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Kinder Morgan tops taxpayer list

SACROC unit operator Kinder Morgan topped the 2000 billing list for three taxing entities, while 1999 top taxpayer Patterson Energy took the number two spot.

Scurry County, Western Texas College and Snyder Independent School District sent their largest tax bills to Kinder Morgan, formerly Devon Energy.

The company was billed $245,258 from the county, $139,607 from the college and $680,701 from the Snyder school district.

Patterson's bill from the county was down slightly from 1999's $134,605. The company was billed $131,990 in 2000.

The company will also pay less to WTC and Snyder ISD. Its college taxes were $75,132 compared to $77,004 in 1999, and its school taxes were $367,455 compared to $367,506 in 1999.

With a $1.50 tax rate, Snyder ISD pulls in more tax money than any other entity in the county.

In its second year on the Snyder ISD top ten tax roll, Lorber Industries of Texas has a significantly lower 2000 bill — $80,400 compared to 1999's $140,308.

Western Texas College's top five list mirrored that of the county's, but with the college's .3067 tax rate per $100 valuation compared to Scurry County's .5388, the companies paid less to the college.

The City of Snyder had some newcomers to its top ten list in 2000, including United Supermarkets, which was billed $11,729 on its inventory and $12,991 on its building and land. Associate's Leasing, Inc., a vehicle leasing company, was billed $10,095 from the city.

While Wal-Mart's local tax bill went up from $8,877 in 1999 to $9,641 in 2000, the store fell to the number seven spot on the city's top ten taxpayer list. It was the fourth highest taxpayer in 1999.

Anadarko Petroleum Corporation was the top taxpayer in the Ira ISD with a bill of $279,118. Sharp Image Energy Inc. was billed $60,313; BTA Oil Producers, $55,133; TXU, $36,595; and Ruwco Oil & Gas, $29,701.

Hermleigh's top taxpayer was again Burlington Northern & Santa Fe with a bill of $49,644. That is up from the 1999's $40,865. The rest of the top five included Southwestern Bell Telephone, $29,026; Diamond Koch, $21,753; AT&T, $18,907; and TXU Electric, $9,358.

Snyder ISD

Kinder Morgan	$680,701
Patterson Energy	$367,455
Southwestern Bell	$179,518
TXU Electric	$153,151
Exxon Mobil	$119,687
Cynara	$105,350
BNSF	$94,834
Altura	$89,682
Lorber	$80,400
Torch Energy	$66,679

WTC

Kinder Morgan	$139,607
Patterson Energy	$75,132
Anadarko	$68,271
Southwestern Bell	$45,556
TXU Electric	$41,163
Exxon Mobil	$28,486
BNSF	$27,373
Cynara	$21,540
Altura	$17,130
Sharp Image	$15,653

Scurry County

Kinder Morgan	$245,258
Patterson Energy	$131,990
Anadarko	$119,937
Southwestern Bell	$80,032
TXU Electric	$72,314
Exxon Mobil	$50,043
BNSF	$48,088
Cynara	$37,841
Altura	$30,093
Sharp Image	$27,499

City of Snyder

Southwestern Bell	$20,432
TXU Electric	$14,595
Y-Z Industries	$14,141
United (property)	$12,991
United (inventory)	$11,729
Associates Leasing	$10,095
Wal-Mart	$9,641
Snyder National	$8,789
Seidenfeld Trust	$5,961
West Texas State	$5,891

'The Music Man' here through Sunday



Performances of Meredith Willson's "The Music Man" continues tonight, Saturday night and Sunday afternoon at Worsham Auditorium. Evening shows begin at 7:30 Sunday's performance begins at 2 p.m.

Snyder High School's choir and drama students are jointly producing the musical. Tickets are $5 for students, $6 for adults and $8 for reserved seating.

Ronda Haire, choral director, and Brad Vincent, drama director, are co-directing "The Music Man."

The play tells the story of a turn-of-the century con artist, Professor Harold Hill, who sets out to con the citizens of River City, Iowa into buying nonexistent band instruments for a boys band he says he will organize. However, Hill's real intentions are to skip town before his con game is unmasked by the town librarian who is suspicious of him.



MUSIC MAN — Snyder High School's "The Music Man" continues at Worsham Auditorium. In the top photo, Winthrop, played by Sara Cantu, left, sings about the wonders of Gary, Ind. to her sister, Marian, played by Kelli Henderson. In the bottom photo, Mayor Shinn, played by Austin Haire, right, warns Tommy, played by Mark Haines, to stay away from his oldest daughter. (Staff Photos by Shirley A. Gorman)

California, here we come

The Development Corporation of Snyder is viewing California as a source of business prospects due to that state's energy crisis.

John DeLille, the executive director of the DCOS, told his board Thursday that he has started prospecting manufacturers in southern California in hopes of attracting them to the local industrial park.

"We will send direct-mail pieces to areas subject to service interruptions and high-cost electrical service," said DeLille.

DeLille said Lorber Industries of California has seen their service disrupted several times, and it has even had an effect on the local Lorber plant.

"Some of the inventory here goes to California, but if they can't run their plants there, they don't need it."

DeLille said he would be sending direct mail to manufacturers that employ around 200 people, or less.

DeLille also reminded the board of a meeting Wednesday at Martha Ann Woman's Club in which the U.S. Air Force will brief the community on current activity in the planned flight training program over an eight-county area, including Scurry.

In action items, the board approved the monthly financial statements.

Board president Gary Landes presided and members present included David Cotton, Larry Anderson and Mark Cypert. Mike McWilliams was absent.

Former assistant warden here takes over Connally

Bob Parker, who will officially take over the warden's post at the Connally Unit Feb. 1, served as assistant warden at the Price Daniel Unit from April 1992 to January 1993.

The Connally Unit near Kenedy is where seven convicts escaped on Dec. 13.

Parker has also served the Texas Department of Criminal Justice at units in Palestine, Cotulla, Fort Stockton and Wichita Falls.



Bob Parker

Tax deadline is nearing

Property owners have until 5 p.m. Wednesday to either pay their 2000 tax bill in person or get it to the post office in time to be postmarked Jan. 31 to avoid paying a penalty.

Beginning, Thursday, a seven percent penalty will be assessed. That penalty goes up two percent each month until July. This means the penalty will be seven percent in February, nine percent in March, 11 percent in April, 13 percent in May and 15 percent in June.

In July, an 18 percent penalty will be charged, plus a 15 percent assessment for attorney fees.

The bill is also subject to be turned over to delinquent tax attorneys for collection in July.

To avoid paying the penalty, taxpayers need to make payments in the tax office by 5 p.m. Wednesday. If unable to bring the payment, it will still be considered on time if postmarked on or before Jan. 31.

The post office closes at 4:30 p.m., but customers can put it in the mail drop box inside the post office until 5 p.m. on Wednesday, and it will be delivered with a Jan. 31 postmark.

Cogdell spots to be filled

During a 1½-hour executive session Thursday morning, the Cogdell Memorial Hospital Board of Managers authorized CEO George Parsley to make job offers to two persons currently serving in interim positions at the hospital.

Thursday afternoon, Parsley said he would offer the job of chief financial officer to Joe Wright, and the director of nurses position to Cathy Boden.

Both are serving interim positions in those capacities.

Formal action on these positions are expected in the February board meeting.

THE SDN COLUMN

By Roy McQueen

The feller on Deep Creek says, "If you hear no evil and see no evil, chances are you'll never write a bestseller."

We have no solutions for the power problem in California. One possibility would be to turn out every other light in Las Vegas and sell the surplus back to 'em.

We do have a suggestion, however, for industry that has been shut down due to the power shortage there. Pick up those plants and head to Texas. Specifically, Snyder, Texas.

John DeLille, executive director of the DCOS, says he has made that suggestion to Lorber of California. He said he couldn't guarantee the price, but he would promise that the lights would stay on.

And on another economic note, the Air Force will conduct a briefing at 4 p.m. Wednesday concerning plans for pilot training over the area.

AF spokesman said plans to move some 33 civilian jobs to Scurry County is still go, and that construction of facilities should begin this spring.

Congratulations to the Snyder High speech team that won sweepstakes at the Brownfield tournament.

Members of the championship squad include **Jaci Smith, Will Davis, Scott Vest, Tiffany Stanley, Zach Allred, Lyndell Lee, Bonnie Cleveland, Josh Kemp, Cole McLeod, Molly Mason, Austin McCormack, Paula Fritz, Brooke Peterson, Erin Cooley** and **Callan Lee**.

The Scurry County Junior Livestock Show is now in the history books, and youth showing championship entries last weekend were **Kaci Waller, Dana Stribling, Cody Beaver** and **Janet Eckert**.

The Snyder Tigers and Lady Tigers travel to Wolfforth tonight to take on the Tigers from Frenship.

A win by the **Lady Tigers** and Coach **Sam Tipton** will keep their playoff hopes alive, despite some key injuries this season.

Meanwhile, Coach **Bud Birks** and the **Snyder Tigers** can set the stage for a showdown with league-leading Estacado with a victory tonight and again Tuesday against Plainview. The Tigers get Estacado at home here next Friday.

Ringleader agrees to extradition

CRIPPLE CREEK, Colo. (AP) — The suspected ringleader of the fugitives who set off one of the nation's biggest manhunts has agreed to a quick return to Texas, where prosecutors have pledged to seek the death penalty.

George Rivas agreed to the extradition against his attorney's advice during a court hearing Thursday. He said he is prepared to accept the death penalty for his role in the Christmas Eve slaying of a police officer.

Two of the convicts were due in court today and two on Monday to face extradition, while another wants more time to consider his options.

Texas Gov. Rick Perry signed and sent requests to Colorado officials to have the men returned to his state.

"Like all Texans, I want these violent fugitives returned to Texas as soon as possible to stand trial for their crimes," he said.

The seven inmates overpowered prison guards during their Dec. 13 escape from a maximum-security prison southeast of San Antonio, stealing a cache of weapons and driving away unchallenged.

They are accused of carrying out the Dec. 24 robbery and shooting at an Irving sporting goods store, and later moving into Colorado, where they were caught this week.

ASK US

Q—How much money did the Scurry County Junior Livestock Association sale bring in Saturday?

A—$58,800.

FORECAST - ALMANAC

Snyder Temps: High Thursday, 53 degrees; low, 37; 7 a.m. Friday, 38; no precipitation; total for 2000, .94 of an inch.

Area Forecast: Tonight, increasing cloudiness, low 30-35. Saturday, mostly cloudy, cooler, 30% rain chance, high lower 40s.



Hilary Villarreal
Cooler

Sunset:
6:15 p.m.
Sunrise:
7:39 a.m.

Of 25 days in 2001, the sun has shone 21 days in Snyder.

TODAY'S THOUGHT

Many people who have the gift of gab don't know how to wrap it up.

—Arnold H. Glasow

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Bush's opening act surprises Demos

WASHINGTON (AP) — Arizona state lawmaker Chris Cummiskey was surprised at the speed with which President Bush brought up issues like abortion and school vouchers after his inaugural message on healing the country.

New Hampshire political organizer Kathy Sullivan said she's been hearing from people surprised by the "in your face" quality of Bush's first days in office. San Diego administrative assistant Kathleen Kenneally said Bush's first efforts to roll back abortion rights happened "way too quickly."

Around the country, Democrats say they were taken aback by how rapidly the president staked out his positions on several controversial — and potentially divisive — issues like abortion, school vouchers and a $1.6 trillion tax cut. The incredibly close election of 2000 highlighted sharp divisions in the country, which Bush pledged to heal both during his campaign and in his inaugural address.

"The things you don't lead with if you're trying to build a bipartisan coalition is Roe v. Wade and school vouchers, said Cummiskey.

"Some people are saying he didn't run like this, ran more middle of the road, slightly to the right," said Sullivan, state Democratic chair in New Hampshire. "If they had read the stories and listened to him speak, they would have known what they were getting."

Some of the surprise in Democratic circles may have more to do with Bush's campaign style than the content, something veteran Bush watcher Bruce Buchanan, a University of Texas political scientist, called being "seduced by his charm."

"Bush got away with excessive abstraction," said Green Party presidential candidate Ralph Nader. "Nobody ever said, 'What do you mean when you talk about compassionate conservatives? What does it mean when you say you want to favor taxpayers?'"

Four in 10 Americans in several polls have consistently said Bush did not win the presidency legitimately — and that group is made up largely of Democrats.

In Washington, Bush has been engaged in a charm offensive to win over Democratic members of Congress, but state Democratic leaders and voters nationwide get their impressions largely from his actions and news reports.

Bush's move Monday to bar U.S. funds to international family planning groups involved with abortion and his order to review the government's approval of the RU-486 abortion pill caught their attention more than any of his comments about uniting the country.

Democrats eager to see a more conservative tilt in Washington welcomed Bush's steps.

"I feel President Bush is trying to recognize that there are a lot of people pleased and proud that he would do something to help control this scourge of abortion," said former Kentucky congressman Romano Mazzoli, a Democrat who doesn't always agree with his national party. "I'm also pleased to see this kind of increased responsibility, increased accountability."

Bush's rapid moves to stake out his positions pleased many conservatives, especially Republicans.

"I talk to mostly Republicans in my office," said Jack Wunsch, a lab technician from Wausau, Wis., and a political independent. "They're very upbeat."

Bush spokesman Ari Fleischer was asked at his press briefing Thursday whether Bush would pursue the exact policies he discussed in the campaign rather than proposing measures likely to pass Congress.

"He's going to continue in the course of meetings to listen to people, and when he hears good ideas there'll be some flexibility," Fleischer said. "But for the most part, what you're going to see is what you heard."

Veteran Democratic organizers like Charles Whitehead of Panama City, Fla., said they were surprised to see Bush move so quickly on abortion. "It was a bit of a deviation from where I thought he would begin to build his bipartisanship," said the former Florida Democratic chairman.

In Texas, Buchanan said Bush's bold start "shows a lot of guts" even if the "full frontal assault" seems at odds with his inaugural message.

"His vision of leadership is that you don't start with concessions, you start with bold assertions of what you want to do," Buchanan said. "Then you let the interaction of the legislature and interest groups play out. In the end, you settle and claim victory."

GOP raves about Greenspan's tax views; Democrats pan it

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush, in office less than a week, has scored an early triumph in his campaign for a $1.6 trillion tax cut, winning Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan's support for tax relief.

Greenspan, who until recently was insisting that the best use of the projected surpluses was to pay off the national debt, said Thursday that the surplus estimates have gotten so large that he now believes there will be enough money to pay off the debt and cut taxes too.

In testimony before the Senate Budget Committee, Greenspan said that if the surplus projections come true — $5 trillion over the next 10 years — the government will be able to eliminate the $3.4 trillion in debt held by the public and have enough left over to reduce taxes.

The president and other Republicans were quick to praise Greenspan's comments. Bush told reporters at the White House that he believed Greenspan had gotten it "just right. He recognizes that we need good monetary policy and sound fiscal policy to make sure that the economy grows."

House Speaker Dennis Hastert, R-Ill., said Greenspan's testimony "confirmed that the path advocated by President Bush and the Republican Congress is the right one. Fiscal discipline combined with tax relief will keep our economy growing."

In addition to dropping his previous reservations about using the surplus for tax cuts, Greenspan also voiced support for another element of a tax cut program that Bush is considering — speeding up the relief so that it can provide support for an economy that has suddenly lost altitude.

In fact, Greenspan used some of the starkest language he has ever employed to describe current economic conditions, saying the dramatic slowdown that began in the fourth quarter has probably pushed economic growth "very close to zero" in the current quarter.

He said he still believed the country could avoid a full-blown recession as long as consumer confidence did not tank.

Private analysts saw Greenspan's comments as a strong hint that the Fed is ready to follow up its surprise Jan. 3 interest rate cut with another half-point reduction next week.

"He was very open about his views about how dramatically the economy has slowed," said David Jones, chief economist at Aubrey G. Lanston & Co. in New York.

Some private analysts saw Greenspan's change of views on tax cuts as an example of how the Fed chairman, who has served under four presidents, can change his positions to match changing views in the White House.

"Prior to today, Greenspan said don't count your surplus chickens until the eggs are hatched. But now ... Dr. Greenspan suddenly is a believer in budget projections," said Paul Kasriel, chief economist at Northern Trust Co. in Chicago.

Kasriel said Greenspan's conversion to support for the bigger surplus forecasts was occurring at a time when the economic slowdown is likely to trim government revenues in the near-term and Congress has shown its ability for two years running to eat into the surplus with billions of dollars in new spending.

Greenspan's comments in the first week of the new administration mark the second time in his 13-year tenure at the Fed that he has lent critical support early on to the budget plans of a new administration.

In February 1993, the new Clinton administration received Greenspan's endorsement for its deficit reduction program even though half of the savings were to come from increased taxes, a fact that left GOP members of Congress fuming that Greenspan, a Republican, had deserted his party.

This time around Republicans were lavish in their praise, but Democrats were complaining.

One Budget Committee member, Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., told Greenspan "in all candor you shock me with your statement," while Sen. Charles Schumer, D-N.Y., called Greenspan's change of views a "mistake." Sen. Max Baucus, D-Mont., warned that Greenspan's support for tax cuts could be used "as justification for an excessive and explosive tax measure."

For his part, Greenspan said he was just as surprised as anyone that the surplus forecast would improve so much in just a year's time.

"I must say, I never expected to see the day where I would be talking about anything other than reducing the debt," Greenspan said.

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Cash Five

AUSTIN (AP) — The winning Cash Five numbers drawn Thursday by the Texas Lottery:

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By Bernice Bede Osol



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Saturday, Jan. 27, 2001

The year ahead might be an excellent one for saving something for a rainy day, because the months ahead look better for you than usual concerning your earning capacity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 19) You could allow yourself to feel intimidated by a friend today into going along with an involvement you really can't afford. You're the one who'll have to live with your empty wallet. 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 1758, Murray Hill Station, New York, NY 10156.

PISCES (Feb. 20-March 20) If you discover today that you've made a mistake, stop immediately and correct it instead of trying to cover it up. Be very careful not to compound errors, especially involving your career.

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Unfortunately, your splendid imagination is apt to be working overtime today, but for all the wrong reasons. Don't dwell on what is wrong with life, but what is right with it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Be as cautious as possible today if you're in the market for something rare and expensive. Should you be dealing with a stranger, this person may not be the expert she or he professes to be.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Resolve all your difference with your mate or partner in the privacy of your own home. When out in public today, even if you're not in total agreement with your partner, show support.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) If you can't come up with constructive suggestions, keep your criticism of others to yourself today. And even then, state your remarks with diplomacy.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22) Lady Luck is taking the day off today, so she's not going to be around when you need her. Unfortunately, she doesn't care whether it's important to you or not. Forego dealing in risky adventures.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) The best thing you could do today should an old, unresolved domestic issue be resurrected by a family member is to change the subject immediately instead of fueling the fire.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Don't be too proud to ask for help today with a task you know takes two pairs of hands to accomplish. If you try on your own, you could cause major complications.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) Unless you're fully prepared to think of a loan as a gift or a lost cause, someone who has yet to repay you for what she or he previously borrowed shouldn't be granted another advance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) There's a strong chance you could run into someone today with whom you always seem to cross swords. Unfortunately, history will repeat itself and add more to the combustible relationship.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) It's unlike you, but you could allow your emotions today to crowd out your cool logic and cause you to make a poor decision about something that needs reason and rationality.

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Clown college reunion draws all shapes and sizes of people

LAS VEGAS (AP) — The man with the bulbous red nose, his friend on stilts with the huge blue feet and striped pants and the woman with canary yellow hair have a lot in common.

They were among some 300 alumni of the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Clown College who reunited this week to snap photos and swap stories at — appropriately — the Circus-Circus hotel-casino on the Las Vegas Strip.

"My family and friends said all my life I was born a clown," said Joe Strange, 44, who says he joined the class of 1984 because he wanted to live up to his name. "Then I was going to school in theater, bugging the teachers to do comedy and they said why don't you go to clown college?"

The tuition-free clown college based in Venice, Fla., produced more than 1,500 graduates from its opening in 1968 — when the profession seemed to be dwindling — until it closed in 1997.

"Basically we had trained more clowns than we could hire at that point in time," said Peggy Williams of the class of 1970.

Clown school wasn't just for laughs. Students worked and lived with each other around the clock for 81/2 weeks before the "Big Show," which served as their final exam. While no one failed, it was their chance to prove themselves and be chosen to tour with Ringling Bros.

"I think clowning will be around whether there's a formal institution to teach it or not because it's been around for centuries," said Dawn Pollock Jones, who earned a degree in theater from Northwestern University before attending clown school. "It's going to stay around because everyone likes to have fun."

Others worry theirs is an art form in transition.

"We don't know if it's going to go up or down," Strange said. "It's like the stock market."

After nine years of traveling with three different circuses, Strange now operates a dinner theater in Indianapolis.

Since the college shut down its training rings, Ringling Bros. is calling former graduates to come back to the circus tent, Strange said.

"I got a call from the boss of the red unit saying 'Are you sure you don't want to come back?' It sure was tempting because that's your family," he said. "But I got tired of being on the road."

On the Net:

Ringling Bros: http://www.ringling.com

Date Book

Friday, Jan. 26, 2001

Today is the 26th day of 2001 and the 37th day of winter.

TODAY'S HISTORY: On this day in 1911, in San Diego, Calif., inventor and aviator Glenn Curtiss flew the first successful hydroplane.

On this day in 1958, Buddy Holly and the Crickets appeared on "The Ed Sullivan Show."

On this day in 1988, Andrew Lloyd Webber's musical "Phantom of the Opera" opened on Broadway.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAYS: Douglas MacArthur (1880-1964), U.S. Army general; Paul Newman (1925-), actor, is 76; Jules Feiffer (1929-), cartoonist, is 72; Bob Uecker (1935-), baseball player-commentator, is 66; Eddie Van Halen (1957-), guitarist, is 44; Anita Baker (1958-), singer, is 43; Wayne Gretzky (1961-), hockey great, is 40.

TODAY'S SPORTS: On this day in 1992, in Super Bowl XXVI, Washington defeated Buffalo 37-24.

TODAY'S QUOTE: "I skate to where the puck is going to be, not where it is." — Wayne Gretzky

TODAY'S MOON: Between new moon (Jan. 24) and first quarter (Feb. 1).

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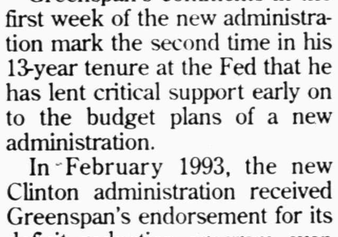
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Cows quarantined at Texas feedlot

FORT WORTH (AP) — Cattle raisers, aware that perception is everything, are cautiously awaiting the results of an investigation to determine whether a herd at a Texas feedlot ate feed banned by rules designed to prevent mad cow disease.

"If it is true, it's going to scare people into not buying meat. We hope it's not true," said Lee Tigert, adviser to a students' group from Northeast Texas Community College who were tending to their cattle at the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show in Fort Worth Thursday night.

Federal health officials are investigating 1,000 cattle that were quarantined after a feed mill disclosed it may have violated rules meant to prevent the deadly illness.

Officials are not releasing the name of the company that made the feed or the location of the herd.

Mad cow disease, or bovine spongiform encephalopathy, has never been found in U.S. cattle. However, as a precaution, the government has banned cows and sheep from being given feed made from animal parts.

The feedlot's quarantine was also described as precautionary.

"This is just to be absolutely sure that if there's the slightest risk, it's stopped at the start," said Dick Sherron, commissioner with the Texas Animal Health Commission.

A company may have mixed cow meat and bone meal into a feed supplement that was put on the wrong truck, Beverly Boyd, spokeswoman for the Texas Department of Agriculture, said Thursday.

Burt Rutherford, a spokesman for the Texas Cattle Feeders Association, said the feed mill called the Food and Drug Administration and the feedlot that received the product with meat and bone meal.

"They've pulled samples of feed and are running tests on it now," Rutherford said. "We should know the results early next week."

Tigert, of Mount Pleasant, said it seems unlikely that cattle were fed the banned feed.

"We have strict guidelines we go by on what we feed the animals," he said.

Nevertheless, cattlemen keep a close eye on how their product is portrayed.

In 1998, Panhandle rancher Paul Engler failed in a highly publicized federal case to hold Oprah Winfrey and her talk show accountable for a guest's comments that Engler believed linked American beef with mad cow disease.

"Unfortunately, perception amounts to a lot in a lot of things, and this is not any different than a lot of them," said rancher Adrian Casey, who shoveled manure from a stall at the Fort Worth stock show late Thursday.

Casey, who raises Santa Gertrudis cattle in Jack County, said the industry does a good job of policing itself, and the volunteering of information by the feed mill confirms that.

"I think the public has a pretty good handle on our food supply, and I think people are pretty confident that the system works," he said.

Mad cow disease has been detected in cattle in Great Britain since the 1980s and has been transmitted to humans since at least 1995. It has been blamed for more than 80 deaths in Britain.

But researchers are uncertain about the ease of transmitting the disease to humans who eat infected beef.

"This is not a safety risk right now," said Rob Hosford, spokesman for the Texas and Southwestern Cattle Raisers Association.

"Additionally this product was not from Europe, where BSE has been confirmed," he said. "There are guidelines that must be followed and at the end of the day the most important thing for people providing food is the safety of that food. They're just making sure they're doing that."

Dear Abby

By Abigail Van Buren



Plan for special boy's future gives grandma peace of mind

DEAR ABBY: I was touched by your recent letters from "Smiling in Carolina" and "Happy New Grandmother, Dallas," regarding the heartache birth mothers feel when they place their babies for adoption, and how appreciative grandmothers are when children are adopted into their families. Their letters made me remember the decision I made about my own grandson, "Jack."

Sixteen years ago, my husband and I took Jack into our home after his mother died. Jack was 11 months old. It soon became apparent that Jack was a special person with special needs. He was slow to learn, but a happy child. When he was school age, we put him in special education classes.

We got along fine; however, when my husband passed away three years ago at age 91, I got to thinking about Jack's future. I am now 90 and feeling well, but there will come a time when I will no longer be able to take him to school, golfing, bowling, etc. So after much thought and investigation, I found Jack an excellent board-and-care home. He stays there all week. They provide him transportation to school, excellent meals and clean clothes. He enjoys living with four other people closer to his age. On weekends and holidays, he comes home with me.

It wrenches my heart to see him go back on Sunday evenings, but I know if anything happens to me, he won't have to make a big adjustment. I am so glad I made this plan and hope it was the right thing to do. — **WONDERING IN MICHIGAN**

DEAR WONDERING: I commend you for finding your grandson a home where he will feel safe and secure after you are no longer around to take care of him. I can't think of a more loving or unselfish act to do for someone with special needs.

If other readers are in similar circumstances, I urge them to take the time now to find a suitable living environment for those they love and care about. Planning ahead will bring peace of mind.

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DEAR ABBY: This letter is for "Smiling in the Carolinas," and the many other mothers who have placed their babies for adoption.

One of my daughters was unable to have children. With medical assistance from specialists, she tried unsuccessfully for nearly 15 years without achieving motherhood.

We are eternally grateful to the biological mothers who enabled our daughter and her husband to finally have a family. I never think of the adopted children as being diffefent in any way. They are God's most wondrous blessing to me and my family. I tell my grandson he gets his sense of humor from me, and my granddaughter that she takes after my mother with her dark eyes and hair. My husband was so proud of our first grandson, he wheeled him from door-to-door to introduce him and show him off to our neighbors.

Abby, please tell those wonderful, giving mothers that they have brought great joy to the families they made complete with their unselfish gift. They need have no fear that they didn't do the right thing. I thank all of the courageous women who placed their babies for adoption so these children could have a good life with people better able to care for them. — **GRATEFUL GRANDMOTHER, LONG ISLAND, N.Y.**

DEAR GRATEFUL: You have said it very well. I hope your letter will reassure young, single mothers-to-be who may be struggling with the question of whether or not to keep their baby.

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Bridge

By Phillip Alder

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Vulnerable: North-South
Dealer: South

South	West	North	East
1 NT	Pass	3 NT	All pass

Opening lead: ♥ 3

Friday, Jan. 26, 2001

Still in the big unsmoke

By Phillip Alder

On the evening of Aug. 31, I went to the Crockford's Bridge Club in Christchurch to teach 34 about defense against no-trump contracts.

The craftiest coup of the night was produced by Ken Johns on my final deal. How should the play go in three no-trump?

Note again South's opening bid of one no-trump promising only 12-14 points.

West leads his fourth-highest heart, East winning with the ace and returning the six, the higher of two remaining cards. If East is watching, he will note that West follows with a lower heart the second time, announcing that he led originally from a five-bagger and that declarer is now out of the suit.

With only eight winners, declarer has to try to sneak a diamond trick past the defense. His best shot is to enter the dummy with a spade (or club) and call for the diamond jack, making it look as though a finesse is being attempted.

A sleepy East would fall for it, playing low. But someone who can see the setting tricks (and count points) rushes to win with the diamond ace and return his last heart.

That is apparently straightforward, but at trick one, Johns dropped his heart king under East's ace! (Confident that West had the heart queen, he saw he always had only one heart trick coming and decided to muddy the waters.) Back came the heart six, which West should have ducked, of course. But she was confused, winning with the queen and continuing the suit to dummy's jack. Now, though, declarer drove out East's diamond ace and claimed an overtrick.

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Bacterial Meningitis...

Many come for vaccinations

CONROE (AP) — Traffic backed up as thousands of people descended on the Montgomery County Fairgrounds for a mass vaccination designed to stem an outbreak of bacterial meningitis.

Health officials expected to vaccinate as many as 6,000 people by the time they were finished late Thursday with the first day of the mass vaccination in Conroe, about 35 miles north of Houston.

"I'm not panicked, but it's better to be cautious than not," said Monica Brawner an insurance executive who came with her husband and 5-year-old son.

A traffic jam developed as people arrived early to be vaccinated against meningococcal meningitis, which has infected five people in Conroe since Oct. 1.

The state Health Department has confirmed 34 cases in the six-county Houston area since Oct. 1, but only in Montgomery County and Humble has the illness rate approached the recommended rate for vaccinations.

Twelve people have fallen victim to the disease in Montgomery County.

Three people have died from the disease this month. Two Montgomery County youngsters — a 14-year-old New Caney girl and a 13-year-old boy from Magnolia died from the disease. A 56-year-old woman from Humble, in Harris County just northeast of Houston, also succumbed to the disease.

Bacterial meningitis sent an eighth-grade New Caney boy student to the hospital Wednesday. The boy, who is at Northeast Medical Center in Humble, has not been confirmed with meningitis, but diagnosis is "probable," said New Caney school district spokeswoman Cindee Reynolds. The boy was immunized during mass vaccinations Saturday in New Caney, but the incubation period for the disease can be up to 10 days, Reynolds said.

A Willis girl was sent to Texas Children's Hospital Wednesday with possible signs of meningitis, but her case will probably turn out to be viral instead of bacterial, a hospital spokesman said. Viral meningitis is not deadly, and the majority of people who have it recover without any problems, according to Conroe Regional Medical Center Medical Director Jay Kovar.

Meanwhile, a 16-year-old boy has the first confirmed case of meningococcal meningitis in Chambers County. Michael Broadrick, a sophomore at Barbers Hill High School, was listed in fair condition at Memorial Hermann Hospital in Houston.

Health officials have made 30,000 doses of vaccine available for Conroe residents.

That comes on the heels of 3,000 doses that were made available Wednesday for a mass vaccination in Humble in northeast Harris County and 10,000 for a mass vaccination in New Caney last Saturday.

New Caney is in southeast Montgomery County.

The vaccine was provided after a determination was made that the illness rate had reached 10 cases per 100,000 population in each of the communities.

Health officials have said the vaccinations are precautionary and that the bacterial disease, which inflames the lining of the brain and spinal cord, remains rare.

Symptoms include an unrelenting fever of about 102 degrees, an unrelenting headache, a rash, a sore throat and pain when attempting to flex the neck downward.

Instructor accused of sending, receiving child pornography

ARLINGTON (AP) — A computer teacher who police said was involved in child pornography on the Internet has been fired after school district leaders learned he had used school computer equipment to send and receive illicit materials.

The Barnett Junior High School teacher, who had been with the district since 1981, was arrested Thursday at his Arlington home on suspicion of possession and distribution of child pornography.

His name was unavailable Thursday. Charges were expected to be filed today.

Bail for the man, who had no prior criminal record, was set at $100,000. He was in the Arlington City Jail Thursday.

Police said they found more than 1,000 photographs, including more than 20 of children under 15, on the teacher's home and school computer hard drives. Also seized were numerous computer disks, a disposable camera, a computer scanner and scraps of paper with names.

According to police reports, the teacher had been e-mailing last summer with someone in England who claimed to be a 15-year-old English girl. She was actually a 38-year-old woman, police said.

The man went to England to meet the girl, and the woman recognized him from pictures he had sent. She did not meet him but instead contacted a local newspaper and asked that they investigate. The newspaper subsequently contacted Tarrant County authorities.

In December, Arlington investigators contacted the teacher, posing online as another 15-year-old girl. An e-mail exchange ensued and the man soon began sending pornographic pictures and describing sexual acts.

On Jan. 19, police seized the man's computer equipment at work and at home. The teacher had been on paid leave since the seizures.



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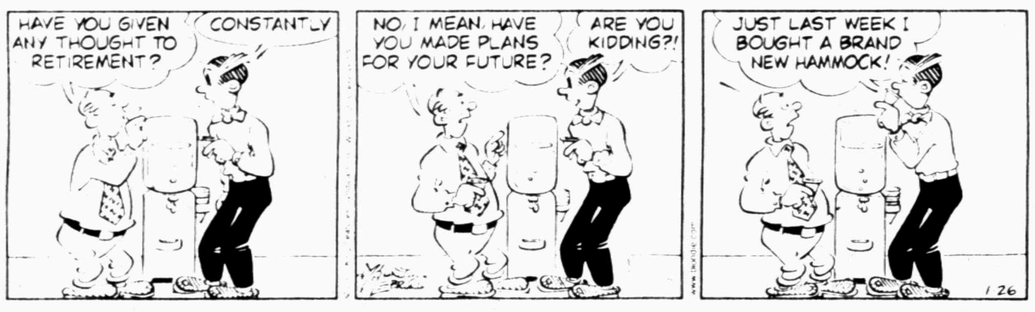
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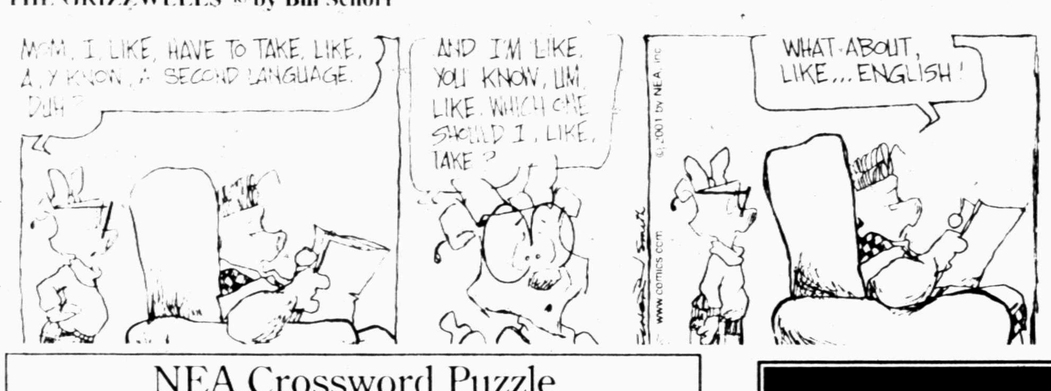
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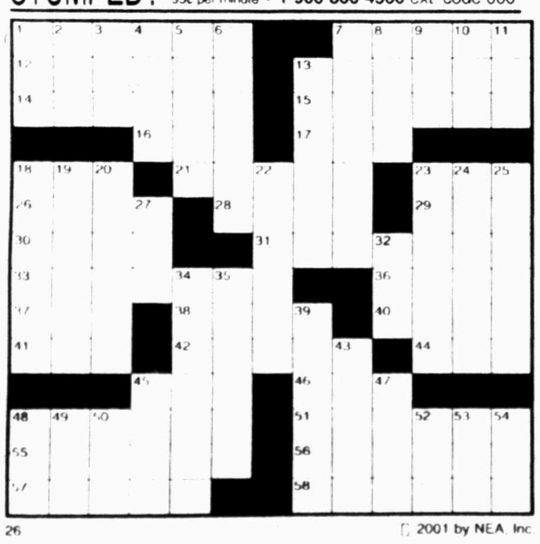
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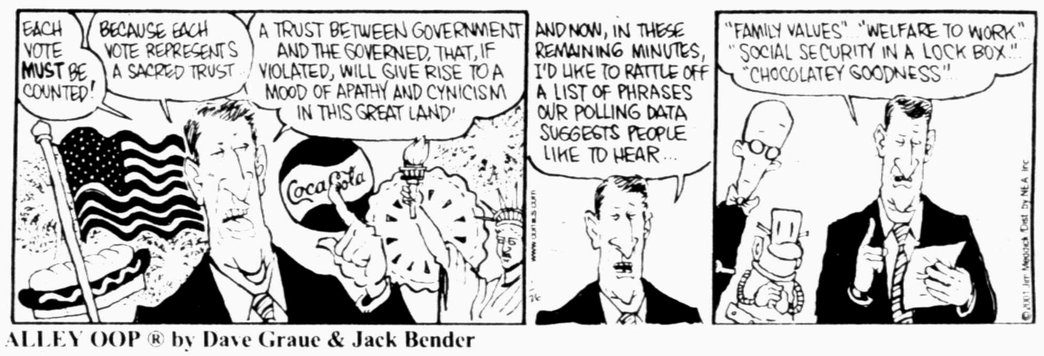
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SPORTS

Snyder, Frenship square off tonight

The last time Snyder and Frenship squared off on the hardwood, both contests were physical and took their toll on SHS.

The Snyder boys had to pull out a three-point win in the final seconds without point guard Jamaal Wofford who had fouled out, while the Snyder girls posted a nine-point victory, but lost the services of Kameron Kallemeyn for the season.

Heading into tonight's match-ups, both Snyder coaches expect more of the same.

Snyder travels to Frenship tonight for a pair of District 4-4A games. Girls' action tips off at 6 o'clock, followed by the boys' game at 7:30.

The Snyder girls are tied with Frenship for third place in the district standings, and tonight's outcome will have a significant impact on the playoff race.

"It's another big ballgame," said Lady Tiger coach Sam Tipton. "We've had our share of big games this year, and this is another one. I expect both teams to play hard. It should be another physical battle, similar to the last time we played."

With only three games remaining after tonight, one of them against top-ranked Plainview, a victory over Frenship would certainly bolster the Lady Tigers' playoff hopes.

On the boys' side, Snyder sits in second place with a two-game edge over third-place Plainview, and the Tigers are hoping to stay on track for their fourth consecutive postseason appearance.

Snyder will be without the services of senior post Jared Thornhill, who needed 20 stitches following Tuesday's win over Levelland to close a cut under his eye.

Unlike the Lady Tigers, who carry only eight players, depth isn't as big of a problem for the Tigers. Junior Jamall Pruitt and sophomore Josh Mendoza have shown the ability to give step up when called upon.

"You always hate to be without a player who contributes like Jared does," said Snyder coach Bud Birks. "But we worked out the last two days without him, so some of our other guys got in some extra work, and hopefully it will pay off in the game."

In other area action, Ira hosts Borden County, while Hermleigh hosts Blackwell. Girls' action at both sites gets underway at 6:30, followed by the boys at 8 o'clock.

District 4-4A Boys' Basketball

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Estacado	8	0	17	9
Snyder	7	1	17	7
Plainview	5	3	14	12
Frenship	4	4	14	13
Levelland	4	4	18	9
Lake View	2	6	10	16
Andrews	2	6	15	11
Big Spring	0	8	5	20

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

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

District 4-4A Girls' Basketball

Team	District W	District L	Season W	Season L
Plainview	10	0	25	1
Levelland	7	3	20	5
Snyder	6	4	17	7
Frenship	6	4	19	9
Big Spring	5	5	15	8
Andrews	4	6	15	11
Estacado	3	7	13	11
Lake View	0	10	8	18

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For Super Bowl teams...

Offensive woes are in the past

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Three months ago, the Baltimore Ravens went five games without scoring a touchdown. Last season, two New York Giants ripped the coach and the offense.

These are chemistry-killing events that tend to shout "meltdown" more than "Super Bowl." But these are two teams that survived the storms — actually got stronger because of them — and now find themselves playing for a title.

"It never turned into us versus them, it never got cliquish," Ravens receiver Qadry Ismail said.

A key theme to this Super Bowl week is how the Ravens survived their five weeks without getting into the end zone. That's an amazing stretch of ineptitude that failed to sink Baltimore's season only because the defense was good enough to win the first two games.

But three straight losses followed, and that's normally when locker rooms begin to divide and relationships start to strain.

Coach Brian Billick says the Ravens ignored the outside forces — media and fans — and the conventional wisdom that seemed to dictate that failure always brings about fissures.

"This team did not crack, as much as people were trying to get them to do it," Billick said. "They didn't turn on one another. And once they were able to step away from the abyss they said, 'You know what, we've stared at the worst of it, and we've gotten through it, so we're OK.'"

The Giants did divide last year, as the offense struggled and the defense scored the winning points in two games during the first half of the season.

After a loss to Washington with the division lead on the line, linebacker Jessie Armstead said the defense couldn't do it alone. Coach Jim Fassel called Armstead to his office and told him to quiet down. Armstead, the vocal leader of the team, suddenly seemed sullen and distant.

"I felt like I was a leader of all the team, not just the defense, and I had the right to speak up," he explained this week.

The whole scene freaked out defensive lineman Michael Strahan, who made an unsolicited trip into the media room to vent his frustrations.

In the middle of it all, Fassel's mother died, and he traveled briefly to California for the funeral.

New York lost its final three games and finished 7-9, and Fassel knew changes were needed. None of them, however, involved getting rid of Strahan or Armstead.

Instead, he revamped his lineup on offense, started promoting more of a group atmosphere — offseason boating trips, golf tournaments, bowling nights — and opened up more effective lines of communication with his stars.

"He explained what he was trying to do, the type of player he was going to bring in and the offense he wanted to run," Strahan said. "When that happened, I think we both said, 'Hey, let's get on the same wagon with him and try to ride it out and see what happens.' We gave it a shot and it worked out."

Strahan believes the players' stamp of approval means a lot in football, a game of teams within teams, where small groups of players spend portions of each week working separate from the others before everyone comes together on Sundays.

It's hard to tell whether harmony begat winning for these teams, or visa versa, but no longer do the Giants or Ravens worry about tension.

"A leader should be able to speak up, that's what you bring them in for," Lomas Brown said.

Defense keys Bulldogs' victory

SANDS — The teams that played the best defense walked away with victories Thursday night.

The Ira boys shut down Sands Thursday to chalk up a 45-39 district victory, while the Lady Mustangs limited Ira's production to notch a 43-38 win in girls' action.

The Ira boys improve to 4-1 in district play and maintain at least a share of the top spot, while the Lady Bulldogs slip into a second-place tie at 3-2.

In the boys' match-up, Ira jumped on Sands with 24 points in the first quarter to open an early 10-point lead.

The Bulldogs' offense cooled off for the remainder of the game, but the initial spurt proved to be enough. Ira limited the Mustangs to only seven points in the second quarter and eight more in the third.

"We had nine days off between ballgames, so we got a little tired and it affected us on the offensive end," said Ira coach Bubba Edwards. "But we played tremendous defense all night, and that was the key to the game."

Nathan Smith poured in 24 points to pace the Bulldogs' offensive effort. Smith scored 13 of his points in the opening quarter, and had 19 by halftime.

Cade Tucker added 10 points for Ira, while Eric Dickerhoff netted six. Seth Sterling drained three points, and Bryce Wilkins chipped in two.

In girls' action, the key to Sands' success was shutting down Ira's Morgan Clements who leads the district in scoring.

The Lady Mustangs employed a box-and-1, with four players playing a zone, while the fifth guarded Clements wherever she went.

The tactic worked as Clements finished the night with only 11 points. Celeigh Sterling led the Lady Bulldogs' scoring output with 13.

The contests were played Thursday night, after officials failed to show up on Tuesday.

Ira is back in action tonight when it hosts Borden County. Girls' action tips off at 6:30, followed by the boys at 8 o'clock.

Local Schedule

TODAY
Basketball

Snyder girls at Frenship, varsity at 6 p.m., JV at 7:30

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Blackwell at Hermleigh, girls at 6:30, boys at 8 p.m.

Borden County at Ira, girls at 6:30, boys at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY
Basketball

Lubbock Slaton at Snyder freshman girls, 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Snyder freshman boys at Lubbock Slaton, 9 and 10:30 a.m.

Snyder 7th and 8th grade girls at Big Spring tourney

Snyder 7th and 8th grade boys at Snyder tourney

South Plains Basketball Leaders

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Scoring

Player, Team	G	Pts	Avg
McGaha, Frenship	14	270	19.3
Davis, Plainview	26	479	18.4
N.Bridges, Lvlland	26	458	17.6
Duvall, Estacado	28	476	17.0
Pinkerton, Snyder	22	363	16.5
Thornhill, Snyder	24	348	14.5
King, Plainview	26	288	11.1
Bradic, Plainview	24	267	11.1
Wofford, Snyder	23	249	10.8
Wise, Levelland	26	259	10.0

Rebounding

Player, Team	G	Reb	Avg
King, Plainview	26	250	9.6
Davis, Plainview	24	222	8.5
Taylor, Snyder	19	149	7.8
Bell, Frenship	27	174	6.4
Pinkerton, Snyder	22	138	6.3
N.Bridges, Lvlland	26	137	5.3
Thornhill, Snyder	24	127	5.3
Hill, Estacado	28	140	5.0
Hutchinson, Estcdo	28	140	5.0
Belvin, Big Spring	19	92	4.8

4A GIRLS
Scoring

Player, Team	G	Pts	Avg
Delce, Snyder	24	389	16.2
Robertson, Plnview	26	409	15.7
Welch, Plainview	26	392	15.1
A.Shephard, Estcdo	25	327	13.1
Forth, Big Spring	23	270	11.7
Russell, Frenship	27	315	11.7
Kallemeyn, Snyder	19	223	11.7
Davis, Estacado	25	273	10.9
Curry, Estacado	25	271	10.8
Stewart, Frenship	27	236	8.4

Rebounding

Player, Team	G	Reb	Avg
Russell, Frenship	27	268	9.9
Delce, Snyder	24	236	9.8
Davis, Estacado	25	205	8.2
Robertson, Plnview	26	166	6.4
Kallemeyn, Snyder	19	118	6.2
Neloms, Estacado	24	138	5.8
Bagwell, Frenship	27	155	5.7
Gwyn, Big Spring	23	122	5.3
Welch, Plainview	26	130	5.0
Flenniken, BSpring	23	115	5.0

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Scoring

Player, Team	G	Pts	Avg
Lee, O'Donnell	18	460	25.6
Cline, CottonCntr	23	490	21.3
Long, Jayton	21	442	21.0
Bleiker, Jayton	21	388	18.5
Gregory, Farwell	22	400	18.2
Martin, Sudan	21	374	17.8
McLaughlin, Amhrst	22	351	16.0
Ferguson, P.S.	13	204	15.7
Harvey, Jayton	21	304	14.5
Floyd, Sands	18	258	14.3

Rebounding

Player, Team	G	Reb	Avg
Smithson, Sands	18	270	15.0
McLaughlin, Amhrst	22	321	14.6
Bleiker, Jayton	21	238	11.3
Ferguson, Amherst	22	229	10.8
Floyd, Sands	18	165	9.2
Messamore, Sudan	24	215	9.0
Gregory, Farwell	22	194	8.8
Long, Jayton	21	181	8.6
Cline, CottonCntr	23	187	8.1
Ferguson, P.S.	13	105	8.1

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Scoring

Player, Team	G	Pts	Avg
Callaway, Hermleigh	18	446	24.8
Clements, Ira	19	388	20.4
Thiel, Nazareth	26	527	20.3
J.Shipman, Guthrie	25	472	18.9
Johnson, Jayton	20	366	18.3
Gonzales, Whrl.	23	419	18.2
Via, Lazbuddie	20	345	17.3
K.Shipman, Guthrie	25	416	16.6
Hoelting, Nazareth	25	413	16.5
Lakey, Roby	23	368	16.0

Rebounding

Player, Team	G	Reb	Avg
Lakey, Roby	23	345	15.0
Callaway, Hermleigh	18	216	12.0
Johnson, Jayton	20	237	11.9
Gonzales, Whrl.	23	257	11.2
Wilson, Meadow	24	242	10.1
Via, Lazbuddie	20	194	9.7
Cornelius, W-Union	22	206	9.4
Thiel, Nazareth	26	229	8.8
Clements, Ira	19	168	8.8
Castaneda, Whtface	23	199	8.7

Moon's career officially over

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — Warren Moon's 23 years in professional football are officially over.

Moon, who played minor roles his last few seasons in Minnesota, Seattle and Kansas City after a productive NFL career in Houston, formally announced his retirement Thursday at a Super Bowl press conference.

"I've always dreaded this day, but I knew it would come sooner or later," said Moon, who played 17 years in the NFL and six in the Canadian Football league, passing for more than 70,000 yards. "It's been a great ride. It hasn't always been a smooth ride, but I've enjoyed every minute of it. It wasn't a secret that this was my last season, but I needed a day like this to have some type of finality."

The 44-year-old Moon said that he considers himself a Houston Oiler.

"I played 10 years for the Oilers, and those were the best years of my career," he said. "I live in Houston, and I got more involved in the Houston community than any other city. I'd like to thank the Oilers for giving me my start in the NFL."

His 10-year career with the Oilers included seven consecutive trips (1987-93) to the playoffs before he was traded to the Vikings in 1994.

He hardly played the past two years in Kansas City after signing to be Elvis Grbac's backup. But the record book will show that in the history of the NFL, only Dan Marino (61,361) and John Elway (51,475) have thrown for more yards than Moon's 49,325. His 291 NFL touchdowns rank fourth behind Marino, Elway and Fran Tarkenton.

Boys' Little Dribblers

MINOR DIVISION
Pistons 42, Trailblazers 5

Pistons: Riley Davis and LaShondrick Richardson, 10; Jared Cave, 8; Gage West, 6; Matthew Rios, 4; Colby Berrera and Will Toombs, 2. **Trailblazers:** Seth Cotton, 3; T.J. Wright, 2.

Nuggets 31, Kings 12

Nuggets: Rey Juarez, 11; Shade Roemisch, 8; Bubba Perales, 6; Nathan Rose, Kasey Young and Steven Juarez, 2. **Kings:** Kaden Seale, 6; Brandon Lunsford, 4; Ty Burton, 2.

MAJOR DIVISION
Magic 60, Spurs 27

Magic: Ryan Mitchell, 16; Ricky Sanchez, 15; Cody Burney, 13; Charone Hill, 8; Matt Schoolcraft, 6; Jimmie Schooler, 2. **Spurs:** Jesse Connor, 18; Quintin Shafer, 8; Jacob Scifres, 1.

Rockets 39, Tarheels 29

Rockets: Pete Villa, 19; Brandon Robbins, 12; Travis Hatfield, 6; Terrance Wells, 2. **Tarheels:** Donald Jeffery and Michael Martinez, 8; Josh Ornelas, 6; Craig Robertson, 3; Nolan Grady and Daniel Burk, 2.

Warriors 31, Spurs 28

Warriors: Corbin Clements, 14; Chase Medina, 8; Colton Brewster, 7; Tyler McCormack, 2. **Spurs:** Quintin Shafer, 10; Jesse Connor, 6; Cord Welsh and Chad Franks, 4; Brandon Hagins, 2; Jacob Scifres and James Simmons, 1.

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Philadelphia	32	10	.762	—
New York	25	16	.610	6½
Miami	26	18	.591	7
Orlando	19	22	.463	12½
Boston	16	26	.381	16
New Jersey	14	29	.326	18½
Washington	9	34	.209	23½
Central Division				
Milwaukee	26	15	.634	—
Charlotte	24	20	.545	3½
Toronto	22	21	.512	5
Cleveland	20	20	.500	5½
Indiana	20	22	.476	6½
Detroit	15	27	.357	11½
Atlanta	14	26	.350	11½
Chicago	6	36	.143	20½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Midwest Division				
Utah	27	14	.659	—
San Antonio	25	15	.625	1½
Dallas	28	17	.622	1
Minnesota	26	18	.591	2½
Denver	25	18	.581	3
Houston	20	22	.476	7½
Vancouver	11	31	.262	16½
Pacific Division				
Portland	32	13	.711	—
Sacramento	28	12	.700	1½
L.A. Lakers	26	14	.650	3½
Phoenix	24	16	.600	5½
Seattle	24	21	.533	8
Golden State	14	28	.333	16½
L.A. Clippers	13	30	.302	18

Thursday's Games

Dallas 120, Vancouver 83
Minnesota 109, Orlando 100
Portland 92, Indiana 82
Utah 98, Denver 96
San Antonio 97, Sacramento 91

Friday's Games

Detroit at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.
Phoenix at Boston, 7:30 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.
Vancouver at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
Seattle at Golden State, 10:30 p.m.
New Jersey at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.

Saturday's Games

Miami at Orlando, 3 p.m.
Phoenix at Washington, 8 p.m.
Houston at Charlotte, 8 p.m.
Atlanta at Cleveland, 8 p.m.
Toronto at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
Portland at Minnesota, 5:30 p.m.
Detroit at Milwaukee, 8:30 p.m.
San Antonio at Utah, 3 p.m.
Dallas at Denver, 9 p.m.
New Jersey at Seattle, 10 p.m.
Sacramento at L.A. Clippers, 10:30 p.m.

Sunday's Games

Philadelphia at Indiana, 12 p.m.
L.A. Lakers at New York, 2:30 p.m.

Sports Briefs

Super Bowl party

A Super Bowl party for area teenagers will be held Sunday from 4-9 p.m. at the Boys and Girls Club. Refreshments will be provided, and door prizes will be given away each hour. Admission is $1 for members, and $2 for non-members.

NFL raises salary cap

TAMPA, Fla. (AP) — The NFL's salary cap will go up about $5 million per team next season, from $62 million to around $67 million.

Miller will return to MNF

NEW YORK (AP) — That's the news: Dennis Miller is NOT out of there.

ABC Sports has exercised its options to keep Miller, the comedian brought in to spice up "Monday Night Football," and the rest of the program's on-air cast for next season.

Analyst Dan Fouts, sideline reporters Melissa Stark and Eric Dickerson, and veteran play-by-play announcer Al Michaels also are staying with ABC's NFL telecasts.

The program averaged a 12.7 national rating, a drop of 7 percent from the previous record low (each point represents a little more than 1 million TV homes).

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Army sends Patriot missile unit to Israel

SAN ANTONIO (AP) — Patriot missiles, used to defend Israel during the Gulf War, are reportedly on their way to the conflict-torn Middle East along with hundreds of U.S. troops.

The U.S. Army told the San Antonio Express-News in Friday's editions that a Patriot missile brigade stationed in Europe will be used in a training exercise in Israel.

Elements of the 69th Air Defense Artillery Brigade near Frankfurt, Germany, were ordered to the Middle East as part of a joint U.S.-Israeli exercise dubbed "Juniper Cobra," Maj. Tom Collins, an Army spokesman, said Thursday.

The Pentagon's move came as tense Mideast peace talks, which have stalled in recent weeks, resumed Thursday between the Palestinians and Israel. U.S. forces in Germany and Italy were placed on heightened alert status.

Collins said deployment of about 400 U.S. troops already has begun, with the training exercises to extend from Feb. 8-23. But he said the exercises were planned in advance of the Mideast summit.

"This thing is not linked to the peace talks," said Collins. "It is a training event to sustain interoperatability between the U.S. Army and the Israeli defense forces."

The Express-News, though a military source in Europe, first learned earlier this month of the Patriot exercise, which was confirmed by the Pentagon.

"They're definitely not going there as part of some fear that, with the peace process failing, there is some new threat to Israel," P.J. Crowley, former White House deputy press secretary, said earlier.

But a published report last year had quoted unnamed Defense Department officials as saying the 69th Brigade was on alert for deployment to Israel because of worries that Iraq may attack Israel.

A Patriot anti-missile system unit was deployed in 1990 from Fort Bliss in El Paso. The Army post sent 12,600 soldiers to the Gulf.

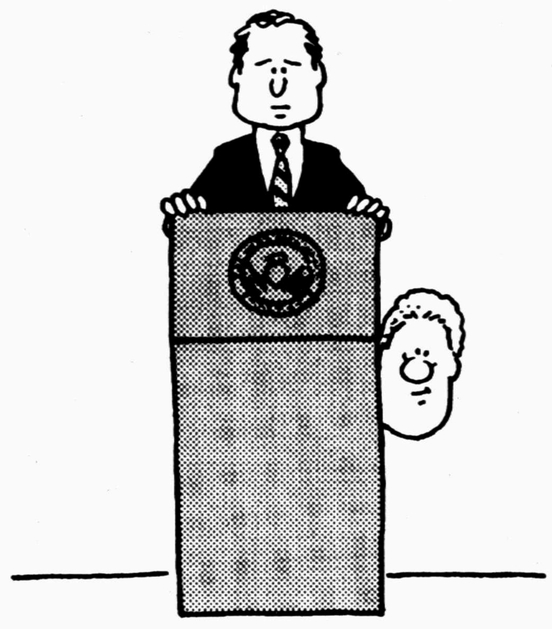
In the face of Iraqi Scud missile attacks, former President Bush had ordered batteries of Patriots airlifted into the country on short notice in a demonstrative effort to allay Israeli fears. Thirty-nine Iraqi Scuds were fired into Israel in 1991.

Patriots returned to Israel in 1998, when Iraqi recalcitrance over U.N. weapons inspections triggered a confrontation that ended with a short U.S.-British air campaign.

The latest deployment followed a shift to Threatcon Bravo from Alpha on Jan. 11 as the Israeli foreign ministry declared that an "armed conflict" exists with the Palestinians.

The military edict raising the threat condition, obtained by the Express-News, said, "recent intelligence indicates that an increased or more predictable threat exists, thus warranting the threatcon change."

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Florida teen convicted of first-degree murder

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. (AP) — No one disputed that then-12-year-old Lionel Tate punched, kicked and stomped his 6-year-old playmate to death. His attorney said it was an accident that occurred while the boy was imitating professional wrestlers.

But a jury on Thursday rejected that defense and convicted the boy, now 13, of first-degree murder. Lionel was handcuffed and led from the courtroom in tears, followed by his sobbing mother. He faces life without parole.

Attorney Jim Lewis said he would appeal the verdict, citing the judge's refusal to allow testimony on professional wrestling's impact on children.

"The jurors heard some about wrestling, but I don't think it was enough," Lewis said. "They did not hear from the experts, the psychologists, the media violence experts, that could have persuaded this jury that Lionel had fallen into the trap so many youngsters fall into."

Circuit Judge Joel T. Lazarus barred professional wrestlers from testifying about how they stage bouts to make them look real. He also disallowed testimony from psychologists about how televised wrestling makes young fans more violent.

Lewis was limited to testimony about Lionel's fascination with wrestling, and short videotapes of the boy re-enacting wrestling moves he had used on the girl.

Under Florida law, jurors did not have to conclude Lionel meant to kill Tiffany Eunick in July 1999, only that his actions were intentional and abusive.

Lewis blasted prosecutors for using child-abuse laws to convict one child of another's murder.

"When the Legislature wrote the child-abuse laws, I don't think they ever envisioned them being used in this fashion," he said.

Tiffany died after the 170-pound Lionel beat her in the home he shared with his mother, who was baby-sitting the girl. Kathleen Grossett-Tate, a Florida Highway Patrol trooper, was asleep at the time.

An autopsy showed Tiffany suffered a fractured skull, lacerated liver, broken rib, internal hemorrhaging and numerous cuts and bruises. One expert for the prosecution said the injuries were comparable to falling from a three-story building.

A few days after her death, Lionel told police he picked Tiffany up and accidentally hit her head against a table. He later made a videotape with a court-appointed psychologist where he claimed to have accidentally thrown Tiffany into a stair handrail and a wall while trying to throw her onto a sofa.

Prosecutor Ken Padowitz said there are "only losers in this case."

Lionel is to be sentenced March 2. Gov. Jeb Bush has the power to commute the sentence after consulting with prosecutor Ken Padowitz.

"I don't think any rational, compassionate human being would sit still and let this child spend the rest of his life in prison," Lewis said.

Padowitz refused to say what he would tell the governor, but pointed out that before the trial he had offered Lionel a three-year sentence plus 10 years' probation if the teen pleaded guilty to second-degree murder. The family refused, insisting Lionel was innocent.

Marc Rich pardon prompts questions

WASHINGTON (AP) — The pardon application of fugitive financier Marc Rich details an intensive behind-the-scenes legal effort that began with futile meetings 14 years ago with federal prosecutors and ended with clemency from President Clinton in his final hours in office.

What the application doesn't mention are more than $1 million in donations from Rich's ex-wife to the Democratic Party that Congress now wants to look into.

A House committee chairman, Rep. Dan Burton, issued demands for documents on the Rich clemency matter Thursday as Congress officially began delving into whether the president, in the words of Burton, "had an improper motive for the pardons" of Rich and business partner Pincus Green.

"Former President Clinton has not given an adequate explanation as to why Mr. Rich deserved a pardon," said Burton, R-Ind., who is chairman of the House Government Reform Committee.

Rich's former wife, songwriter Denise Rich, donated more than $1.1 million to the Democratic Party from 1993 through last September. But she said this week there was no connection between the money and the recent pardon campaign.

The campaign included her letter to Clinton saying that her ex-husband was wrongly charged with "trading with the enemy" (Iran) in an oil scheme involving the alleged concealment of over $100 million in taxable income. Rich fled to Switzerland prior to indictment in 1983 and was on the list of the Justice Department's six most wanted international fugitives.

According to the Dec. 11 application filed with the president, former Clinton White House counsel Jack Quinn turned to his ex-boss for pardons of Rich and Green after federal prosecutors refused to negotiate.

"It is our firm policy not to negotiate dispositions of criminal charges with fugitives," federal prosecutors in New York said in a February 2000 letter to Quinn.

"In 1987, an assistant in this office met with Mr. Rich's counsel and listened to the same presentation ... referenced in your letter regarding the merits of the tax charges," the prosecutors told Quinn.

Quinn's firm says it informed Deputy Attorney General Eric Holder on Nov. 21 that a pardon application would be filed with the White House.

Included in the application were 22 letters to Clinton urging that Rich be pardoned. The pardon application also included 55 other letters written to Rich and those working with him.

"Invariably, life is filled with conflictual judgments and none of us escapes unscathed," New York businessman Michael Steinhardt wrote Clinton.

Israeli Foreign Affairs Minister Shlomo Ben-Ami voiced support "for any solution that can solve this Kafkaesque situation Mr. Rich has been in for so many years. Your clemency is almost a last resort."

The pardon application states that Rich's lawyers were not forthcoming with prosecutors during the investigative phase of the case in the 1980s — a posture Rich's and Green's lawyers said turned out to have been unwise.

"Nothing in the history of this case could be said to crown the defense with glory or a halo" and that "issues raised by the indictment ... candidly should have been forthrightly presented to the government over a decade ago," Rich's lawyers wrote the federal prosecutors.

Quinn wrote Mary Jo White, the U.S. attorney in Manhattan, in December 1999 that in the early 1980s "Mr. Rich's defense followed a most unfortunate, no-communication, no-cooperation, no-negotiation strategy. For that expensive, but ill-advised strategy, Mr. Rich has paid dearly."

The application filed with Clinton states that "Mr. Rich and Mr. Green seek a pardon even though they never have been convicted of a criminal offense in the United States or any other country. However, they and two of their companies were wrongfully indicted nearly twenty years ago."

The pardon application characterized the 65-count indictment — which alleges a sophisticated tax fraud scheme on transactions involving oil purchases from Iran — as being based on U.S. government energy controls that were later "deemed ... unworkable, incomprehensible and counterproductive" and subsequently "abolished by President Reagan." The controls "now are seen as a relic of the era of excessive economic regulation of the oil industry."

Many of the letters expressed gratitude to Rich and Green for their financial largesse to Israeli charitable causes.

The application says Rich and his foundation have "given away over $100 million to charitable, cultural and civic organizations," while Green's foundation "has provided over $120 million to charities the world over."

Former Israeli Intelligence Director Shabtai Shavit wrote that "we requested" Rich's "assistance in looking for MIA's (missing in action) and help in the rescue and evacuation of Jews from enemy countries. Mr. Rich always agreed and used his extensive network of contacts in these countries to produce results."

Seven letters to Clinton urged a pardon for Green. Twenty-four other letters included in the pardon application attested to Green's character, including one by New York City councilman Noach Dear.

"I was Pinky's neighbor in Brooklyn" and "the survival of the Jewish community in Russia today is due in large part to the unstinting support of Pinky Green," Dear said in a letter "To Whom It May Concern."

Marital and money problems blamed for murder-suicide

LUFKIN (AP) — When Lucio Franco Sr. and his family fell on hard times because his work as a roofer was sporadic, neighbor Pedro Sanchez tried to help his friend anyway possible.

Sanchez snaked a white electrical extension cord to the Francos, two trailers down, after their power was cut off in December. Sanchez let them bathe in his trailer when their gas service was cut. The Sanchezes often baby-sat the Francos' four children while Franco and his wife worked.

Sanchez and his daughter discovered the bodies of Franco, his wife and their four children Wednesday night. Police said Franco's financial and marital problems proved too much as he shot his wife and four children to death while they lay in bed and then killed himself Tuesday morning.

"This is something you just can't comprehend," Sanchez said, fighting back tears. "We talked about problems with paying bills, just like everyone. But he never showed signs the problems weighed him down."

Sanchez and his daughter made the grisly discovery after they had gone to the Francos' trailer to lend them an electric skillet so they could cook their food.

Angelina County Chief Deputy Sheriff Jim Casper said Franco, 24, shot his wife, 21-year-old Maria, and their four children with a shotgun before shooting himself in the head in their mobile home in a rural area about 10 miles east of Lufkin, which is about 115 miles northeast of Houston.

The children were identified as 5-year-old Lucio Franco Jr.; 4-year-old Diana; 2-year-old Juana; and 10-month-old Isaac.

Casper said interviews indicate the couple had ongoing marital and financial problems that may have been a motive for the shootings.

Police said neighbors in the trailer park, a 90-home subdivision dotted with litter and disabled vehicles, did not report hearing gunshots Tuesday morning. However, Casper added that gunfire in the surrounding woods is common.

The case is closed unless some extraordinary evidence presents itself, Casper added.

Despite reports of spousal abuse from relatives, deputies say they never had been dispatched to the Franco home before.

Sanchez said he never saw any problems between Franco and his wife.

"He was a good person. He wasn't aggressive. We never heard them fight," Sanchez said as he looked at the Francos' cluttered front yard, which had a swing set and various toys strewn about the grass and a beat up Chevy Caprice Classic resting on wooden blocks in the driveway.

Mendy Bishop, who lives across the street from the Francos, said that although she didn't know them too well, they seemed like a happy family.

"At night, you could hear their kids playing as (Franco and his wife) sat outside watching them," she said.

The last time Sanchez saw Franco was Monday night. He said Franco was concerned about a throat infection his baby was suffering.

Officials said an autopsy was performed Thursday afternoon on Lucio Franco to determine if he was under the influence of drugs or alcohol.

Dr. Gott

By Peter Gott, M.D.



Put that in your pipe

DEAR DR. GOTT: My husband, a pipe smoker, was recently treated for prostate cancer, at which time the doctor mentioned that the pipe "wasn't helping the situation." However, despite the stink of tobacco smoke, the messy tobacco itself, the bad breath and the yellow teeth, my husband won't quit. Please enlighten pipe smokers about the dangers of this disgusting habit.

DEAR READER: Although less harmful than cigarette smoke, pipe smoke (and the tarry residue in the stem and bowl) do increase the risk of mouth and tongue cancer, as well as malignancies of the throat and lungs. As a pipe smoker myself, I caution my pipe-smoking patients to exercise great moderation in their habit. A person who smokes two or three pipefulls a day (and who doesn't inhale) is probably doing himself no more harm than were he a non-smoker living in the air pollution of an industrial city, where recent studies have shown that particulate matter in such an environment is clearly associated with lung and respiratory diseases.

Years ago, I vowed that I would not succumb to the hypocrisy exhibited by obese doctors who relentlessly encourage their overweight patients to slim down. So, I don't carp at my pipe-smokers, except to remind them that their habit puts them at risk for a variety of afflictions, not the least of which is a rational wife who disapproves of her spouse's addiction to pipe tobacco. You're right, we're wrong. Some skeptics say "moderation in all things — especially moderation." I say simply go easy and quit when you're ready.

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

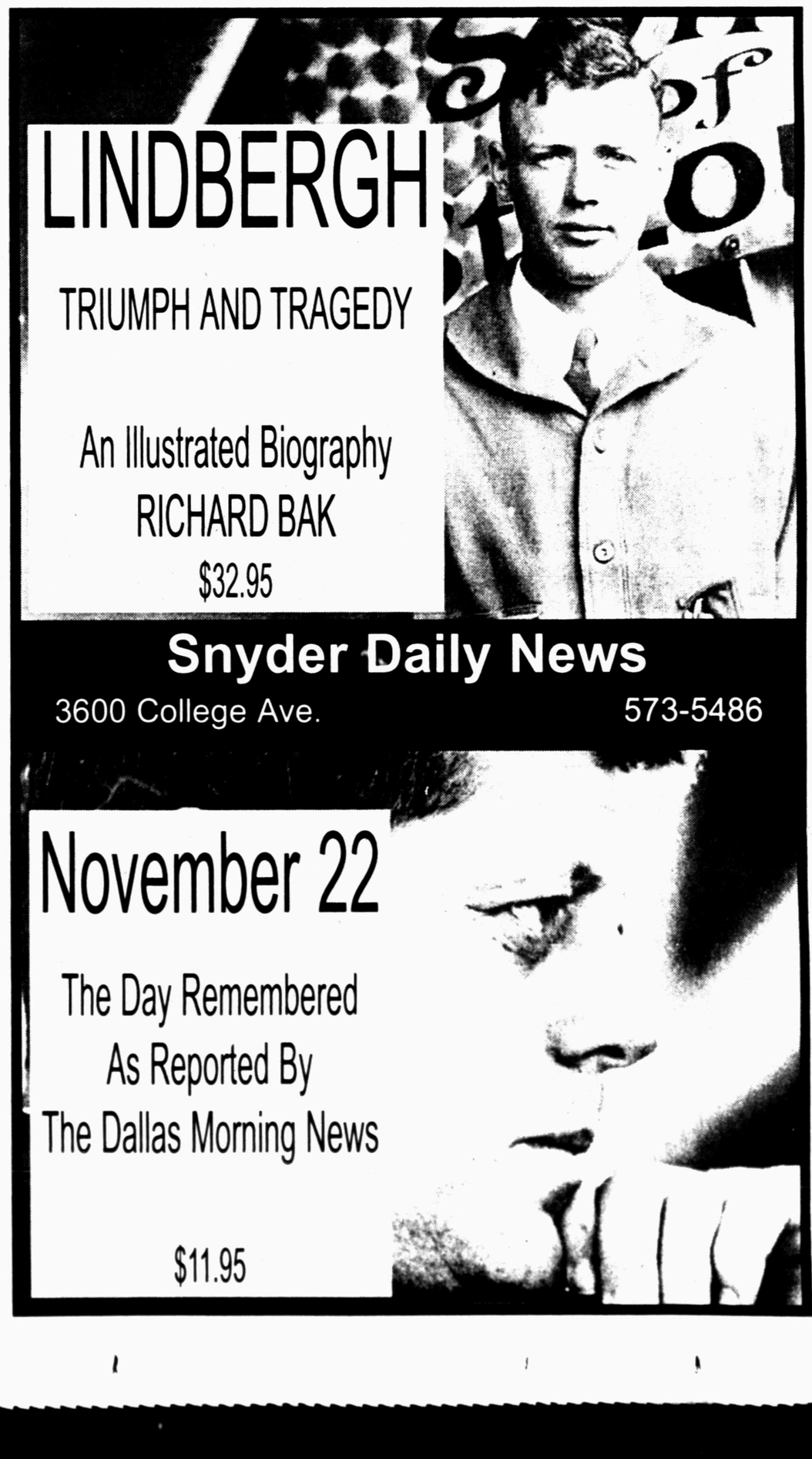
DEAR DR. GOTT: An infinitely wise God placed in Adam and Eve's environment everything that was needed for optimum health. Because He did not place a rifle in Adam's hand or teach Eve how to build a trap, how did these two people capture fast-moving creatures to eat? It's highly unlikely that Adam and Eve obtained enough vitamin B12 from their skimpy diet of fruits and vegetables. Could they have suffered vitamin deficiencies?

DEAR READER: Sure. Anybody who fails to eat a well-balanced diet can suffer malnutrition and vitamin deficiency. But don't you think you are carrying this Adam and Eve thing too far? It doesn't take a theologian to conclude that much Biblical material is symbolic, not literal. No one has the faintest idea of what Adam and Eve ate, and that information is probably not important if, as I suspect, the original Man and Woman are symbols of an unsophisticated and primitive tribe that existed, without sin, until its numbers became more human by obtaining knowledge — a revolutionary and dangerous turn of events for the shaman and leaders of such a culture. The Bible, which has been written and rewritten, translated and re-translated over the centuries, is truly a source of wisdom, especially once we appreciate the profound symbolism contained within it — and other religious treatises.

DEAR DR. GOTT: I've read about coconut cookies as therapy for high cholesterol levels. What's the story?

DEAR READER: I don't know the source of this inaccuracy. In most instances, coconut has the opposite effect: The product may actually increase serum cholesterol levels. Therefore, patients on low-cholesterol diets should avoid food that contains coconut.

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THE SNYDER DAILY NEWS

Quake in India claims 845 lives

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — The most powerful earthquake to strike India in more than half a century shook the subcontinent on Friday, killing 845 people and burying others in the rubble of toppled homes, schools and office buildings.

The 7.9 magnitude temblor in western Gujarat state, close to the border with Pakistan, caused high-rise structures to sway hundreds of miles away in the capital, New Delhi, and was felt even in Nepal and Bangladesh.

All the deaths in India were recorded in Gujarat state, where buildings shook for more than two minutes. The quake struck at 8:50 a.m. as many cities were celebrating India's 51st Republic Day, which commemorates the adoption of the constitution.

In Ahmedabad, Gujarat's commercial capital and a city of 4.5 million, as many as 50 multi-story buildings collapsed and at least 260 people were killed. Hundreds of people besieged the fire station asking for help to dig out their relatives, said fire chief Rajesh Bhat.

"This is an emergency. We are facing a riotous crowd," Bhat said. "A fear psychosis is developing in the city. People have fled their homes and are taking refuge in open fields."

Rescuers stood atop the rubble of collapsed buildings, digging for survivors.

Corpses were piled up on the verandah of the N.S. Hospital, while patients overflowing into the hallways wailed and screamed with broken limbs and bleeding wounds.

Bush proposal sparks criticism before he can unveil his plan

WASHINGTON (AP) — Even before unveiling a plan, President Bush is trying to defuse criticism of his proposal to shift certain government-funded assistance programs to religious institutions.

He'll send the plan to Congress next week, and to build support, he met with religious leaders Thursday night at the home of Archbishop Theodore McCarrick, leader of Washington-area Roman Catholics. On Friday, Bush was capping his first week in office with another pitch for his education plan, summoning 17 governors to the White House.

In the Oval Office Bush looked on Friday morning at the ceremonial swearing-in of Colin Powell as secretary of state, the first black American to serve in this high post. Bush said Powell would help him structure and steer "a foreign policy that is clear, consistent and confident."

"To lead this effort at this unique moment in history, I picked a unique leader," Bush said after Vice President Dick Cheney administered the oath of office.

"I promise that I will give you everything I have in this new job," said Powell, a former chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Powell was officially sworn in just after Bush took his oath of office on Saturday, along with Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld who was being treated to a ceremonial oath in the Oval Office later Friday.

And, following White House tradition, the president was hosting newly elected members of Congress for a get-acquainted session.

Just as his education plan includes a voucher provision that has drawn fire, battle lines are being drawn over Bush's "faith-based action" plan.

Critics say its programs blur the constitutional lines separating church and state.

Community-wide reading program to begin Saturday

The first community-wide reading program is set at 10 a.m. Saturday at First Baptist Church.

The Snyder Independent School District is working with various organizations and businesses to host a community-wide reading program once a month during for the remainder of the school year.

Everyone is encouraged to attend Saturday's session. This will be a time for parents and children to share in the love of reading. Refreshments will be served. Call Mary Ann Juarez, SISD community liaison, at 574-6012 for more information.

Besides FBC, other businesses and organizations participating in this event include Sonic Drive-In, Scurry County Library, First Presbyterian Church and Pizza Inn.

The community-wide reading program is an Academics 2000 initiative designed to improve students' reading achievement.

Other district Academic 2000 initiatives include the Accelerated Reader Program, family literacy, Saxon Phonics, technology, staff development and parent training.

The district received $275,000 for the 2000/2001 school year to implement activities designed to improve elementary education so that Snyder students are fully proficient in reading by the time they exit fourth grade and continue to read at or above grade level as they progress to upper grades.

Trevey goes back to work

Precinct 1 Commissioner Ralph Trevey was back to work this morning and feeling fine after being hospitalized Tuesday evening with chest pains.

It was first thought that Trevey had suffered a heart attack, but the commissioner, who turns 57 on Saturday, said it only felt like that.

"We did have a narrowing of a blood vessel in the heart that created a pain. That's what I was experiencing the night I went to the hospital."

Trevey was getting ready for bed Tuesday night when the pain, caused by constricting blood vessels, began.

His wife, Virginia, concerned he was having a heart attack, called Snyder EMS.

He was first taken to Cogdell Memorial Hospital before being transferred to Lubbock's Covenant Healthcare Center. He was released from the hospital Thursday morning.

"There was no heart damage. Everything is fine. It cleared up, and I'm back to business."

Trevey is the second court member to be troubled with heart problems this month.

Judge Ricky Fritz is recovering from a heart attack he suffered Jan. 2. He is working some from home and even made it to the Jan. 15 commissioner's court meeting and Thursday morning's hospital board meeting.

Obituaries

C.J. Thornton

1909-2001

ROTAN — Funeral service for C.J. "Red" Thornton, father of Mike Thornton of Snyder, is set for 10:30 a.m. Saturday in the Rotan First Baptist Church. The Revs. Dutch Parks and Larry Holder will officiate. Burial will follow in the Belvieu Cemetery under the direction of Weathersbee Funeral Home.

Mr. Thornton, 91, died Wednesday, Jan. 24, in Cogdell Memorial Hospital following a lengthy illness.

Born Aug. 5, 1909 in Simpsonville, Tex., he was married to Helen Thornton who died in 1981. He married Marie Rivers-Phillips on Oct. 6, 1981 in Clovis, N.M.

He also was preceded in death by a son, Gene Thornton; four brothers; four sisters; and his parents.

A resident of the Rotan area since 1937, he was a member of the Calvary Baptist Church. Mr. Thornton was a retired car salesman and served two terms on the Rotan city council.

Survivors include four other sons, Rolwyn Thornton and Troy Thornton, both of Houston, Charles Thornton of Rotan, Donald Thornton of Mabelvale, Ark.; two daughters, Patricia Porter and Vicky Morton, both of Rotan; a brother, Jack Thornton of Pittsburg, Tex.; three sisters, Merle Bell of Pittsburg, Armeta Dacus of Commerce and Mary Lou Cooper of Bryan; 24 grandchildren; 45 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren.

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Troy Scott, accident victim, dies in Dallas medical center

Troy Scott of Snyder, critically injured in an automobile accident earlier this month, died this morning in Methodist Medical Center in Dallas.



Troy Scott

Mr. Scott, a retired Snyder ISD teacher, had been in the hospital's intensive care unit since the Jan. 5 accident that occurred in Duncanville. Mr. Scott reportedly died from complications from pneumonia.

Mr. Scott, 70, and his wife, Mary Lou, were passengers in a vehicle driven by Rankin Bryan Bickley, Mrs. Scott's brother-in-law. Mr. Bickley, 72, died the day of the accident from injuries sustained in the two-vehicle mishap.

The Scotts were visiting relatives in the Dallas area. Mrs. Scott, also a retired Snyder teacher, was released from the hospital Jan. 19.

The Scotts moved to Snyder in 1959. He was a physical education teacher at Stanfield Elementary and Mrs. Scott was an elementary school music teacher. Both retired in 1989.

Services for Mr. Scott are pending.

Hairspray bandits steal two cans

• ***Hair spray stolen***

Burglars got away with two cans of hair spray from Lisa's Boutique at 1008 24th Street sometime Wednesday night or early Thursday.

Styling salon owner Lisa Montez called police at 7:54 a.m. Thursday to report that someone had kicked in the door of her business and taken the items.

The burglary offense is a third degree felony.

• ***Close patrol***

A resident in the 100 block of Chestnut requested that officers [illegible] with subjects letting the air out of her tires at night.

• ***Gas drive-off***

A clerk with Town & Country on North College Avenue notified officers at 4:55 p.m. Thursday that someone had driven off without paying for $14.37 worth of gasoline.

• ***Shoplifters***

An offense report for Class B theft was filed at Wal-Mart at 4:55 p.m. Thursday in reference to two females, ages 18 and 21, attempting to steal two electric toothbrushes and five boxes of hair color.

The two were not arrested.

• ***Accident***

A hit and run accident report was taken at 7 p.m. Thursday in the Wal-Mart parking lot in reference to an unknown vehicle striking Wanda Bennett's 2001 Ford pickup and then leaving the scene.

Births

Robert and Xandy Ballard of Snyder announce the birth of their eight-pound, 10-ounce daughter at 4:30 p.m. on Jan. 25 in Cogdell Memorial Hospital.

Raul and Eva Villa of Snyder announce the birth of their son, Antonio Miguel Villa. Antonio was born at 3 p.m. on Dec. 31, in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. Three siblings - Christina, Robert and Amanda - also welcomed him.

Grandparents are Robert and Mary Romero of Hermleigh, Patrick Villa of Manteca, Calif., and Elida Bernal of Colorado City.

Hospital

ADMISSIONS: Jan 25-Xandy Ballard, Sally Bross, Ian Row of Hermleigh, Sarah Torres, Barron Wesley Jr., Meliton Zuniga, Jo Ann Ham, Mendia Hunter, Pete Jalomos, J.B. Lee, Betty Odorizzi and Frank Pinkerton.

DISMISSALS: Frank Brown, Joyce Cooper, Maria Gutierrez and baby girl, Kimberly Northcutt and baby boy, Vernelle Parks, Dorothy Peterson of Hermleigh, Pascual Romero, Donna Schulze, Nancy Scott, Jacob Breedlove, Michael Lindsey, Ruby Pulis and Sarah Torres.

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WHAT'S UP?

ONGOINGS

Life Changing Power

The Potter's House Christian Fellowship Church's "Life Changing Power" revival continues at 7 this evening at at Central Elementary, 2700 Ave. K. Daniel Gutierrez is the evangelist.

Praise and worship revival

Trinity United Methodist Church will have a praise and worship revival at 6 p.m. Saturday and at 10:45 a.m. Sunday with "Full Circle" from Lovington, N. M.

Chili supper

Ira Baptist Church will sponsor a chili supper Saturday to raise funds for the GA and RA programs. The meal will be served from 5-7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Cost is $5 for adults, tickets for children under 12 are $3.50 and a family can eat for $20.

Selling food items

Our Lady of Guadalupe Guadalupanas will sell food items - including menudo, caldo, gorditas, brisket burritos, cake and other items - from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Sunday at the fellowship hall of the church, located at 1311 Ave. K. Prices vary depending on the item and carry out will be available.

Ex-resident on 'Nick News'

Julie Zeck Smithey, former Snyder resident, and her fifth grade class in Adriana, Mich., will be featured on "Nick News," which airs at 7:30 p.m. Sunday on Nickelodeon. Smithey's students wrote letters explaining what they thought should be done with the Kennewick Man, a 9,000- year-old skeleton unearthed four years ago in Washington State.

Girl Scout cookie sale

Girl Scouts are taking cookie orders until Sunday for delivery in February. Anyone not contacted by a Girl Scout who wishes to order cookies may call Carla at 574-8004 or Peggy at 573-6725.

Credit union annual meeting

The annual membership meeting of the Scurry County School Federal Credit Union will be held at 7 p.m. Monday in the SHS cafeteria.

Scholastic book fair

Scurry County Head Start will have a Scholastic book fair from 8:30 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through next Friday at the head start program, 2800 2nd St. Everyone is invited.

WTC continuing ed classes

Western Texas College's Continuing Education Department will present "The Great American Debt Opportunity" Monday and "Spend Smart" Tuesday. Each session will last from 6 to 9 p.m. and both will be located in building 15A. The cost for each is $40. The textbook for "The Great American Debt Opportunity" costs $43, but it is not required. Call 573-8511, ext. 390 to reserve space in either class.

Family Math, Science Night

Math and Science Night for Snyder 7th graders is from 6-8 p.m. Tuesday.

Genealogy meeting

The Scurry County Genealogy Society will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday in the Scurry County Library. Members will read narratives about great-grandfathers. The public is invited and each visitor will receive a free family pedigree chart.

Vocational nurse program testing

The next testing dates for the March vocational nursing class at WTC are 1:30 p.m. Wednesday and 9 a.m. Friday, Feb. 9. To schedule an appointment, call 573-8511, ext. 313.

Snyder tennis boosters

The Snyder tennis boosters will meet at 7 p.m. Wednesday at Texas Savings Bank. Parents of all tennis players are invited.

Ira booster club

The Ira booster club will meet at 8 p.m. Wednesday in the school cafeteria.

Alzheimer support group

Alzheimer family support group will meet at 6 p.m. Wednesday at Snyder Oaks Care Center. Speaker will be Sue Davis of the Abilene Alzheimer Association.

Parents of special needs 7th graders

There will be a meeting at 6:30 p.m. Thursday for parents of special needs 7th graders. For more information, call Jean Burns at 573-6301, or Sylvia Sapsky at 573-6356.

Parents of special needs 8th graders

A meeting will be held Tuesday, Feb. 6, at Snyder High School's CVAE building, room C-5 for parents of special needs 8th graders. Call Jean Burns or Charles Haggard at 573-6301.

Medical fund

A medical fund has been established at West Texas State Bank for four-month premature Christa Lane Arnold. The baby is in Covenant Medical Center in Lubbock. The account number at the bank is 3113906-01.

1981 class reunion

The SHS class of 1981 reunion committee is seeking current addresses of class members for a reunion scheduled June 29-30. Submit names, addresses and e-mail addresses at shsclassof81@hotmail.com, or by calling Beth Bowen (573-2670), or Charlotte Clifton (573-2430).

Adult basic education classes

Adult basic education classes at WTC are held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. until noon, and from 6-9 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday. Classes include E.S.L., GED and refresher courses. Certified teachers and Spanish speaking aides teach these classes. Call 573-8511, ext. 322.

Scout food drive

The annual food drive for Boy and Girl Scouts will be from 8:30 until noon on Saturday, Feb. 3. The bags will be passed out Wednesday and next Thursday. Please, no glass or perishable items and place your items on your porch in a visible place.