The junior knowledge team won its seventh consecutive national championship.

Team members are **David Rodriguez, Kamie Drain, Corey Longorio, Chance Tatum, Amanda Greenwood** and **Cindy Nachlinger**.

Nachlinger also won the national high point individual honors.

The Advanced Knowledge team placed second, but Snyder's **Jacinda Judah** tied for top individual honors. **Johnna Ferris** earned a National Proficiency award.

It was a great season for the SHS volleyball and tennis teams.

The Lady Tigers were eliminated from the playoffs by Dumas last Saturday. Seniors on Coach Patty Grimmett's squad were **Kameron Kallemeyn, Ashley Delce, Rina Geiger, T'Leah Eicke, Cameron Mackey** and **Whitney Webb**.

Winning matches for the Tigers in the second round of the regional tournament were the senior doubles duo of **Ryan Gibson** and **Allen Smith**.

Snyder and Ira gridders are still hoping for a post-season playoff berth.

The Tigers have their final home game tonight against the Big Spring Steers. Ira hosts Loraine while Hermleigh travels to Highland and Borden County is at Westbrook.

Have a good weekend!

Teacher is re-assigned

By Wade Warren
SDN Managing Editor

A Snyder Junior High teacher and coach, placed on paid administrative leave last month, apparently will remain in the system until the end of the current school year as a result of action Thursday night by the SISD board of trustees.

Greg Hazelwood, 39, who is in his first year of teaching in the local system, had been placed on paid administrative leave following the allegations made about two weeks ago that he had improper contact with an 18-year-old female student.

Sources outside the school administration said this morning that Hazelwood has been assigned to the junior high's Alternative Education (AEP) Program until school is out in May.

This program is located across the street from the junior high in the former fire station building. Students are assigned to the program as a result of disciplinary action.

Following about a 45-minute closed session during Thursday's board meeting, Supt. Gayle Lomax announced that a settlement had been reached with Hazelwood and his attorney, Lee Hadden of Odessa, but part of the agreement forbids the district from commenting on any part of the settlement.

"We have agreed not to discuss any part of the agreement and because it is a personnel matter, this is all the comment I have to make at this time," said Lomax.

The board also went into executive session for less than 10 minutes to discuss the annual evaluation of the superintendent.

Board president Mark McCormick said this morning that he handed out the evaluation forms for the superintendent with instructions they are to be completed before the December meeting.

In action items, the board approved the audit report given by a representative of David, Kinard & Company, an Abilene CPA firm.

The audit, termed "clean" by the accountants, was given the okay with little comment from the trustees.

In one other action item, the board approved a resolution calling for a uniform statewide group health insurance plan for teachers, school employees and retired teachers.

Trustees also recognized Northeast Elementary for work in the migrant student program.

Principal Lee Presswood and migrant teacher Jolly Rosas attended the meeting representing the campus.

Also recognized prior to the meeting were members of the Snyder FFA chapter that recently attended the national FFA convention in Kentucky.

Board president Mark McCormick presided at the meeting and board members in attendance were Luann Burleson, Richard Chambers, Cathy Peoples, Glenn Clarady and Janet Stribling. Mike Levens was absent.

TABULATING EQUIPMENT TESTED — Magali Bernal, chief county deputy clerk, conducted a test this morning of tabulation equipment in preparation for Tuesday's general election. (SDN Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Bush believes 1976 DUI won't affect supporters

MILWAUKEE (AP) — George W. Bush says he regrets driving under the influence of alcohol 24 years ago but also says the revelation of his arrest just before Tuesday's presidential election will do little to change voters' minds about him.

His campaign spokeswoman, Karen Hughes, said Friday at a brief airport news conference that Bush has not hidden his record. She said the only time Bush was asked whether he had been arrested for drinking and driving, he responded, "I do not have a perfect record as a youth."

She added, "He has made mistakes and has been very forthcoming about those mistakes."

Chris Lehane, a spokesman for Democrat Al Gore, said Friday that the vice president has never been arrested for drunken driving or any other offense.

"I asked him yesterday if he'd ever been arrested — he said 'No,'" Lehane said.

At a rally in Grand Rapids, Mich., on Friday, Bush drew thunderous applause when he said, "I made mistakes in my life, but I'm proud to tell you I've learned from those mistakes."

Bush earlier said he had been open about his alcohol use.

"I have been very candid about my past. I've said I've made mistakes in the past. People know that. They've thought about that. They're making their minds up now," he said.

The Sept. 4, 1976, arrest was first reported Thursday. Bush, who was 30 years old at the time of the arrest, said he chose to keep it private to protect his daughters, but his hand was forced by the news media.

He questioned the timing of the revelation.

"I do find it interesting that it's come out four or five days before the election," Bush said.

Tom Connolly, a Portland lawyer and Democratic activist who attended the Democratic National Convention, told The Associated Press on Friday that he was the source of the report.

Connolly said someone who was in Biddeford District Court when Bush's 1976 case came up was concerned that it had never been reported and alerted "a public figure" about the case. That person passed the word to Connolly, he said, though he would not name the public figure.

Connolly, who ran unsuccessfully for governor two years ago, said he had been talking about the case at the courthouse Thursday.

Early voting ending today

Today is the last chance to vote early for Tuesday's general election.

On Thursday, 223 early votes were cast to bring the nine-day early voting period total to 2,291 – just 246 short of the early voting total in the 1996 general election.

Voters may cast ballots today until 5 p.m. Voting takes place in the county courtroom on the third floor of the courthouse.

Voters are asked to bring their latest voter registration card or their drivers license to expedite the voting process.

ASK US

Q—Is the Ritz Theatre going to hold the planned production of "The Survivor?"

A—No. They were unable to cast the play, but a one-man show is set for early December.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 72 degrees; low, 40; 7 a.m. Friday, 55; no precipitation; total for 2000, 19.06 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, 80% rain chance, low lower 40s, NE wind, 10-20 mph. Saturday, cloudy, 40% rain chance, NE wind, 10-20 mph.

Juan Estrada
Rain

Sunset:
5:54 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:03 a.m.
Of 307 days in 2000, the sun has shone 304 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Most of us aren't that interested in getting rich — we just don't want to get poor.

—Andy Rooney

USDA will shift testing of ready-to-eat- meat plants

WASHINGTON (AP) — Meat processors that make hot dogs and other precooked products are being encouraged by the government to do their own testing for harmful bacteria rather than rely on federal inspectors to do the monitoring.

Under a policy announced Thursday, the Agriculture Department said it will stop doing routine microbiological tests in plants that have adequate sampling programs of their own. USDA officials said they want to target their testing on processors, usually smaller plants, that don't have adequate monitoring programs.

The change will result in more testing being done industrywide, said Thomas Billy, administrator of USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service.

"By following a strategy that encourages industry to test, there will be much more product testing overall ... than FSIS could ever do on its own," he said.

The tests, which look for pathogens such as Listeria monocytogenes and salmonella, are designed to catch contamination in plants or flaws in their sanitation systems.

"This is a step forward, because you're going to end up with substantially more tests," said Carol Tucker Foreman, director of the Consumer Federation of America's Food Policy Institute.

Processors have a powerful incentive to do the testing themselves: When federal inspectors conduct the tests, all the meat in the lots being sampled is typically kept out of distribution until the results come back, in case there is a positive test result, industry officials said.

If the companies are doing the routine testing themselves, there would be no need to hold the product for test results, but plants would still be expected to issue a recall for products in which harmful bacteria are found, USDA officials said.

The new testing policy will result in safer food, said Lloyd Hontz, director of food inspection issues for the National Food Processors Association, a trade group.

"Consumers are better protected with a policy like this which encourages the industry to do its own testing," he said. "They can really look for spots or points or places in their production operamay be required to do it more frequently if they want to be exempt from routine USDA monitoring, Hontz said.

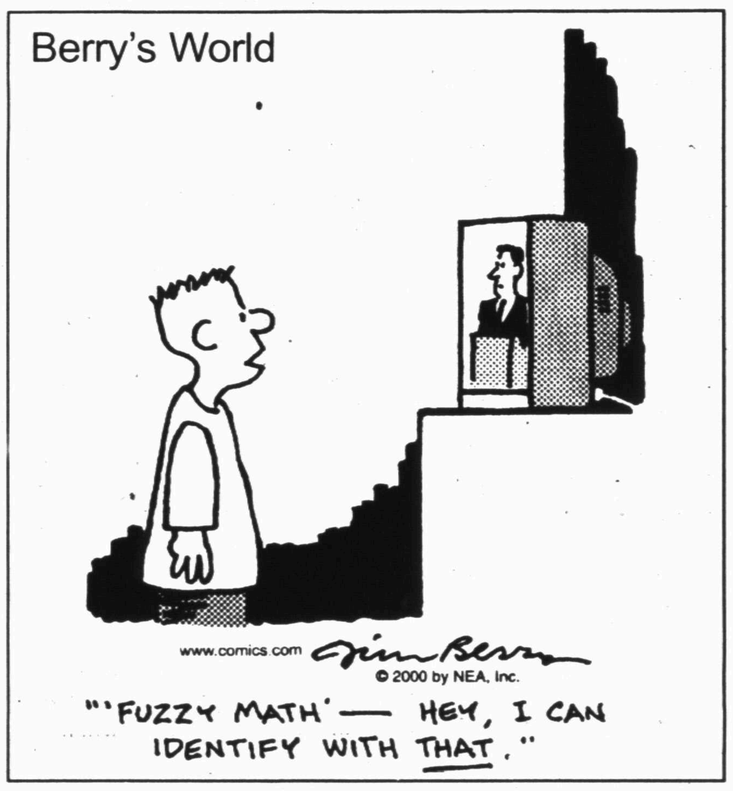
Processors that start their own testing program will have just as many USDA inspectors on site as they do now, but they will have more time for other jobs, such as checking plant records to verify that sanitation procedures are being followed, agency officials said.

The new policy is part of a general strategy by the Clinton administration to require the meat industry to take more responsibility for improving plant sanitation and testing for pathogens. While some critics say that USDA has gone too far, consumer advocacy groups have generally supported the agency.

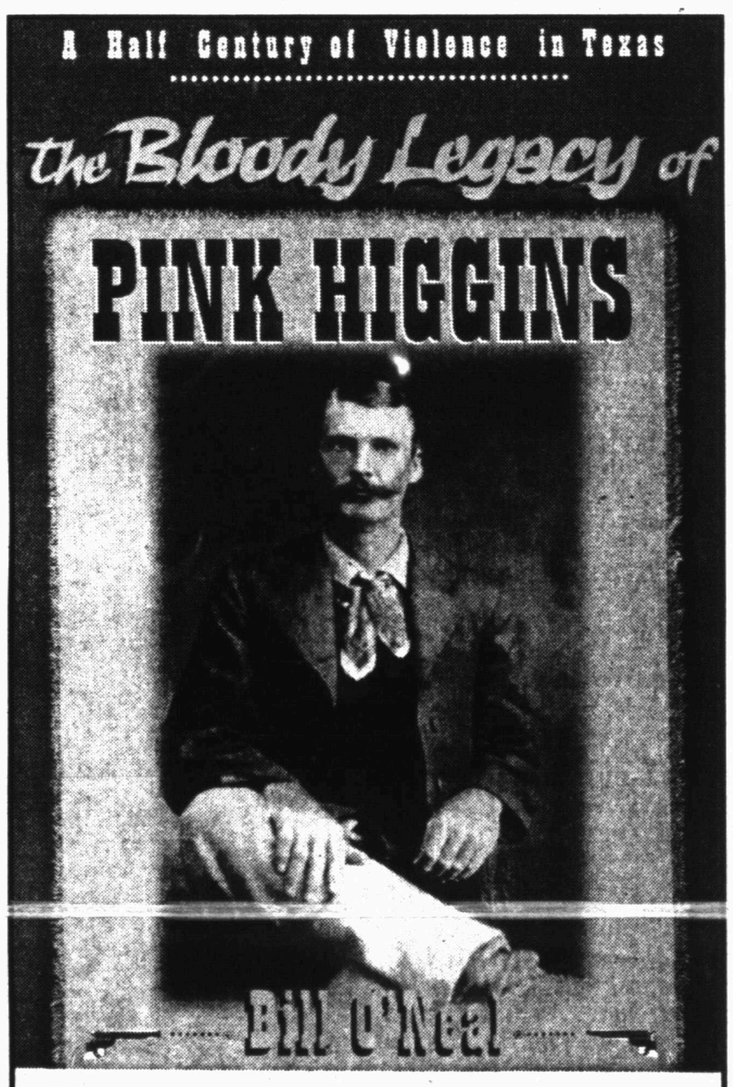
Ready-to-eat meat products are a major source of listeria-related illnesses.

Listeria is estimated to kill 500 Americans a year and sicken 2,000 more. It causes flu-like symptoms in most healthy people, but it can be serious in the young, old or weak. In pregnant women, the bacterium can cause miscarriage or stillbirth even if the mother feels no symptoms.

On the Net:
FSIS:
http://www.fsis.usda.gov
National Food Processors Association: http://www.nfpafood.org



A Half Century of Violence in Texas
The Bloody Legacy of
PINK HIGGINS



Pink Higgins was a rugged Texan who lived a life of classic Western adventure. He was a cowboy, Indian fighter, trail driver, stock detective, rancher, and deadly shootist who killed more adversaries than did such renowned gunfighters as Wyatt Earp, Doc Holliday, and Bat Masterson. Pink battles Comanches and rustlers, and led a faction in the murderous Horrell-Higgins feud of Lampasas County (Texas). Yet he was a hard-working family man, devoted to his nine children.

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Date Book

Friday, Nov. 3, 2000

Today is the 308th day of 2000 and the 43rd day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1881, near the falls of the Ohio River, the first inland Coast Guard station was established.

On this day in 1957, the rockabilly song "Great Balls of Fire," by Jerry Lee Lewis, was released.

On this day in 1975, "Good Morning America," with David Hartman and Nancy Dussault as hosts, premiered on the ABC television network

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Stephen Austin (1793-1836), Texas hero; William Cullen Bryant (1794-1878), poet; Bronko Nagurski (1908-1990), football star; Bob Feller (1918-), baseball great, is 82; Charles Bronson (1922-), actor, is 78; Michael Dukakis (1933-), politician, is 67; Tom Shales (1948-), television critic, is 52; Roseanne Barr (1952-), actress, is 48.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1899, Jim Jeffries won the heavyweight championship by defeating Tom Sharkey in a 25-round decision.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "In theory, there is nothing to hinder our following what we are taught, but in life there are many things to draw us aside." — Epictetus

TODAY'S MOON: Day before first quarter (Nov. 4).

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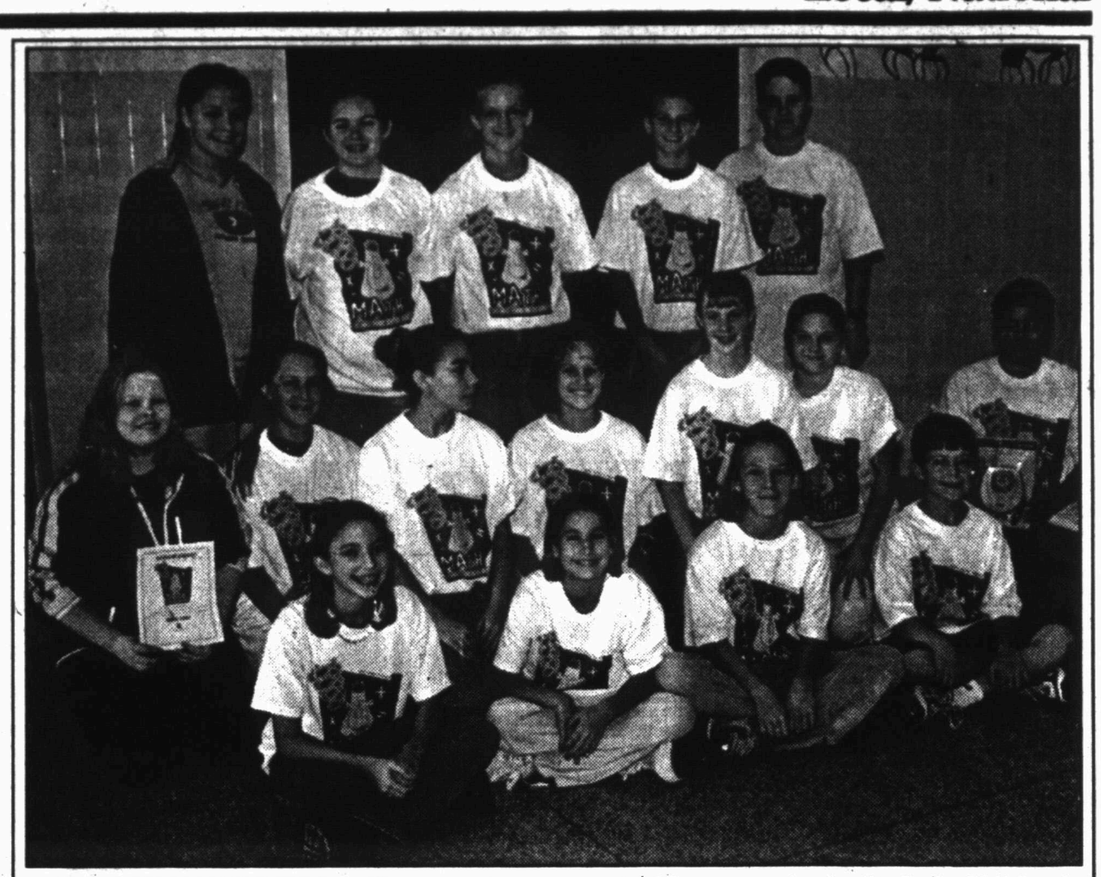

MATH-A-THON WINNERS — These students earned $35 or more in the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital's annual Math-A-Thon. Back row from left, Stephanie Parmer, Tara Kubena, Ciara Latta, Cade Simpson, Matthew Morris; middle row, Whitney Warner, Amber Luecke, Erica Little, Wendy Reed, Jessica Taylor, Amanda Murray, Raymond McClain; front row, Megan McCormick, Christi Williams, Dondi Brock, Austin Lyle. McClain holds the portable CD player he earned for being the top moneymaker. He earned $125. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

45 SJHS math students earn money for St. Jude Hospital

Forty-five math students in Theresa Vest's classes at Snyder Junior High School have raised $1,228.50 in St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital annual Math-A-Thon.

The top moneymaker, Raymond McClain, a seventh grader, raised the most money — $125. For his efforts, he received a portable CD player.

Other seventh graders who participated are Austin Lyle, Andria Nussey, Tara Kubena, Wendy Reed, Ciara Lynn Latta, Amber Luecke, Jessica Taylor, Amanda Murray, Cade Simpson, Dondi Brock, Christi Williams, Megan McCormick, Katie Curry, Cole Lancaster and Kiki Wofford.

Other seventh graders are Ashley Pavlovsky, Erica Little, Ashley Hyer, Bryan Clifton, Shaela Thompson, Barrett Bowlin, Kimberly Bell, Noe Ruiz, Morgan Bilderback, Tyler Hogan, Stanley Forbes, Glyn Wright, Laura Boyd, Jana Lewis, Seth Cooper and Aeryal Peoples.

Eighth graders are Sarah Crawford, Casey Crain, Matthew Morris, Stephanie Parmer, Kalli Wesson, Krista Chaidez, Whitney Warner, Jason Hook, Matthew Kerr, Paul Jackson, Heather Holmes, Thomas Hefner and Nikki Timora.

To participate, students secured sponsors and then had to fill out a funbook of math problems and puzzles in seven days.

Students who earned $35 received a Six Flags Theme Park admission ticket, a St. Jude T-shirt and a certificate. Students earning $75, also received a St. Jude Sports bag.

Cancer is the leading disease killer of American children, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital is the leading center for the treatment of these diseases.

Approximately 5,000 children are being seen at St. Jude. St. Jude also studies other catastrophic childhood diseases such as pediatric AIDS and genetic diseases.

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Admission is based on physician referral and determination that the illness is under study at St. Jude. St. Jude covers all costs not covered by insurance. Families without insurance are never asked to pay.

St. Jude is supported primarily by public contributions. Monies raised from the Math-A-Thon will build an endowment fund.

Two U.S. embassy bombing suspects attack prison guard

NEW YORK (AP) — Two U.S. embassy bombing suspects attacked a guard at a federal lockup, stabbing him in the eye and leaving him in critical condition, authorities said.

Two federal law enforcement sources, speaking on condition of anonymity, told The Associated Press that the guard at the Metropolitan Correctional Center was stabbed in the eye Wednesday with a plastic comb that had been filed to a point.

The thrust was believed to be so severe that the guard lost his eye and the comb penetrated his brain, one source said.

The 43-year-old guard, whose name was not released, was taken to Bellevue Hospital where he underwent surgery for more than 12 hours, said hospital spokedwoman Lorinda Klein. He was in critical condition Thursday.

Norman Seabrook, president of the New York City Correction Officers' Benevolent Association, said he had visited the guard in the hospital.

"He's in bad shape and unable to speak," Seabrook said.

Klein said she could not comment further on his condition at the family's request. Officials at the Fraternal Order of Police, the union which represents the guard, did not immediately return calls seeking comment.

"Our thoughts and our prayers are with the family," said Attorney General Janet Reno, who was asked about the incident at a Thursday news conference in Washington. She said she had spoken to his family and understood he was expected to recover, but gave no details on his condition.

The suspects were identified as Khalfan Khamis Mohamed and Mamdouh Mahmud Salim, both indicted in connection with the Aug. 7, 1998, bombings at embassies in Nairobi, Kenya, and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Twelve Americans were among the 224 people killed in the attacks.

Salim, 41, has been charged in the United States with murder conspiracy and use of weapons of mass destruction in an international plot to kill Americans. He is alleged to be the finance chief for Osama bin Laden, the Saudi exile accused of sponsoring the bombings.

Salim was arrested in Germany in September 1998 on a U.S. warrant. He was extradited to the United States three months later.

Mohamed, 24, allegedly rented a house in Tanzania that was used as a bomb factory. He was arrested in October 1999 in South Africa as he applied for a renewal for his temporary residence permit. He was extradited to the United States the next day.

The second source said one of the men had met with his attorney just before the prison attack, although it was not clear which inmate it was.

A second comb that had also been turned into a sharp weapon was found, the second source said. Investigators believed the attack was planned because of the time needed to turn the combs into weapons, the source said.

Salim and Mohamed shared a cell in a section of the prison that was isolated from the general population, the second source said. Salim has been transferred to an upstate prison in Otisville, N.Y., the source said. Mohamed was moved to a medical prison that the source did not identify. The source said Mohamed was injured in the attack.

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Water-polluting poultry plant is fined $14 million by judge

JACKSON, Miss. (AP) — A federal judge has ordered a Mississippi poultry plant to pay $14 million for discharging slaughterhouse waste into a creek that supplies drinking water to the city of Jackson.

The fine levied Thursday by U.S. District Court Judge Henry Wingate against Central Industries Inc. is the fifth-largest ever against water polluters, said David McLeod of the Environmental Protection Agency.

"This penalty will make all corporations take notice of the seriousness of the environmental criminal laws," McLeod said.

The company was ordered to pay $13 million in criminal fines and $1 million in restitution to the Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality.

"Central is glad to have an opportunity to put this and all related matters behind it," Frank Trapp, a Central Industries attorney, said. "There was never any inaccurate report to the DEQ and nothing that poses any ongoing threat to public health."

The rendering plant processed millions of pounds of entrails, blood, feathers and other waste each week for the production of pet food and other products.

Federal prosecutors said Central Industries consistently violated wastewater standards from the 1970s until the mid-1990s, so much so that Shockaloe Creek, a tributary of the Pearl River and central Mississippi water supply, became known as "Blood Creek."

Besides the fines, Central Industries was ordered to submit a detailed apology to residents of Scott County, where the plant is located.

The largest fine in U.S. history was $26 million paid by Royal Caribbean Cruise company for water pollution in Florida and New York, McLeod said.

Houston's case resolved, says her attorney

KAILUA-KONA, Hawaii (AP) — A marijuana-possession case against Whitney Houston will be dismissed in three months if she meets certain probation-like conditions, a lawyer for the pop music star said.

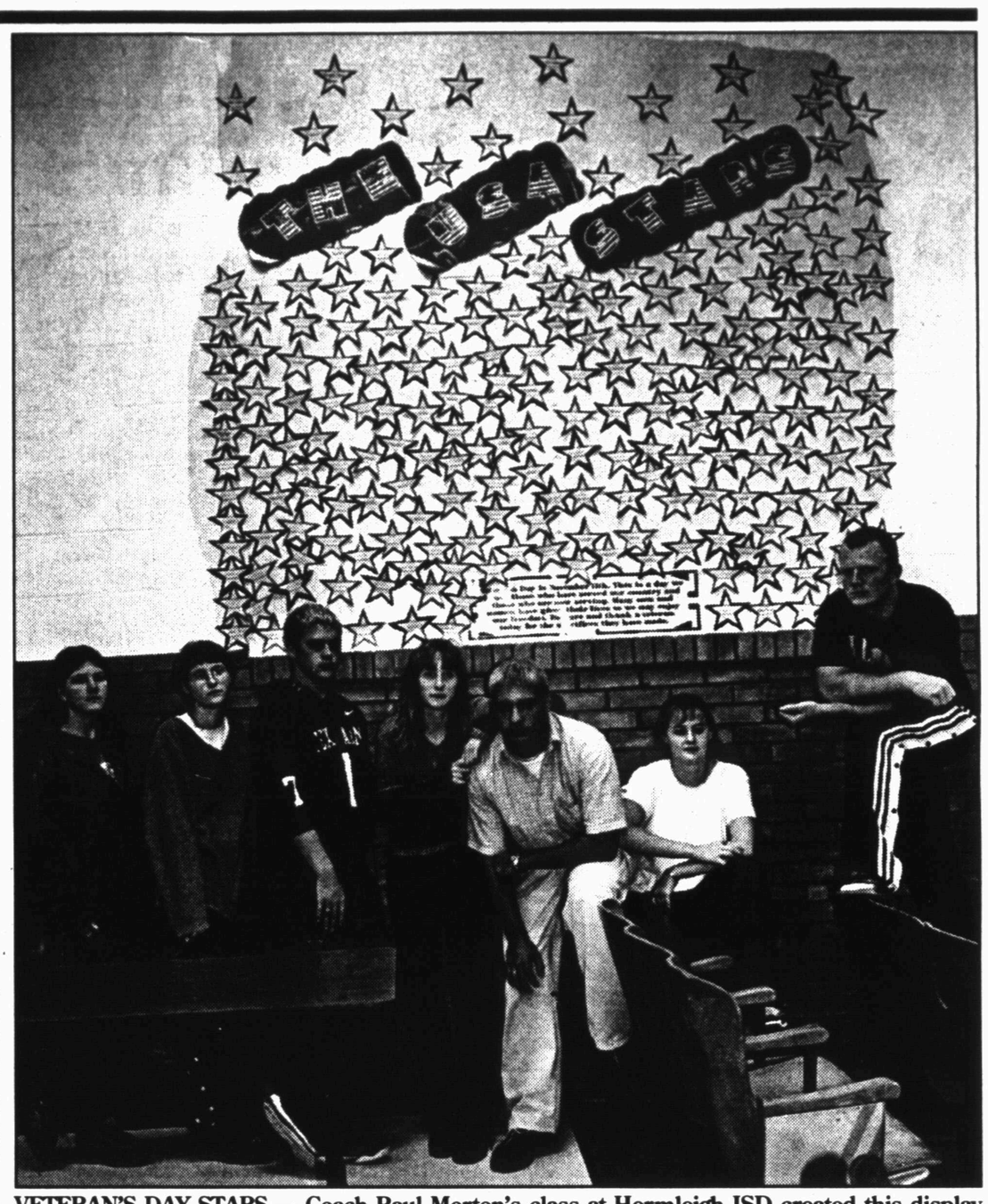
Honolulu attorney Brook Hart and attorneys from Houston's home state of New Jersey appeared on her behalf at a hearing Thursday in state district court in Kona. Houston was not present.

The petty misdemeanor charge stemmed from a Jan. 11 incident at Keahole-Kona International Airport on Hawaii Island. Houston's handbag was seized by a security guard, and police reported it contained half an ounce of marijuana.

Houston and her husband, Bobby Brown, boarded a flight to San Francisco before police arrived.

Houston faced a possible penalty of 30 days in jail and a $1,000 fine.

Judge Joseph Florendo agreed to delay acceptance of a no-contest plea on the singer's behalf until three months from now under a process allowed by state law, Hart said.



VETERAN'S DAY STARS — Coach Paul Morton's class at Hermleigh ISD created this display to honor veterans of the armed forces and those who are now serving in the armed forces. From left are, Samantha Smith, Lori Eckert, Chris McClure, Janet Eckert, Billy Lambaren, Sheena Callaway, David Digby. (Staff Photo by Shirley A. Gorman)

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Saturday, November 4, 2000

A goal you never had the courage to attempt before may not seem so formidable in the year ahead. Your new boldness will enhance your possibilities for success.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Focus your efforts on constructive thoughts concerning your work or career, even though it may be your day off. You could come up with a real winning idea. Know where to look for romance and you'll find it. The Astro-Graph Matchmaker instantly reveals which signs are romantically perfect for you. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Don't be surprised if you're the most popular kid on the block today. Your charisma is sounding loud and clear, calling all to gather at your side.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Your financial prospects look especially good for you today, so if you're so inclined to deal in this area, go at it. You should be able to pocket some extra change.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Take the time to consider that idea or plan of action presented to you lately, because your mental faculties are remarkably astute today. You'll evaluate it quite accurately.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) Staying in character today, you'll once again not wait to be asked for assistance. If you see someone in need, you'll be the first to jump in and offer your help.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Considerate friends will do for you today that which you're unable to achieve on your own. Just be sure to make a note of those who help you so you can reciprocate later.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Anyone who thinks she or he can take you for a fool today is in for a major surprise. Your faculty for perceiving deception is remarkably astute.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Some interesting experiences could be in the offing for you today if you get involved in diversified activities. Depart from your routines and do something fun and different.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Give your all today to doing what you can in an endeavor you share with another. If you both put your full force behind it, substantial inroads can be made.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Because you're not likely to think you have an option on all that is right in the world, you'll be an easy person to get along with. Friends will enjoy your company.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) If you have a good idea you think could be a money maker, this is an excellent day to try it out. You might be on the track to something big.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If the person for whom you yearn has been a bit reticent lately, take the initiative and give him or her a call. Chances are this individual will be in a receptive mood.

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Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren

Operation Dear Abby sends holiday greetings overseas

DEAR ABBY: My family and I participated in last year's Operation Dear Abby. It was a blessing to us. We sent a box of 40 cards to each address you listed. We realize that is an insignificant number when compared to the number of military personnel who are away from home, but my children are 12 and 7, so that was as many as we could handle. They were not happy when I asked them to sign so many cards, but we did one box each week to keep us from getting writer's cramp and to keep the postage costs manageable.

As we sent out each batch of cards, we looked on the Internet for information about that area. This "activated" my kids. They talked about their new knowledge with their classmates and teachers.

I sent the addresses to their teachers, and the classes sent out cards, too. We didn't do it for recognition, but we received three thank-you cards from commanders.

This "family time" turned out to be so much more than just that — my children learned a valuable life lesson: the importance of our military and the fact that these people are real, not fictitious characters in a distant place. The kids have begun asking me if we can do it again this year. Abby, when will you be printing the addresses for 2000? — **AMANDA ENNIS, LITHIA SPRINGS, GA.**

DEAR AMANDA: Now is the hour, and thank you for giving me this chance to announce the launch of Operation Dear Abby XVI.

Once again I would like to thank everyone who has worked so hard to make Operation Dear Abby the smashing success it is every year. The cards and letters you send remind our servicemen and women that although they are stationed far away, they are in our hearts. Many schools and clubs make this a group project. I can't think of a better morale booster.

In order to ensure that the mail is received within the required time frame — and that it falls within the Department of Defense security guidelines — this year mail is being limited to ONLY first-class letters and cards, 13 ounces or less. No packages will be accepted.

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Woman won't get new trial

HOUSTON (AP) — A judge has denied a new trial request by a woman convicted for leaving her baby to die in a hot, closed car, even though a juror says she now doubts the mother's guilt.

Sandra Arteaga is currently serving a 12-year prison term for the death of her 8-month-old son, Senon Arteaga Jr. He died of heat exposure after his mother left him in her car at a gas station along Interstate 45 for about 10 hours in temperatures that reached more than 110 degrees.

Following State District Judge Carol Davies' rejection Thursday of the defense motion, Arteaga's attorneys said they would take their bid to a district court of appeals.

A juror in the original trial has filed an affidavit saying she has reasonable doubts about Arteaga's guilt after learning the woman's husband now says his wife did not know he put the child in the car, defense attorney Mike Lamson told the Houston Chronicle.

But prosecutor Caroline Dozier had argued that Senon Arteaga Sr. was only speculating what his wife believed and that it did not matter who put the child in the car — only that his wife left the boy there on a hot August day.

Sandra Arteaga, 30, was convicted in April of reckless injury by causing her son's death inside the car she abandoned after a night of drinking. The mother got a ride for herself and her daughter from a limousine driver, but left the infant in the car.

The woman testified she didn't know the baby was in the car and didn't see him when she parked at the station.

At the trial, her husband testified he remembered a fight he had with his wife at a friend's house just before she left with their two children. He testified he didn't know how the baby got into the car.

Later, the husband said it was he who put the baby in the car and concealed that fact at the trial because he has a criminal record and never expected his wife to be imprisoned.

Exxon Mobil hit with big judgment

CORPUS CHRISTI (AP) — A federal jury issued a $5.5 million judgment against Exxon Mobil Corp., agreeing with independent operators that the company priced gasoline to force them out of business.

Officials from the Irving, Texas-based oil company said they would appeal Thursday's judgment, which awards the money to more than 50 dealers in Corpus Christi and Houston.

"I anticipate the case will be in the legal system for some time," Jorge Rangel, lead counsel for Exxon Mobil, said after the verdict.

The South Texas Area Exxon Dealers' Association brought the case against Exxon two years ago, before the company merged with Mobil Corp. in November 1999 to form Exxon Mobil.

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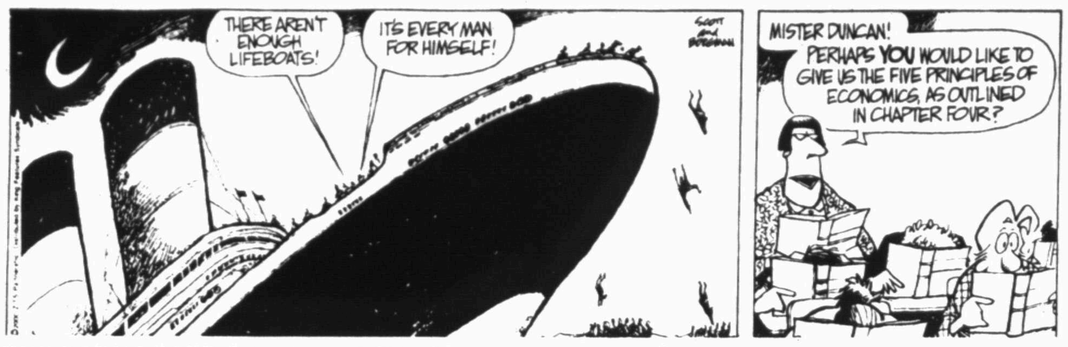

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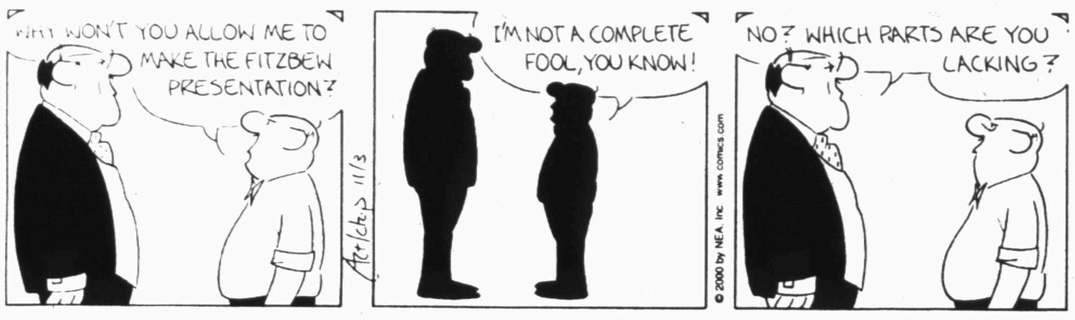

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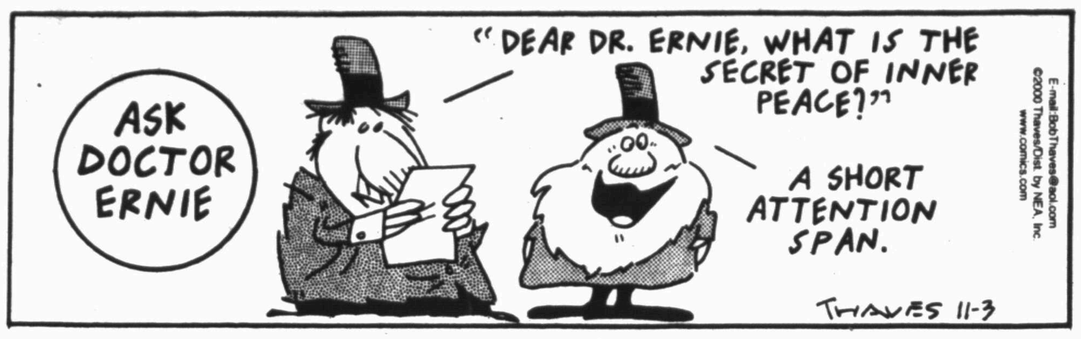

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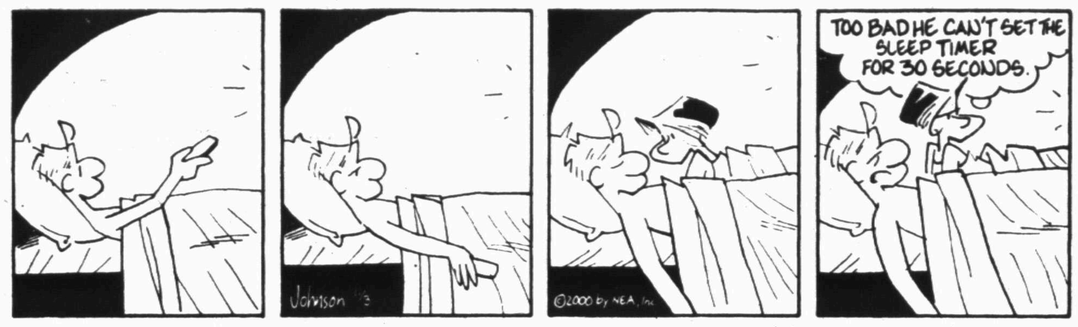

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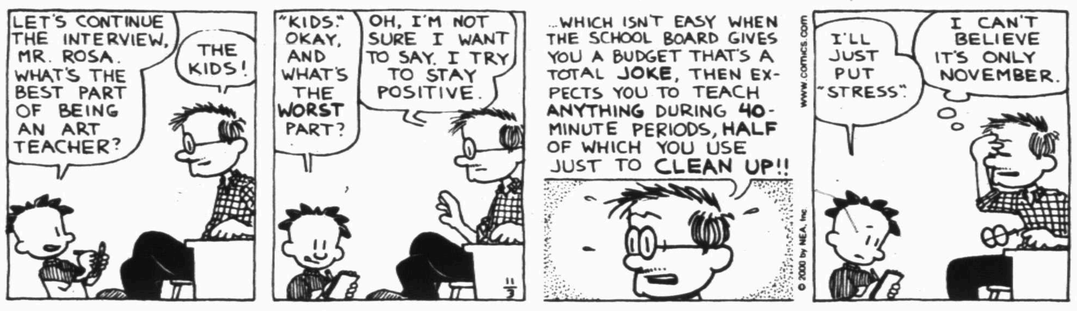

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ACROSS

1 Pakistan's Benazir —
7 Infants
13 Weirder
14 Kampala's land
15 Formal argument
16 Tea extraction
17 Actress Lupino
18 Paintings
20 Performance
21 Order from it
23 German article
24 Comics' Kett
25 Promo tape
27 Pretty women
29 Seed container
31 View
32 "Opal" end
33 Dry, as wine
34 Chide
37 Ticket part
40 Like a certain ranger
41 A Gabor
43 Freckle
45 Actress Gardner
46 Oedipus —
47 Vacation spot
48 Winner
51 More ornamental
54 Whole
55 Escaped adroitly
56 Relaxed
57 Drowsy

DOWN

1 Darken
2 Obeyed
3 Smoothly courteous
4 Maria's aunt
5 Southeast Asian holiday
6 Mountain nymph
7 Supporting structure
8 Moslem title
9 Prohibition
10 Inborn
11 Proclamations
12 December visitor
19 Confederate soldier
22 Baseball official
24 Chooses
26 Eugene O'Neill's daughter
28 Sediment
30 Prevented from acting
34 Cowlike
35 Passes legislation
36 Night prior to a holiday
38 — down (inverted)
39 She lost her sheep
40 Tennis pro Rod —
42 Car parts
44 Late
49 — for tat
50 Crude metal
52 Everyone
53 Actor's signal

Answer to Previous Puzzle

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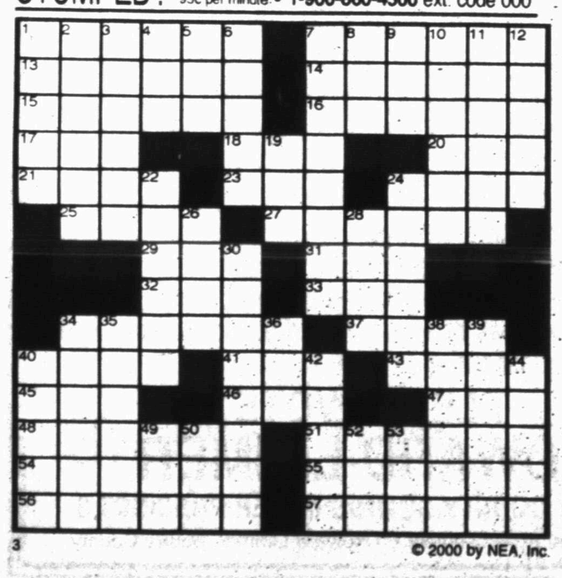

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SPORTS

WTC off to solid start at ENMU

PORTALES, N.M. — Despite the low number of Western Texas competitors on Thursday night's draw sheet, WTC finished the evening with five team members near the top of the standings.

Four Westerners and one Lady Westerner are in position to earn final-round berths heading into tonight's second performance of the Eastern New Mexico collegiate rodeo.

Shawn Willingham led all WTC riders with a score of 81 to lead the bull riding.

Tyson Thompson's score of 76 put him in second place in the bareback riding, with teammate Trevor LaValley in fifth.

Houston Hutto tied down a time of 10.2 seconds to put him in the runner-up slot of the calf roping.

On the women's side, Shain Pickert crossed the line in 4.5 seconds to grab third place in the breakaway roping.

Competition continues tonight, with the final round slated for Saturday.

Tigers, Steers set for ground battle

Tonight's match-up between the Snyder Tigers and Big Spring Steers could be a throwback to the days of three yards and a cloud of dust — minus the dust.

With both teams fueled by the run, and with sloppy field conditions expected, ground-it-out offensive attacks and smash-mouth defense seem to be in order for tonight.

"That's the only way we know how to play," said Big Spring coach Dwight Butler. "We're not real fancy. We just like to run the ball."

The Tigers and the Steers meet at 7:30 at Tiger Stadium, with playoff implications on the line.

Snyder (2-3, 4-4) must win to keep its postseason hopes alive, while Big Spring (5-0, 6-2) needs a victory to maintain its district lead.

"Wet conditions certainly put more of an emphasis on the running game," Snyder coach David Baugh said. "The running game will be key for us, but it won't be the only thing we do. And on the other side of the ball, we have to slow down their two good running backs."

The Steers' attack is led by running backs Jason Woodruff and Jaroe Parnell. Both ball carriers are ranked among the district's top-10 rushers, and have teamed up in Big Spring's backfield to carry the Steers this season.

"Woodruff and Parnell are both dangerous," said Baugh. "You can't focus on just one guy, because then the other one will hurt you. They've started putting them in the backfield at the same time, and that makes them even harder to stop."

Snyder does field the district's top-ranked defensive unit, which surrenders an average of only 130 rushing yards and 250 total yards per game.

"Snyder has by far the best defense in the district," Butler stated. "It's the best defense we've faced all year long.

"I thought we had a couple of games this year where we were able to just hang in there to get the win. But I don't think we'll have that luxury tonight. Snyder's too good, especially defensively. We'll have to play one of our better ball games to win."

When Snyder has the ball, it's not what the Tigers have done that scares Butler. It's what they haven't done that worries the Steers.

"Baugh always has a few tricks up his sleeve. Every time they play us, they'll always run a few things they haven't shown all season," the Big Spring coach remarked. "A big key for us is how quickly we can adjust to any new things they throw at us."

The Tigers have relied heavily this season on the running of Tovares Brandon, and of late on the pass-catch tandem of Jesse Haines and Matthew Grimmett.

However, Baugh admits there could be a few new wrinkles in tonight's game plan.

"There are a few different things that we might do," Baugh stated. "We would like to cause some match-up problems with Grimmett, so we've put in some extra motion out of some different formations to try to get him open if we can."

The Tigers are coming off consecutive victories over Lake View and Levelland, and must win tonight to keep alive their hopes of a postseason trip.

For the Tigers to earn their fourth consecutive playoff berth they must win their final two games, and get some help from a couple of district foes. Levelland must defeat Frenship by six points or more tonight, and knock off Andrews next week. Snyder also needs Big Spring to topple Frenship in the regular season finale.

In tonight's other district match-ups, Andrews hosts Lake View, and Estacado travels to Plainview.

Snyder hits the road for its district finale at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at Estacado.

PROJECTED STARTERS
(Snyder in bold)

DEFENSE
ENDS
Max Blackwell, 5-11, 225, sr.
Jamaal Pruitt, 6-1, 185, jr.
Jesse Marquez, 5-9, 170, sr.
Jade Hughes, 6-3, 205, sr.
TACKLES
Tremaine Johnson, 6-0, 275, sr.
R.J. Hernandez, 5-8, 205, sr.
Cody Hawkins, 6-4, 245, sr.
Nick Valencia, 5-10, 225, sr.
LINEBACKERS
Mark Medley, 5-11, 205, sr.
Justin Pechacek, 6-1, 175, jr.
Ralph Ramon, 5-6, 150, sr.
Bowe Butler, 6-1, 210, sr.
Chris Martinez, 6-1, 170, sr.
Mike Smith, 6-2, 180, jr.
CORNERBACKS
Edwin James, 5-5, 155, sr.
Matthew Grimmett, 6-1, 170, sr.
Clarence Wilkins, 6-1, 170, jr.
Larry Thompson, 5-10, 160, jr.
STRONG SAFETY
T.J. Cagle, 5-11, 175, jr.
Shane Burt, 5-10, 160, sr.
FREE SAFETY
T.J. Jones, 5-10, 155, soph.
Willis Morrison, 6-0, 160, jr.

OFFENSE
QUARTERBACK
Jesse Haines, 5-10, 165, sr.
Jason Choate, 6-1, 175, sr.
RUNNING BACKS
Tovares Brandon, 5-11, 150, sr.
Josh Arizmendi, 5-10, 180, sr.
Jason Woodruff, 6-0, 195, sr.
Jaroe Parnell, 5-9, 165, sr.
WINGBACK/FLANKER
Wade Pinson, 5-11, 160, jr.
Ricky Smith, 5-8, 140, sr.
SPLIT END
Matthew Grimmett, 6-1, 170, sr.
Adam Solis, 5-11, 150, jr.
TIGHT END
Daniel Highfield, 6-3, 235, sr.
Jason Thomas, 6-0, 180, sr.
CENTER
Josh Knox, 5-10, 230, soph.
Cody Rubio, 5-10, 205, sr.
GUARDS
Stephen Ortegon, 5-10, 205, jr.
Diego Hernandez, 5-11, 200, jr.
Benito Hilario, 5-11, 210, sr.
Keith Newton, 6-1, 215, jr.
TACKLES
Tremaine Johnson, 6-0, 275, sr.
Lance Foreman, 6-2, 280, sr.
Justin Nichols, 6-2, 280, sr.
Bryan Giles, 6-1, 220, jr.

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Big Spring	5	0	6	2
Andrews	4	1	5	3
Frenship	4	1	6	2
Snyder	2	3	4	4
Estacado	2	3	2	6
Levelland	2	3	4	4
Plainview	1	4	2	6
Lake View	0	5	1	7

Tonight's games: Big Spring at Snyder; Lake View at Andrews; Estacado at Plainview; Levelland at Frenship.

SHS freshmen rally for 22-22 tie

Snyder's freshman squad made sure it didn't end the season with a loss.

Snyder made a furious second-half comeback Thursday night to earn a 22-22 tie with Big Spring in freshman football action at Tiger Stadium.

With less than a minute remaining in the third quarter, Big Spring scored to open up a 22-6 lead, before Snyder started its rally.

Chad Thompson raced 85 yards for a touchdown on the ensuing kickoff, and Demetris Brandon rumbled in for the two-point conversion, to cut the deficit to 22-16.

The Tigers got the ball again early in the fourth quarter when Ralph Ramon pounced on a Big Spring fumble near midfield.

A few plays later, Victor Terrazas outran the Steers on a 45-yard sprint to the endzone, and Ramon plunged in on the conversion to knot the tally at 22-22.

Big Spring had two opportunities in the final minutes to regain the lead, but were turned away both times.

A goal-line stand by the Tigers stopped the Steers a foot short of paydirt with two minutes left on the clock. Then following a Snyder fumble deep in its own territory, the Tiger defense held Big Spring at bay with nine ticks left on the clock to preserve the 22-22 tie.

Snyder's only points of the first half came on Blake Grimmett's 51-yard touchdown pass to Thomas. Also in the second quarter, Justin Boyd intercepted a Big Spring aerial and Bradley Price recovered a fumble.

Snyder ends its season with a record of 3-5-1.

Eighth grade bows, 26-6

Big Spring turned miscues by Snyder Gold into points Thursday night to notch a 26-6 victory in eighth grade football action at Travis Field.

Snyder committed five turnovers inside its own 20-yard-line that resulted in four Big Spring scores.

The Tigers trailed 18-0 at halftime, before the Steers widened the gap to 26-0 early in the fourth quarter.

Later in the period, Snyder broke onto the board on a 20-yard touchdown pass from Cade Owen to Zach Garcia.

D'Angelo Davis led the Tigers' rushing attack with 48 yards on seven carries, while Justin Johnston and Cody Smith anchored the defensive effort with two sacks apiece.

Garcia also had a fumble recovery, and Phil Rice intercepted an errant Big Spring pass.

The Tigers finish their season with a 1-8 mark, but Coach Derick Price said the final record wasn't indicative of his squad's effort.

"The kids came a long way this year," said Price. "We put up a battle in a every game we played. The kids worked hard all season and really improved."

Local Sports Schedule

TODAY
FOOTBALL: Big Spring at Snyder, 7:30
FOOTBALL: Loraine at Ira, 7:30
FOOTBALL: Hermleigh at Highland, 7:30
FOOTBALL: Borden County at Westbrook, 7:30
RODEO: Western Texas at Eastern New Mexico rodeo
SATURDAY
GOLF: Snyder City Championship, at WTC, 1 p.m.
RODEO: Western Texas at Eastern New Mexico rodeo
SUNDAY
GOLF: Snyder City Championship, at SCC, 1 p.m.

Longhorns prepared for rowdy Tech fans

By The Associated Press

No. 20 Texas can't relish the rout of Texas Tech last season, not when the Longhorns recall the flying tortillas and the loss on their last trip to Lubbock.

Texas (6-2, 4-1 Big 12) travels Saturday night to Texas Tech (6-3, 2-3), where two years ago they lost 42-35. The two teams combined for 36 fourth-quarter points, and the Red Raiders scored the winning touchdown with 25 seconds left.

Texas quarterback Major Applewhite has an even more vivid memory: the Tech fan with his face painted half black who taunted the Longhorns as they got off the bus, and then the fans throwing tortillas at them during the game.

"It's a little rowdy," Applewhite said. "I've been thrown (at) and called a lot of things but I wasn't expecting tortillas ... I mean if you think about it, tortillas? I mean honestly, why not pickles?"

In other Big 12 games Saturday, No. 1 Oklahoma (7-0, 4-0) is at Baylor (2-6, 0-5); No. 5 Nebraska (7-1, 4-1) plays Kansas (4-4, 2-3); No. 19 Kanas State (7-2, 3-2) is home against Iowa State (6-2, 3-2); No. 24 Texas A&M (6-2, 4-1) goes to Oklahoma State (2-5, 0-4); and Colorado (2-6, 2-3) is at Missouri (2-6, 1-4).

In its first game since taking over the No. 1 spot in the national polls, Oklahoma plays at Baylor. And that provides a unique opportunity for the Bears.

Baylor is playing the nation's top-ranked team for the second time in three games, having lost to 59-0 two weeks ago to then-No. 1 Nebraska, the team Oklahoma beat 31-14 last week to move to the top of the polls for the first time since 1987.

The last time a team faced two No. 1s in a three-game span was Missouri in 1978. The Tigers lost to top-ranked Alabama 38-20 in the second game that season, and two weeks later lost 45-23 to then-No. 1 Oklahoma.

Nebraska faces its favorite bounce-back opponent. For the third year in a row, Kansas is the first game the Cornhuskers play after their first loss of the season.

The Cornhuskers have won 31 straight games in the longest uninterrupted series in college football. The two teams are meeting for the 107th time since 1892.

Kansas State already has two regular-season losses for the first time since 1996. To avoid three, the Wildcats will have to beat rising Iowa State, which last week ensured its first winning regular season since 1989 and became eligible for its first bowl appearance since 1978.

Texas A&M, back in the national rankings after a 26-10 victory last week over Kansas State, plays at Oklahoma State. The Cowboys are still looking for their first conference win.

JV Tigers fall to Steers, 43-18

BIG SPRING — The Big Spring Steers parlayed a goal-line stand into quick points to fuel a 43-18 victory over Snyder in Thursday's junior varsity football action at Big Spring's Memorial Stadium.

After Snyder was stopped inches short of the goal line on its opening drive, Big Spring broke the next play for a 99-yard touchdown to take a 7-0 lead.

The Tigers found the endzone twice in the first half to trail 27-12 at the break.

Tyler Pollard hauled in a 38-yard touchdown pass from Colby Driggers for Snyder's initial score, before Jason Guynes grabbed an 8-yard Driggers aerial for another TD.

Guynes and Driggers hooked again in the second half, this time for a 35-yard touchdown to cap the scoring.

National Basketball Association

All Times EST

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlantic Division				
Philadelphia	2	0	1.000	—
Boston	1	0	1.000	½
Miami	1	0	1.000	½
New York	1	1	.500	1
Orlando	1	1	.500	1
Washington	1	1	.500	1
New Jersey	0	1	.000	1½
Central Division				
Cleveland	2	0	1.000	—
Charlotte	1	1	.500	1
Detroit	1	1	.500	1
Chicago	0	1	.000	1½
Atlanta	0	2	.000	2
Indiana	0	2	.000	2
Milwaukee	0	2	.000	2
Toronto	0	2	.000	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	Pct	GB
Midwest Division				
Dallas	2	0	1.000	—
San Antonio	2	0	1.000	—
Utah	2	0	1.000	—
Vancouver	2	0	1.000	—
Denver	1	1	.500	1
Houston	1	1	.500	1
Minnesota	1	1	.500	1
Pacific Division				
Golden State	1	1	.500	—
L.A. Lakers	1	1	.500	—
Phoenix	1	1	.500	—
Sacramento	1	1	.500	—
Seattle	1	1	.500	—
L.A. Clippers	0	2	.000	1
Portland	0	2	.000	1

Thursday's Games
New York 94, Atlanta 69
Dallas 94, Indiana 88
San Antonio 103, Minnesota 91
Houston 115, Milwaukee 93
Phoenix 108, Portland 82
Denver 101, Golden State 97
Vancouver 99, L.A. Clippers 91

Friday's Games
New York at Washington, 7 p.m.
Philadelphia at Orlando, 7:30 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Miami at Charlotte, 7:30 p.m.
Sacramento at Detroit, 8 p.m.
New Jersey at Chicago, 8:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games
L.A. Lakers at Vancouver, 3:30 p.m.
Washington at Toronto, 7 p.m.
Chicago at Indiana, 7 p.m.
Boston at Cleveland, 7:30 p.m.
Orlando at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Miami, 7:30 p.m.
Charlotte at New Jersey, 8 p.m.
Sacramento at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Utah at Dallas, 8 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
Phoenix at Denver, 9 p.m.
Portland at Seattle, 10 p.m.
San Antonio at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

National Hockey League

All Times Eastern

EASTERN CONFERENCE	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Atlantic Division							
New Jersey	6	3	3	0	15	49	34
N.Y. Islanders	5	3	2	0	12	28	23
Pittsburgh	5	5	1	0	11	33	36
N.Y. Rangers	5	7	0	0	10	41	40
Philadelphia	3	6	4	0	10	32	43
Northeast Division							
Ottawa	8	1	3	0	19	49	29
Toronto	7	5	0	0	14	31	27
Buffalo	5	3	1	1	12	29	26
Boston	5	6	1	1	12	34	44
Montreal	4	6	2	0	10	33	37
Southeast Division							
Carolina	3	5	3	0	9	29	35
Washington	2	6	4	1	9	29	38
Florida	1	4	3	3	8	21	32
Atlanta	1	4	5	0	7	26	33
Tampa Bay	2	7	1	1	6	32	51
WESTERN CONFERENCE							
Central Division							
St. Louis	10	2	1	0	21	43	22
Detroit	8	4	0	1	17	39	31
Nashville	5	3	3	1	14	28	27
Chicago	3	8	0	1	7	24	39
Columbus	3	9	0	1	7	22	44
Northwest Division							
Colorado	9	2	2	0	20	39	23
Vancouver	7	2	2	1	17	44	34
Edmonton	7	5	2	0	16	40	38
Calgary	3	9	1	0	7	28	38
Pacific Division							
Phoenix	9	1	3	0	21	43	24
Dallas	7	4	1	1	16	37	31
Anaheim	6	4	2	2	16	41	46
San Jose	7	2	1	0	15	28	20
Los Angeles	6	6	2	0	14	51	44

Two points for a win, one for a tie and OT loss.

Thursday's Games
Ottawa 6, N.Y. Rangers 5
Nashville 3, Philadelphia 1
Boston 5, Chicago 4
Los Angeles 5, Atlanta 2
Toronto 5, New Jersey 3
St. Louis 2, Washington 0

Friday's Games
Montreal at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Chicago at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Carolina at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Dallas at Phoenix, 9 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Vancouver, 10 p.m.

Sports Briefs

City golf tourney

The Snyder City Golf Championship will be held Saturday and Sunday at Western Texas College and Snyder Country Club. Format is individual medal play.

Cost is $20 and players can register at the WTC or SCC pro shops.

Golf tourney

A two-person shamble will be held Nov. 11 at Western Texas College. Cost is $30 per player. To register, call the WTC pro shop at 573-9291.

WGA weekly play day

The Women's Golf Association of Snyder Country Club will hold its final weekly play day at 10 a.m. Tuesday. Format will be least putts on the back nine.

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Outside charge approved for LAPD

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The mayor and City Council agreed to federal demands to put the beleaguered Police Department under an independent monitor's supervision and instituting reform measures aimed at eliminating brutality, racial profiling and other abuses.

The City Council vote Thursday was 11-2 in favor of the historic agreement, which was reached Tuesday after weeks of negotiations between city and federal officials.

Earlier Thursday, Mayor Richard Riordan said he would reluctantly approve the consent decree with the U.S. Department of Justice. The move will make the LAPD the fourth law enforcement agency, and the largest, to be placed under court monitoring by the Justice Department.

The Justice Department had said it would bring a federal civil rights lawsuit against the city if it didn't agree to the monitoring and other reforms.

"I am philosophically opposed to this consent decree because it undermines a core belief of mine," Riordan said. "That local government must be accountable to its people, not to a distant bureaucracy."

He conceded that the decree is probably the best option available to the city as it attempts to cope with the ongoing Rampart scandal, which is the worst police corruption case in city history.

More than 100 convictions have been thrown out and 20 officers have left active duty as a result of the scandal in which anti-gang officers in the city's poor, largely minority Rampart section are said to have shot, beat and planted evidence on innocent people, then lied in court to help convict them of crimes. Four former Rampart officers are on trial for allegedly conspiring to frame innocent people.

The Justice Department began investigating allegations of civil rights abuses and use of excessive force in Los Angeles more than four years ago and the probe was quickened when the Rampart scandal broke.

The federal agency has accused the police department of ignoring previous reform efforts, particularly changes recommended by the Christopher Commission after the videotaped beating of black motorist Rodney King in 1991. The following year, acquittal of four white officers in the beating led to rioting that left 55 dead, more than 2,000 injured and $1 billion in damage.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder

11-03-00

North
♠ J 2
♥ A J 3
♦ A K 9 7 3
♣ K Q 4

West
♠ K Q 10 6
♥ 8 6 4 2
♦ 10
♣ 9 7 5 2

East
♠ 9 7 5 4
♥ Q 10 9 5
♦ J 6 5 4
♣ 10

South
♠ A 8 3
♥ K 7
♦ Q 8 2
♣ A J 8 6 3

Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 ♣	Pass	1 ♦	Pass
1 NT	Pass	2 ♣	Pass
3 ♣	Pass	3 ♦	Pass
3 ♥	Pass	4 ♦	Pass
4 NT	Pass	5 ♣	Pass
7 NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Opening lead: ♠ K

Friday, Nov. 3, 2000

The nose can smell later

By Phillip Alder

Geir Helgemo lives in Trondheim, Norway. His partner in many of his major successes has been Tor Helness, a friendly, tall Osloan with a great smile. In this deal, though, Helgemo and Helness were in opposition. That always adds a little spice to the game.

In the other room, Helness was North in seven diamonds, the third-best grand slam. He won the spade lead and had to broach diamonds immediately. When he started with dummy's queen, he was two down. Declarer couldn't avoid losing a spade and a diamond.

The one-diamond response was two-way: either weak with no major, or at least a game-going hand with diamonds and either a major or club support. Two clubs was natural and announced slam-try strength! After South confirmed long clubs, there were three control-bids (cue-bids) followed by Roman Key Card Blackwood, the reply showing two aces and the club king.

Seven no-trump had a big advantage: the diamond suit could wait. After winning with the spade ace, Helgemo ran his club suit. When West showed up with four clubs to go with his probable spade length, a bad diamond break became more likely. So, Helgemo led the diamond eight: 10, king, four. Now came the diamond seven, and after East played low smoothly, so did Helgemo.

That gave 20 international match points to the Trondheimers, and they beat Oslo 99-96.

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp s	32.75	31.56	31.56	—1.19
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Albertsons	23.88	23.56	23.63	—.06
Alltel	63.50	62.63	63.44	+ .50
AmerOnline s	55.40	54.20	55.39	+ 1.49
AmEl Pw	41.75	41.38	41.69	—.13
AndarkPtr	61.35	59.25	61.05	+ .90
ATMOS Egy	23.88	23.75	23.81	—.06
Aviall	6.00	5.88	5.88	—.13
BP Amoco	49.50	49.19	49.25	—.63
BakerHughes	37.94	36.63	37.63	+ .63
Bank of Amer	49.19	48.69	49.13	—.38
BellSouth	45.88	45.19	45.88	+ .25
Beth Steel	2.94	2.81	2.81	
BurlNoSFe	27.31	26.63	26.81	+ .19
Caterpillar	35.00	34.69	34.94	+ .38
Chevron	81.94	80.31	81.44	+ .94
Citigroup s	53.88	52.94	53.81	+ .69
Coastal	75.75	74.25	74.56	—1.56
CocaCola	60.50	60.06	60.38	—.38
ColgatePal	59.35	58.18	58.24	—.11
ComclMetals	26.00	25.88	25.88	—.25
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DaimlrChry	49.47	48.51	48.54	+ .55
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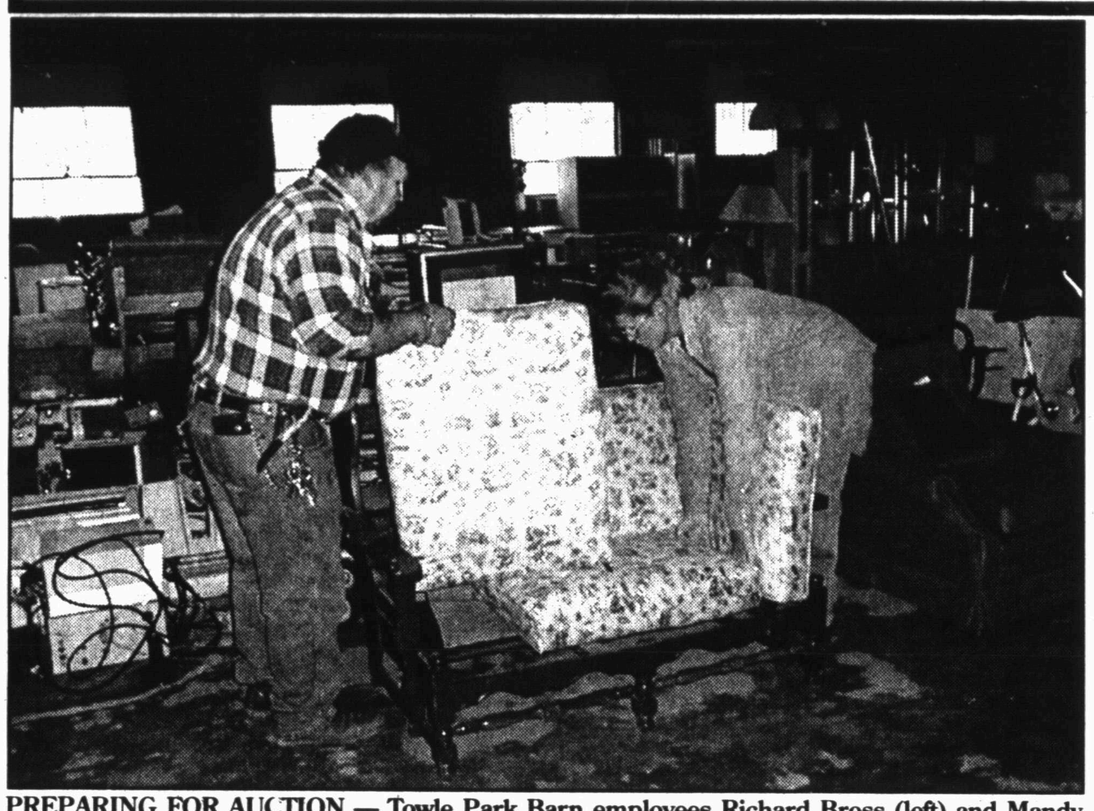

PREPARING FOR AUCTION — Towle Park Barn employees Richard Bross (left) and Mandy Collins prepare for the auction that will be held in the facility Saturday. It gets underway at 10 a.m. and includes items from Cogdell Memorial Hospital, Western Texas College, Scurry County and Borden County. (SDN Staff Photo)

Girl will stand trial as an adult

PHILADELPHIA (AP) — A girl who admitted stabbing a stranger to death when she was 11 years old will stand trial as an adult, after a plea agreement proposed by a judge fell apart.

Miriam White, now 13, could now be sent to an adult prison if she is convicted. She is among the youngest girls in the nation to be charged with murder.

The proposed plea agreement had called for White to be released at age 21, followed by adult probation and treatment until age 46.

"The hybrid solution — which would give Miriam treatment in the juvenile system as a youth and supervision in the adult system after adulthood — will not happen," Philadelphia Common Pleas Court Judge Legrome D. Davis Jr. said Thursday.

Violence delays cease-fire agreement

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli troops shot and killed two Palestinians as confrontations erupted Friday in several West Bank and Gaza Strip towns despite calls for restraint from Israeli and Palestinian leaders hoping the latest cease-fire effort would take hold.

Friday's violence erupted following Muslim midday prayers.

One Palestinian was killed in Tulkarem and one in Hizme, both in the West Bank. Confrontations elsewhere in the West Bank and Gaza Strip left dozens injured, hospital doctors said.

"The cease-fire doesn't apply to us," said Ali, a 17-year-old rock thrower in Hebron, in the West Bank. Overall, the clashes weren't as intense as the past few days, but demonstrated that many young Palestinians were still prepared to take to the streets.

A Thursday car bomb that killed two Israelis in Jerusalem and firefights in Palestinian territories came only hours after a cease-fire was reached and threatened to destroy the agreement. During the past five weeks of fighting, such outbursts have often touched off retaliatory violence.

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak struck a conciliatory note Friday.

"We will persevere in our efforts for peace and we will devote all our strength to it," the prime minister said. "We are strong enough to stand on both fronts: the battle for peace and the struggle against violence and terror."

Over the past two days, both sides have taken steps to implement the truce.

"We're doing our best," Nabil Shaath, a senior Palestinian negotiator, told CNN. "It's much calmer today (in the Gaza Strip) than any day before."

Three Israeli soldiers were killed in fighting Wednesday in addition to the two Israeli civilians who died in Thursday's bombing.

"It's true that the gunfire continues and it's true that there are still clashes," Danny Yatom, Barak's top adviser, said on Israel radio. "At the same time, I believe, from what I know, that the Palestinians are trying to calm the situation."

Both sides said events on Friday and Saturday would provide evidence on whether the cease-fire agreement was being implemented.

Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat were expected to make simultaneous announcements Thursday afternoon formally declaring the truce.

The announcements were postponed, the car bomb exploded shortly afterward, and neither leader has publicly declared the cease-fire.

On Friday, Arafat told CNN that there never was a deal for the two leaders to make televised announcements, the network reported.

Flooding reported in parts of Texas

By The Associated Press

Strong thunderstorms that dumped more than six inches of rain on parts of Central and Southeast Texas have flooded some homes and even delayed play at a National Basketball Association game.

In the western Hill Country, floodwaters seeped into several homes in Junction and closed U.S. 377, between Junction and Rocksprings on Friday, said Becky Chenault, a Kimble County sheriff's dispatcher.

She and Fonda Lange, a sheriff's tactical officer in neighboring Mason County, said numerous farm-to-market roads were closed by floodwaters in their areas on Friday. Some residents were coming into Junction from surrounding areas Friday to avoid being cut off by the flooding Llano River and its tributaries, Chenault said.

The National Weather Service was warning residents along the river in Kimble and Mason counties, about 100 miles northwest of San Antonio, to seek higher ground Friday.

Classes in the Kimble and Mason county public schools were to be closed before noon Friday.

Runoff from storms in the Bryan-College Station area flowed into houses and law officers closed flooded streets after Thursday night's rains.

The rains, triggered by an upper-level low pressure system and gulf moisture, prompted flash flood warnings in some parts of Central and South Texas as well as the Hill Country. Tornado warnings were issued north of San Antonio, but no damage or injuries were reported.

Rainfall reached or exceeded six inches in some areas, such as Boerne and Bryan-College Station.

In San Antonio, the rain was so heavy that the ceiling of the Alamodome sprung a leak. The game between the Spurs and the Minnesota Timberwolves was delayed for about 11 minutes because of the leak, according to the San Antonio Express-News.

In Bryan, authorities shut down several roads near Carter Creek.

Obituaries

Garland Neff

1924-2000

BALLINGER – Garland R. Neff, the stepfather of Ricky Shields of Snyder, died Wednesday, Nov. 1, in a Brownwood hospital.

Graveside service for Mr. Neff, 75, was set for 2 p.m. today in the Protestant Cemetery in Rowena.

Born Nov. 27, 1924 in Burkett, Mr. Neff was a longtime resident of Brownwood. He was a retired restaurant owner and was a member of the Rowena Lions Club.

Survivors include his wife, Betty Perrie Neff of Brownwood; a son, Terry Ray Neff of Rowena; two other stepsons, Billy Perrie and Larry Shields, both of Lake Brownwood.

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Police investigate forged checks

• ***Forgery***

Lori Sealy reported to police at 12:19 p.m. Thursday that someone had forged at least two checks on her account at First American Bank.

• ***Oilfield equipment stolen***

Max Martinez contacted the sheriff's office at 11:46 a.m. Thursday to report the theft of some oilfield equipment. The investigating deputy was not available this morning for additional information.

• ***Theft***

At 1:16 p.m. Thursday, Donnie Goswick notified authorities that someone had taken a drill from the back of his pickup.

• ***Shoplifters***

Officers were called to Walls Industries at 4:03 p.m. in reference to subjects taking clothing from the outlet store. A report for Class C theft was taken.

• ***Arrests***

James Thomas Moss IV, 24, of 207 30th Street was taken into custody at 8:08 p.m. Thursday on a felony warrant out of Choctaw County in Oklahoma for issuance of a bad check as well as local misdemeanor warrants for issuance of bad checks.

At 11:02 p.m. Thursday, a 65-year-old man was arrested by a Department of Public Safety trooper for driving while intoxicated. The man was transported to the Scurry County Jail, but later released after passing the intoxilizer.

A 20-year-old female was booked into jail early this morning on an outstanding warrant for criminal mischief.

• ***Accidents***

At 8:10 a.m. Thursday, an accident occurred in the 800 block of North College. Involved were a 1997 Mack tractor towing a 1997 Overland trailer and a 1996 Ford Mustang.

The truck was driven by Jimmy Lee McGaha Jr., 58, of 961 Trailertopia, No. 5, and the Mustang was driven by Andra Beth Lancaster, 17, of 3132 North Hwy. 208.

At 8:15 a.m. Thursday, officers investigated a two-vehicle mishap in the 2700 block of College involving a 1999 Oldsmobile Alero and a 1999 Chevrolet pickup.

The Oldsmobile was driven by Sandra Joyce Price, 27, of Fluvanna and the Chevrolet was driven by Jesus Carrisalez, 47, of 912 Avenue Q.

Officers worked an accident at 8:30 a.m. Thursday in the 1100 block of 24th Street. Involved were a 1996 Ford F-100 pickup driven by Anastachio Alvarez Jr., 51, of 419 34th Street and a 1999 Pontiac Grand Am driven by Peggy Segura, 27, of 309 31st Street.

At 10:40 a.m. Thursday, officers investigated a mishap in the 2500 block of College. Involved were a 1994 Buick Park Avenue driven by Nathan L. Beaver, 88, of 3503 Irving and a parked, unattended 1996 Chevrolet owned by Kenneth Spoor of 3615 Avenue A.

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events

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ONGOINGS

Sausage supper

Snyder High School's volleyball program will host a sausage supper from 5-7 this evening prior to the Snyder–Big Spring football game at the cafeteria. Tickets are $5 each.

Overtime

A cooperative youth activity of Snyder churches will be held this evening at Scurry County Coliseum. The event will follow the Tiger football game and continues until 1 a.m. Admission is $1 and there will be three large inflatable games, plus free soft drinks and free popcorn. The event is for grades 7-12.

Auction

An auction of surplus equipment will be held at 10 a.m. Saturday at the Towle Park Barn. Items in the auction are from Cogdell Hospital, Scurry County, Western Texas College and Borden County.

Drama booster club

All parents are urged to attend a meeting of the SHS Drama Booster Club at 2 p.m. Sunday in the Worsham Auditorium.

SHS speech team meeting

Parents and SHS speech team members will meet at 6 p.m. Monday in Room 109 at the high school to prepare for the December tournament.

Bible study tapes

Bible study tapes air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 p.m. Monday is "The Miracles of the Holy Spirit," followed by "The King Who Played the Fool."

Veterans Day Program

Ira Schools will have a special Veterans Day program next Friday. Anyone who has any information about veterans buried in Ira Cemetery is asked to contact Mike Duke, principal, at 573-2628.

Quiltathon at Hermleigh

The Rock and Roll Quilting Club is sponsoring a quiltathon next Friday from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. at the Hermleigh Community Center. All quilters are welcome to volunteer what time they can. Mrs. Fred Castillo donated the quilt top. The quilt will be donated to Scurry County Museum, where it will be auctioned. Proceeds will benefit Western Texas College's distance learning program.

Garage and bake sale

Grace Lutheran Church will have a garage and bake sale from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. on Saturday, Nov. 11, at the church at 5500 College Ave.

Colonial Hill fall festival

Colonial Hill Baptist Church will have its fall festival Saturday, Nov. 11, from 6-8 p.m. Indoor and outdoor games and events for all ages are planned. Everyone is invited to this fund-raiser for the youth group.

Dunn homecoming

The Dunn community homecoming will be held Saturday, Nov. 11, at the Dunn community center. Registration starts at 1 p.m. Bring sandwiches and cookies for the 5 p.m. meal. Everything else will be furnished. Mrs. E.M. Ashley is chairman of the event.

Veteran's Day activities

Veteran's Day Activities at American Legion Post 181 will begin with breakfast served from 6 a.m. to 10 a.m. The flag raising at the post home will be at 9 a.m. Dinner will be served from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. No charge for meals, but donations will be accepted. The Ladies Auxiliary of Post 181 will sell poppies at Wal-Mart and United on Friday, Nov. 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lord's Acre Festival

First United Methodist Church's annual Lord's Acre Festival will be held Sunday, Nov. 12, at the Scurry County Coliseum. A barbecue lunch will be served from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. followed by a live auction of handmade and special items. There will also be a large buffet of booths with gifts and baked goods open to the public from 1:30 to 5 p.m. A silent auction and free concession will run concurrent with the booths.

Veteran's Day worship

First United Methodist Church will honor those who have made sacrifices for freedom at a Veteran's Day Worship Celebration from 9:30 to 10:40 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 12, at the Scurry County Coliseum. Use the west entrance.

Scout popcorn sales

Boy and Cub Scouts are selling popcorn through Tuesday, Nov. 14. Contact any member or call Jo Schooler at 573-7807, or Trina Garvin at 573-3310 or Rhonda Fletcher at 573-7065.

Vocational nurse program testing

Testing for the next class of the vocational nursing program at WTC is set for 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 15 and 29. Testing will also be at 1:30 p.m. on Dec. 6 and 9 a.m. on Jan. 5. An extended application process will allow students to take the exam at 1:30 p.m. on Jan. 31, or 9 a.m. on Feb. 9. Classes begin March 1. To schedule an appointment, call the counseling center at 573-8511, ext. 313.

Medical fund

An account has been set up at First American Bank to help pay for medical expenses for burn victim Felipe Amarillas.

Ira 2001 annuals

The 2001 Bulldog annuals are on sale. The cost is $26 with your name on the cover or $22 without. They will be offered for sale until Nov. 21. The supply is limited. To order, contact Ira ISD's principal's office at 573-2628.

Tiger Times yearbook

The 2000-01 Tiger Times yearbook are on sale at the junior high until Nov. 21 in room 110 or the office. The full $14 may be paid now, or a deposit of $7 may be paid with the balance due in the spring. Checks must be made out to Snyder Junior High School. No extra copies will be available.

Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery: 4-5-28-31-33

Pick 3

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Pick 3 numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery, in order: 2-2-3

Union ruling worries some universities

NEW YORK (AP) — Graduate student workers and the universities that employ them face each other in a changed labor landscape, with both sides wondering how a landmark union ruling will reshape the way they work together.

Labor activists predicted Thursday that organizers on campuses around the country would be emboldened by the National Labor Relations Board's decision a day earlier giving graduate students at New York University and other private institutions the right to form unions.

"I think it's going to energize students," said Patrick McCreery, an NYU American Studies student. "We are just very proud that we've set national precedent with it."

Meanwhile, university officials worried that the ruling, which overturned policy two decades old, might interfere with educational decisions.

And at NYU, administrators and students waited to learn how their relationship would evolve under the new terms.

While the NLRB's ruling allows graduate students employed as teaching and research assistants to form unions, the votes from an April referendum on whether to do so at NYU have yet to be tallied. They were impounded after the university appealed an earlier decision on unionization, and are likely to be counted within a week.

The board decision cannot be appealed, but if NYU wanted to dispute it, the school could disobey the decision and defend its position on an unfair labor practices charge, NYU spokesman John Beckman said.

"But we haven't made any decisions about what our next steps are going to be," Beckman said.

Nervous that grad students elsewhere could organize, other private universities have encouraged NYU to fight the ruling.

"The decision reverses a longstanding precedent that has ... helped to ensure that our system of higher education remains the world's very best," Yale University President Richard Levin said. "Ultimately, the federal courts must consider how the national interest would best be served."

Many graduate assistants at public universities are already unionized. Also, they are governed by state labor laws so the NLRB's decision affects only those at private institutions.

Some administrators fear unionization will make educational questions they consider sacrosanct subject to collective bargaining.

Decisions about course content, textbooks, and exams "might be viewed as workload questions," said Jon Fuller of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, which represents about 900 schools.

The universities prefer to deal with their graduate students not as employees, but as students whose work is part of their education.

But many of the graduate assistants complain about meager pay, even as universities rely on them more heavily to teach and grade undergraduate students.

And their position is strengthened by the NLRB's decision.

"It's like the Wagner Act for grad students," said Kim Phillips-Fein, a history graduate student at Columbia University, referring to the Depression-era law permitting unions in America.

Michael Werner, a history student at the University of Chicago, had little success organizing workers at the school in 1997, but said the new decision might re-ignite efforts. He acknowledged that forming unions can take time, citing the transitory nature of student employees as a particular obstacle.

"It's quite possible this will open enough of a window of opportunity — that someone will pick up the union drive here," Werner said. "But I don't think it will happen in the near future."

Iraqi bomb information came from U.S.

WASHINGTON (AP) — A former high-ranking official in Iraq's nuclear weapons program says he got American help in designing a bomb for Saddam Hussein: library copies of reports on the 1940s Manhattan Project.

"I found a nice gift from the U.S. Atomic Energy Project at the library — the Manhattan Project report," Khidhir Hamza, a nuclear physicist who defected in 1994, said Thursday in a rare public appearance.

One of only three or four nuclear physicists in Iraq when the bomb project began in the 1970s, he says he found the reports at Iraq's atomic energy library "in a corner with a pile of dust on them ..., sitting there telling me exactly what to do."

The Manhattan Project was the crash U.S. government program in which scientists developed the atomic bomb and produced the two that were dropped on the Japanese cities Hiroshima and Nagasaki to end World War II.

In a speech at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, Hamza did not say how the Iraqi library got the reports, which like much other information are readily available around the world now.

He has said previously, however, that Iraq had a program before the 1991 Persian Gulf War of searching open literature and getting close to people in the United States who had classified information. Specifically, Iraqi students in the United States combed university libraries for bomb-building information, and Iraqi agents and scientists collected data at American scientific conferences and elsewhere, he has said.

Hamza, who co-authored the just-released book "Saddam's Bombmaker," said Iraqi scientists and engineers concealed their work from international inspectors by simply locking doors and leading inspectors past them.

"We understood what the inspector's limits were. He was not allowed to ask outside certain limits," Hamza told a conference on nuclear proliferation at the Carnegie think tank. "So he would be taken to a set path, and he would be answered within the limits of what he was allowed to ask, and he would leave. And next door is where we would be working on whatever we were doing to enrich uranium or design a bomb."

Hamza said he believes Iraq could build a nuclear weapon "within months" if it got fissionable material from Russia or on the black market. Without that, he said, it would need to rebuild destroyed factories to produce its own material, which would require two or three years.

After his defection, Hamza worked for a time at the Institute for Science and International Security, a Washington research group, and as a consultant to the Energy Department.

The assessment of how long Iraq would need to reconstitute the nuclear weapons program destroyed by the Gulf War and the following U.N. inspections, comes from work he did with the institute.

On the Net: Carnegie Endowment for International Peace: http://www.ceip.org

Arms Control Association: http://www.armscontrol.org

Institute for Science and International Security: http://www.isis-online.org

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.

Celibacy won't hurt you

DEAR DR. GOTT: Are people affected physically or mentally if they are celibate? I've been told that without sexual expression people can become mentally ill.

DEAR READER: Utter nonsense. Celibacy does not affect health, nor does it cause physical or mental harm. There is enormous variation in human adult sexual practices. Some people need regular and frequent sexual release, whereas other individuals are content with occasional sexual activity — or none at all. The cause of this normal variation is unknown, but reminds me of a joke.

A sociology professor was interested in a quick analysis of sexual practices among his students. At the beginning of one class, he said: "I'd like to know how many of you have had sex in the last 24 hours." A smattering of youths raised their hands. "Who has had sex within the past week?" More students raised their hands.

"Who in the past month? ... Who in the past six months?" He counted the responses, but couldn't help but notice a rather homely boy in the back row, who was smiling broadly but kept his hand down.

"Who in the past year?" The boy finally raised his hand.

After class, the professor approached the student and said: "You've had sex only once in the past year. Why on earth are you smiling?"

"Well," said the boy, "tonight's the night."

When unrelieved sexual tensions reach a peak, nature has provided a method of release: through vivid and explicit sexual dreams that often terminate in orgasm. Such release can also be achieved through the universal and harmless practice of self-stimulation.

However, sexual inactivity may produce emotional and physical discomfort if a person's needs are not being met. For example, a couple can experience frustration and anger if one member's sexual needs are not satisfied by the partner. Note that such conflict is not the result of celibacy per se; rather, it is due to a complex interaction of factors determining how well (or how poorly) we meet the needs — both sexual and non-sexual — of the people in our intimate environment.

In summary, although most adults enjoy sex on a more or less regular basis, some individuals, who choose celibacy because of compelling religion or personal reasons, do not. Such a pattern in no way reflects the presence of either physical or emotional disorders. It is simply a matter of personal choice.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "Where To Find Sex Information." 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.

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2 killed, 40 hurt in factory explosion

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — An explosion sent flames roaring through two chemical factories near Seoul on Thursday, killing two people and injuring 40 others.

Rescuers were trying to dig out two other factory workers believed to be buried under the rubble at an industrial complex in Ansan, 22 miles southwest of Seoul, said police Pfc. Han Sang-joon of Ansan Police Station.

The explosion occurred at Danil Chemicals Co., Han said. The flames quickly spread and gutted an adjacent factory as well.

Of 40 people at hospitals, nine were seriously injured, Han said.

The cause of the explosion was under investigation.

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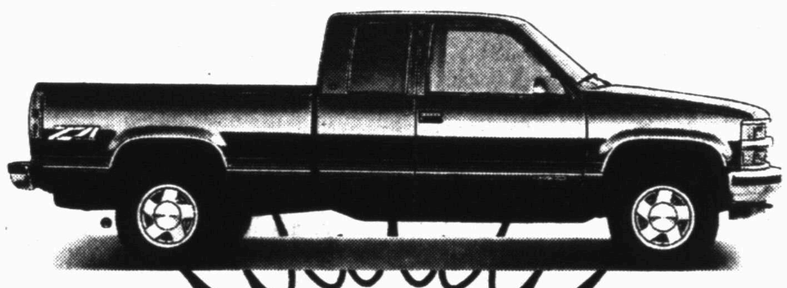

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