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Ask Us

Q—You recently stated that the Price Daniel Unit uses over six million gallons of water monthly. Does the state pay for the water or is it furnished free to the prison?

A—The state pays for the water. The unit gets a bill monthly like every other Snyder utility customer and for water, sewer and sanitation services, it pays over $25,000 monthly.

Local

Lodge 706

Scurry Lodge #706 will meet at 7 p.m. Thursday for work in the master degree.

Hermleigh

Hermleigh residents are invited to attend a community meeting, set for 7 p.m. Saturday at Hermleigh Community Center. Several topics are to be discussed.

SHS band

Summer band for Snyder High School students will begin July 31 at 8:30 a.m. in the band hall.

Band boosters

Snyder Band Boosters will meet Monday, July 31 at 7 p.m. in the Towle Park Pavilion . All high school and junior high band students are encouraged to attend. Homemade ice cream will be served.

37th Street VBS

37th Street Church of Christ will hold Vacation Bible School from 7-8:30 p.m. beginning Monday, July 31, and running through Aug. 2. Classes will be held for all ages, including adults. Call 573-0154 to enroll.

Snyder ISD

Trustees will meet at 6 p.m. Thursday in a called meeting for a budget workshop. They will also consider the renewal of the food service management contract with Aramark and approve the adoption of a local policy change.

CMH board

Cogdell Memorial Hospital board of managers will consider the proposed 1996 operating and capital budgets during a meeting set for 8 a.m. Thursday in the hospital board room.

Other agenda items include repairs to the emergency room facility, approval of accounts payable, the June financial report and previous minutes. The board will also hear monthly reports from the medical staff and nursing staff.

Weather

Snyder Temperatures: High Tuesday, 101 degrees; low, 72 degrees; reading at 7 a.m. Wednesday, 75 degrees; no precipitation; total precipitation for 1995 to date, 11.99 inches.

Snyder Area Forecast: Tonight, clear. Low in the mid 70s. South wind 5-15 mph. Thursday, sunny. High around 102. South wind 10-15 mph.

Almanac: Sunset today, 8:44. Sunrise Thursday, 6:57. Of 206 days in 1995, the sun has shone 193 days in Snyder.

For DCOS...

Industrial park issues top agenda

Development Corporation of Snyder board members will meet at 4 p.m. Thursday to consider, among other items, a contract for Phase I & II engineering services at the industrial park.

Much of Thursday's meeting centers around the 313-acre industrial park, located northeast of the intersection of U.S. Highways 84 and 180. Other agenda items include consideration of a name for the park, pursuit of grants for the park's development and a request to the city for 50 percent reimbursement of a water and wastewater utility study related to the park.

Also on the agenda are payment of bills, by-law changes of reporting dates and consideration of a general industry brochure.

Last month, the board viewed a preliminary report from Freeze & Nichols on development of the park, including proposed roadways, grading and drainage, utility needs and zoning classifications. Total cost of the completed project has been estimated at $6.3 million.

Electing to proceed slowly, the board authorized Freese & Nichols to submit a cost for working up a phase-in program for the park. That information will be presented during Thursday's meeting. If the cost is accepted, the board is expected to allow the engineering firm to work up studies which would provide the DCOS with information necessary to have the roadways rough-graded so that tracts can be shown to industrial prospects. This would include a layout for a phase-in concept which would allow the DCOS to proceed with road construction as needed.

Upon DCOS approval, Freese & Nichols would also provide a design for the water capacity of each tract at the park, including cost estimates for each phase of utility construction.

WTC SUCCESS SEMINAR - Dr. Mary Hood enjoys a lighter moment with incoming freshman Bert Spradling of Cape Girardeau, Mo., during the college's Success Seminar conducted Tuesday. Spradling is a Golf Landscape Technology major. The program serves as an orientation for freshmen students. The college has another seminar planned for Aug. 15. (SDN Staff Photo)

FBI says...

Surrender offer a ruse

WASHINGTON (AP) — Directly disputing the assertions of Branch Davidian lawyers, federal agents testified today that cult leaders fired the first shots that began the deadly siege near Waco, Texas, and that David Koresh's offer to surrender was nothing but a ruse.

Koresh "constantly would make promises he did not keep," FBI negotiator Jeffrey Jamar, who recommended the plan to end the siege with a tear gas assault, told the Waco hearings.

The testimony came a day after two Branch Davidian lawyers, including the one who represented Koresh, told lawmakers the FBI badly mishandled the negotiations and reneged on a surrender offer made by Koresh. The lawyers also said federal agents fired the first shots.

The most gripping testimony today came as Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearm agent Jim Cavanaugh described watching from the command post as his fellow agents came under sudden and intense fire as they approached the cult compound to serve a search warrant on Feb. 28, 1993.

"They were throwing everything at us," Cavanaugh testified. "Their guns sounded like cannons and our guns sounded like pop guns. ... Nobody was going to get us out."

Cavanaugh described for two House subcommittees holding the hearings how he negotiated for three hours to arrange a cease-fire with the Branch Davidians as bullets whizzed through the command post around him. He unequivocally denied any suggestion that ATF agents fired first.

"The Davidians opened fire. and I am sickened by any other assertion," Cavanaugh said, his voice breaking with emotion. "I sat there and I watched it. ... They shot first."

Four ATF agents and several cult members were killed in the initial gun battle, which touched off a 51-day siege.

Jamar rejected the Branch Davidian lawyers' assertions that local FBI agents had worked out a surrender plan with Koresh, but it was vetoed by a "desk-bound bureaucrat" in Washington.

Jamar said he made the decision to reject the surrender offer based on a strong belief that Koresh did not intend to give himself up and was employing delaying tactics.

Jamar said he didn't know whether Attorney General Janet Reno had been told about the surrender offer.

Blast kills man, teen hostages

PLANTATION, Fla. (AP) — Two teen-age girls and their mother's ex-fiance who held them hostage were killed in a house explosion when police rushed in trying to rescue the girls.

Two officers injured in the blast were in critical condition today.

The mother, Angela Smith, 42, and her 11-year-old daughter Cherise escaped the blast at their home.

When Smith rebuffed Steven Joseph on Tuesday, police said, he took her daughters Hikedo, 15, and Ann Marie Smith, 14, hostage.

Smith set off a silent alarm in the house and police responding to the call were told by Smith that Joseph, 32, was threatening her children with a can of gasoline, said Sgt. Michael Price.

Officer Joe Alu and Detective Jim O'Hara burst into the back bedroom where Joseph was holding the girls.

The officers didn't wait for a hostage negotiation team because there was no indication Joseph had a weapon other than the can of gasoline, Price said, and there was no indication the children were immediately threatened.

The bedroom door slammed shut with the force of the explosion and trapped the two officers inside. A third officer, Robin Massey, kicked open the door and pulled the two out, Price said. Massey was not injured.

Alu, 38, and O'Hara, 32, were in critical condition early this morning at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami.

Secret Service officer's testimony at odds with White House version

WASHINGTON (AP) — In an account directly at odds with the White House, a Secret Service officer testified today that he saw Hillary Rodham Clinton's top aide leave Vincent Foster's office area with a stack of documents the night of Foster's death.

Margaret Williams, the first lady's chief of staff, "was carrying, in her arms and her hands, what I would describe as file folders," Secret Service officer Henry P. O'Neill told the Senate Whitewater Committee.

"She walked past me...and started to enter her office, and she had to brace the folders on her arms against a cabinet. She came out a few moments later and locked her office," he said.

O'Neill said he witnessed the incident after he had returned to Foster's office suite to secure the doors after learning of Foster's suicide on July 20, 1993.

Ms. Williams has denied removing anything from the office, and the White House has said she passed a lie detector test.

The White House has said three aides briefly searched the late deputy counsel's office for a suicide note but that none was found, and no papers were removed.

The Senate committee is trying to determine whether the White House tried to hide from police sensitive files in Foster's office, including documents involving the Whitewater real estate venture and other financial matters involving the Clintons.

On Tuesday, presidential aide Patsy Thomasson, who accompanied Ms. Williams on a brief search, testified that neither she nor Ms. Williams nor anyone else removed anything from Foster's office.

Thomasson testified her boss, former presidential aide W. David Watkins, summoned her from a restaurant after learning that Foster, the deputy White House counsel, had shot himself in a park.

Thomasson insisted there was nothing sinister about the visit and that no evidence was hidden or destroyed.

"I was in shock. I was in disbelief," she testified. "I thought that if someone was going to leave a suicide note, they would leave it where it could be easily found."

She described in detail the numbed state of the two other presidential aides who accompanied her in the brief search.

Then-White House counsel Bernard Nussbaum, clearly distressed to learn of his deputy's death, paced the floor and ran his hands through his hair repeatedly while Ms. Williams wept, Thomasson told the committee.

The SDN Column

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "Doctors say you'll eat less if you eat slowly. This is especially true if you are from a large family."

Growing up in West Texas, we did learn it wasn't considered cool to prop your elbows on the dinner table. We also learned there were reasons for somebody putting a knife and fork next to the plate, even though we rarely worried about which side.

If there was dessert, it was okay in the oilpatch to use the same fork that you had used to cut your chicken fry. We were taught to swallow it, even if you didn't like it.

We were thumbing through a reference book on proper dining etiquette. There is so much that we didn't learn in the sandhills.

--The fish fork is located between the salad and meat fork. Shucks, all this time I thought fish was meat.

--Soup spoon is located farthest to the right of the knives. It's the one too short to stir the iced tea.

--At a dinner party, only a particularly close friend should offer to help. This information will be useful.

--"Come and get it" is not considered an appropriate substitute for "dinner is served."

--Wait until the host or hostess has placed the napkin in his or her lap before you do. Getting up and finding a cup towel is considered tacky, although experts concede it works just as well. Using a sleeve is double tacky.

--West Texas moms everywhere are responsible for many bad manners. "Clean your plate" is in direct conflict with etiquette which strongly suggests that a few bites should be left on the plate. Using your bread to sop up gravy or sauce is a no-no.

The experts included some other advice:

--Don't push food onto fork with fingers or bread.

--Don't use napkin to clean teeth or blow nose.

--Don't eat off someone's plate.

--Don't talk on your cellular phone during dinner. It didn't say anything about lunch.

There's just so much to remember, no wonder we're always so hungry.

MARK BULLARD

Bullard receives 'Merit'

Mark Bullard, a 1995 graduate of Snyder High School, is the recipient of a University of Texas at Austin Merit Scholarship.

Bullard, the son of Drew and Carol Bullard, was named as a finalist his senior year.

He will enroll in UT's Plan II Honors Program. Bullard, who is looking forward to his freshman year, said he could not have received the Merit Scholarship without the "support of my parents and the high school."

A lifetime resident, Bullard was listed in the Top Ten of his class throughout high school, and he was a two-year member of the National Honor Society.

His extracurricular activities included four years in UIL one-act play competition. He also participated in the drama department's fall productions, and served on the Student Advisory Committee for SISD Superintendent Gayle Lomax.

Bullard also served as the captain of Snyder High School's four-person Academic Challenge Team.

In addition, he participated in forensics, including persuasive speaking and duet acting.

He was also a varsity tennis player.

Approximately 1,500 additional winners of Merit Scholarship awards financed by colleges and universities have been announced by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. (NMSC).

Winners were chosen by officials of the sponsor institution from among Merit Scholarship Finalists who will attend that college.

Violent convicts said to serve less than half their sentence

WASHINGTON (AP) — On average, violent criminals serve just under half of their prison sentences behind bars, a survey of state prison systems showed Tuesday.

The Justice Department's Bureau of Justice Statistics found this was true of violent state inmates just imprisoned and those just released during the years 1992-94. Even though average sentences and average time served both have been getting longer, they have remained in close proportion.

Inmates convicted of violent crimes and admitted to state prisons during 1992-94 had an average sentence of about 10 years and were expected to serve slightly less than five years on average, the study said. The average percentage of sentence to be served rose from 44 percent to 48 percent during the three-year period.

For violent offenders released during the three-year period, the average sentence was about eight years and the average time served was about 3½ years, the study said. The overwhelming majority of these released inmates were convicted well before those inmates who entered prison during 1992-94 and thus were more likely to have violated laws before sentences were lengthened.

A crime bill passed by House Republicans would provide $10.5 billion for prison construction over five years, but half the money would be reserved for states that imprison violent criminals for at least 85 percent of their sentences. The Senate has not taken up the bill.

A 1994 law authorizes $7.9 billion for prisons in formulas that reward increased incarceration but without the 85 percent qualifying figure.

The study found that only one state, California, has already met the target for released violent prisoners. In 1994, the average violent inmate released by California had served 85 percent of an average 39-month sentence.

Dog swallows 4-carat ring

GRASS VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — Once Sherri and Tim O'Connor realized what had gotten into their dog, they couldn't wait to get it back out.

Heath, a 5-month-old golden retriever, swallowed a $7,500 diamond ring as the O'Connors were getting ready to leave for a trip to Las Vegas.

When they realized later what happened, they called the kennel where the puppy was staying and asked workers to — pretty please — screen the droppings.

"We've had people ask us to check for worms, but never for a 4-carat ring," said Empire Kennells co-manager Pat DeNardo.

Employee Leah Owens was given the messy task.

"If anybody comes out to check if I looked through the poop, I'll just deny it," she said to herself after getting the assignment.

For three consecutive days, the O'Connors called the kennel from Las Vegas. On the fourth day, the puppy "gave birth to the ring," Tim O'Connor said.

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Dr. Gott by Peter Gott, M.D.

Is estrogen therapy a bad idea?

By Peter H. Gott, M.D.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I'm a petite 64-year-old woman diagnosed with a mild case of osteoporosis. At my doctor's recommendation, I've been taking 1,500 mg of calcium with vitamin D and small doses of estrogen (to be increased later if it is determined I can tolerate it). Since taking the estrogen and larger dose of calcium, I've noticed my breasts have enlarged and I have some discomfort. I'd actually prefer not taking estrogen because of two sisters who have had breast cancer. Will the calcium and vitamin D alone arrest the bone loss? If not, is there something other than estrogen that I can take?

DEAR READER: The female hormone estrogen is effective in slowing post-menopausal calcium loss from bones. In conjunction with calcium supplements, estrogen may actually prevent osteoporosis, according to some authorities.

Having said this, I want to share a real concern. You have a strong family history of breast cancer. In my view, you should not be given estrogen because of the possibility that it could trigger a breast malignancy. While it's true that many experts believe that the effects of low-dose estrogen are beneficial, your case — because of your sisters' tumors — is different. I am convinced that you should avoid estrogen.

Calcium and vitamin D may be all you need, as judged by special X-ray tests of your bones. However, if you have significant osteoporosis (or a family history of it), you also might be helped by calcitonin or etidronate, two prescription drugs that are also used in treating the disorder.

To obtain a valid second opinion, you should discuss this issue with an endocrinologist or metabolic specialist. Your family doctor can refer you.

To give you more information, I am sending you a free copy of my Health Report "Osteoporosis." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to P.O. Box 2433, New York, NY 10163. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: A number of years ago I read an article about a disease in which a person would crave lots of rice on a regular basis. My 29-year-old grandson consumes several bowls of steamed rice a day, as well as ample amounts of his regular food. He tires easily, suffers from malaise and irritability. Do you know the name of the disease and could it be what he is suffering from?

DEAR READER: I don't know the reason for your grandson's unusual taste preference. Maybe he simply likes rice!

In many parts of the world, rice is a staple. People who eat it are hungry and the food supplies needed nutrition. I am not aware of a disease that causes people to crave rice.

If your grandson eats several bowls of rice daily, along with his regular meals, he may well be overweight, a condition that could cause fatigue, malaise and irritability. In any case, he should bring his symptoms to his doctor's attention, because your grandson may be suffering from an undiagnosed ailment, such as anemia, for which specific therapy would be appropriate. Let me know what the doctor says.

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DR. GOTT

PETER GOTT, M.D.

DATE BOOK

July 26, 1995

Today is the 207th day of 1995 and the 36th day of summer.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1991, children's TV star Paul Reubens, better known as Pee-Wee Herman, was arrested inside a movie theater in Sarasota, Fla., for exposing himself while watching "Tiger Shark."

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: George Bernard Shaw (1856-1950), playwright-critic; Carl Jung (1875-1961), psychiatrist; Aldous Huxley (1894-1963), writer; Gracie Allen (1906-1964), comedian-actress; Blake Edwards (1922-), director, is 73; Jason Robards (1922-), actor, is 73; Stanley Kubrick (1928-), director, is 67; Mick Jagger (1943-), singer, is 52; Dorothy Hamill (1956-), figure skater, is 39.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1969, Sharon Adams became the first woman to sail solo across the Pacific Ocean. The 5,618-mile journey took the 31-year-old homemaker 74 days.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "We have no more right to consume happiness without producing it than to consume wealth without producing it." — George Bernard Shaw

TODAY'S WEATHER: On this day in 1993, Pueblo, Colo., established both its record high and record low temperatures for the day, reaching 101 and 52 degrees.

SOURCE: 1995 Weather Guide Calendar; Accord Publishing, Ltd.

TODAY'S MOON: Day before new moon.

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McCaulley area quarantined; Vesicular Stomatitis is found

The Texas Animal Health Commission has reported the state's first case of Vesicular Stomatitis near McCaulley and has placed the area under quarantine.

McCaulley is located in eastern Fisher County, about 38 miles east of Snyder and 11 miles east of Roby. The quarantine is in effect within a 10-mile radius of McCaulley.

The case, diagnosed in a horse, was confirmed last Friday, according to the Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC).

The Vesicular Stomatitis virus outbreak began in New Mexico earlier this summer, where livestock on 127 premises now are under quarantine. Arizona has one case and Colorado has four premises quarantined, all due to infection in horses.

"With a laboratory confirmed case in Texas, many other states will add extra health restrictions on livestock from Texas," said Dr. Max Coats, state epidemiologist for the TAHC, the state's livestock health regulatory agency. "Most states will require a certificate of veterinary inspection for the animal, with a written statement from the veterinarian that the animals haven't been exposed to Vesicular Stomatitis, or been on or within 10 miles of an infected premise within the past 30 days."

TAHC inspectors have been working at inspection sites on roads in West Texas for several weeks, checking incoming livestock and health papers.

Vesicular Stomatitis can affect horses, cattle, sheep, goats and deer, causing blisters in and around the animals' mouths, on their tongues, hooves and teats. When the blisters break, large sections of skin slough, leaving painful open lesions. The animals become lame and unable to eat or drink until healing begins. Infection lasts about two weeks and affected animals usually display symptoms two to eight days after exposure. To prevent the spread of infection, affected livestock must remain under quarantine until 30 days after their last lesion has healed.

"The infected horse in Fisher County apparently was exposed to the virus at an out-of-state event by an infected and contagious horse that was not yet showing symptoms," said Dr. Coats. "The infected horse in Texas, as well as two other horses exposed to the infected horse, have been held in isolation and under veterinary care for the past two weeks."

Dr. Coats said that Vesicular Stomatitis rarely results in animal death, but does mimic foot-and-mouth disease, a foreign animal disease for which livestock officials remain on alert. Only laboratory tests run on blood and tissue samples can differentiate between the two diseases.

"Animals lose significant weight and conditioning when infected by Vesicular Stomatitis, so producers can suffer economic loss," said Dr. Coats. "During an outbreak in 1982, dairies in Colorado experienced a $253 per cow drop in production. Fortunately, so far during this year's outbreak, dairies and feedlots have been spared, but in other types of operations, similar losses can be expected if animals become debilitated."

Livestock owners are advised to call other states prior to shipping animals to a destination, or simply crossing a state, to determine restrictions.

Owners who have animals with characteristic Vesicular Stomatitis symptoms are asked to contact their local veterinarian as well as the TAHC at (512) 719-0700 or the USDA at (512) 482-5555. A trained disease diagnostician will be sent to the premise at no charge to assist in making a diagnosis.

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Dear Abby

Ties That Bind Son to Mom Are Now Beginning to Chafe

by Abigail Van Buren

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DEAR ABBY: This is my first letter to you. I am a 20-year-old man and live 2,000 miles from my mother. I didn't live with her much when I was growing up, but we reunited a year ago. She seems unable to grasp the fact that I'm an adult now, not 11 years old.

It bothers me that she checks up on me. By that, I mean she asks my roommates and friends if I was ever on drugs or drank too much. Personally, I'm strictly against drugs and I don't drink.

Abby, don't get me wrong. I love my mother to my heart's fullest capacity. But I need to know how I can tell her that I'm an adult, and that although I want her in my life, I don't want her to run it.

ADULT SON

DEAR ADULT SON: Have a loving talk with your mother and tell her that your friends and roommates don't want to be interrogated, and that if she will ask you what she wants to know, you will be happy to answer her questions.

But you must remember that a mother never stops being a mother. She will always worry about you. However, if you remind her often enough that you are an adult, she will eventually accept it.

* * *

DEAR ABBY: My life has been peaceful and happy since I refused to have my grandchildren in my life unless their parents took the trouble to teach them manners.

I'm not lonely without them, because I have unofficially adopted half the neighborhood kids, and they often stop in for milk and cookies after school. They are allowed to stay at my home until their mothers return from work. If, however, they are rude and bothersome, they are invited out without any fuss.

Last week, my 20-year-old grandson dropped in unexpectedly and walked through the house like a real estate agent, eyeing everything. Then he asked me, "Who are you going to leave this place to when you die?"

I told him the truth: Everything will go into scholarships for needy children. He was furious and called me several names before he could be persuaded to leave.

Even though blood is said to be thicker than water, when it comes to my grandchildren, I prefer water. Do you blame me?

DETERMINED GRANDMOTHER

DEAR GRANDMOTHER: If all your grandchildren are like that grandson, I would say you have made the right decision, but please check with an estate lawyer to make sure that your will is legal if you don't leave at least a token for your family members.

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DEAR ABBY: I moved to South Florida three years ago. My friends and my fiance's parents live here. We both decided that we would like to celebrate our wedding here in Florida instead of my hometown in Michigan, where my father lives.

Are we being selfish with our decision? Members of my family are upset that I am not having the wedding up north because "the bride is supposed to get married in her hometown."

Am I obligated to return to my hometown in Michigan to get married?

C.A.H.

DEAR C.A.H.: You are not obligated to have your wedding anywhere that you don't wish to have it. However, before sending wedding invitations to the folks back home, take into consideration the fact that traveling to Florida to celebrate your marriage might be more than some of your relatives can swing.

A solution to this problem might be sending announcements after your wedding to share the good news, and making a special visit up north to have a small reception for your Michigan relatives.

* * *

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

NORTH 7-26-95
♠ Q 10 9 7 6
♥ K 7 6 3 2
♦ 10 7 6
♣ - - -

WEST
♠ 5 2
♥ A Q 10 8 5
♦ - - -
♣ K J 10 5 3 2

EAST
♠ 4 3
♥ J 9
♦ A K Q 9 8 5 4
♣ 9 8

SOUTH
♠ A K J 8
♥ 4
♦ J 3 2
♣ A Q 7 6 4

Vulnerable: Both
Dealer: East

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

Opening lead: ♠ 2

The bad break was good

Russell Baker, who may be seen introducing "Masterpiece Theatre," claimed, "Inanimate objects are classified scientifically into three major categories — those that don't work, those that break down and those that get lost."

In bridge, the inanimate objects are the cards. There are finesses that don't work, some trump fits break down against a bad split, and a few winners are lost for want of an entry. However, occasionally a bad break works well for declarer.

After West's ill-advised double, North used an SOS redouble for rescue.

If West had had a diamond to lead against four spades, the defenders would have cashed the first four tricks. The 7-0 split kept the contract alive and South took full advantage of his good fortune.

After winning the first trick with the spade eight, declarer led his heart. West went in with the ace and returned his remaining trump. Declarer won in the dummy, cashed the heart king for a diamond discard and ruffed a heart in hand.

If both opponents had followed, South could have established a long heart in the dummy. Now a different tack was needed. Declarer ruffed a club in the dummy, ruffed a heart in hand, ruffed a club in the dummy and led dummy's last heart. However, instead of ruffing, South discarded a diamond.

West won the trick, but was forced to lead a club into South's ace-queen tenace. This gave declarer 10 tricks: two top spades, the heart king, two heart ruffs in hand, two club ruffs in the dummy, a long trump in dummy and the ace-queen of clubs.

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Singer apologizes

WEST BLOOMFIELD, Mich. (AP) — The lead singer for Blood, Sweat & Tears apologized Tuesday for shocking an audience in this heavily Jewish suburb with a flip remark about the Holocaust.

"In the heat of the moment, I made a stupid remark," David Clayton-Thomas said by phone. "I apologize for it."

The audience of about 3,000 gasped when, halfway through the show at Marshbank Park, Clayton-Thomas said it was "as hot as the last train car going to Auschwitz," The Oakland Press of Pontiac reported Tuesday.

West Bloomfield Township is home to many of the Detroit area's 97,000 Jews.

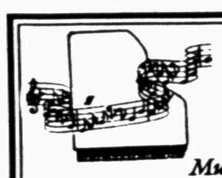
Concert organizer Judith Share-Vine, who was at the show with her husband, George, an Auschwitz survivor, called the remark "a very stupid thing to say."

About 3 million Jews died at the Auschwitz concentration camp in Poland during World War II.

Clayton-Thomas said he offered to apologize during the show, but Share-Vine said he should let it drop.

He said he hoped the remark would not be taken as anti-Semitic.

"Two-thirds of the band are Jewish," he said. "We just played at the Red Sea festival in Israel."



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THURSDAY

TOPS TX56, (take off pounds sensibly); weigh-in and meeting 5:30 to 6:30 p.m.; 2501 35th. For information call Peggy Vernon at 573-3122.

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

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

SOS (singles of Snyder) volleyball and games; First Baptist Church Family Center; 7 p.m.

Codependents Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; 37th & Ave. M; for information call 573-7358; 7 p.m.

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

FRIDAY

Free blood pressure clinics; Senior Citizens Center, 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood pressures will be taken at Cogdell Hospital Home Health Services, 1800 Cogdell Blvd. Suite B; 1-2 p.m.

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Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-8626, 863-2349; (last Friday of the month is the birthday, open meeting); 8 p.m.

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

SATURDAY

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

SUNDAY

Scurry County Alcoholics Anonymous; Park Club in Winston Park; for information call 573-1141, 863-2349 or 573-8626; 10 a.m.

Scurry County Museum; Western Texas College; open from 1 to 4 p.m.

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

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

Muppets sued

MINNEAPOLIS (AP) — The maker of SPAM just can't stomach the latest attempt to poke fun at the canned luncheon meat.

This time, as Miss Piggy would say, moi is not amused.

Hormel Foods Corp. is concerned that a character named Spa'am in an upcoming Muppet movie will tarnish the image of the spiced ham product.

In "The Muppets Treasure Island," which is to hit theaters in February, Spa'am is the high priest of the wild boars who worship Miss Piggy as their Queen Boom Sha-Ka-La-Ka-La.

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Hormel filed a trademark infringement lawsuit against Jim Henson Productions on Friday in federal court in New York. The suit seeks unspecified damages and demands that the boar's name be changed.

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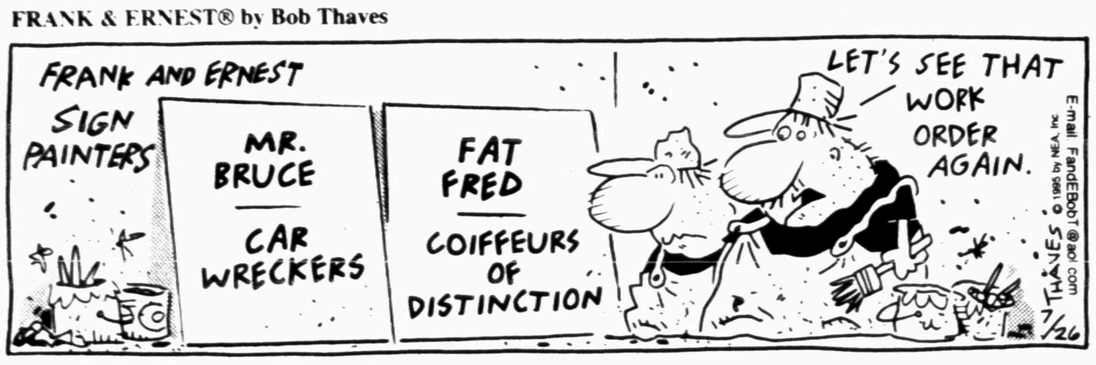

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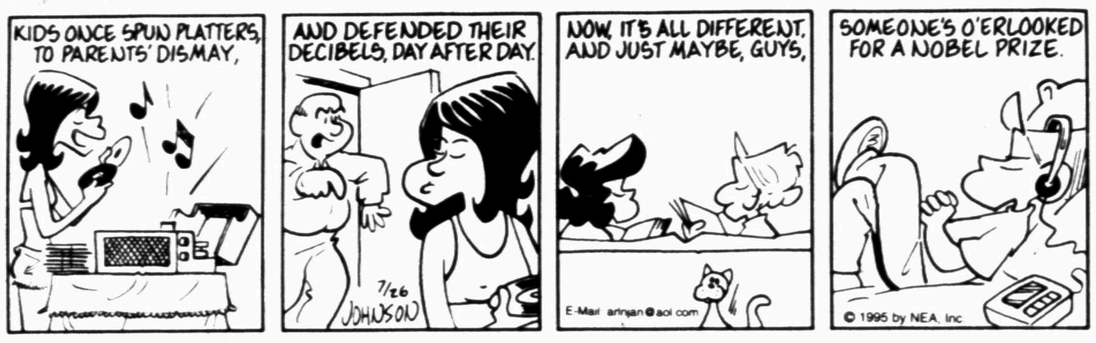

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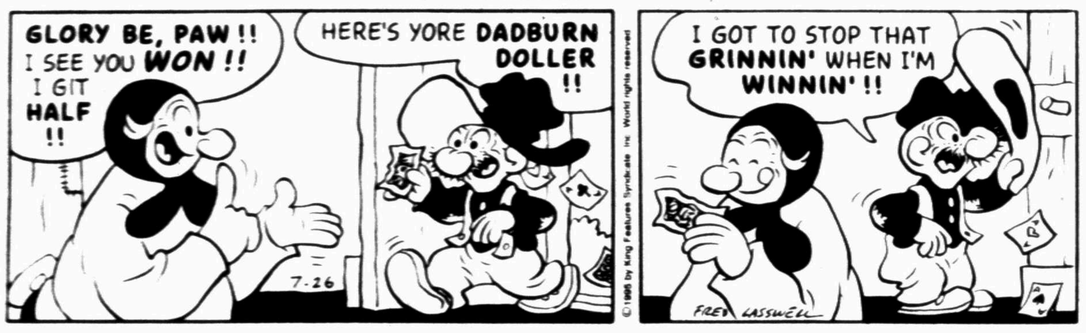

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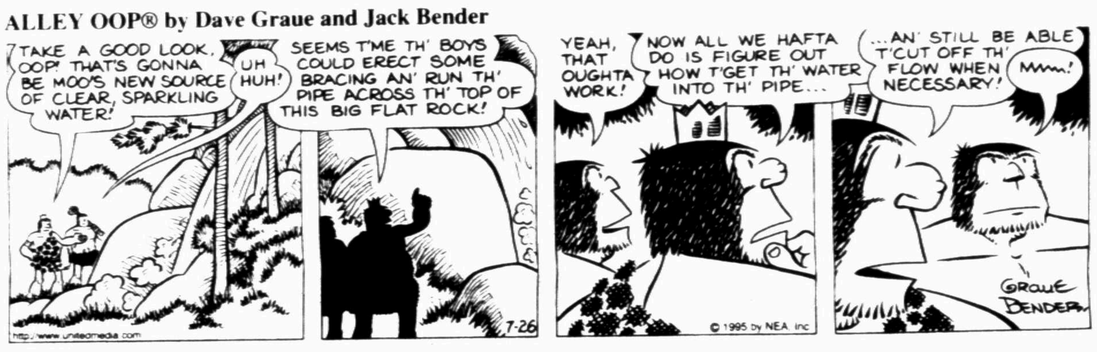

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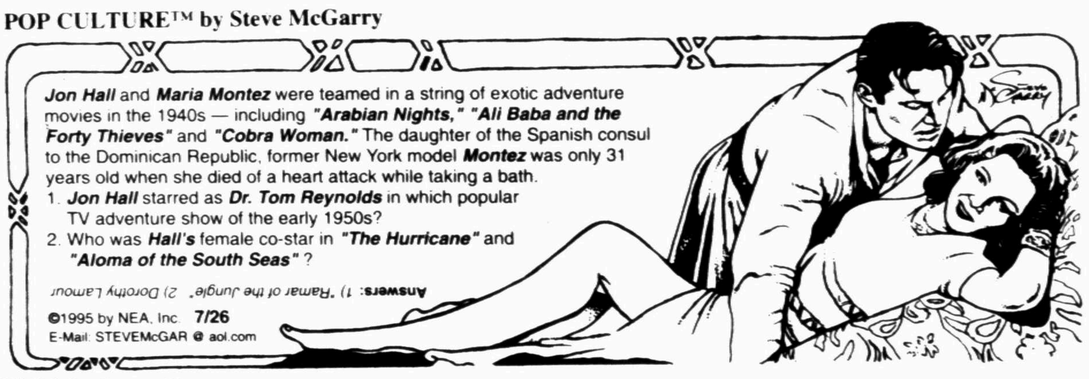

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ACROSS

1 Vases
5 Ideal place
11 Molars, e.g.
13 Golden sherry
14 Actress Anouk —
15 Storage chest
16 — Vincent Peale
18 Skeleton part
19 New (pref.)
20 Agnus —
22 Poor grade
24 Asian chief
26 — de France
29 Type of coffee
31 Marsupial
33 Messier
35 Boa or adder
36 Imitate
37 Soviet news agency
39 Yes
40 Aug. hrs.
41 For (Sp.)
43 Prod
46 Golf scores
49 Water bird
52 Laps up
54 Church officers
55 Unearthly
56 Most unusual
57 Norse poem

DOWN

1 Actress Hagen
2 Hold in check
3 Verne hero
4 Harshest
5 Gums
6 Coal unit
7 Small antelope
8 — stick
9 No man — — island
10 First-rate (2 wds.)
12 Blood pigment
13 Possess
17 All right, to an astronaut
20 Bounce (stones on water)
21 Adam's grandson
22 Trickle
23 Emerald Isle
25 — d'oeuvres
26 Do as — —
27 Actor Perry
28 Uncle
29 Actress Lupino
30 Baseball features
32 More bad-tempered
34 Have a meal
38 Health resort
40 Defrost
42 Amorous look
43 Hair style
44 Woodwind instrument
45 Pleased
46 Annapolis grad
47 Light tan
48 Pelt
50 Type of lettuce
51 Hill dweller
53 Use your eyes

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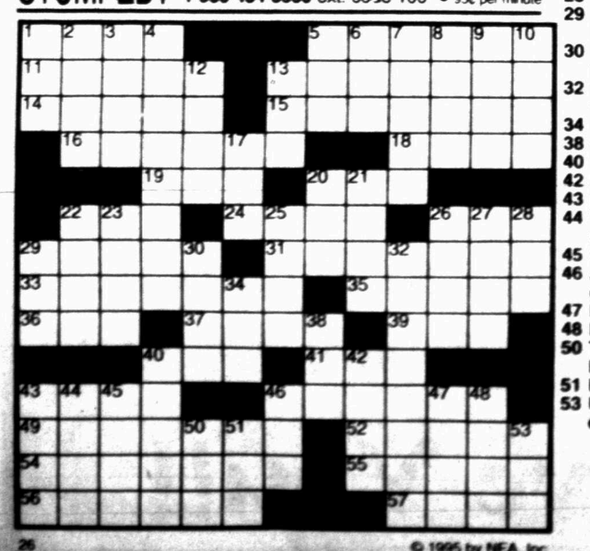

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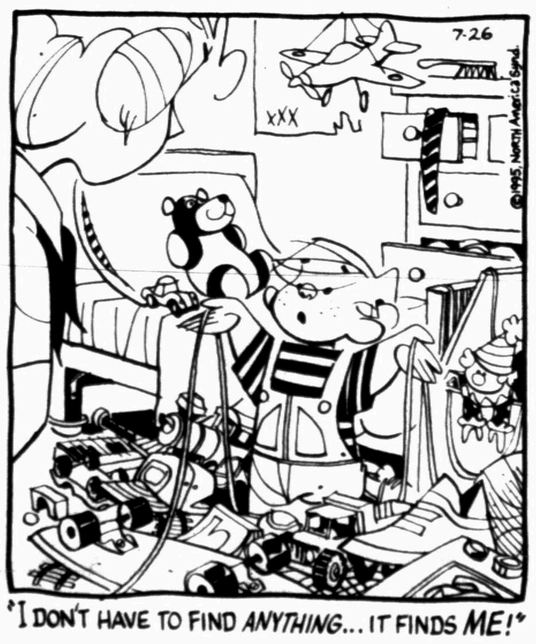

"I DON'T HAVE TO FIND *ANYTHING*... IT FINDS *ME*!"

Sports

SAFE AT FIRST - Snyder Braves pitcher Clay Berryman reaches first base safely in the first inning of Tuesday's State Teenage League baseball tournament being held at Moffett Field. Berryman was safe on a throwing error by shortstop Archie Gray. Also shown is the Braves coach Curt Rinehart and Corsicana's first baseman Jason Simmington. Snyder lost the game to Corsicana, 4-0. (SDN Staff Photo)

Teenage State Tournament

Teenage League
State Tournament
Moffett Field, Snyder

Tuesday, July 25
Game 1: Indeco Troy 12, Monahans 2.
Game 2: Brownwood 3, Simms 2.
Game 3: Corsicana 4, Snyder 0.
Game 4: Maypearl 8, Bowie 3.

Wednesday, July 26
Game 5: Monahans vs. Simms, 9 a.m.
Game 6: Snyder vs. Bowie, 3 p.m.
Game 7: Indeco Troy vs. Brownwood, 12 p.m.
Game 8: Corsicana vs. Maypearl, 6 p.m.

Thursday, July 27
Game 9: loser of game 7 vs. winner of game 6, 12 p.m.
Game 10: loser of game 8 vs. winner of game 5, 9 a.m.
Game 11: winner of game 7 vs. winner of game 8, 3 p.m.
Game 12: winner of game 10 vs. winner of game 9, 6 p.m.

Friday, July 28
Game 13: loser of game 11 vs. winner of game 12, 12 p.m.
Game 14: winner of game 11 vs. winner of game 13, 3 p.m.
Game 15: if loser of game 14 has only one loss, will play again at 6 p.m.

Drabek pitches shutout over LA

HOUSTON (AP) — It was Doug Drabek's birthday so he decided to celebrate and he did it at Hideo Nomo's expense.

While Nomo had to leave the game with a split fingernail on his pitching hand, Drabek pitched a three-hitter and struck out nine, leading the Houston to a 4-0 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers Tuesday night.

The spotlight swirled around the rookie sensation Nomo, but Drabek shut it all out and did his job.

"I think that's the most I've invited (to his birthday party) yet," the 33-year-old Drabek said. "I had to pitch against the Dodgers, not against the situation."

A season high crowd of 39,295 fans turned out to see Nomo extend his streak of seven consecutive victories but instead, it was Drabek who had the outstanding pitching performance.

"The next game I'd like to pitch somehow, I broke my nail in a game at Miami," Nomo said. "Today wasn't a satisfactory game for me. They have really good players."

It didn't appear to be Nomo's day from the first inning when Craig Biggio and Jeff Bagwell gave the Astros a 2-0 lead with base running and power.

Biggio singled to center field, stole second and third and scored when catcher Mike Piazza threw the ball into left field trying to get Biggio at third.

Bagwell drew a 3-0 count from Nomo and then hit the next pitch over the left-field fence for his 15th homer of the season. Nomo has allowed only seven first-inning hits in 16 starts this season.

Dave Magadan doubled and scored on Orlando Miller's grounder in the fourth, before Nomo left the game, trailing 3-0.

Braves suffer tough loss in tourney

By Laura Barnes
SDN Sports Editor

Snyder's Braves took a tough 4-0 loss Tuesday against the Corsicana Indians, as the Teenage League State Tournament opened at Moffett Field.

The Indians jumped out to a 3-0 first-inning lead and kept Snyder frustrated the rest of the afternoon.

Eric Olsen picked up the win for the Indians, allowing only two hits. Jason Simmington blasted two singles to lead a five-hit offensive attack for the winning squad. Teammate Archie Gray ripped a triple while Shane Henson and D.J. Gray popped a single apiece.

Clay Berryman suffered the loss for Snyder, allowing five hits. David Smith and Jake Hodges got a single apiece for the Braves' only hits.

The Braves were scheduled to play Bowie at 3 p.m. today as the double-elimination tournament continues. Corsicana faces Maypearl tonight at 6.

In other games today, Sims played Monahans at 9 this morning and Brownwood faced Indeco Troy at noon.

The tournament runs through Friday at Moffett Field in Towle Park.

Brownwood 3, Simms 2

In a teeter-totter game, Brownwood's Astros outlasted Simms. The Astros came out on top when they scored a run in the bottom of the ninth inning.

Marty Jones got the save for the Astros. Simms was allowed three hits. Jones also led the Astros at the plate with two singles and a triple. Ian Jones knocked two singles while Jason George clobbered a double. Chad Pachall and David Gallegos added a single each.

Keith Batchelor suffered the loss, allowing eight hits. Jeff May mashed two singles to lead the Rebels while Brady Haarmeyer contributed a double.

Indeco Troy 12, Monahans 2

Troy got off to a quick lead and never looked back.

Matt Sanders received the win, allowing three hits. Mike Moseley led Troy with a single and two doubles. Justin Mays busted two doubles while Josh Hykel banged two singles. Mike Perez and Glenn Ketcham smashed a single apiece.

Jason Welch took the loss, allowing nine hits. Joal Najar led Monahans with a double while Ruben Hernandez and Rajelio Porras finished with a single each.

Maypearl 8, Bowie 3

Maypearl took off with three runs in the second inning to start them on their way to a victory over Bowie.

Tyler Derryberry took the win, allowing five hits. From the plate, Jerrod Vaughan led Maypearl with two singles. Eric Herrell, Greg Jost, Jeff Dyer and Josh Forner rapped a single apiece toward the win.

Bowie pitcher Mike Walker gave up six hits in taking the loss. Offensively, Derek Deweber led with a double. Jason Ratliff, Steven Carle, Delvon Campbell and Derek Dansby contributed a single apiece.

CORRECTION— Adam Rodgers came in as pitcher at the end of the fifth for Snyder's 9-10 year-old all-stars. He struck out one in the fifth and walked three. In the sixth, he allowed one base hit and walked one.

Orioles give Rangers 9th straight loss

BALTIMORE (AP) — The Baltimore Orioles are making life miserable for former manager Johnny Oates.

Oates' current team, the Texas Rangers, are mired in a nine-game losing streak. Three of those losses have come at the hands of the Orioles, including a 4-3 decision Tuesday night.

The Rangers' skid matches a similar nine-game drought in 1987 and is their longest since a 12-game losing streak in 1982. The team record is a 15 straight losses in 1972.

"I suppose every team, good or bad, is going to have its rough spots in a season, but I would never go into a season expecting to have one," said Oates, fired as the Orioles' manager last September before signing with Texas one month later.

Oates' initial return to Camden Yards was ruined by a uncharacteristic comeback by Baltimore, which trailed 3-2 after six innings but pushed across the winning run in the ninth.

Before Tuesday, the Orioles were 4-31 when trailing after six innings.

"Tonight was a real good one for us," Baltimore manager Phil Regan said. "We're back at .500 and now we have a chance to go from there."

The Orioles (40-40), who moved within 4½ games of first-place Boston in the AL East, have not been over .500 this season. Baltimore was at .500 only once previously — on July 17, after a victory over the Rangers.

Texas, meanwhile, fell to 42-40. The Rangers are 7-15 in July and in danger of falling to .500 for the first time since they were 13-13 on May 24.

Fisk tops crowd double shoot-out

Russell Fisk topped the crowd at WTC MGA's double shoot-out Monday.

There were eight rounds with two shoot-outs in each round. Fisk took first in both shoot-outs of the first round. Jim Erwin took second in the first shoot-out while Curtis Fletcher finished second in the second shoot-out.

In the second round, George Alderete finished first in the first shoot-out and Robert Reyes finished second. Juan Hernandez came in first in the second shoot-out and Patrick Maher finished second.

Bill Looney and Billy Roach topped the third round. Joe Medrano came in behind Looney while Looney came in behind Roach for the second shoot-out.

In the fourth round Sam Robertson and Tracy Lammert finished first in the shoot-outs. Duane Hood and James Liner came in second in their shoot-outs.

Blaine Long and Wayne Monroney topped the fifth round while Monroney came in behind Long in the first shoot-out and Kenneth Parker finished second in the second shoot-out.

Darvin Blaze and Greg Hodge finished first in the sixth round. Tommy Wright and Wayne Knox finished second.

In the seventh round Johnny Barrow finished first in both shoot-outs. Mark Hardess and OK Fletcher came in behind Barrow for seconds.

D.B. Lyle and Ray Atkinson topped the eighth round. Atkinson also received a second behind Lyle while Bud Coonrod came in behind Atkinson in the second shoot-out.

THIRD OUT - Snyder Braves first basemen Dustin Fish goes down swinging in the third inning of the Braves game against Corsicana Tuesday afternoon during the Texas Teenage League baseball tournament at Moffett Field. The Braves only got two hits in the game which the visitors won, 4-0. (SDN Staff Photo)

Baseball Glance

American League
By The Associated Press
All Times EDT

East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Boston	45	36	.555	-
Baltimore	40	40	.500	4½
NewYork	40	40	.500	4½
Detroit	39	43	.476	6½
Toronto	33	47	.413	11½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cleveland	57	23	.713	-
Milwaukee	41	40	.506	16½
KansasCity	37	41	.474	19
Chicago	34	45	.430	22½
Minnesota	29	52	.358	28½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
California	49	33	.598	-
Texas	42	40	.512	7
Seattle	41	41	.500	8
Oakland	39	45	.464	11

Tuesday's Games
Detroit 6, Oakland 3
Chicago 8, Boston 3
Minnesota 7, Toronto 3
Baltimore 4, Texas 3
New York 8, Kansas City 1
Seattle 8, Milwaukee 6
California 6, Cleveland 5

Wednesday's Games
Cleveland (Martinez 9-0) at California (Harkey 4-6), 4:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Givens 1-2) at Seattle (Torres 3-5), 4:05 p.m.
Oakland (Reyes 0-1) at Detroit (Wells 9-3), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago (Fernandez 4-6) at Boston (Smith 4-6), 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Trombley 1-5) at Toronto (Hentgen 6-8), 7:35 p.m.
Texas (Tewksbury 7-4) at Baltimore (Moyer 5-3), 7:35 p.m.
New York (Rivera 3-2) at Kansas City (Jacome 0-0), 8:05 p.m.

National League
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East Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Atlanta	52	29	.642	-
Philadelphia	44	38	.537	8½
Montreal	40	42	.488	12½
Florida	31	48	.392	20
NewYork	32	50	.390	20½
Central Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Cincinnati	51	29	.638	-
Houston	46	35	.568	5½
Chicago	40	43	.482	12½
Pittsburgh	35	43	.449	15
St.Louis	36	47	.434	16½
West Division	W	L	Pct.	GB
Colorado	46	36	.561	-
LosAngeles	41	41	.500	5
SanDiego	38	43	.469	7½
SanFrancisco	37	45	.451	9

Tuesday's Games
San Diego 4, Cincinnati 2
Florida 9, San Francisco 3
Chicago 6, Montreal 5
Atlanta 3, Pittsburgh 1, 10 innings
Philadelphia 7, Colorado 6, 10 innings
St. Louis 8, New York 7, 11 innings
Houston 4, Los Angeles 0

Wednesday's Games
New York (Fernandez 2-7) at St. Louis (Osborne 0-3), 1:[illegible] p.m.
Montreal (Henry 5-7) at Chicago (Foster 7-6), 2:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Wagner 1-10 and Parris 4-2) at Philadelphia (Fernandez 1-1 and Quantrill 8-6), 2, 5:05 p.m.
San Diego (Ashby 6-5) at Florida (Rapp 4-6), 7:05 p.m.
Colorado (Reynoso 2-2) at Houston (Kile 3-10), 8:05 p.m.
Atlanta (Avery 4-5) at Los Angeles (Valdez 6-6), 10:35 p.m.
Cincinnati (Schourek 10-4) at San Francisco (Leiter 4-6), 10:35 p.m.

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Bosnia vote could signal 'no confidence' vote in Clinton

By TOM RAUM
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON (AP) — No matter how you look at it, a Senate vote to lift the arms embargo on Bosnia will be widely viewed as a resounding vote of "no confidence" in President Clinton's conduct of foreign policy.

Other presidents could find solace in international affairs — with the relative absence of congressional strings — when the going got tough on the home front.

No such break for Clinton.

With the Senate moving toward an expected vote today to lift the embargo against the Muslim-led Bosnian government, White House spokesman Mike McCurry lamented that Congress was about to "substitute its judgment for people who are constitutionally authorized to carry out the foreign policy of this country."

But for all the administration's hand-wringing, Clinton is partly to blame for a leadership void that the Republican-led Congress is moving to fill, suggest critics and even some Clinton defenders.

And it goes beyond the obvious presidential politics involved in a showdown pitting Clinton against the current 1996 Republican front-runner, Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole.

"There is one thing we cannot do, and that is nothing," said Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., a fierce ally of Clinton's on most issues.

She told the Senate on Tuesday she was voting with Dole and against her party's president, "to allow an afflicted people to defend themselves."

Feinstein may be an important Democratic bellwether for doomed administration policies. Her decision in 1994 to remove her name from Clinton's health care bill helped foretell its demise.

More than any other issue, Bosnia reflects Clinton's vacillation and indecisiveness on foreign policy.

And Republicans are gleefully using the vote to assert themselves in foreign policy matters given to the president by the Constitution.

"If it were not for a near vacuum of leadership on all foreign policy issues, the president probably would not be faced with this repudiation," said Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz.

Since the 1992 campaign, when Clinton declared, "it is time for real leadership" to end the bloodshed in the former Yugoslavia, his rhetoric has swung wildly.

Some examples:

—"I think we should act. We should lead. The United States should lead." April 23, 1993, news conference.

—"The United Nations controls what happens in Bosnia." June 15, 1993, news conference.

—"Our ability to stop people within national boundaries from killing each other is somewhat limited and will be for the foreseeable future." November 1993 TV interview.

—"There seems to be a real sense of resolve to come together in common purpose." July 21 comments after a London meeting at which allies pledged to get tough in Bosnia.

—"There are no simple or risk-free answers in Bosnia." July 25 letter to congressional leaders.

Supporters of lifting the embargo accuse Clinton of being unable to define the limits of American interests in Bosnia.

The administration argues that lifting the embargo unilaterally — a move strongly opposed by France and Britain — would prompt U.N. peacekeepers to leave and "Americanize" the war.

That could involve "thousands of a U.S. troops in a difficult mission," Clinton maintains.

The new threat of air strikes if Bosnian Serbs attack the Muslim enclave of Gorazde — issued over the weekend in London — did not bolster the administration's case in Congress.

Past air strikes have done little to weaken the resolve of the Serbs. In fact, after the last NATO raids, the Serbs took hundreds of peacekeepers hostage and chained them to potential targets.

The impotency of the West was driven home again Tuesday as Bosnian Serb troops overran the town of Zepa, seizing the second U.N. "safe area" in as many weeks. They earlier overran Srebrenica.

The White House claims a vote to lift the arms embargo could fracture the North Atlantic alliance and weaken Clinton's credibility overseas.

But his inability to rally allies behind a coherent policy on Bosnia has already weakened his stature in Europe.

And it has created a sense of dejection and sullenness among career State Department officials who deal with European issues.

"If we pass this, it will strengthen his hand," Dole told the Senate.

No one at the White House is betting on it.

EDITOR'S NOTE — Tom Raum covers the White House for The Associated Press.

Police note felony arrest

Following a disturbance call at 4:08 this morning, officers arrested a 36-year-old man on a warrant for felony motion to revoke probation and public intoxication.

Arrested at 4:33 a.m. in the 1000 block of 28th Street was Magarito Ramos of 121 Browning Street.

In other activity Tuesday, a report of a gas drive off was reported at 10 a.m. from the Citgo convenience store on College Avenue.

A woman called the police department at 12:43 p.m. and reported a snake under her kitchen sink.

An offense report for family violence was submitted in reference to an incident that occurred at 2:16 p.m. Both parties later filed Class A assault charges against each other.

An offense report for Class B criminal mischief was filed at 3:58 p.m. in reference to someone throwing eggs at a house in the 2900 block of Denison Avenue.

An offense report for family violence was submitted at 6.35 p.m. in reference to a husband and wife having a dispute. An offense report for Class C assault was filed.

A report of telephone harassment was made at 11:24 p.m. from the 3000 block of Avenue M. Another report of telephone harassment was made at 12:31 today from the 3700 block of Noble Avenue.

Charlie Rich, country's 'Silver Fox,' dead at 62

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — Charlie Rich, the white-haired balladeer who pioneered a lush mix of country and pop with such hits as "The Most Beautiful Girl" and "Behind Closed Doors," died Tuesday. He was 62.

Rich, nicknamed the "Silver Fox" because of his silky hair that went gray when he was 23, died in his sleep in a motel room in Hammond, La. A coroner said the cause was a blood clot in his lungs.

Emerging from the same cluster of performers that included Elvis Presley, Rich helped pioneer a "countrypolitan" hybrid sound, leading the way for such country-pop artists as Kenny Rogers and Barbara Mandrell.

If you crossed Barry White with Johnny Mathis and soaked the result in country music, you'd get Charlie Rich.

His career peaked in 1973, when "The Most Beautiful Girl," topped both the country and pop charts, and the top country hit "Behind Closed Doors" went to No. 15 on the pop chart. The next year he was honored as the Country Music Association's entertainer of the year.

While his other top songs, including "Every Time You Touch Me (I Get High)," "I Love My Friend," and "A Very Special Love Song," signaled an affection for relationships, Rich battled private demons. Alcoholism was a persistent adversary.

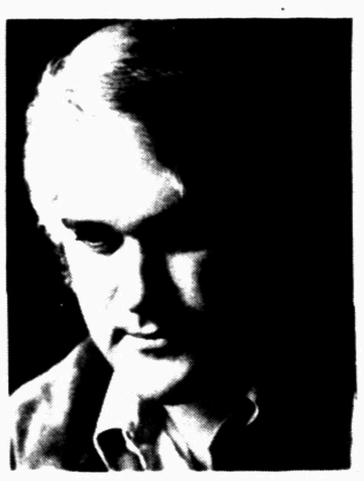
At the nationally televised Country Music Association awards show in 1975, he appeared in a stupor as he announced the winner of the Entertainer of the Year award. He rambled on and finally set fire to the envelope containing the name of the winner, John Denver.

Rich later apologized, blaming the influence of pain-killing drugs.

Rich had been off the music charts for the past 15 years, triggering speculation that he had succumbed to his foe.

But in his mid-1970s heyday, Rich established a sophistication for country music that only singers like Eddy Arnold and other trailblazers had done until then.

"I know I don't appeal to everyone — nobody in this business can," he said in a 1971 interview with The Associated Press. "I just sing what I want to sing and what I think the people who came to see me would enjoy hearing."



CHARLIE RICH

Chet Atkins said few performers combined a great voice and talent on an instrument like Rich, a piano player.

"I remember him as a great musician," Atkins said. "He was one of the great singer-musicians that I ever knew."

Added Carl Perkins: "He was one of the boys and he left his mark."

Rich emerged from the Sun Records stable in Memphis, Tenn., that also produced Presley, Jerry Lee Lewis, Roy Orbison, Johnny Cash and others. He wrote songs, arranged music and played piano for those singers, building a bulging resume in rockabilly.

"I never tried to imitate anybody," he once said. "At the time, almost everybody sounded like Elvis, but I've always tried to be myself. You have to have the right song at just the right time. I never despaired."

Not satisfied with success in Nashville and Memphis, he toyed with Hollywood. He wrote the score for the films "Benji" and "For the Love of Benji" and had a cameo role in the Clint Eastwood movie, "Every Which Way but Loose." He also had a bit part in the film "Take This Job and Shove It."

Rich, a native of Colt, Ark., died while traveling with his wife of 43 years. They had lived in Memphis much of their adult lives.

Convicted killed executed today

POTOSI, Mo. (AP) — A man who participated in a robbery that resulted in the murder of two St. Louis cab drivers was put to death by injection early today.

As Robert Murray, 32, lay on a gurney in the execution chamber, his final word was "Peace."

Murray was convicted of being the triggerman in the 1985 murders, but he insisted all along that his brother, William, was the shooter.

William Murray did not admit he was the triggerman until 1991, after he was sentenced to life in prison and four years after his brother was sentenced to die.

The brothers met for the last time hours before the execution.

Gov. Mel Carnahan rejected Murray's request for a stay. Murray had exhausted his court appeals.

After witnessing the execution, John Mahone, half brother of victim Jeffery Jackson, said he was relieved. "Justice was served," he said.

Jackson, 27, and Craig Stewart, 26, were killed Dec. 6, 1985, in Jackson's apartment in St. Louis.

Punishment phase of S. Smith's trial continuing today

UNION, S.C. (AP) — Jurors stared stony-faced and some looked away today as they were shown photos of the drowned bodies of Susan Smith's sons, sitting in their car seats with a soggy teddy bear on the floor of the car she rolled into a lake.

The children's decomposed faces were not shown. Circuit Judge William Howard used scissors to remove the edge of a photo where 14-month-old Alex Smith's face could be seen.

The photographs and testimony by a state investigator wrapped up prosecutors' part of Ms. Smith's sentencing hearing, which earlier included sobbing testimony from her ex-husband, David Smith, and her whispered apology to him: "I'm so sorry, David."

Ms. Smith's lawyers now will try to convince the 12 jurors who convicted her Saturday of two counts of murder in the deaths of Alex and 3-year-old Michael Smith that she should not be sentenced to death.

They are expected to present relatives and other witnesses who will detail her life of emotional trauma, beginning with her father's suicide when she was 6. One of their first witnesses will be Ms. Smith's brother, Scotty Vaughan, defense lawyer David Bruck said.

If the jurors decide on death, Ms. Smith could choose the electric chair or lethal injection. Otherwise, she will receive a life sentence.

She initially claimed that a carjacker had abducted the boys. After a nine-day search, Ms. Smith confessed Nov. 3 to rolling her car into a lake with the boys strapped into their car seats.

Hospital Notes

ADMISSIONS: Kathy Davenport, Sweetwater; Robert Williams, Ira.

DISMISSALS: Brenda Boley, Erica Chaidez, Max Horsley, Marilyn Jarrett.

CENSUS: 52 (Med.-4, Long-term Care-33, CCU-1, OB-3, Nursery-1).

Births

Bernie and Kathy Davenport of Sweetwater announce the birth of their son born at 4:26 p.m. on July 25 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. He weighed seven pounds, 11 ounces.

U.S. Senate moves to lift arms embargo on Bosnia

WASHINGTON (AP) — In a rebuff to President Clinton, Democrats lined up with Republicans today as the Senate moved to lift the arms embargo on Bosnia.

Michigan Democrat Carl Levin said, "There's only one thing that's going to protect the Bosnian people against the Serb expansion and that is if they're allowed to defend themselves."

With a vote scheduled for this afternoon, the only issue in doubt was whether the Republican-controlled Senate would muster the two-thirds needed to override a promised presidential veto. Even the White House admitted it was moving its lobbying effort to the House.

"We just continue to go along indecisively," Sen. John Warner, R-Va., said today during floor debate. "It is time that some body politic in this world stood up and said, this is the course of action we should take."

Other Democrats lining up to lift the embargo included Joseph Biden of Delaware, Daniel Patrick Moynihan of New York, and Dianne Feinstein of California. Sen. Joseph Lieberman, D-Conn., coauthored the proposal along with Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole.

At the White House, spokesman Mike McCurry said Clinton continues to make phone calls to senators but "We don't detect there's been any real change, any likely change, in the outcome of the vote. He also said prospects of mustering the votes needed to override an expected veto of the measure did not appear encouraging."

McCurry claimed the expected congressional action was "enormously" complicating U.S. efforts to put into force the weekend agreement by allies in London to get tough with Bosnia.

"The president is determined to try to keep (U.N. peacekeepers) in. It's much harder to make that strong case when the Congress is marching in a different direction," McCurry said.

Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., said some senators voting for the resolution might not vote to override a presidential veto on the issue.

"A number of senators expressed to me that they reserved the right to reconsider this issue if the president vetoes it," Daschle said. "There will be some within the Senate who want to protect the president's right and prerogative to determine foreign policy."

The debate over how to stop the killing in Bosnia and the "ethnic cleansing" of Muslim civilians by Bosnian Serb rebels was similar to half a dozen such encounters in the Senate last year, but with some key differences.

Dole is now the leading GOP presidential challenger. The designated "safe areas" in Bosnia are crumbling under rebel Serb military pressure. And the possibility of U.S. ground troops fighting in Bosnia looms if the United States helps U.N. peacekeepers leave the former Yugoslav republic.

"While the Bosnian people may understand the international community's unwillingness to protect them, they cannot understand the international community's unwillingness to allow them to protect themselves against genocidal aggression," Dole said.

Dole argued that the embargo was both invalid and illegal. It was imposed in 1991 over Yugoslavia, a country that no longer exists, Dole said, and it violates Article 51 of the U.N. Charter.

Former Michigan governor dies at 88

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — George W. Romney, a former American Motors Corp. chairman who served seven years as Michigan's governor but saw his presidential bid collapse after he said he'd been "brainwashed" over Vietnam, died today. He was 88.

Romney died at his home. The Oakland County Medical Examiner's office pronounced him dead of natural causes at 9:40 a.m.

The dean of Republican politics in Michigan, Romney ran for the 1968 Republican presidential nomination but dropped out two weeks before the New Hampshire primary.

His campaign was dogged by his comment in a September 1967 television interview that he originally had supported the Vietnam War because he was brainwashed by the military during a tour of the country. He said it was other factors that scotched his candidacy.

President Nixon later named Romney to be secretary of Housing and Urban Development, a post he held from 1969 to 1972, when he resigned to return to the private sector.

In 1994, Romney's son Mitt, a Massachusetts businessman, waged a tough but ultimately unsuccessful challenge to Sen. Edward M. Kennedy's bid for re-election.

Romney's political rise began in 1962 when he defeated incumbent John B. Swainson to break a 14-year Democratic hold on Michigan's governorship. He was re-elected in 1964 and then elected in 1966 to a four-year term and served until resigning to join the volunteerism. He continued to endorse Republican candidates, but often complained that candidates no longer discussed issues for fear of offending voters.

NASA finds damaged O-ring in 2nd shuttle

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — For the second space shuttle flight in a row, NASA has found heat damage on a critical O-ring seal in a rocket booster used by Discovery this month.

It's the same nozzle joint in which the problem occurred on Atlantis, only this time it's in the right booster, NASA said today.

Hot gas from burning rocket fuel singed the primary rubber seal in the joint but did not pass beyond the seal. Neither of the shuttles nor crews were in any danger, NASA officials said.

Discovery returned safely from a nine-day science mission Saturday.

National Aeronautics and Space Administration spokeswoman Lisa Malone said the damage to Discovery's O-ring seal was less than on the Atlantis booster seal. "It gives us more data to work with to try to solve" the problem, she said.

Engineers will evaluate all the data before recommending whether it's safe to fly Endeavour next week.

Markets Midday Stocks

NEWYORK(AP)

	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp	75¼	74⅜	74⅜	— ¼
AT&T Corp	52⅝	52	52⅝	— ⅛
AirTouch	31¼	31	31⅛	+ ⅛
Albertsons	30⅝	30	30¼	+ ⅛
Alldsignal	46	45¼	45¼	+ ¼
Alltel	26⅜	26¼	26½	+ ¼
AmStores	29⅜	29¼	29⅜	+ ⅜
Ameritech	48⅝	48¼	48⅜	— ⅛
Amoco	67¼	66⅝	67¼	+ ⅜
AndarkPtr	42	41⅞	42	+ ¼
ArmcoInc	6⅞	6⅝	6⅝	— ¼
AtlRichfld	114¼	113¾	114⅜	— ⅛
ATMOS Egy	19⅝	19⅝	19⅝	— ¼
Aviall	8½	8¼	8¼	— ¼
BakerHughes	22⅜	21⅞	22⅜	+ ½
BancTexas		1⅛	1	1⅛
BellAtl	58⅝	57⅞	58⅜	+ ⅞
BellSouth	67⅞	67	67⅞	+ ⅜
BethSteel	16⅝	15⅝	16⅝	— ½
BritPet	90	89⅝	89⅞	+ ⅜
Caterpillar s	70⅛	69½	70	+ ⅛
CenSoWst	25½	25¼	25½	+ ⅛
Chevron		48¼	47⅞	48
Chrysler	50⅛	49¼	49⅝	+1
Coastal	31¼	31	31⅛	+ ⅛
CocaCola	66½	65½	66½	+ ⅞
ColgatePalm	68⅞	67⅞	68	+ ⅜
ComclMetals	28⅛	27⅞	28⅛	+ ⅛
CooperIn	38½	38¼	38¼	— ¼
CyprusAmax	28⅜	27⅞	28	— ½
DallSemicn		21⅜	21	21¼
DeltaAirl	79½	78¼	79¼	— ¼
DigitalEq	41½	39¾	40⅝	+1⅛
Dillard		31¼	31	31¼
DowChem	74¼	73¼	74	— ⅜
DresserInd		23⅛	22¾	22¾
DuPont	69⅝	68¼	69⅛	—1⅛
EastmanChem	64	63½	63½	— ½
EstKodak	60	59⅝	60	+ ⅛
EljerInd		5½	5⅜	5½
Enserch		18	17⅞	17⅞
Entergy	24⅛	24⅛	24⅛	+ ¼
Exxon	72⅛	72⅛	72⅛	+ ¼
FlowerInd	18½	18½	18½	+ ⅛
FordMotor	29⅝	29⅝	29½	— ⅛
GTE Cp		36	35⅞	35⅞
GenDynam	48⅝	48	48½	+ ⅛
GenElec		59¾	59½	59¾
GenMills	52⅞	52¼	52½	+ ¼
GenMotors	51⅛	50¼	50½	— ½
GenMotors E		43¼	42⅞	43
GaPacif	87	86	86⅞	— ½
GlobalMar	5⅜	5⅛	5⅜	+ ⅛
Goodrich		54⅛	54½	54⅜
Goodyear s	44¼	43¾	43⅞	— ⅛
GtAtlPac	28	27⅞	28	+ ⅛
Haliburtn	40½	39⅞	40½	+1⅛
Hanson ADS	17⅞	17½	17½	+ ¼
HoustInd	43¾	43½	43⅜	— ⅛
IBM	109⅝	108¼	109½	+1⅛
IntlPaper	84½	83⅝	83½	— ⅜
JohnsnJns	70	69⅝	69⅝	— ¼
K mart		16¼	16	16¼
Kroger	31⅛	30⅞	31	+ ⅜
Litton	37⅛	37⅛	37⅛	+ ¼
Lowes Cos	36¼	35¾	36⅛	+ ⅛
Lubys	20	19⅞	20	+ ⅛
MayDeptStrs	44	43¾	44	+ ⅜
Medtronic s	78⅜	77⅞	78⅛	+ ¼
Mobil	99⅜	98	98⅛	— ⅞
Monsanto	92½	91⅜	92⅛	+ ½
Motorola	79¼	78⅜	79¼	+ ⅛
Nationsbk	57⅛	56¼	57	+ ⅞
Navistar	15⅛	15¼	15⅛	+ ¼
NoramEngy	7	6⅞	7	+ ⅛
Nynex		42⅛	42⅛	42⅛
OryxEngy	14⅜	14	14⅛	+ ⅛
PacTelesis		27⅞	27½	27⅞
PanhECp	24⅜	24⅛	24⅛	+ ⅛
Penney JC	49	48⅞	48⅞	— ⅛
Pennzoil	47	46⅞	47	+ ⅛
PepBoys	28½	28⅜	28⅜	+ ⅛
PepsiCo	46⅞	46⅛	46⅞	+1⅛
PhelpDodge		64⅛	63½	64⅛
PhilipPet	35⅛	34⅞	35⅛	+ ⅛
PilgrmPrd		8½	8½	8½
Polaroid	43¼	42⅞	43⅛	+ ⅛
Praxair	28⅜	28⅛	28¼	— ⅛
ProctGamble	69⅝	68⅜	69⅝	+1⅛
PubSNwMx	14¼	14⅛	14⅛	— ⅛
RoyalDutch	126⅜	126⅛	126⅜	+1⅛
SBC Comm	48⅞	48⅜	48⅞	+ ⅛
SFePacCp s	27⅝	27½	27⅛	— ⅛
SaraLee	28⅜	28⅛	28⅜	+ ⅛
SearsRoebs	33¾	33½	33½	— ⅛
SherwinW	36⅞	36⅛	36⅞	— ⅛
SmthBchADS	45½	45¼	45½	+ ⅞
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SouthernCo	22⅛	21⅞	22	— ⅛
SwstAirlines		28½	28⅛	28⅛
Sprint	35¼	34⅞	35⅛	— ⅛
SterlingChm	11¼	10⅝	10⅝	— ⅛
SunCo	28½	28¼	28½	+ ¼
TNP Ent	16⅜	16¼	16⅜	+ ⅛
Tandy	59½	58⅞	59⅝	— ⅛
TempleInl	51⅞	51¼	51⅞	— ⅛
Tenneco	48⅞	48½	48⅝	— ¼
Texaco	66⅛	65⅞	66	+ ¼
TexasInd	42½	42¼	42½	+ ⅛
TexasInst	157⅞	156¼	157½	+2⅛
TexasInstwi	79½	79	79	— ½
TexUtil	33¼	33¼	33⅛	+ ⅛
Textron	64⅞	64⅛	64⅛	+ ½
Travelers	46	45⅛	45⅞	+ ⅜
TrinityInds	33¼	33¼	33⅜	+ ⅛
TritonEngy	44½	44¼	44½	+ ¼
Tyler		2⅛	2⅛	2⅛
US West	43⅞	43½	43⅞	— ⅛
USX Delhi		10¼	10⅛	10¼
USX-Marathn		19⅝	19½	19⅝
USX-USS	33¼	32⅞	32⅞	— ⅜
UnCarbde	35⅝	35	35⅛	— ½
UnPac	61⅞	61	61⅛	+ ⅜
UnitedTech	82⅛	81½	82⅜	+1⅛
Unocal	27⅞	27⅜	27⅞	+ ¼
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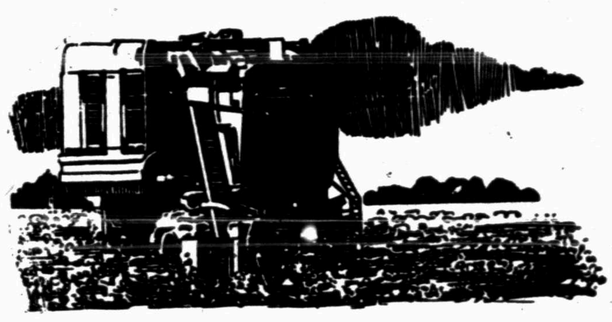

The Emu Report

By Shirley Pate, Pate Emu Farm

The Aborigines have for centuries testified to the healing qualities of emu oil. Soon the American emu producers may have some solid proof based on these very old beliefs.

A clinical study, to be conductd by Dr. Thom Leahey of the Arthritis Clinic in Ardmore, Okla., is curently being planned to determine what effect emu oil has on hands plagued by arthritis. A preliminary study has already produced some positive indications that the oil may substantially reduce the pain caused by arthritis. The proposed study, which will extend over a three month period, will involve 500 participants.

"The main qualifying factor will be that the participant must have had arthritis diagnosed in their hands," he explained. Although the extensiveness of the arthritis is not a factor that will disqualify a volunteer, Dr. Leahey maintains a personal theory that the oil may have its greatest impact on early stages of arthritis pain. "I don't know if any topical aid would be beneficial for chronic or burnout arthritis, where the cartilage has been virtually destroyed. I suspect the oil reduces inflammation around and within joints, and assists in allowing a greater freedom of movement," he reasoned.

"The study will not only provide for subjective determination of the effect of the oil," said Dr. Leahey. "But it will also include direct measurements. By using a dynamometer, we can confirm changes in the participant's gripping strength. Also, by direct examination of the hands, it is very easy to test the sensitivity and number of tender and swollen joints," he revealed.

Volunteers that are accepted and have been off arthritis medicine for one month will receive an initial examination measuring the gripping strength in the hands. The subject may be asked at the beginning of the study to assign a number corresponding to the pain level experienced in their joints on a scale of 1 to 5. After the hands are examined, the subject will be instructed on how to properly apply the oil onto the hands, tentatively 3 times a day for 3 months. The subject's hands will be reexamined and evaluated at the end of each 30 day interval.

"When I was initially approached by patients advising me that they were experiencing relief from emu oil, I did a literature search on the topic of emu oil and medical applications. I quickly learned that there is a big void in this area and that there were no published articles in scientific or medical journals," Dr. Leahey revealed.

Personal observation of the effectiveness of the emu oil on his own patients was the motivating factor behind Dr. Leahey's proposal for a clinical study. "The dramatic results I have observed convinced me that this oil can make an impact on those suffering from arthritis," he stated. "The advent of this oil has simply changed my practice," he asserted.

Tommy can personally testify to the benefit of using emu oil on his hands. The pain and swelling is relieved.

Excerpts from the above was taken by permission from "Emu Today and Tomorrow." For further information call, Pate Emu Farm, 573-5340.

Lubbock cattle auction

The market at Lubbock had a run of 929 head of cattle for the July 20 sale. Cows, were $1 cheaper, calves and yearlings were $2 to $3 better. Trading was good and demand was good.

Slaughter cows, (high dressing - cutters - utility) were 23.50 to 40; canners and low cutters, 28 to 33.50 and slaughter bulls 45 to 49.50

Feeder steers choice: 300 to 400, 75 to 100; 400 to 500, 68.50 to 83.50; 500 to 600, 63.50 to 72.50; 600 to 700, 62.50 to 67.50; 700 to 800, 60.50 to 65.50.

Feeder heaifers choice: 300 to 400, 60 to 75.50; 400 to 500, 60 to 68.50; 500 to 600, 58.50 to 64; 600 to 700, 58.50 to 63.50; 700 to 800, 55 to 61.

Feeder bulls good and choice: 500 to 600, 60 to 67.50; 700 to 800, 52.50 to 61.

Cow and calf pairs: good 625 to 775; grade 450 to 600

Springers 350 to 600; baby calves 50 to 195; doodlers 150 to 225.

Colorado City Livestock Auction

COLORADO CITY — All classes of cattle were steady and packer cows and bulls were steady on 801 head sold at the Colorado City Livestock Auction on Saturday, July 22.

Heifers: 200-400 lb. $75 to $85; 400-600 lb. $65-$75; 600-800 $60-$65; Steers: 200-400 lb. $80 to $92; 400-600 lb. $78-$80; 600-800 lb. $62-$75.

Spring cows: Good $515-$650; Older spring cows: $400-$525; Pairs: Good $650-$750; Older $450-$575.

Packer Cows: Good: $36-$40; Fat-$32-$35; Old Shelly-$20-$33; Packer Bulls: $42-$52.

Diversified

By Terry Millican, County Extension Agent

If they plant their pumpkins right, most Texans could have their jack-o'-lanterns and eat them, too.

Although it's only about three months to Halloween, there are a number of pumpkin varieties that mature from seed in 90 days.

As an added bonus, several of these early varieties are not just ornamentals. They are edible as well.

Pumpkin varieties that mature from seed in 90 days include some long-established varieties as well as some new "hot" varieties.

Small Sugar is a 90-day, deep orange variety that is good for pies as well as ornamentation. It will grow from 6 to 10 pounds in weight.

Funny Face hybrid is another 90-day pumpkin, with a bright yellow skin and an edible thick yellow flesh that keeps well.

Spirit hybrid matures in about 95 days from seed to as much as 15 pounds. It has bright orange skin with a thick yellow, edible flesh.

Jackpot grows from 10 to 18 inches in diameter in 85 to 90 days. Jackpot pumpkins have glossy orange skin and a symmetrical round shape, making them a good jack-o'-lantern. Baker rates the Jackpot as excellent for pies.

For gardeners with children, the newly released Baby Bear pumpkin is a good choice. It has a jack-o'-lantern shape, but scaled down to 1½ or 2 pounds. Small enough for toddlers to pick up, the Baby Bear is high in beta carotene (as are most pumpkins) and makes a good pie filling. Also, children like roasted pumpkin seeds.

Other edible miniature pumpkins include the Munchkin and Jack-Be-Little varieties. Both varieties mature in as few as 90 days. At three to five inches in diameter, with bright orange skins, they make excellent table decorations.

Because of the warm East Texas climate, producers have mid-summer alternatives to growing only the 90-day varieties. These alternatives may require more gardening expertise, however, Baker said. For example, it's possible to cut the maturity time of 110 and 120 day varieties by 10 to 14 days by using drip irrigation and mulching with brown or silver plastic.

And Halloween isn't the only holiday where pumpkins fit in. A pumpkin pie from a garden patch is a real treat for Thanksgiving or Christmas dinner. Thanksgiving is more than four months away, which gives gardeners time to grow practically any pumpkin variety from seed, with or without plastic mulch.

Recommendations for Halloween pumpkins apply to all of Texas except the Panhandle area north of Lubbock, where the growing season may be too short by this time for the 90-day varieties to fully mature.

If Panhandle gardeners plant the right variety and only want ornamental pumpkins for Halloween, they can pick early before the pumpkins fully mature. Harvest Gold, All-Gold and the Munchkin varieties can be picked for jack-o'-lanterns as soon as the flowers set the fruit and the skin of the pumpkins turn orange, which could be as few as 60 days after planting.

Gardeners wanting more information on pumpkin varieties, pumpkin growing or using plastic mulch should contact their local county extension service office.

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Entomology Report

By Mark Logan, County Entomologist

TREAT NOW FOR GRUBS IN TEXAS LAWNS

By treating now for white grubs, Texas homeowners can prevent unsightly dead patches from appearing in their lawns later in the season.

Now is the time to treat — from mid-July through early August. After that time, the grubs will be too large to control.

White grubs are the larvae of the ordinary brown June beetles, the nondescript, brown bugs that buzz around porch lamps at night. Though June beetles like porch lights, they avoid the sunlight during the day by burrowing in the soil. It's at this time the insect lays its eggs.

Throughout most of Texas, adult June beetles appear and begin to lay eggs in late May and early June. In July, the eggs hatch, and the larvae, though still tiny, begin feeding on grass roots.

The beetle does not restrict its egg-laying to lawns. It also burrows into pastures. But in pastures, a few brown spots may not be a problem. Because the adult beetles are attracted to household lights, some lawns may be especially hard hit.

As the larvae grow and their feeding intensifies, they destroy grass roots. Without roots, the grass starves for moisture and dies.

In Texas, practically every home lawn probably has a few white grubs. It's only at certain concentrations that the larvae begin killing enough grass to be noticeable. It's at this point that entomologists recommend using pesticides.

Homeowners can find out if they need to treat with a simple test.

Using a shovel, cut a foot-square section of sod about an inch deep and fold it back. The grubs should be easy to find if they're present. Look for small C-shaped grubs, white to cream color. If you count more than four in the square foot of exposed roots then treatment is recommended.

Size of the grubs will vary depending upon the time of year. During mid-July, the grubs should be from ⅛- to ¼-inch long.

If you let them go, they will get as big around as your little finger. By then, it'll be too late to treat.

The treatment window is rather short. Mid-July is the best time, but homeowners may realize effective control up to early August.

Recommended products contain one of four active ingredients, diazinon, chlorpyrifos, carbaryl or bendiocarb.

Though diazinon has received some bad press lately it is a safe product for the user and for the environment as long as label instructions are followed. Most of the problems occur when users exceed label rates or don't follow application instructions.

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Town & Country Topics

By Kathryn Roberts
County Extension Agent

BALANCING WORK AND FAMILY

"Bzzz." The alarm goes off and you "hit the ground running." Every morning seems to be a battle with the clock as you get yourself and your family out the door. Except the clock seems to be winning the battle and you end up late or leaving things undone.

Your morning routine can be made easier with a little planning.

•If possible, allow yourself enough time to get ready without having to get a child ready at the same time.

•Be sure to eat a quick, but nutritious breakfast. Bagels, fruit, yogurt, frozen waffles, juice and cereal are good choices.

•Have a morning routine. Children feel a sense of control when they know what to expect each morning.

•Allow extra "wake-up time" for the slow to wake-up child. Giving them the extra few minutes they need can reduce everyone's stress level.

•Reduce distractions. Set rules about when television can be on and when it's okay to play with toys.

•Designate a place for coats, keys, school work, lunches, etc. so there is only one place to check before going out the door.

•Be sure to have an extra set of keys in a convenient place (just in case you can't find yours.

•Allow children to do wht they are able to do. Teach preschoolers how to dress themselves. Let them help "make breakfast" by keeping utensils and cereal at a level where they can reach them.

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Astro-Graph

By Bernice Bede Osol

Your Birthday

Thursday, July 27, 1995

If you begin making preparations now, you may find a way to visit a distant destination that you've long desired to see. The opportunity to do this will present itself in the year ahead.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Ventures or enterprises you originate or personally direct could have unbeatable luck today. Put your Midas touch to work in as many areas as possible. 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 4465, New York, NY 10163.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Two loyal friends might share things with you today that they wouldn't tell others. The value of their gestures may startle you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) If your expectations are a bit higher than usual today, your feelings could be justified. You are in a cycle where your aspirations can be realized.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Financial conditions could be especially beneficial for you today. The tide will run in your favor.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Bits and pieces that haven't yet meshed together may fall into place today. Good things could come to you from several different directions all at once.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) Utilize your native intelligence in a joint venture today. You can ethically arrive at a solution that could produce benefits for all.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) Do everything within your power to keep your valued alliances intact today. Partnership arrangements could produce incredible advantages.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) More opportunities than usual exist at this time in your chosen field. Watch what's developing because these circumstances could produce ongoing rewards.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Keep your channels open today to friends who live far away. Good news may try to break through from an unexpected, distant source.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Negative financial trends could lose some of their sting today. If you've been subjected to the down side, you might now have a chance to make a positive turn.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Your warm sense of humor and your thoughtful, generous nature are primary ingredients for your success today. Kindness shown to others will come back to you.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Nominal opportunities, skillfully managed, could yield substantial returns in your capable hands today. Much can be made from little.

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SHS FFA members attend conference

Four of Snyder's Future Farmers of America students attended the Area II leadership conference held recently at Howard College in Big Spring.

The conference is set up to teach and encourage FFA members from around the Big Country in the areas of leadership and motivation.

Shayla Jeter, past Area II secretary, was responsible for teaching one of the many workshops taught. She said, "This conference allows FFA members, from over 100 different chapters, to come together, share ideas and work at improving the purpose of our organization which is the development of agricultural leadership, cooperation and citizenship.

Others from Snyder who attended include Will Collier, Snyder FFA president; Shane Robinson, chapter sentinel; and Shauna Huddleston, chapter vice president. According to Robinson, "This camp has really enabled us to pick up new ideas that we (Snyder FFA) will be able to implement this coming year.

The camp is sponsored in part by TU Electric and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo.

ATTEND LEADERSHIP CAMP — Developing leadership, cooperation and citizenship was on the agenda for these Snyder FFA members during the Area II Leadership Conference. Pictured l-r Shayla Jeter, David Frazier, advisor; Will Collier, Shane Robinson and Shauna Huddleston. (Contributed Photo)

Teacher gets no jail time for running off with girl in New York

NEW YORK (AP) — A teacher who ran off with a 15-year-old student for two months agreed Tuesday to a plea bargain that means he gets no jail time and she doesn't have to hear her personal life aired in court.

The court also is lifting its order that 33-year-old teacher Glenn Harris stay away from Christina Rosado, the girl with whom he motel-hopped through seven states, said Assistant District Attorney Lisa Friel.

"It is almost impossible to enforce it," Friel said, conceding that Harris and the girl have talked by phone and seen each other numerous times since they were found in Las Vegas on May 16.

"The point is that two people who love each other have the opportunity to make a life together if they so choose," said Ron Kuby, one of Harris' lawyers.

Kuby has said that Christina will be free to do as she pleases when she turns 17 in a year and three months.

Harris originally was charged with kidnapping but pleaded guilty Tuesday to custodial interference, a felony. Friel said that in return Harris received a conditional discharge, meaning he won't be jailed if he does not commit a crime for the next three years.

Harris began teaching at Christina's school last fall. They began seeing each other and the relationship continued even after he was transferred to another school.

They took their affair on the road on March 9, the morning after Christina's mother, Luz Diaz, intercepted a love letter her daughter had written to Harris.

Friel said prosecutors had decided that it would not be in Christina's best interests to have her "life aired publicly in a courtroom."

She said a trial likely would have delved into allegations that the girl's father, David Rosado, sexually abused his daughter and that her mother physically abused her. Both parents and investigators have denied the charges.

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