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Hospital renovations move one step closer

By Brian Brisendine
SDN Staff Writer

The $4.7 million renovation of Cogdell Memorial Hospital's emergency room moved closer to reality this morning as the Scurry County commissioners' court unanimously authorized publication of notice of the court's intent to issue certificates of obligation to fund the project.

Investment banker George Williford of First Southwest Co. in Dallas said an increase in taxes will not be necessary.

"The intent is for the hospital's revenues to make payments for the certificates," he said. "There is no need for a tax increase."

Williford also said the hospital will have a 20-year repayment schedule with interest around 5 percent.

"Right now, the interest rate is at 5.35 percent, but if the court acts in mid-November it could be closer to 5 percent," he said.

The court will publish the notice on Nov. 1 and 8 and then the certificates of obligation will be sold at the Nov. 19 regular session, Williford said.

Williford added that local banks can legally purchase the certificates, but that is unlikely because of the amount of this project. Firms from all across the nation will bid on these certificates, he said.

The court also discussed another venture concerning the hospital.

Cogdell CEO George Parsley addressed the court about building an assisted living center on the southeast corner of the hospital grounds.

Parsley said the hospital "is not in the position to fund the project," which could cost around $1 million.

Parsley suggested the court lease the land, approximately two acres, to a developer who will build the 16-bed facility.

The developer will then lease the center back to the county and it will become part of the regular operations of the hospital.

"There are facilities like this in Crosbyton and Seminole," Parsley said. "The location in Seminole is currently nearing completion. The facility in Crosbyton is very successful."

Parsley said a 16-bed facility is appropriate for Snyder right now.

Cogdell Hospital would be responsible for day-to-day operations, which will likely be housed in a single building with a common cafeteria and recreation room.

Cogdell board president Jim Bob Cave said the hospital board favors the facility and Texas Savings Bank vice president Darryl Calley said the three local banks – Texas Savings, West Texas State and Snyder National – "stand in support of this project."

A public hearing to discuss the assisted living facility was set by the court for its Nov. 5 meeting.

The court voted unanimously to begin accepting applications for parks director.

Commissioner Chloanne Lindsey's motion to accept applications for three weeks was seconded and approved with no discussion.

The commissioners' court also voted to approve Met Life Insurance's request to offer life insurance to county employees.

County Auditor Charlie Bell said employees would be able to use payroll deductions for the Met Life insurance if they choose to do so.

County Judge Ricky Fritz said there are no advantages or disadvantages to the county, but it would be better service to employees.

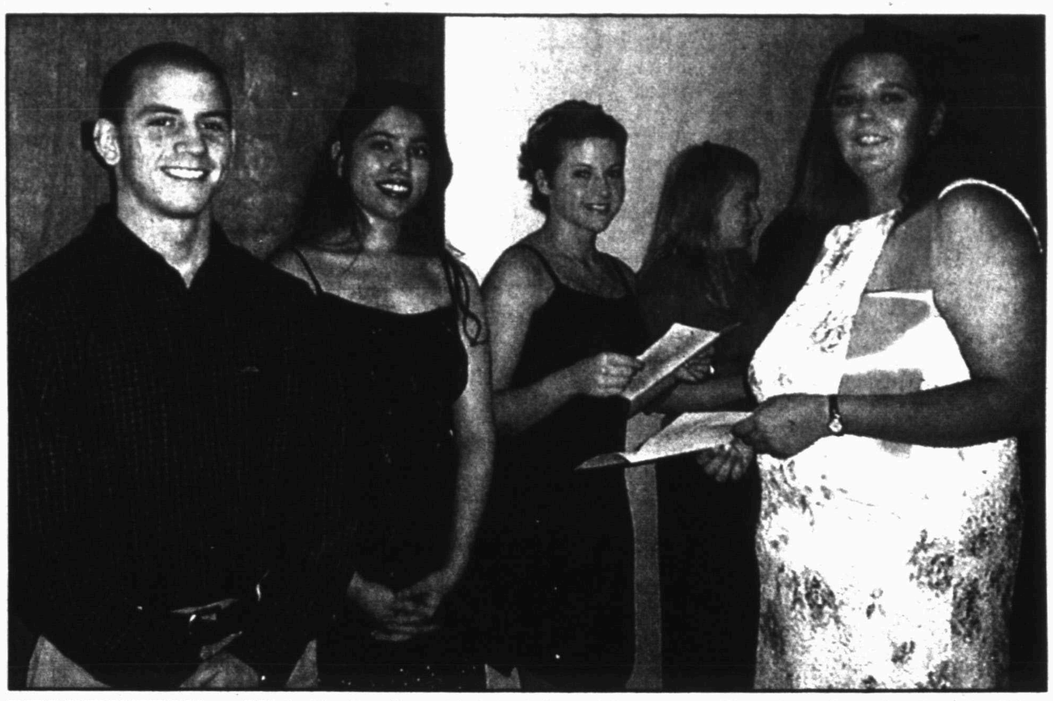
Representatives from the Snyder Coalition on Alcohol and Drug Abuse were present asking for a proclamation declaring the week of Oct. 20-29 as Red Ribbon Week. Judge Fritz read and then signed the proclamation.

A $1,700 budget amendment for the Justice of the Peace office was approved for autopsy expenses.

Line item transfers included $675 in the county attorney's office, $466.30 in the juvenile probation department, $650 in the health department, $300 in the county welfare office and a transfer of $86,216 in the county's general funds.

Bell said the request was made because the cost of insurance increased, effective Oct. 1 and the Texas Association of Counties bills quarterly for unemployment deficit and adjustments in payroll.

Fritz presided and all commissioners were present.



PTK INDUCTION — Michelle Guelker (right) visits with Jeremy Bowden, Jazmin Garcia, Lisa Hall and Kristen Harless, from left, at the induction ceremony of Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa in the fine arts department at Western Texas College Sunday afternoon. PTK is an international honor society of two-year colleges. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Honor society holds ceremony

The Psi Zeta Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa held its fall induction ceremony for 31 new members Sunday afternoon.

Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society recognizing the achievements of two-year college students.

It is the largest honor society in American higher education with more than 1.3 million members in 1,100 chapters.

It is the official honor society for two-year colleges.

Inducted Sunday were Lindsey Birks, Kristi Bond, Jeremy Bowden, Jamice Camp, Leslea Chance, John Dorsey, Teresa French, Diajaira Garcia and Linda Gattis.

Others were Vickie Green, Sarah Greenlee, Laura Greenwood, Monica Guerrero, Lisa Hall, Kristen Harless, Joshua Heaton, Margaret Jameson, Logan Knapp, Patricia Kuhl and Cameron Mackey.

Also inducted were Shane McCarter, Martha Medellin, Tracy Medley, Leslie Mitchell, Seiichi Noda, Marsha Ries, Dana Stribling, Tosha Walker, Shawna Wilking and Paul Wilson.

Sandra Hall, Jennifer Beard and Kim Merket serve as advisors.

The executive board members of the chapter for 2001-2002 are Amber Atkinson, Felsha Biggers, Michelle Guelker, Corey Knipe, Christopher Metsgar and Vicky Rowland.

Next year's budget is topic of SISD meeting

By Brian Brisendine
SDN Staff Writer

Snyder ISD's board of trustees and administrators met Saturday morning for the district's yearly goal-setting session.

Goals set ranged from the reduction of staff and programs due to anticipated budget constraints next year to the establishment of a distance learning lab at Snyder High School for use by all SISD students.

The board discussed the projected budget restraints at length with Supt. Gayle Lomax.

"We knew going into this budget cycle that next year we will be going into deficit, possibly as much $1 million," Lomax said.

Lomax told trustees that committees have been formed, including elementary and secondary school principals, to address the problem and make suggestions for savings.

"Our principals are working now to formulate some ideas on how to cut costs," he said. "They're making lists of things that can be cut and they are prioritizing those lists. We could have an information item for the board near the new year."

Board member Luann Burleson brought up the possibility of closing one campus in Snyder and Central Elementary was suggested.

Lomax said closing a campus in the long run might be necessary, but that "there is not a million dollars in savings in closing Central Elementary."

Lomax told the trustees that the only initial savings the district would see would be a decrease in utility costs.

"We still have to employ the staff and faculty from that school at other locations, so our savings would be minimal early on," he said.

Lomax also said the school district would not abandon a building and leave it standing to become an eyesore.

"We don't want to leave another empty building in Snyder," he said. "If we do decide to close a campus, we will demolish the building and that can be costly.

"Before anything of that nature comes from this board, we need extensive studies of the costs of such a project and its benefits," Lomax added.

The possibility of establishing a distance learning lab for Snyder students was a bright spot for the board.

Assistant superintendent Dr. Melissa Jones told trustees "it is our hope to maximize the use of the lab for all of our students."

Jones said a classroom at SHS has been selected for the lab and that it can be retrofitted easily.

"A distance learning lab will benefit our students and our district," she said. "Our students will be offered classes and subjects that we don't or can't provide. And the savings to the district will be evident because our students can take a course without our having to hire a full-time teacher."

Jones also said Snyder teachers can instruct the courses and be compensated by the districts that take advantage of their time.

Another goal discussed by the board is the completion of capital improvement projects.

Lomax said many improvements have been made, including heating and air conditioning work at several elementary schools, but improvements are still needed at other locations.

"We have applied for a $1 million grant for school renovation from the state," he said. "But, 400 districts have applied and when you look at wealth-per-student we are pretty high up, so I don't anticipate that we will receive that grant."

That discussion led to another goal of the district, hiring an accounting service to manage grants received by the school system.

"Grants are becoming more and more of a headache for our limited resources," Lomax said. "There are mountains of paperwork associated with each grant. They are time consuming and they are locking down the accounting office."

Assistant superintendent for business Karen Waller told the board the accounting services would cost $4,000 or $5,000, but that money would come out of the grant funds and have no affect on SISD's general funds.

Waller also discussed a goal with the group set at last year's meeting, to increase the district's fund balance.

"We closely monitor our expenditures on a daily basis," Waller said. "We are going to make sure every expenditure is a valid one and we are making every effort to cut our spending this year."

Board member Janet Stribling voiced a concern about the large number of fundraisers by Snyder school children.

"I don't know what the solution is, but we need to do something to get all of these elementary peddlers off the streets," she said. "The groups they are selling these products for get very little of the money we actually pay them. It's the companies they sell the products for that keep the majority of the money."

The board agreed and Lomax promised to look into the situation and study how much money is actually raised.

Other goals outlined include raising accountability ratings for each of SISD's campuses, continuing violence prevention in all grades and maintaining documentation identifying initiative, programs and services for students in at-risk situations.

Board members present were Burleson, Stribling, Richard Chambers, Mark McCormick, Cathy Peoples and Glenn Clarady. Mike Levens was absent.

Standoff ends; two hostages released

FORESTBURG (AP) — One of two escaped inmates holed up in a North Texas farmhouse freed his two captives early today, then shot the second fugitive to end the standoff.

While jail escapee Gerald Lynn Gantt slept inside the house, his partner Bob Harold Leach helped free the two hostages, whose hands had been tied. The hostages then escaped through a bathroom window, law officers said.

Vincent Forrester and his wife, Irma, fled to shelter behind hay bales near their home. Before Leach could escape, officers said, Gantt awoke and the two suspects began talking.

Law officers, who had been negotiating with Leach, then heard gunfire at 3:50 a.m. CDT, about 40 minutes after the hostages were freed. Leach, who was unhurt, surrendered and officers rushed inside, where a cache of weapons was found. Gantt was sent to a hospital for treatment of a gunshot wound.

"A gunshot was heard in the house," Texas Department of Public Safety senior trooper Joe Clement said. "Suspect Leach had shot suspect Gantt in the abdomen."

Leach walked outside and surrendered to officers, who took him to Montague County Jail for arraignment scheduled later today morning. The freed hostages were uninjured.

"We were definitely praying and hoping everything would come out OK," said Mark Forrester, the couple's son who waited at a law enforcement command post for word overnight.

After a brief reunion with his parents, the younger Forrester hugged and cried with his parents, who were in good spirits but tired.

Contests and concerts are on SHS agenda

SISD band and choir students are preparing for contests and concerts.

Snyder High School band will compete in UIL competition Saturday in Plainview.

The area band concert will be held Saturday, Oct. 27, in Odessa.

SHS band competed in Fresnship's marching contest Saturday. Donnie Reston, band director, said they entered the contest to give students valuable experience.

Snyder Junior High School choir students will compete in the all-region tryouts Saturday, Oct. 20. Contest material will be featured in the fall concert set for 7 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 16, in Worsham Auditorium.

WTC Christmas play auditions set this week

Auditions for *Merry Christmas Bedford Falls* are slated Thursday and Friday from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in the Fine Arts Theatre at Western Texas College. Scripts will be available in the Fine Arts Office beginning Tuesday.

This lively Christmas show, loosely based on *It's a Wonderful Life*, is being jointly produced by The Ritz Community Theatre and the Western Texas College Theatre Department. There are 13 speaking parts (no singing), 8 males and 5 females. Singers, both chorus and soloists, also are needed.The production is set to open Nov. 29 with additional performances on Nov. 30 and Dec. 1.For more information, contact Ray Newton, WTC drama director, at 573-8511 ext. 228.

ASK US

Q—Have any of the current coliseum employees been offered jobs with the county when it takes over the management of the facility?

A—According to the employees, no.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Saturday, 73 degrees; low, 44; high Sunday, 82; low, 45; 7 a.m. Monday, 56; no precipitation; total for 2001, 15.97 inches.

Area Forecast: Tonight, clear, cool, low upper 30s, NE winds 10-20 mph. Tuesday, mostly sunny, high upper 60s.



Priscilla Molinar
Cool

Sunset:
7:12 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:48 a.m.
Of 287 days in 2001, the sun has shone 275 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

A compliment is verbal sunshine.

—Robert Orben

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Officials fear farms, food supply too exposed

ALBANY, Ga. (AP) — At a time when security is being intensified at airports, power plants and stadiums, agriculture officials say farms and the food supply remain among the nation's most exposed targets.

And agroterrorism — attacks on the food supply or turning agricultural materials into weapons — is nearly impossible to guard against, they warn.

Fertilizers can be used to produce powerful bombs, pesticides can become chemical weapons and just a tiny amount of deadly bacteria can taint the food supply for thousands of people.

"Agriculture is vulnerable," said University of Georgia agriculture dean Gale Buchanan, part of an association of academics that has formed a task force on the issue. "There's no way you can put guards around fields or animals."

For years, agriculture officials have warned of the dangers of agroterrorism, a threat that intensified as the nation's farms have consolidated into massive agribusinesses.

Today, contagious diseases have the potential to spread rapidly in places where hundreds, even thousands of animals are confined in close quarters, such as Midwest feedlots, North Carolina hog farms and Georgia poultry houses.

And because farming takes place in rural areas, the nation's corn, wheat and peanut crops often have nothing more than scarecrows watching over them.

That's been the case on Frank Lipinski's 360-acre farm near Buckley, Mich., for as long as he can remember. But lately, much of his time has been spent thinking about security, concocting elaborate doomsday scenarios: fertilizers and equipment turned into weapons, crops blighted, milk tanks sabotaged, livestock infected.

"If you think like a terrorist, I guess there's no end to the things you could do," Lipinski said. "It's kind of mind boggling. But who thought someone was going to crash a plane into a high-rise building?"

The chemical industry has urged pesticide dealers to tighten security. Crop dusters, which were grounded by the FBI following the attacks, have new procedures for preventing unauthorized flights.

The Washington-based Fertilizer Institute has asked farmers to secure chemicals that could be used to make bombs. On top of the list: ammonium nitrate, which Timothy McVeigh used in 1995 to blow up the Oklahoma City federal building in what until last month was the deadliest act of terrorism on U.S. soil.

Terrell Hudson, a cotton, corn and peanut grower near Unadilla, Ga., about 150 miles south of Atlanta, said he's most worried about terrorists using microorganisms such as anthrax to infect livestock and crops.

"Anybody with a little technical knowledge or biological knowledge," Hudson said, "has the capability of doing some pretty unimaginable things."

The American Farm Bureau has asked President Bush to appoint a high-level agroterrorism specialist in the new Office of Homeland Security.

"We just want heightened awareness," said Farm Bureau spokesman Christopher Noun in Washington. "This is not a new issue for the American Farm Bureau. We've been working on it for the last few years, particularly in the area of animal health. If a disease like foot-and-mouth disease were ever let loose here, it could devastate animal production."

A foot-and-mouth outbreak that began last year in Britain has resulted in the destruction of about 4 million animals and bans on the U.S. import of most overseas meat and livestock.

The foot and mouth scare and occasional threats from animal rights groups were all the warnings Rob Robertson needed to increase security on his 2,000-acre farm in Roca, Neb., where he raises cattle, corn and soybeans.

"We all need to be vigilant and keep a lookout for anything out of the ordinary around livestock facilities, pastures or roadsides," Robertson said. "We're all in this together."

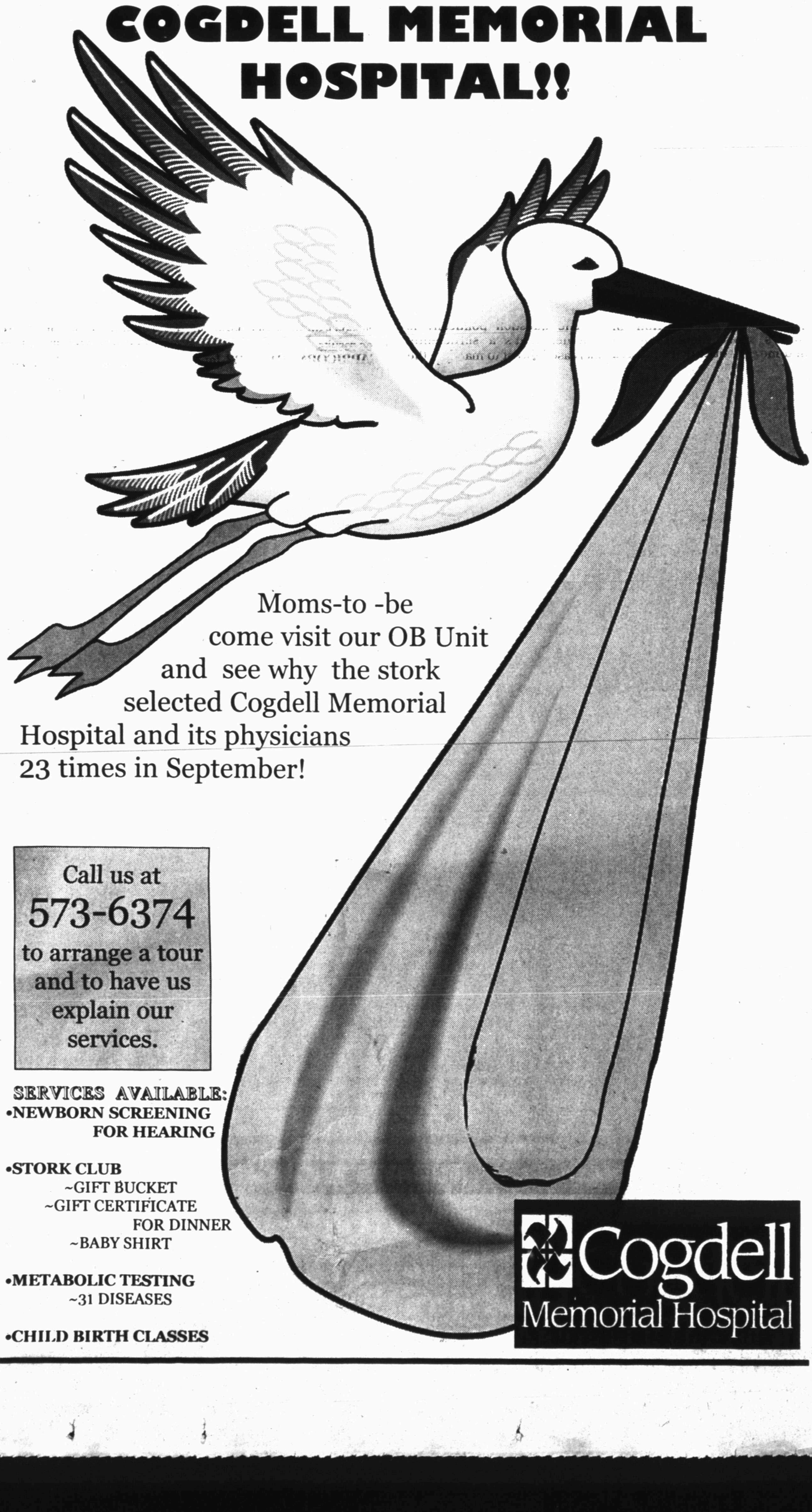
For dairy farmer Wayne Bancroft, who has 300 head of cattle near Traverse City, Mich., fears of agroterrorism have forever changed carefree life on the farm.

He recently installed locks on doors leading to the 1,500-gallon milk holding tank to prevent tampering. Tours by school groups have been nixed. And anyone he doesn't know has to show identification.

"We won't hardly let them out of their vehicle unless we know who they are. We won't let them chat their way into the barns or buildings," Bancroft said.

"It sort of takes away some of the freedoms we've always had when you have to be so cautious, but what else can you do?"

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Cogdell Memorial Hospital





GUIDING THE SENIOR CENTER — Outgoing members of the Snyder Senior Citizens directors were presented a plaque at their Wednesday meeting. In the top photo, Olin Bunch, president, presented a plaque to Lou Wiman and the Rev. James Merrill, not pictured. In the bottom photo, new board members include Betty Able, Cecil Lankford, the Rev. Miller Robinson, and Marie Armstrong, not pictured. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Author still remembers first publisher

LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — National Book Award-winner Joyce Carol Oates has not forgotten one of the first places that published her work.

She still sends short stories to the Prairie Schooner, a literary magazine at the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. And she spoke Saturday at the magazine's 75th anniversary celebration.

She told about 500 people at the Cornhusker Hotel that she loves to write, and does it while she is running, on sheets of paper when she is flying and in the backs of limousines when she is riding in style.

The author of "Blonde: A Novel," as well as other novels, short stories and poems, Oates said her poetry is prose-like and she works longer at writing than many poets do.

"Prose writers — we're working all the time," she said.

Date Book

Monday, Oct. 15, 2001

Today is the 288th day of 2001 and the 24th day of fall.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1917, the USS Cassin was torpedoed by a German submarine off the coast of Ireland.

On this day in 1932, San Francisco's War Memorial Opera House opened with a performance of Puccini's "Tosca." The opera was performed by the San Francisco Opera Company.

On this day in 1990, Soviet leader Mikhail Gorbachev won the Nobel Peace Prize for helping to end the Cold War.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Virgil (70 B.C.-19 B.C.), poet; Friedrich Nietzsche (1844-1900), philosopher; John L. Sullivan (1858-1915), boxing great; P.G. Wodehouse (1881-1975), writer; Arthur Schlesinger (1917-), historian, is 84; Mario Puzo (1920-1999), writer; Lee Iacocca (1924-), auto executive, is 77; Jim Palmer (1945-), baseball great-broadcaster, is 56; Penny Marshall (1943-), director, is 58.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1892, in his first major-league game, Bumpus Jones hurled a no-hitter for Cincinnati against Pittsburgh. Cincinnati won 7-1.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "Trust not too much to appearances." — Virgil

TODAY'S MOON: Day before new moon (Oct. 16).

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Lotto Texas

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Lotto Texas numbers drawn Saturday by the Texas Lottery:

7-9-22-40-47-51

Estimated Lotto Texas jackpot: $9 million.

Pick 3

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

8-6-2

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FUNDRAISER UNDERWAY — Snyder High School Band is taking $1 donations for a chance for two tickets to the Tech Texas and A&M football game on Nov. 3, one night lodging at the Fairfield Inn and a $30 gift certificate for dinner at the 50-Yard Line. The trip value is $245. A drawing will be held Oct. 26 at the SHS homecoming game. Pictured from left, bottom row, are Crystal Garcia, Lynn Fogleman; top row, Erika Ynguanzo, Stefani Beck and Keeli Shoemake. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

Fertilizer industry considers enacting purchase controls

WASHINGTON (AP) — More than six years after Timothy McVeigh used a truckload of fertilizer to destroy the Oklahoma City federal building, you still don't need a license or even personal identification to buy the material.

McVeigh used two tons of ammonium nitrate, which is commonly applied to wheat and pasture crops, and mixed it with a motor fuel to make a cheap but powerful explosive. Recipes for such bombs have circulated widely for years.

Three years ago, the National Academy of Sciences recommended banning sales of packaged ammonium nitrate unless dealers required IDs from buyers and kept accurate records. It laid additional steps if terrorism threats increased, including putting chemical markers in fertilizer to aid bomb-sensing equipment and licensing fertilizer dealers.

Little has been done since then, largely because of opposition from agriculture interests and the fertilizer industry.

"The regulatory issues were considered to be very costly for American agriculture, which was being challenged at that stage and still is," said Mary Anne Fox, a chemist who co-chaired the study for the science academy's National Research Council.

In light of last month's terrorist attacks, the fertilizer industry is reconsidering its stance.

"September 11th changed the landscape for a whole host of businesses," said Kathy Mathers, a spokeswoman for the Fertilizer Institute. "It's safe to say that all these will be on the menu for discussions in the immediate future."

Fox, chancellor at North Carolina State University, agreed that "the mood is much different now."

"The question politically is whether that's a sufficiently increased threat to mandate the restrictions on our freedom," she said.

The Treasury Department agency that regulates explosives — the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms — has been studying the ammonium nitrate issue since 1996 but has yet to release a final report.

After Sept. 11, the agency put out a general alert to the explosives industry, but not to fertilizer companies.

"It looks like the industry has done a pretty good job of screening their own sales and watching the safety of their own product and the security of the storage," said ATF spokesman Jim Crandall.

Fertilizer distributors say they have stepped up their education of employees and doublechecked fences and storage facilities to prevent thefts. The Fertilizer Institute has an ongoing security awareness program aimed at dealers, distributors and haulers. A toll-free phone number is provided to report suspicious activity to the ATF.

Agriliance LLC, one of the biggest distributors of farm chemicals, ordered new rounds of security employee training and required supervisors to sign affidavits vouching that the sessions had taken place.

Agriliance, based in St. Paul, Minn., has 70 distribution and retail facilities. Store employees know their buyers personally so they don't need to ask for identification, said Kent Kutnink, the company's regulatory manager. "They have a very defined trade area; all our locations do."

Fox of the research council said methods of rendering ammonium nitrate inert have proven either ineffective or too costly. Such an additive must be nontoxic and yet difficult to remove from the fertilizer.

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Husband's numerous affairs have cheated wife of a life

DEAR ABBY: I have been married for 50 years. I am 70, my husband is 73. We have eight grandchildren and are active in our church and community. Everyone thinks our marriage is a happy one. However, they are mistaken.

My husband has had seven affairs that I know of in the last 40 years. Each affair lasted from six months to seven years. His current affair is now in its sixth year.

Abby, his mistress calls me and lets me know every time they meet. She tells me to leave him so they can be together. You can't imagine the pain of hearing a young woman say: "Old goat! We are in love. Leave him so he can have a life with me." I am devastated, but I fear loneliness. I don't know where to turn. Please tell me what to do. — **LOST IN CHICAGO**

P.S. I wrote you in 1984 about the same problem. You gave me two choices: Leave him or tolerate his behavior, because he wouldn't change. You were right. He did not change. You said personally you would have chosen the first option. I'm sorry I didn't follow your advice then.

DEAR LOST: I, too, am sorry that you didn't follow my advice. It would have saved you 17 years of pain and humiliation.

I hope you'll take my advice this time. Some things are worse than loneliness, and in my opinion, living with a chronic cheater is one of them. Make an appointment with a lawyer — and this time, follow through.

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DEAR ABBY: I recently lost my wife to cancer. I could not believe the kindness and consideration of so many family members and friends. However, some people said and wrote things that were thoughtless or hurtful.

My wife entered hospice care when it was apparent she would not win her battle. One woman sent her a greeting card that included the message, "Just think — when you die you can be my guardian angel!" Believe it or not, that was topped at the visitation prior to the funeral, when a widow told me: "You think it's bad today? Just wait. Every day will be worse than the day before."

Instead of rushing to "open mouth and insert foot," people should just offer sincere condolences, shake hands, and hug or kiss the bereaved.

Weeks after the funeral, wherever I went — including church — people would either try to avoid me or give me a pained look and ask, "And how are you?" Instead, they should say, "Good to see you." The bereaved do not need to be reminded of their loss, but do welcome smiles and cheery greetings. — **KEN ALBRECHT, SEA ISLE CITY, N.J.**

DEAR KEN: Please accept my sympathy for your loss. Many people feel awkward and do not know the proper words to offer when someone has suffered the loss of a spouse or relative. It is for those people I am printing your letter. I hope they will save it for future reference. Sooner or later, we're all going to encounter someone in that situation, and it's best to be prepared.

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Dear Abby is written by Pauline Phillips and daughter Jeanne Phillips.

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Trial to begin for N.J. rabbi accused of plotting slaying

CAMDEN, N.J. (AP) — When clergy go to death row, it's usually to counsel or console inmates.

But if prosecutors get their way, a trial slated to start today will result in a rabbi becoming one of those inmates.

Legal experts said the fact that Fred J. Neulander is a rabbi may make him look better — or worse — to jurors who must decide whether he's guilty in a murder-for-hire case.

Neulander, 60, has pleaded innocent to charges that he arranged the death of his wife Carol, 52, who was found beaten to death at the couple's home in 1994.

The rabbi, a longtime leader in the Jewish community, will testify in his own defense, said Dennis Wixted, one of the lawyers representing him.

Robert Bloom, a Boston University law professor, said a clergy member might look more credible to jurors.

"I would probably be more inclined to put a clergy person on the stand," he said.

But Paul H. Robinson, a law professor at Northwestern University, said while Neulander may seem more credible, his clergy status could also work against him if jurors feel betrayed.

"There are expectations that come with being a member of the clergy," Robinson said.

Astro-graph

By Bernice Bede Osol



Your Birthday

Tuesday, Oct. 16, 2001

Because what you learned from experience will be put to the test in the year ahead, you'll not be tripped up by obstacles that overtook you in the past. Your successes will be numerous.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — When faced with adversity today, do what you your inner feelings tell you is right and not what others are attempting to force on you. Be your own counsel. Trying to patch up a broken romance?

The Astro-Graph Matchmaker can help you understand what to do to make the relationship work. Mail $2.75 to Matchmaker, c/o this newspaper, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) — Being a Scorpio, rarely do your hunches let you down. However, today you could get a false reading, so let your logic supersede your intuition.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) — Unfortunately, you might have placed your trust in someone who has now proven to be unreliable. Cut him or her loose today or you'll only have yourself to blame if havoc results.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — When attempting to iron out the kinks in something you're trying to do today, you could destroy what already exists. It might be wiser to make a fresh start.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) — Unfortunately, your defenses could be down today and cause you to respond in ways unbecoming to you. If this should happen, immediately make amends.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) — Persons with whom you'll be involved today might lack your vision and positive perspective, so don't cast your pearls before swine. Just go out and prove yourself right.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) — There's a chance a troubled relationship could be terminated today. But it was dubious at best, and letting go of it now leaves you free to operate as you wish.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) — You can hide, but you can't escape your responsibilities. If you attempt to sweep them under the rug today, they'll plague you for the rest of the week. Get them over with and be free.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) — Someone who is a troublemaker could try to pick a fight with you today. Instead of getting into it with him or her, walk away from this person once and for all.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) — Owing to a few domestic tensions, the welcome mat might not be ready for inviting over friends. Get out of the house and find a fun place to share time with your pals.

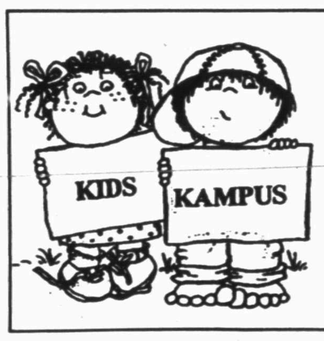
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) — Don't discuss any fresh ideas you get with co-workers. One among them might attempt to steal your innovations and beat you to the punch. Launch them today.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — If you are involved in a key endeavor that now requires greater funding, instead of getting upset, search for new ways to handle it. What you conceive today will work.

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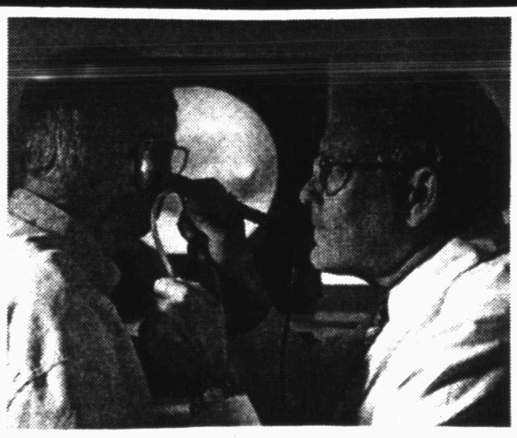
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SPORTS

SHS spikers face district test Tuesday

LUBBOCK — The Snyder Lady Tigers took care of Estacado on Saturday, and they know the task at hand.

Beat Plainview on Tuesday, and the Lady Tigers will keep their playoff hopes alive.

Snyder overcame a sluggish opening game to take care of Estacado, 10-15, 15-4, 15-5, Saturday.

The victory kept the Lady Tigers in a third-place tie with Big Spring, one match ahead of Plainview with only two to go.

Snyder travels to Plainview on Tuesday, before hosting Andrews in Saturday's district finale.

"We know we pretty much have to win Tuesday to make the playoffs," said SHS coach Patty Grimmett. "Whether that has a positive or a negative effect on the girls, I don't know. But that's the situation, and they know it."

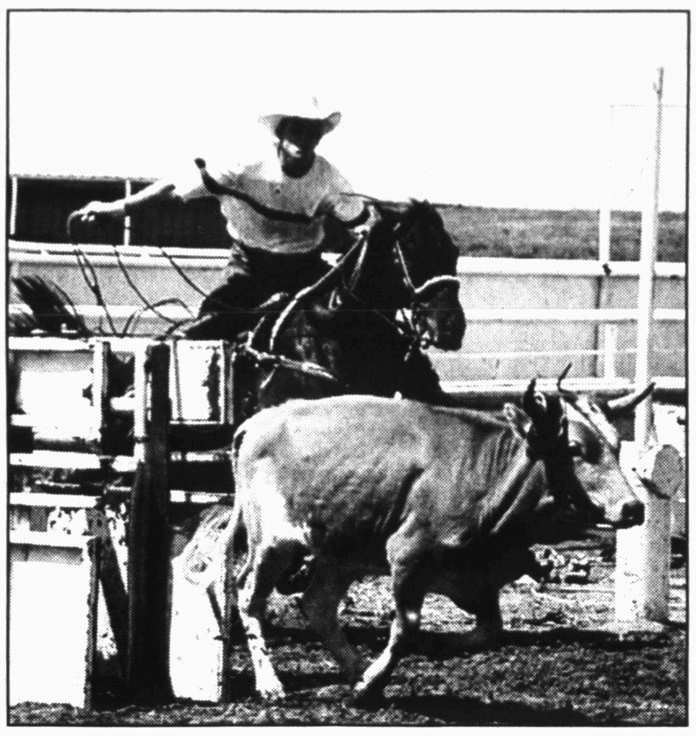
A victory over the Lady Bulldogs would guarantee Snyder of at least a tie for third.

Plainview and Big Spring square off on Saturday.

The times for Saturday's matches against Andrews have been changed. The freshman and JV squads will compete at noon, followed by the varsity at 1 p.m.

Snyder def. Estacado
10-15, 15-4, 15-5

Snyder service points: Leticia Martinez, 16; Chaelyn Robinson, 7; Kate Wright and Shelly Fisk, 6; Kallie Billingsley, 5. **Kills:** Robinson, 14; Afton Schwertner, 9; Ashley Tuttle, 8; Zipporah Peoples, 6; K. Billingsley, 4. **Blocks:** Peoples and Schwertner, 6; Fisk, 1.



ROPE THEM DOGGIES — Western Texas roper Lane Morrow practices recently at the WTC arena. The Westerners captured their second consecutive title Saturday at the Vernon rodeo. (SDN Staff Photo)

WTC men earn second crown of the season

VERNON — The Western Texas men's rodeo team has hit its stride.

The Westerners captured their second consecutive rodeo title over the weekend, outlasting Howard College by 80 points to win the Vernon collegiate rodeo.

"The guys are getting on a roll, and now we have to continue it this coming weekend at Lubbock," said WTC coach Greg Rhodes. "If we can do that, it would be a great end to the semester."

J.W. Todd paced the Westerners with a pair of first-place finishes in Saturday night's short round. Todd earned the victories with a 77-point saddle bronc ride, and a time of 4.3 seconds in the steer wrestling.

Clint Cooper secured second place in Saturday's team roping, with Reg Cully and Dalton Kraft taking third.

Tyson Thompaosn was third in the bareback competition. Houston Hutto was fourth in the calf roping, and Sam Spreadborough was fourth in saddle bronc.

While the Westerners earned their second straight crown, the Lady Westerners struggled in Vernon.

The WTC women tied for sixth place, and didn't have a competitor rank in Saturday's final round.

"We didn't get every body back to the short round like we usually do," said Rhodes. "But the women's team is still leading the region, and I think they'll be fine at Tech."

Western Texas wraps up the fall schedule starting Thursday at Texas Tech.

Gray secures city links title

The pupil outplayed the teacher over the weekend at the Snyder City Golf Championship.

Snyder High School junior Stafford Gray carded a two-round total of 138 to hold off James Higdon and SHS coach Matt Glenn for the top spot in the City Championship.

Gray fired a 4-under-par 66 in Saturday's opening round at Western Texas, then maintained his lead with an even-par 72 Sunday at the country club.

Higdon earned the runner-up spot with a 73-69—142, while Glenn finished with a 72-74—146 to finish tied for third with Billy Brock.

In the Senior Division, Tommy Baker secured first place, followed by Mickey Nunley and Ted Crenwelge.

In the Super Senior Division, Jeral Beard secured the top spot, followed by Wortham Llyod.

City Championship

Open Division: Stafford Gray, 66-72—138; James Higdon, 73-69—142; Matt Glenn, 72-74—146; Billy Brock, 75-71—146; Randy Weaver, 78-71—149; Clinton Calmes, 77-73—150; Zach Starnes, 80-71—151; Alton Patterson, 74-69—153; Rick Beard, 80-73—153; David Sharrock, 74-80—154; Ernie Armstrong, 78-76—154; Rick Hunter, 78-78—156; Britt Sharrock, 76-83—159; Cody Cox, 82-78—160; Marcus Parham, 82-81—163; David Holt, 86-80—166; Mark Seale, 87-81—168; James Barnhill, 86-95—181.

Senior Division: Tommy Baker, 83-80—163; Mickey Nunley, 93-95—188; Ted Crenwelge, 94-96—190.

Super Senior Division: Jeral Beard, 70-78—148; Wortham Lloyd, 83-85—168.

Snyder netters drop district tilt to Steers

BIG SPRING — In a battle for the district title, Snyder came up one match short.

Big Spring outlasted Snyder, 10-9, in Saturday's District 4-4A tennis competition.

The victory all but locks up the title for the Steers, while Snyder slips to second place.

Snyder captured seven of the nine girls' matches, while Big Spring grabbed seven of the boys' contests.

Andra Dunham, Cozy Jones, Afton Sutter and Jackie Beccue won singles matches for the Lady Tigers.

The Vargas-Dunham, Sutter-Beccue and Williams-Brumley tandems swept the girls' doubles matches.

Curt Phillips won a boys' singles match, then teamed up with Adam Rodgers to capture one point in the doubles.

Snyder wraps up the district schedule Saturday against Estacado.

Big Spring 10, Snyder 9

Girls' singles: Pat Vargas lost to Veronica Villarreal, 6-3, 2-6, 6-1; Andra Dunham def. Heather Parnell, 6-3, 6-3; Cozy jones def. April Ward, 2-6, 7-6, 7-5; Afton Sutter def. Def. Megan Roffers, 6-0, 6-0; Stephanie Williams lost to Lauren Chesworth, 6-1, 3-6, 7-6; Jackie Beccue def. Mindy Partee, 6-1, 6-4.

Girls' doubles: Vargas-Dunham def. Villarreal-Partee, 2-6, 6-2, 6-0; Sutter-Beccue def. Parnell-Ward, 7-5, 6-3; Williams-Brumley def. Chesworth-Rodriguez, 6-0, 6-4.

Boys' singles: Horacio DePaz lost to Jay Shroff, 6-2, 6-2; Alex Best lost to Alex Edgeman, 6-7, 6-3, 6-3; Adam Rodgers lost to Jake Smiley, 6-3, 6-4; Curt Phillips def. Michael Roffers, 6-2, 6-0; Joseph Ynguanzo lost to Derek DeHoyes, 6-2, 6-0; Tyson Kubena lost to Brian Wingert, 6-2, 6-3.

Boys' doubles: DePaz-Best lost to Edgeman-Shroff, 7-6, 7-4; Rodgers-Phillips def. Roffers-Wingert, 4-6, 7-5, 6-4; Ynguanzo-Reed lost to Williamson-Vela, 6-3, 6-2.

Mixed doubles: Kubena-Jones lost to DeHoyes-Roffers, 6-3, 6-1.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	2	1	.667	—
New York	2	1	.667	—
Orlando	2	1	.667	—
Washington	1	1	.500	½
Miami	1	2	.333	1
New Jersey	1	2	.333	1
Philadelphia	0	2	.000	1½

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	2	0	1.000	—
Detroit	2	1	.667	½
Atlanta	2	2	.500	1
Toronto	1	1	.500	1
Charlotte	1	2	.333	1½
Indiana	1	2	.333	1½
Milwaukee	0	1	.000	1½
Cleveland	0	2	.000	2

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Midwest Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Memphis	2	0	1.000	—
San Antonio	2	0	1.000	—
Denver	1	0	1.000	½
Dallas	2	2	.500	1
Minnesota	1	1	.500	1
Utah	1	1	.500	1
Houston	1	2	.333	1½

Pacific Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Golden State	2	0	1.000	—
Phoenix	2	0	1.000	—
Sacramento	2	1	.667	½
Portland	1	2	.333	1½
Seattle	1	2	.333	1½
L.A. Clippers	0	2	.000	2
L.A. Lakers	0	2	.000	2

Saturday's Games

Toronto vs. Minnesota at Cologne, Germany, ccd, terrorist attacks
Washington 99, Miami 79
New York 98, Philadelphia 67
Chicago 86, Indiana 81
New Jersey 98, Cleveland 86
San Antonio 124, Boston 78
Houston 98, Detroit 95
Golden State vs. L.A. Lakers at Tokyo, ccd, terrorist attacks

Sunday's Games

Memphis 121, L.A. Clippers 113
Atlanta 101, Orlando 81
Sacramento 107, Dallas 88
Phoenix 69, Seattle 62
L.A. Lakers vs. Golden State at Tokyo, ccd, terrorist attacks

Monday's Games

Denver at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Seattle at Memphis, 8 p.m.
Houston vs. Portland at Corvallis, Ore., 10 p.m.

Snyder Bowling League

Men's Commercial League

Team	W	L
Snyder Iron	66	36
The Shack	64	38
YZ Systems	61.5	40.5
WTP Energy	56	46
Snyder Brick	52.5	49.5
Blue Sunco	51.5	50.5
Cutting Edge	51.5	50.5
Timely Finance	49	53
Rogers Back	47	55
Anadarko	46	56
NAPA Auto	39	63
Patterson	28	74

High series: Mark Glasscock, scratch, 637; Mark Glasscock, handicap, 685.

High game: Glenn Coy, scratch, 226; Glenn Coy, handicap, 238.

Splits and special mentions: Lynn Smith, 7-8; Anthony Palacios, 2-7; Gary Kinder, 4-5-7; Chris Palacios, 3-8-10.

Local golfers grab top spots at ladies' event

Four local golfers earned honors recently at the Women's Lone Star Senior Ladies Golf Tournament at Canyon.

Anita Talbott captured second place in the championship flight, while Suzy Reed garnered the top spot in the first flight.

Winning consolation titles were Peggy Hardin in the third flight, and Jo Sterling in the fifth flight.

Also participating from Snyder were Joan Hood, Juanita Hester and Esther Guelker.

Sooners facing quarterback controversy

By OWEN CANFIELD
AP Sports Writer

For the second straight week, Oklahoma coach Bob Stoops finds himself answering questions about who will be his quarterback.

The answers this time aren't as clear cut as they were a week ago, when Stoops said Nate Hybl was the No. 1 quarterback and Jason White was the backup.

For the second game in a row, White came off the bench, played very well and helped keep the second-ranked Sooners unbeaten. His performance Saturday night at Kansas — four touchdown passes, 117 yards rushing in a 38-10 victory — has heightened speculation about whether a change will be made for this week's game against Baylor.

"We'll work on that tomorrow," Stoops said Sunday. "We'll watch the tape with the players, visit with them along with the rest of the team. We'll work through that as we get with them tomorrow."

Hybl has started all six games for the Sooners (6-0, 3-0 Big 12), but has failed to finish the last two. He was knocked out of the Texas game with an injury to his left shoulder, then was removed from the Kansas game after a lackluster performance.

In both cases, White played well in Hybl's place.

Offensive coordinator Mark Mangino said the position is being evaluated, and that the starter will be in place "no later than Monday afternoon, Tuesday morning."

Stoops and Mangino each said they weren't sure whether Hybl's performance against Kansas — 5-of-11 passing for 15 yards — was due to lingering soreness from his injury or the rustiness from only playing one quarter in the previous game. Regardless, Hybl's play warranted a change.

"He just didn't look sharp. He just didn't look crisp. He didn't look himself," Mangino said.

White responded by going 18-of-29 for 151 yards, although he was intercepted twice and lost a fumble. His running ability is superior to that of Hybl — he needed just 12 carries to gain those 117 yards.

"Jason does some good things, there's no doubt about that," Mangino said. "He brings another dimension to our offense with his speed and athleticism. He made some real good throws, and he made some decisions he probably shouldn't have."

Mangino repeated what he has said often — that the Sooners will not rotate quarterbacks. The starter gets about 70 percent of the snaps during practices, something Mangino said is needed to develop confidence and a comfort level for the offense.

He said the players are accustomed to Hybl and White, so the question of leadership won't be a major concern as a decision is made. Mangino also said the attitude of both quarterbacks makes any decision easier.

"There's never been any indication at any time that they're not both team players and care about our program," Mangino said.

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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Atlantic Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
N.Y. Islanders	4	0	0	1	9	22	14
Philadelphia	2	1	2	0	6	16	11
N.Y. Rangers	1	2	1	0	3	10	14
New Jersey	0	3	0	0	0	6	15
Pittsburgh	0	4	0	0	0	7	17

Northeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Montreal	4	0	1	0	9	17	9
Ottawa	3	2	1	0	7	21	17
Buffalo	3	2	0	1	7	16	15
Boston	3	2	0	0	6	15	10
Toronto	2	2	1	0	5	17	15

Southeast Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Carolina	3	2	0	0	6	15	12
Tampa Bay	2	3	0	0	4	9	14
Washington	2	3	0	0	4	14	14
Atlanta	1	1	0	1	3	7	10
Florida	1	4	0	0	2	9	15

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Central Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Detroit	4	1	0	0	8	19	14
Chicago	2	3	1	0	5	14	17
St. Louis	1	1	2	0	4	15	13
Columbus	0	1	4	0	4	11	13
Nashville	1	2	1	0	3	7	10

Northwest Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
Edmonton	4	1	1	0	9	19	12
Calgary	4	1	0	1	9	14	8
Minnesota	3	0	2	0	8	15	11
Colorado	2	2	0	0	4	11	14
Vancouver	2	3	0	0	4	17	15

Pacific Division

	W	L	T	OL	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	2	0	1	1	6	10	9
Phoenix	2	2	1	0	5	11	14
Dallas	2	2	0	1	5	10	13
Anaheim	2	4	0	0	4	12	19
Los Angeles	1	3	1	0	3	12	14

Two points for a win, one point for a tie and overtime loss.

Saturday's Games

N.Y. Rangers 2, Ottawa 2, tie
Carolina 5, Atlanta 2
St. Louis 5, Toronto 2
Montreal 3, New Jersey 1
Detroit 5, N.Y. Islanders 4, OT
Philadelphia 5, Florida 2
Calgary 4, Dallas 3, OT
Edmonton 4, Nashville 3
Phoenix 5, Washington 2
Vancouver 4, Colorado 0
San Jose 3, Boston 2
Tampa Bay 1, Los Angeles 0

Sunday's Games

Buffalo 4, Pittsburgh 1
Edmonton 3, Minnesota 3, tie
Columbus 2, Chicago 2, tie
Tampa Bay 3, Anaheim 2

Monday's Game

N.Y. Rangers at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday's Games

Nashville at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Ottawa at Pittsburgh, 7:30 p.m.
Columbus at Detroit, 7:30 p.m.
Philadelphia at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at Minnesota, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Edmonton, 9 p.m.
Tampa Bay at Colorado, 9 p.m.
Boston at Phoenix, 10 p.m.
Florida at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Washington at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.

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DIVISION SERIES

American League

Seattle vs. Cleveland

Tuesday, Oct. 9
Cleveland 5, Seattle 0

Thursday, Oct. 11
Seattle 5, Cleveland 1

Saturday, Oct. 13
Cleveland 17, Seattle 2

Sunday, Oct. 14
Seattle 6, Cleveland 2, series tied 2-2

Monday, Oct. 15
Cleveland (Finley 8-8) at Seattle (Moyer 21-6), 4:20 p.m. (Fox)

New York vs. Oakland

Wednesday, Oct. 10
Oakland 5, New York 3

Thursday, Oct. 11
Oakland 2, New York 0

Saturday, Oct. 13
New York 1, Oakland 0

Sunday, Oct. 14
New York 9, Oakland 2, series tied 2-2

Monday, Oct. 15
Oakland (Mulder 22-8) at New York (Clemens 20-4), 8:17 p.m., (Fox)

National League

Arizona vs. St. Louis

Tuesday, Oct. 9
Arizona 1, St. Louis 0

Wednesday, Oct. 10
St. Louis 4, Arizona 1

Friday, Oct. 12
Arizona 5, St. Louis 3

Saturday, Oct. 13
St. Louis 4, Arizona 1

Sunday, Oct. 14
Arizona 2, St. Louis 1, Arizona wins series 3-2

Houston vs. Atlanta

Tuesday, Oct. 9
Atlanta 7, Houston 4

Wednesday, Oct. 10
Atlanta 1, Houston 0

Friday, Oct. 12
Atlanta 6, Houston 2, Atlanta wins series 3-0

LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP SERIES

American League

Wednesday, Oct. 17
Oakland-New York winner at Seattle OR Cleveland at New York OR Oakland at Cleveland, 4:20 p.m. (Fox)

Thursday, Oct. 18
Oakland-New York winner at Seattle OR Cleveland at New York OR Oakland at Cleveland, 8:20 p.m. (Fox)

Saturday, Oct. 20
Seattle at Oakland-New York winner OR New York at Cleveland OR Cleveland at Oakland, 4:20 p.m. (Fox)

Sunday, Oct. 21
Seattle at Oakland-New York winner OR New York at Cleveland OR Cleveland at Oakland, 7:50 p.m. (Fox or Fox Sports Net)

Monday, Oct. 22
Seattle at Oakland-New York winner OR New York at Cleveland OR Cleveland at Oakland, 8:20 p.m., if necessary (Fox)

Wednesday, Oct. 24
Oakland-New York winner at Seattle OR Cleveland at New York OR Oakland at Cleveland, 4:20 p.m., if necessary (Fox)

Thursday, Oct. 25
Oakland-New York winner at Seattle OR Cleveland at New York OR Oakland at Cleveland, 8:20 p.m., if necessary (Fox)

National League

Tuesday, Oct. 16
Atlanta at Arizona, 4:20 p.m. (Fox)

Wednesday, Oct. 17
Atlanta at Arizona, 8:20 p.m. (Fox)

Friday, Oct. 19
Arizona at Atlanta, 8:20 p.m. (Fox)

Saturday, Oct. 20
Arizona at Atlanta, 7:50 p.m. (Fox)

Sunday, Oct. 21
Arizona at Atlanta, 7:50 p.m., if necessary (Fox or Fox Sports Net)

Tuesday, Oct. 23
Atlanta at Arizona, 8:20 p.m., if necessary (Fox)

Wednesday, Oct. 24
Atlanta at Arizona, 8:20 p.m., if necessary (Fox)

Mariners, Indians set for Game 5

CLEVELAND (AP) — The Seattle Mariners stared down elimination, packed their bags and headed home to play at least one more game.

Safeco Field will never have looked so good, or been so loud.

Nine outs away from their magical season ending in an early postseason exit, the Mariners rallied for a 6-2 win over the Cleveland Indians on Sunday in their AL division series to force a decisive Game 5.

Rookie Ichiro Suzuki provided the key hit in Seattle's three-run, seventh-inning rally, which underscored the Mariners' resolve.

"There was no panic," Seattle second baseman Bret Boone said. "The feeling was we were going to find a way."

Suzuki's RBI single came in the seventh when the Mariners, shut out for the first six innings by losing pitcher Bartolo Colon, displayed their uncanny ability to do the little things right.

"There was a little sigh of relief with each at-bat," Jay Buhner said. "We got a walk. The error. A sac fly. A hit. Each one was bigger and bigger and then we just knew."

The win enabled Seattle, which won 116 games during the regular season, to avoid the same fate as the 1906 Cubs — the team whose wins record the Mariners matched. Chicago did not win a World Series title that year.

"We battled back from adversity all season," Mariners manager Lou Piniella said. "We weren't going to lose because of the pressure. We were going to lose because the other team outplayed us."

Suzuki went 3-for-5 and Edgar Martinez hit a two-run homer in the ninth for the Mariners, who were blown out 17-2 and played possibly their worst game of the season in Game 3 on Saturday.

"We got our butts kicked," Boone said. "But remember, I said this team is ready."

Freddy Garcia (1-1) pitched 6 1-3 innings for the win.

Jamie Moyer, who beat the Indians in Game 2 and went 2-0 against them in the regular season, will start Game 5 for the Mariners on Monday at Safeco Field against Chuck Finley.

"I'm elated about getting to pitch in a fifth game," said Finley, who waited 15 years to make his first postseason start in Game 2 and gave up a pair of two-run homers in the first. "I had the feeling we might be back in Seattle anyway."

Before Game 4, which was delayed two hours, 20 minutes by rain, a relaxed Piniella was confident his team would go home to play another day.

"We have to take that long ride back to Seattle," Piniella said. "So we may as well make Cleveland take the same plane ride."

For six innings it looked like the Mariners would fly solo, but the Indians are headed to the airport, too.

"I didn't want to take that ride," Indians manager Charlie Manuel said. "But that's the way things worked out."

Juan Gonzalez's second-inning homer looked like it might stand up as Colon handled the Mariners with ease for six innings.

But he walked John Olerud to open the seventh, and Stan Javier threw his bat at an outside pitch for a single to left.

The Indians tried to pick Olerud off second, but Colon's wild throw allowed the Mariners to finally get a runner to third. Mike Cameron walked to load the bases, and pinch-hitter Al Martin grounded into a force at the plate.

David Bell followed with a fly ball down the left-field line that Marty Cordova ran down in foul territory, but it was deep enough to score Javier without a play to tie it at 1.

Manuel had left-hander Ricardo Rincon ready to face Suzuki, who led the majors in hits and batted .445 with runners in scoring position. But he stuck with Colon and Suzuki singled — his 250th hit in the regular and postseason — through the hole in right to score Cameron and give Seattle a 2-1 lead.

"The game was on the line, and Colon was on the mound," Suzuki said through a translator. "But I have confidence against any pitcher."

Mark McLemore followed with another RBI single, chasing Colon, who had set a division series record with 14 consecutive scoreless innings.

Before the rally, the Mariners were 2-for-18 with runners in scoring position.

"It may have taken a while," said Cameron. "But it came at the right time."

The Indians closed within 3-2 in the bottom of the inning, but the Mariners got another run in the eighth on Cameron's RBI double.

With Suzuki on again in the ninth, Martinez hit a 458-foot homer off Paul Shuey that landed on a pedestrian walkway outside the ballpark.

It may as well have landed in Seattle.

Yankees topple Athletics to extend series

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — The Oakland Athletics might be the first team not wearing pinstripes to look forward to a decisive playoff game at Yankee Stadium.

In an AL division series that's been stretched to the limit, the A's looked strong while winning twice in the Bronx — and looked weak while losing twice at home. The A's hope a return to the Yankees' hallowed home will spur them to somehow stop New York's momentum.

Bernie Williams drove in five runs as the Yankees confidently fought off elimination for the second time in two days, beating the A's 9-2 on Sunday to even the series at two games each.

The loss was disheartening — but even without cleanup hitter Jermaine Dye, who broke his leg by fouling a ball into it in the third inning, the A's pronounced themselves prepared for one last shot at the three-time champions.

"I don't think our spirits are down at all," Jason Giambi said. "The biggest thing is we're going to Game 5. We have our big gun on the hill. As far as I'm concerned, we're starting fresh."

After the A's won the AL division series' first two games in New York, the Yankees seemed doomed. Age, inconsistency and the energetic A's made the Yankees look like relics of a passing era, mere shadows of their once-mighty selves.

But with two gutsy wins at the Coliseum — where Oakland had won 17 straight — the three-time World Series champs earned a trip home for a deciding game Monday night. Roger Clemens will face Mark Mulder in a rematch of the opener.

"Surprised? I guess I can't be," Yankees manager Joe Torre said. "We've done a lot of things in the last six years that make me proud, and this certainly goes up there among the proudest (moments)."

Last year, the A's beat Clemens on the road in Game 4.

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Bucknell 17, Lafayette 16
East Carolina 49, Army 26
Georgetown, D.C. 26, Davidson 24
Harvard 26, Cornell 6
Rice 21, Navy 13-
Syracuse 42, Pittsburgh 10
Temple 30, Rutgers 5
Wagner 24, Cent. Connecticut St. 17, 2OT
Yale 36, Fordham 27

SOUTH

Alcorn St. 17, Samford 7
Auburn 23, Florida 20
Bethune-Cookman 24, S. Carolina St. 10
Charleston Southern 36, Austin Peay 21
Cincinnati 31, UAB 17
Clemson 45, N.C. State 37
E. Kentucky 21, Murray St. 13
Florida Atlantic 35, Jacksonville 12
Furman 30, The Citadel 7
Georgia 30, Vanderbilt 14
Georgia Southern 27, Appalachian St. 18
Grambling St. 60, Ark.-Pine Bluff 7
Howard 22, Benedict 15
Jackson St. 24, Southern U. 21
LSU 29, Kentucky 25
Miami 49, Florida St. 27
Mississippi 27, Alabama 24
North Carolina 30, Virginia 24
Sam Houston St. 35, Nicholls St. 32
South Florida 40, Connecticut 21
Tennessee St. 41, MVSU 3
Troy St. 21, Mississippi St. 9
Tulane 48, TCU 22
UCF 63, Liberty 0
VMI 19, Chattanooga 16, 2OT
Virginia Tech 34, Boston College 20
W. Carolina 31, Wofford 28
Wake Forest 42, Duke 35

MIDWEST

Illinois 35, Indiana 14
Iowa St. 20, Missouri 14
Kent St. 44, N. Illinois 34
Miami (Ohio) 30, Akron 27
Michigan 24, Purdue 10
Michigan St. 31, Iowa 28
Northwestern 23, Minnesota 17
Notre Dame 34, West Virginia 24
Ohio 34, Cent. Michigan 3
Oklahoma 38, Kansas 10
Valparaiso 17, Drake 7
W. Illinois 33, Illinois St. 23
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Youngstown St. 41, SW Missouri St. 20

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East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	3	2	0	.600	106	111
N.Y. Jets	3	2	0	.600	114	120
Indianapolis	2	2	0	.500	118	117
New England	2	3	0	.400	103	102
Buffalo	0	4	0	.000	71	128

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Pittsburgh	3	1	0	.750	59	48
Baltimore	3	2	0	.600	96	78
Cincinnati	3	2	0	.600	89	85
Cleveland	3	2	0	.600	87	77
Jacksonville	2	2	0	.500	63	56
Tennessee	1	3	0	.250	67	98

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Oakland	4	1	0	.800	131	95
Denver	3	2	0	.600	123	97
San Diego	3	2	0	.600	132	87
Seattle	3	2	0	.600	84	107
Kansas City	1	4	0	.200	95	93

NATIONAL CONFERENCE

East

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
N.Y. Giants	3	2	0	.600	91	71
Philadelphia	2	2	0	.500	104	62
Arizona	1	3	0	.250	65	112
Dallas	0	4	0	.000	66	110
Washington	0	4	0	.000	25	135

Central

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	4	1	0	.800	134	50
Chicago	3	1	0	.750	74	43
Tampa Bay	2	2	0	.500	68	67
Minnesota	2	3	0	.400	89	111
Detroit	0	4	0	.000	46	118

West

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	5	0	0	1.000	142	67
San Francisco	4	1	0	.800	122	105
New Orleans	3	1	0	.750	92	67
Atlanta	2	3	0	.400	105	114
Carolina	1	4	0	.200	86	116

Sunday's Games

Chicago 20, Arizona 13
St. Louis 15, N.Y. Giants 14
San Francisco 37, Atlanta 31, OT
Green Bay 31, Baltimore 23
New Orleans 27, Carolina 25
Cincinnati 24, Cleveland 14
New England 29, San Diego 26, OT
Tennessee 31, Tampa Bay 28, OT
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Minnesota 31, Detroit 26
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Tennessee at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Atlanta at New Orleans, 1 p.m.
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Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 1 p.m.
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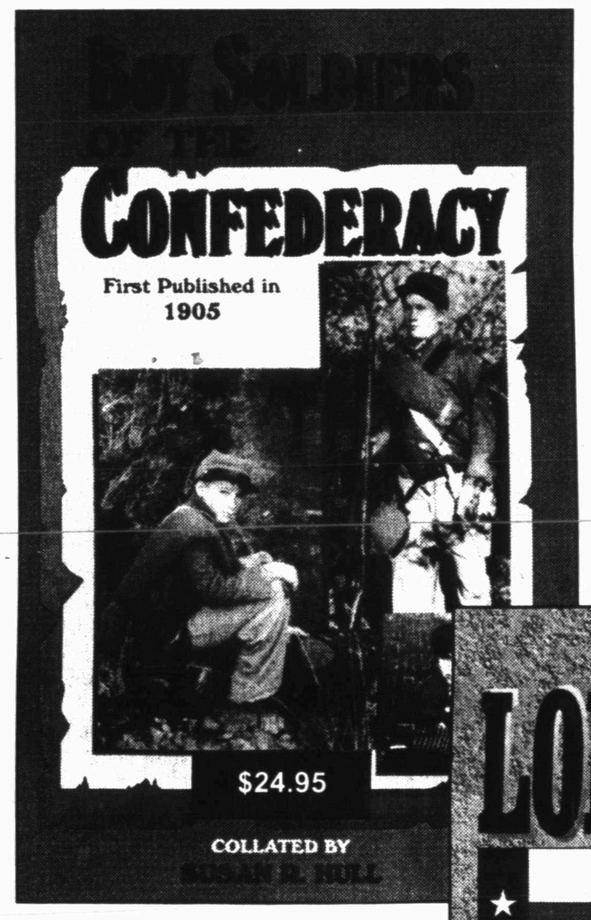
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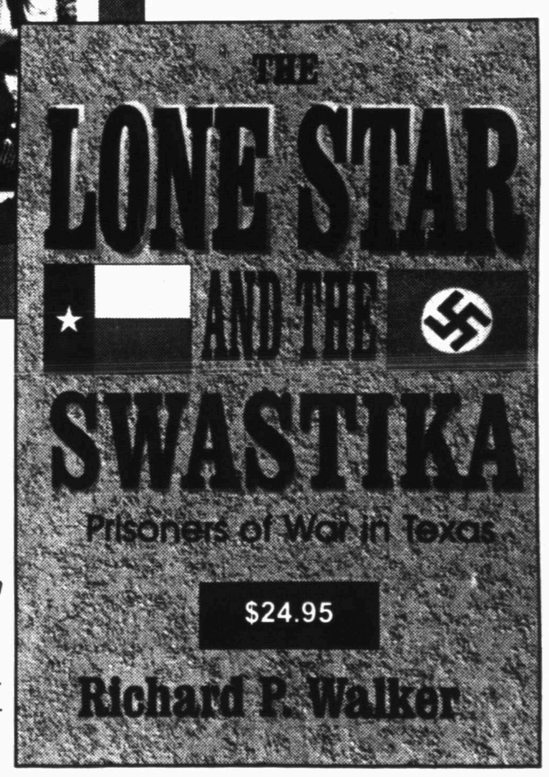
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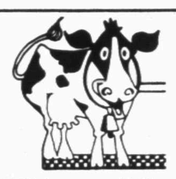
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Minnesota state workers return to jobs

ST. PAUL (AP) — With a mixture of relief and anger, some 23,000 state employees returned to their jobs today after a two-week walkout.

State agencies and office buildings that had been quiet during the strike buzzed again with activity as workers tackled the backlog that piled up before Sunday's tentative contract agreements.

The state's two largest unions went on strike Oct. 1 in the largest walkout of state workers in Minnesota history.

Anne Methany, a 13-year state employee, became emotional today as she talked of returning to her job as an attorney's assistant in the Department of Employee Relations.

"I love what I do, and I'm here to do that job," Methany said.

Joe Linn, a senior systems programmer in the Department of Administration, echoed the thought. "I've been ready to get back to work for two weeks," he said.

Workers ranging from parole officers to tax collectors to zoo staff were to return to their jobs this week.

The executive directors of both unions said they would recommend ratification when the rank-and-file vote on the contracts, which probably won't happen for several weeks.

Council 6 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees settled for 3.5 percent wage increases for each of the next two years. The total package is worth about $100 million.

Workers belonging to the Minnesota Association of Professional Employees would receive 3 percent pay hikes for each of the two years. The MAPE settlement was worth about $73 million.

The final state offers before the strike included back-t back 3 percent raises for AFSCME employees for two years and a one-time 4 percent raise for MAPE's members.

Members of both unions said the tentative agreements include significant improvements in the health care package over what the state had offered before the strike.

"This is the offer that should have been the floor offer in July," said Deb Schadegg, MAPE president.

Though leaders of both unions said they'd hoped for more, they said the end result was worth the strike.

"I consider this a win — a clear win — for our members," Council 6 executive director Peter Benner said.

It may not be easy to get back to business as usual.

"There's a lot of hard feelings," said Lisa Maidl, a revenue collector in Ely, in northeastern Minnesota. About a dozen workers crossed the picket line where she works. "I'm just going to go in, sit at my desk and hopefully avoid some of those people for a while."

Between 3,000 and 5,000 employees eligible to strike crossed the lines on any given day during the strike.

The administration also may have a difficult time patching its relationship with union members, Schadegg and Benner said.

Gov. Jesse Ventura did little to reassure the employees Sunday. In a statement issued by his office, Ventura said he would meet with his advisers to determine how the government can absorb the cost of the settlement through budget cuts and, if necessary, trimming the work force.

"I will live up to my promise that the cost of this settlement will not be passed on to the taxpayers," he said in the release.

Strikers were angry at Ventura throughout the walkout, and Linn still was today.

"I intend to make sure he's one state employee who loses his job," Linn said.

Prior to the contract, AFSCME members, among them highway maintenance workers, janitors, food service workers and corrections guards, earned an average of $30,000 a year. MAPE's members, such as forensic scientists, food inspectors and computer professionals, earned an average of $49,000 a year.

On the Net:
State of Minnesota:
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U.S. Army to focus on recruiting Hispanics

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — An Army campaign to increase the number of Hispanics in uniform includes a proposal for Spanish-language testing that could be expanded nationwide.

Military recruiters early next year plan to give the tests in San Antonio and elsewhere, with 400 recruits chosen for the Foreign Language Recruiting Initiative to then study English for up to seven months at the Defense Language Institute at Lackland Air Force Base.

It's part of a two-year pilot program in which recruits would then take a standard entrance exam in English. Those who pass will go on to basic training.

"We want the Army to remain the military service of choice for all Americans — to include today's expanding numbers of Hispanic youth," Army spokesman Paul Boyce told the San Antonio Express-News in today's editions.

He said that, if successful, the pilot program could be offered nationwide.

The language recruiting initiative that will start in January is designed to draw a larger share of America's growing Hispanic population into uniform. Hispanics make up 8.5 percent of all soldiers, and represent 12 percent of the nation's population.

Army recruiters believe some Hispanics who fail the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery, the test used to evaluate all recruits seeking to enter the military, could pass it if they better comprehended English — particularly those hailing from such places as Spanish-speaking Puerto Rico, which also boasts the No. 1 recruiting company in the Army.

Recruiters in Puerto Rico, San Antonio and Los Angeles will give some applicants a Spanish-language version of a standard personnel exam used to measure cognitive ability. It's an effort to identify potential soldiers through the test, which covers reading comprehension, vocabulary and math.

"If you look at our attempts to penetrate and expand the Hispanic market, there are obvious barriers that are readily present," Douglas Smith, a spokesman with the Army Recruiting Command in Fort Knox, Ky., said. "Language is one of them."

Smith said some Hispanics' high school dropout rate is another barrier.

Some observers say the language recruiting initiative's emphasis on screening recruits and then funneling them into the Lackland DLI's English instruction pipeline will get attention.

"It'll raise eyebrows," said Michael O'Hanlon, an analyst at the Brookings Institution think tank in Washington, D.C. "People will say if they can't speak English, do you really want them fighting in American combat units? You have to watch this kind of a policy very carefully."

But Rep. Ciro Rodriguez applauded the Army's efforts to reach out to the Hispanic community.

"Hispanics have been underrepresented in the Army's ranks, and I've been encouraging the Army for the past three years to think outside the box in its Hispanic recruiting efforts," said Rodriguez, D-San Antonio, a member of the House Armed Services Committee.

Bridge

By Phillip Alder



North 10-15-01
♠ K 6 5
♥ Q 10 9 7 6
♦ 9 7
♣ A 5 4

West
♠ 8 4
♥ A 8 4
♦ A 10 4 2
♣ 10 8 6 3

East
♠ Q J 10 3
♥ 5 3 2
♦ J 6 5
♣ K J 9

South
♠ A 9 7 2
♥ K J
♦ K Q 8 3
♣ Q 7 2

Dealer: South
Vulnerable: Neither

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	2 ♦	Pass
2 ♥	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ??

Monday, Oct. 15, 2001

The Pill reaches half-century mark

Today is the 50th anniversary of the contraceptive pill. The head of the group at Syntex S.A. in Mexico City that developed the Pill was Dr. George Rosenkranz. He is 85 years old, but you would never know it to meet him. He is very active, both professionally and athletically. Also, Rosenkranz still plays top-level bridge. For example, his team finished second in the prestigious Vanderbilt Knockout Teams last March.

Rosenkranz is accomplished in all aspects of the game, but is especially renowned for his opening-lead expertise. For example, look at the West hand. What would you select against three no-trump? You know that North, the dummy, has some 9-14 points with exactly five hearts (shown via a transfer bid); and that South has a balanced 15-17 points, presumably with only two hearts because he preferred three no-trump to four hearts.

If West leads a fourth-highest diamond two or club three, declarer, aided by the good diamond spots, establishes dummy's heart suit and gets home.

However, Rosenkranz started with an unorthodox spade eight! The declarer won with dummy's king and played a diamond to his king. After winning with the ace, West returned his other spade. And when in with the heart ace, Rosenkranz switched to a club. Before South could collect nine tricks, the defenders had borne five: two spades, one heart, one diamond and one club.

To make the contract after a spade start, declarer must win with dummy's king and lead a low club toward the queen — a play only likely to be found if South has seen an opponent's hand.

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Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Informed consent is a must before surgery

DEAR DR. GOTT: I have diabetes, hypertension and coronary artery disease, all of which make me a candidate for triple-bypass surgery. What are the risks of the operation?

DEAR READER: This highly technical question is one that should be answered by your surgeon, who is familiar with your health problems.

In general terms, coronary artery bypass grafting carries the same risks inherent in any surgery — only more so. Because the heart is being operated on, the procedure can be tricky, long periods of anesthesia are required, complications are relatively common, and the grafts may clot over. Thus the risks include heart attack, shock, runaway cardiac rhythms, bleeding, infection, respiratory problems, stroke, post-operative heart inflammation, kidney failure and many others. In your case, the situation is even more complex because of diabetes and hypertension, both of which add significant, additional risk factors.

You — and all pre-operative patients — are entitled to a complete review (by the surgeon) of the possible complications, risks and hazards of a proposed procedure. After you have carefully weighed the potential surgical benefits against the possible dangers, you will be asked to sign an operative Informed Consent form, in which you acknowledge that the procedure has been explained to you, you understand and accept the risks, and you give permission for the operation to proceed.

In order to sign an Informed Consent release, you need to be informed. That's why I am deferring a detailed answer to the surgeon, whose job it is to provide the information you seek.

To give you related information, I am sending you a copy of my Health Report "An Informed Approach to Surgery." Other readers who would like a copy should send $2 plus a long, self-addressed, stamped envelope to Newsletter, P.O. Box 167, Wickliffe, OH 44092-0167. Be sure to mention the title.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I was confused by your conclusion that post-menopausal females or women who have had hysterectomies no longer need annual Pap tests. Please elucidate.

DEAR READER: I am not a gynecologist. However, authorities in the field have acknowledged that annual Pap smears are not necessary in these two groups of women.

The incidence of uterine or cervical cancer plummets once a woman passes menopause. Therefore, Pap tests — which can be expensive and unpleasant — become cost-ineffective, providing the woman has had two or three preceding, consecutive negative tests. Despite this recommendation, many women — especially those who remain sexually active — prefer to have Pap tests every year or two. This is fine, but it may not be necessary.

During a hysterectomy, the uterus is removed — as is the cervix (the mouth of the uterus), in most instances. Without a cervix, there is nothing left to "Pap." Therefore, except in unusual cases, annual pelvic exams in such women are an unnecessary nuisance.

Obviously, if post-menopausal or post-operative women develop unexplained gynecological symptoms — such as bleeding, discharge or pain — all bets are off. A complete examination is vital. However, for normal and healthy individuals in these categories, the Pap test can be a thing of the past, on a par with running boards, drive-in movies and spats.

DEAR DR. GOTT: Please comment on circumcision for a man over 70. Would you suggest that a family physician or a urologist perform the procedure? Is it done in the office or in a hospital?

DEAR READER: Because of repeated infection, a tight foreskin, or other uncomfortable complications, older men sometimes have to consider circumcision. The procedure is painful (both during and after), so it is ordinarily carried out in a hospital by a urologist.

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	High	Low	Last	
AMR Corp		20.51	19.63	20.11—.40
AOL TimeWrn		32.94	32.29	32.72—.48
AT&T Corp s		19.89	19.63	19.79—.20
Albertsons		33.55	33.16	33.16—.07
Alltel		60.70	59.94	60.05—.26
AmEl Pw		44.20	43.85	43.85—.23
AnderkPtr		55.20	53.01	53.02—2.22
ATMOS Egy		22.01	21.83	21.84—.17
Aviall		6.88	6.55	6.75 + .22
BP PLC		50.71	50.29	50.43—.97
BakerHughes		32.60	31.21	31.25—1.19
Bank of Amer		54.20	52.50	52.93—.08
BellSouth		39.35	38.73	38.99—.36
BurlNoSFe		27.21	26.90	26.98 + .08
Caterpillar		48.29	47.97	48.09—.46
ChevronTex		90.55	88.00	88.00—3.00
Citigroup		44.95	44.01	44.30—.76
CocaCola		44.80	44.05	44.50—.30
ColgatePal		57.65	57.00	57.01—.39
ComclMetals		30.77	30.10	30.65 + .65
Cooperin		44.20	42.70	42.93—1.23
DaimlrChry		34.23	33.84	33.85—.96
DeltaAirl		25.90	25.10	25.85 + .05
Dillards Inc		13.79	13.50	13.65
DowChem		34.69	34.30	34.40—.10
DuPont		40.83	40.11	40.42—.67
EastmanChem		38.14	37.79	37.92—.21
EstKodak		35.25	34.85	34.95—.54
EDS Corp		58.20	57.65	57.65—.78
Entergy		36.90	36.50	36.50—.20
ExxonMobil s		42.19	41.50	41.56—.73
FstBksAm		32.60	32.60	32.60 + .05
GenDynam		89.80	88.40	88.87 + .97
GenElec		38.80	38.25	38.38—.62
GenMills		42.99	42.50	42.88 + .13
GenMotors		44.18	43.40	43.83—.35
GaPacGP		29.70	29.15	29.38—.18
GlobalMar		15.25	14.63	14.72—.11
Goodrich		21.00	20.51	20.78 + .09
Goodyear s		19.10	18.71	19.00—.14
GtAtlPac		17.12	17.00	17.05 + .63
Halliburtn		25.65	24.25	24.39—.95
Hanson ADS		35.60	35.36	35.44—.06
HarteHanks		23.44	22.54	22.61—1.09
HomeDepot		40.90	40.38	40.38—1.30
Honeywellntl		29.40	28.25	28.54—.60
IBM		102.05	99.85	101.19 + .35
IntlPaper		37.63	37.22	37.35—.55
JohnsonJn s		55.33	54.86	55.22—.13
K mart		7.50	7.25	7.43 + .18
KinderMorg		50.95	50.34	50.49—.30
Kroger Co		25.18	24.95	25.13 + .09
LockheedM		46.57	45.42	46.36 + .91
Lowes Cos s		34.30	33.90	34.01—.68
Lubys		7.22	7.15	7.22
LucentTech		6.85	6.71	6.75—.24
MayDeptStr		31.85	30.68	31.60—.20
Medtronic		44.91	44.66	44.76—.14
Motorola		17.45	17.01	17.28—.36
NCR Corp		34.65	33.70	33.96—.69
Navistar		32.38	32.05	32.25 + .12
Penney JC		22.77	22.32	22.70—.25
PepBoys		12.45	12.20	12.33 + .09
PepsiCo		47.78	47.32	47.60—.18
Pharmacia		41.30	40.82	40.98—.05
PhelpDodge		29.45	29.18	29.40 + .04
PhilipPet		57.25	56.08	56.10—1.40
PilgrmPrd B		13.90	13.70	13.90 + .14
Praxair		46.50	45.84	46.29—.26
ProctGamb		71.50	70.75	70.88—1.06
PubS NwMx		26.52	26.20	26.49—.22
RadioShack		28.21	27.50	27.50—.70
ReliantEngy		28.38	27.90	28.04—.23
RoyalDut		53.17	52.55	52.55—1.55
SBC Comm		44.30	43.70	43.79—.36
SaraLee		20.75	20.57	20.72 + .12
Scripps EW		64.08	63.40	63.87—.03
SearsRoeb		39.21	38.05	38.55—.88
SherwinW		24.21	23.51	23.84—.51
SouthernCo s		24.69	24.27	24.46—.09
SwstAirl s		15.47	15.12	15.19—.24
SprintFON		23.50	23.10	23.47 + .03
SprintPCS		27.98	27.36	27.66—.33
Sunoco Inc		38.28	37.25	37.43—.96
TXU Corp		46.15	45.77	45.91 + .16
TempleInland		52.30	50.50	51.05—.16
Textind		32.40	32.19	32.30—.20
Texasinst		30.34	29.41	29.82—1.58
Textron		37.04	36.62	36.86
TriconGlbR		44.85	44.15	44.30—.35
TrinityInds		23.65	23.50	23.50—.20
TylerTech		3.13	3.13	3.13—.01
USX-Marathn		29.70	28.96	29.00—.70
USX-USS		14.49	14.25	14.39—.20
UnionPacif		47.60	46.90	47.49 + .28
UnitedTech		52.59	52.00	52.15 + .31
Unocal		33.98	33.10	33.18—1.10
Venator Grp		15.77	15.70	15.74 + .14
VerizonComm		52.25	51.83	51.97—.33
WalMart		52.99	52.41	52.92 + .02
WellsFargo		41.30	40.75	40.77—.31
WstnGasRs		29.96	29.85	29.95—.01
WinnDixie		11.68	11.38	11.46—.01
Xerox Cp		7.85	7.59	7.77—.32

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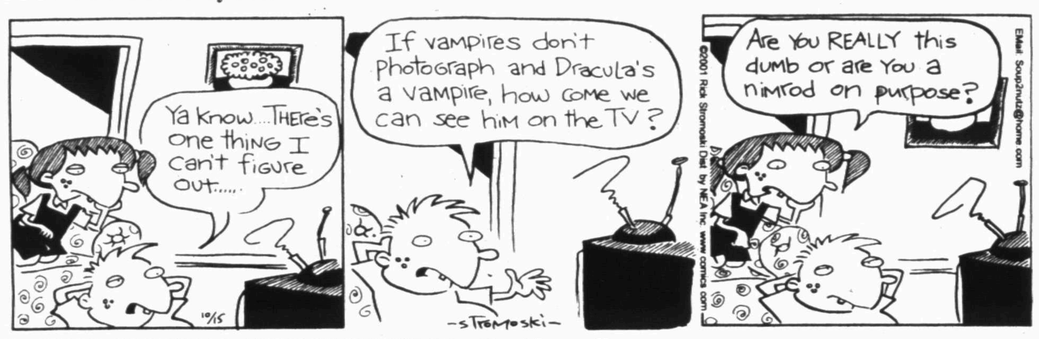
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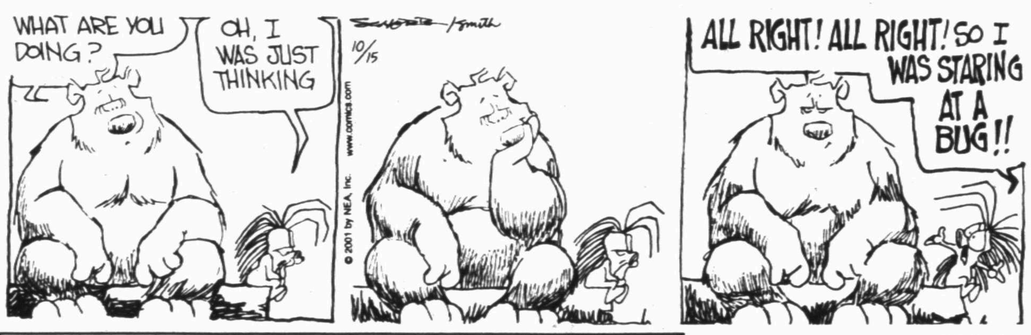
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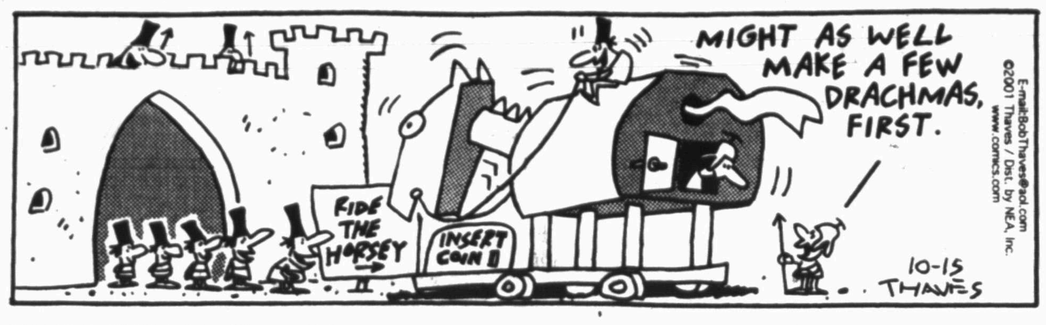
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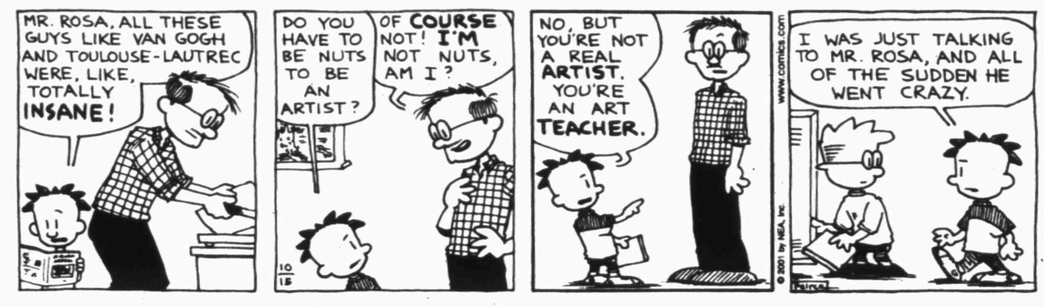
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ACROSS

1 Finish a cake
4 Muddy the waters
8 Method
11 Indonesian island
13 "Cope Book" aunt
14 — — mode
15 Pt. of MIT
16 Actor Johnny
17 — Van Winkle
18 Uniform
20 Colorado Indians
21 Bruce of kung fu
22 Mayo holder
24 Eiffel Tower site
27 Decorative spreads
30 Guitarist Clapton
31 Matador's foe
32 Ref's kin
34 Cole of song
35 Waiter's load
36 Piccadilly statue
37 — up (went into reverse)
39 Mushrooms
40 "This second!"
41 Popeye's Olive —
42 Ollie's partner
45 TV's "The — Woman"
49 "So that's it!"
50 Hay unit
53 Aim
54 Mink or sable
55 Exclusively
56 Exercise type
57 Psychic's gift (abbr.)
58 Rolls of bills
59 Doze off

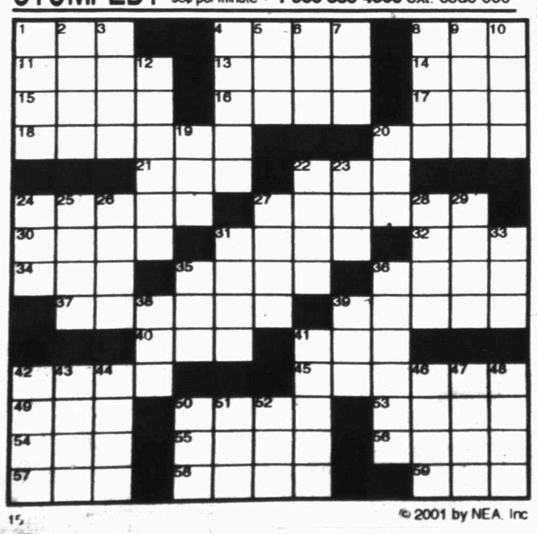
DOWN

1 Wading bird
2 Is unable to
3 "What — is new?"
4 Change colors again
5 Mine find
6 Scamp
7 Circuit
8 Toad feature
9 What George wouldn't tell (2 wds.)
10 Puppy cries
12 Style of print
19 — Plaines, IL
20 Web link addr.
22 Midsummer
23 Be sick
24 Ink's partner
25 Fine horse
26 Ms. Hayworth
27 View from the dorm
28 Swerve
29 Pollution
31 Beer or ale
33 Tire-pressure meas.
35 Bout ender
36 High praise
38 Popular cable channel
39 Memo inits.
41 Toes the line
42 Out of danger
43 In conclusion
44 Srs.' group
46 Midday
47 Desdemona's enemy
48 Attired
50 Arrow launcher
51 Literary collection
52 Atty.'s deg.

Answer to Previous Puzzle

C	A	G	E	D			M	A	S	T	S
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Limits to requests for federal aid considered

WASHINGTON (AP) — After an initial burst of federal aid, the Bush administration and some lawmakers are tapping the brakes on taxpayer assistance to groups seeking help after the terrorist attacks.

From hotel companies to urban water systems, scores of trade associations and state and local governments are pleading for aid. While no one has an authoritative tally, congressional aides estimate that the requests total tens of billions of dollars, probably more than $100 billion.

"You name the industry and it's been coming by" for help, said Sen. Kent Conrad, D-N.D.

Lawmakers also have their own proposals.

Sens. Jon Kyl, R-Ariz., and Zell Miller, D-Ga., want to provide $500-per-person tax credits for personal travel. Sen. Harry Reid, D-Nev., wants more than $30 billion to improve highways and other transportation systems. Sens. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., and Bill Frist, R-Tenn., are pushing $1.4 billion to prepare for bioterrorist attacks.

Congress has approved $40 billion to repair the damage and bolster domestic security and the military. Federal agencies have proposed more than $120 billion in "helpful suggestions" to spend it, White House budget director Mitchell Daniels said last week.

President Bush and Congress have provided $15 billion for the airline industry. Lawmakers are now writing rival plans for stimulating the dormant economy. House Republicans have a $100 billion plan, heavy with tax cuts; Democratic packages may grow to $120 billion, mostly for government spending.

"The bucket was full. It can take a few leaks," Daniels said, referring to robust federal surpluses that had been projected until recently. "It can't take the bottom dropping out, however."

Competing for federal help is a dizzying list of groups: travel industry employees, gambling interests, tourist-reliant Hawaii, Amtrak, restaurants, travel agents, airports, the insurance industry, mortgage bankers and others.

City water departments serving 160 million people have asked for $5 billion to protect drinking water and wastewater plants.

Amtrak, the federally subsidized passenger railroad, has requested $3.1 billion to improve security.

Representatives from the tourism industry asked lawmakers for grants, federally backed loans and spending to promote travel.



MESSAGE FROM CHILDREN — Children at the Discovery School at First United Methodist Church, with the help of their teachers, used red, white and blue plastic cups to form the words "Pray for Our Nation," a symbol of their patriotism during these times of strife in our country. (Staff Photo by Jo Ann Nunley)

LA judge to rule if SLA trial will be delayed

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A lawyer for a former Symbionese Liberation Army radical wants a delay in her trial, citing a climate not favorable to allegations of domestic terrorism.

A judge was to hear arguments today on whether to begin the trial of Sara Jane Olson, charged with placing bombs under police cars 26 years ago. Prosecutors want the trial to proceed, saying it has been delayed long enough.

But Olson's lawyer is seeking a delay, in part because he argues the Sept. 11 attacks have brought a renewed respect for law enforcement officers and little patience for terror tactics.

"In times of crisis, people feel more vulnerable and look to the government to protect them," Shawn Snyder Chapman said. "When police officers are so heroic, jurors don't want to question their credibility. That's what we're dealing with."

Free on $1 million bail, Olson is charged with trying to murder Los Angeles police officers by planting bombs under patrol cars in 1975. The action allegedly was to retaliate for the deaths of six SLA members in a police shootout a few months earlier.

Chapman said the allegations are likely to scare jurors, even though the incident happened a quarter-century ago and the bombs did not explode. Prosecutors adamantly oppose Chapman's motion to delay the trial until January.

"There is no valid reason that the turn of international events should cause the judicial system, or any single case within it, to come to a grinding halt," Deputy District Attorneys Eleanor Hunter and Michael Latin said in court documents.

They see it as just another in a long string of delay efforts by the defense since Olson, a Minnesota homemaker and doctor's wife, was arrested two years ago on conspiracy and attempted murder charges.

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More suspected terrorist targets hit

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. warplanes bombarding suspected terrorist targets in Afghanistan today reinforced President Bush's declaration that "there's no negotiations" over Osama bin Laden. At home, health officials sought to reassure Americans shaken by recent anthrax cases.

Bush strongly rebuffed a Taliban offer to turn over bin Laden to a third country if the bombing stopped. "We know he's guilty. Turn him over," the president demanded Sunday as the U.S. military strikes in Afghanistan entered their second week.

During a series of daylight raids today, U.S. jets struck at targets near Kabul, at a bin Laden training camp at Tora-Bora, and near the village of Karam.

In New York, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said a police officer and two lab technicians were being treated with antibiotics for exposure to anthrax, boosting the total count to 12 in three states.

Health and Human Services Secretary Tommy Thompson regarded the sending of anthrax through the mail as an act of terrorism, though officials said they had no evidence to link anthrax outbreaks in Florida and New York to the Islamic terrorists responsible for attacks on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon.

Thompson said officials also were investigating the possibility that anthrax was being spread by someone with a grudge or in "a copycat kind of situation."

White House press secretary Ari Fleischer backed off Thompson's remarks today, saying the Justice Department had not determined whether the cases were a result of terrorism or criminal activity.

Dr. Michael Osterholm, a member of the HHS Bioterrorism Advisory Council, said anthrax spores sent through the mail do not pose a great threat. "Now that we know that these letters are arriving, they can be handled in such a way that no one should become ill," he said on CBS' "The Early Show."

Osterholm, an infectious-disease specialist at the University of Minnesota, said a greater threat would be smallpox or anthrax released into the air. "That's what we're getting prepared for," he said. "Let's not be distracted by this other issue."

The administration will ask Congress this week to allocate more than $1.5 billion for steps to help combat bioterrorism, Thompson said. Some of the money would be used to purchase enough antibiotics to treat 12 million people for 60 days, six times the current supply.

Bush, meanwhile, set meetings today with visiting Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi and with federal officials in the Senior Executive Service.

Four bombing plots are foiled overseas by U.S. authorities

WASHINGTON (AP) — U.S. authorities have foiled four bombing plots overseas since Sept. 11, but evidence grows that loosely knit terrorist cells are agitating to strike again, government officials say.

Over the last month, 225 people overseas have been rounded up in about a dozen countries based on U.S. and foreign intelligence indicating they were involved in plotting or assisting terrorism, the officials said.

The officials, speaking only on condition of anonymity, said intelligence reports on potential new threats to U.S. interests have grown in quality and quantity over the last week, prompting some of the starkest warnings to date to the American public.

Most of the evidence doesn't point to specific targets, but rather to "a clearer picture of several terrorist cells looking to strike," one U.S. official told The Associated Press.

The FBI believes several people involved in plotting remain at large in the United States and across Europe and the Middle East, the officials said.

Today, Attorney General John Ashcroft met with Mariano Rajoy, first vice president of Spain. The FBI and Spanish authorities have been investigating suspected hijacker Mohamed Atta's visits to Spain. Atta traveled to Spain in January and July, spent several days in a resort town south of Barcelona and was suspected of meeting with Islamic extremists.

Atta also met in Spain with a Tunisian man now in Spanish custody who is believed to have been sent from Afghanistan to supervise Osama bin Laden's terrorist operations in Europe, Spanish authorities said.

12 people exposed to anthrax bacteria

NEW YORK (AP) — Americans returning to work faced anxious moments opening envelopes after the number of people across the nation exposed to anthrax sent through the mail jumped.

Three new cases — a police officer and two lab technicians involved in an investigation at NBC's New York headquarters — tested positive for exposure to the bacteria, Mayor Rudolph Giuliani said Sunday. Nevada officials said four people who may have come into contact with a contaminated letter at a Microsoft office tested negative, while results weren't known for two others.

The new New York cases brought to 12 the number of people around the nation who either have anthrax or been exposed to it. That does not include an NBC employee who is taking antibiotics after displaying possible symptoms of the disease.

"I think twice about opening my mail," said Steve Blum, 54, of Boca Raton, Fla. He said he will discard letters from someone he does not recognize. "You also have to worry about copycats."

The anthrax scare began in Florida Oct. 4 when it was confirmed that an editor at the tabloid the Sun had contracted the inhaled form of the bacteria. He later died, the first such death in the United States since 1976.

Seven other employees of American Media Inc. have tested positive for exposure and are being treated with antibiotics. None have developed the disease. A second round of blood tests for more than 300 of the company's employees is expected this week.

In Washington, Attorney General John Ashcroft said it was premature "to decide whether there is a direct link" to Osama bin Laden's terrorist network, but "we should consider this potential that it is linked."

Some of the Sept. 11 hijackers spent time in Florida, and the FBI said the wife of the Sun's editor, who works as a real estate agent, rented apartments to two of them.

"Right. That's true," FBI spokeswoman Judy Orihuela said early today when asked of reports that Gloria Irish rented apartments in Delray Beach, Fla., to Hamza Alghamdi and Marwan al-Shehhi this summer. Her husband is Sun editor Michael Irish.

"Right now we consider it a coincidence," said Orihuela, spokeswoman for the FBI's Miami regional office, "because we don't have any tie between the anthrax and the terrorists."

Several items stolen from country club on Saturday

Thefts

A deputy was requested at Snyder Country Club Saturday morning in reference to several items stolen from the golf course. The missing items were located later in the morning in Towle Park. Deputy TJ Wood returned nine flag pins and flags to the country club.

Howard Gordon told deputies Saturday afternoon that someone had been using one of his credit cards in Great Britain for a cash advance. This information was added to a report filed earlier.

Officers were called to the 3600 block of Irving in reference to a missing air compressor. It was later determined the item had been pawned by a family member.

Forgery

Rod Clifton with Bubba Teeth filed a report Saturday morning stating a company check had been forged.

Gas drive-offs

Three gas drive-offs were reported over the weekend at Rip Griffin's, two on Saturday and one on Sunday.

Criminal trespass warnings

Officers were called to two domestic disturbances over the weekend that resulted in criminal trespass warnings being issued.

Arrests

City officers arrested a 38-year-old male at 2:43 a.m. Sunday in the 3700 block of Highland Drive for DWI.

At 9:53 p.m. Sunday, DPS troopers took a 32-year-old male into custody on an outstanding DPS warrant out of Amarillo. The man was arrested on U.S. 84 near Ave. E.

DPS troopers arrested two people on alcohol-related offenses Sunday night at 11 o'clock.

Taken into custody north of Snyder on U.S. 84 were a 17-year-old male for public intoxication, and a 23-year-old male for DWI.

Criminal mischief

Marvin Morrell of Union told deputies Sunday afternoon that someone shooting BB guns had damaged two of his vehicles.

Obituaries

Virginia Morrison

1924-2001

LEVELLAND – Virginia Morrison, a former resident of Snyder, died Thursday, Oct. 11, at the home of her daughter in Levelland.

Funeral service for Mrs. Morrison, 77, was held Saturday in the St. Michael's Catholic Church with the Rev. Glen Rosendale officiating. Burial followed in the City of Levelland Cemetery.

Born June 27, 1924 in Annona, Tex., she was reared in Clarksville and moved to Levelland on Nov. 14, 1947 when she married M.C. "Doc" Morrison. He died in 1986.

Mr. Morrison was an oilfield worker and the family moved to Snyder in the early 1950s, returning to Levelland in 1963.

A member of the St. Michael's Catholic Church, she started the first child-care business in Levelland, Kid's Unlimited, in 1973.

Survivors include two daughters, Glenda Miller and Iris Martin, both of Levelland; a stepdaughter, Delores Miller of Levelland; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson.

Births

ADMISSIONS: Oct.13-Kenneth Rinehart and Sylvi Marquez.

DISMISSALS: Cleo Harper and Zepherine Thompson.

CENSUS: 43 (Med. III-10, Med. II-7, Long-term Care-26)

Hospital

Tommy and Elaine Buchanan and Danny and Marita Burton announce the birth of their seven-pound, six-ounce granddaughter, ZaZanna Karie, at 8:29 a.m. on Oct. 5 at Cogdell Memorial Hospital. Her parents are James (J.B.) and Christi Burton.

Maternal great-grandparents are Frances and Sonny Wiseman and the late J.W. Tatom. Paternal great-grandparents are James and Jamsie Colson. All are of Snyder.

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events

WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Flu shots

The Scurry County Health Unit is giving flu shots to high risk individuals today and Tuesday at the Scurry County Senior Citizen Center. The shots will be given from 9-11:30 a.m. and 1:30-3:30 p.m. The cost is $10, or free with a Medicare card.

Hermleigh booster club

The Hermleigh booster club meets at 7:30 p.m. each Monday in the school cafeteria.

Bible study tapes

Bible videos air each week on Channel 2. To be shown at 7 this evening is "You Can't Keep a Good Man Down," followed by "Confessing Christ."

Self-defense training

Gateway Family Services will host self-defense training sessions from 6-9 p.m. today and Tuesday at the Western Texas College gym. There is no cost, but class size is limited and you must call 573-4351 to register.

FFA feeders

Snyder FFA feeders goat and lamb validation will be held from 6 to 8 p.m. Tuesday at the school farm. For information, contact Warren Beard at 574-6046.

Library literary presentation

The Scurry County Library board will host a literary presentation of books by American authors at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Scurry County Library. The public is invited.

Mission conference

Rev. Monty Hilliard of Lubbock will preach at 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday and at 11 a.m. Sunday at Northside Baptist Church. Hilliard's wife, Terry, will speak to the women of the church at a 10 a.m. brunch Saturday in the fellowship hall. Theme of the conference will be emphasizing worldwide missions.

Joy School open house

Joy School at East Side Church of Christ, 201 31st, will host an open house at 7 p.m. Thursday.

Note burning ceremony

College Baptist Church is having a note burning ceremony from 2-4 p.m. Saturday. A reception will follow, and all members and former members are invited.

Cancer board meeting

The Scurry Unit board of the American Cancer Society will meet at 5 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 23, in the Cogdell Hospital board room.

SHS homecoming parade

Snyder High School's student council is accepting entries for the homecoming parade on Thursday, Oct. 25. Entry fee is $10. Entries can be turned in at the high school office or by calling 573-6301.

Park 'n eat fajita dinner

First Christian Church's fifth annual homecoming park 'n eat fajita dinner will be Friday, Oct. 26, from 5-7 p.m. at the church at 2701 37th St. Tickets may be purchased at the door.

GED testing

GED testing will be held Friday, Oct. 26, at Western Texas College. For more information, call Emily Hataway at 574-2112 or Molly Kattes at 573-2919.

NE Elementary fundraiser

Northeast Elementary is selling lapel and hat flag pins for $2 each. Call 573-2643 or stop by the school.

Noon prayer service

The First Presbyterian Church hosts a prayer service from noon until 12:30 p.m. each weekday. Everyone is invited.

SHS yearbooks on sale

Orders are still being taken for the 2002 Tiger's Lair at SHS. Cost is $45 for which a deposit of $20 is required. Balance is due Feb. 1. If additional options are purchased, the deposit is $30. For information call 573-6301, ext. 35.

Korean War display

The Scurry County Museum is compiling a list of Scurry County men and women who served in the armed forces during the Korean War, 1950-1953. The museum is also asking local residents to loan Korean memorabilia for a display in the museum from Nov. 13-21. Call 573-6107 or 573-8511, ext. 210 or 339 for more information.

Hermleigh homecoming

The bi-annual Hermleigh homecoming will be Nov. 2-3. The homecoming committee is requesting that new addresses for Hermleigh exes should be called in to Jerry Gannaway at 863-2334, or Carole Haynes at 573-7874.

Bulldogs annuals on sale

The Ira yearbook is on sale until Nov. 15. Cost is $26 with name on cover or $22 without name. Supply is limited. To order contact Becky Hudgins at the Ira school.

FBC support groups

Support groups dealing with divorce, death, cancer or caring for elderly parents meets at 6:30 the second Thursday of each month at the First Baptist Church educational building. A special group for students facing these problems is held at the same time.

Military support group

Family members, volunteers, friends, and active or inactive soldiers of Scurry County interested in forming a local Military Support Group are asked to contact Dale or Elaine Byrd at 573-8088 after 4 p.m., or e-mail dbyrd@nwol.net. The purpose of this group is to provide an avenue of mutual support, assistance, community resources, and a network of communication.

Senior water aerobics

Water aerobics for senior citizens is held from 1-2 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays at the WTC pool.